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THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

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When the Holy Scriptures were written, the Holy Spirit inspired those who wrote God’s Word. In these last days, the Holy Spirit is again inspiring men and women to serve His people.

2005 was a momentous year in many ways. The Wake-Up organisation was formed in that year as the Holy Spirit began to reveal some of the work that He had for us as a team. He had visited one member of this team in such a powerful way, that we began to understand more clearly what He was asking of us. The autumn of that year, was when the Holy Spirit began to give scriptures, which were faithfully written down and checked and double checked and checked a couple of times more. Once all the scriptures had been given and put into the order prescribed by the Holy Spirit, we began to understand a little of the purpose behind this work.

The Green Bible, is made-up of extracts from 36 books of the Bible. It was as we read these chapters and verses, that we realised that we had been given a book. The Holy Spirit had given us a book which was primarily for the Jews and then for everyone; just as the first messages of Jesus had been. The scriptures together, created a pathway, which none of us had foreseen or even considered. This pathway; the Green Bible, leads to an understanding of who Jesus Christ is, who The LORD God Almighty is, and His dealings with the Jews; How the Jews became God’s chosen people and some of their history. We are shown the life and ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus. From a Jewish point of view, we are shown exactly what Jesus did when He gave up His life; the sacrifice, the redemption and the payment once for all time. We see a view of some of the prophets from the Old Testament and are led to the Apostles in the New Testament.
The theme throughout the book, is how God loves the Jews and how, from the beginning, God put into place a plan to redeem the Jews and through them, the rest of the world. These chapters from The Holy Bible, are intended to open up a pathway for all people to approach the LORD God Almighty through Jesus, acknowledging Jesus Christ as their Saviour and King, before His return.

IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THIS BOOK SHOULD REPLACE THE HOLY BIBLE, but that it should introduce the reader to the key truths within the Bible, in a quick and easily accessible way. It is still God’s Word. Once an understanding is reached, then delving into the treasures of the Bible will be a coveted and ongoing experience.
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1. Abib, or Nisan         March April         7. Ethanum, or Tizri         September October
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4. Thamus                 June July           10. Thebeth                December January
5. Ab                     July August         11. Shebeth                January February
The Gospel According to
JOHN

CHAPTER 1
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.
10 He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not.
33 And I knew Him not: but He that sent me to baptize with water, said to me, He upon whom you will see the Spirit descending, and remaining, is the One who will baptize with the HOLY SPIRIT.
51 And He said to Nathanael, Truly, truly, I say to you, Hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

CHAPTER 3
16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not die, but have everlasting life.
17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn it; but that the world through Him, might be saved.
18 He that believes in Him is not condemned: but he that does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.
19 And this is the condemnation, that Light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
20 For every one that does evil hates the light, neither does he come to the light; for fear that his deeds should be revealed.
21 But he that works in truth comes to the light, so that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in a Godly manner.
34 For He whom God has sent speaks the words of
God: for God gives Him the Spirit without limit.

35 The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand.

36 He that believes in the Son has everlasting life: and he that does not believe in the Son shall not see life; but the anger of God will remain on him.

CHAPTER 4
22 You Samaritans worship what you do not know: We know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.

23 But the time comes and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeks such as these to worship Him.

24 God is Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

CHAPTER 5
8 Jesus said to him, Rise, take up your mat, and walk.

9 And immediately the man was made well, and took up his mat, and walked: and it was the Sabbath day.

19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, The Son can do nothing by Himself, but only what He sees the Father do: for whatever things the Father does, the Son does also.

20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him everything that He does: and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may be astonished.

21 For as the Father raises up the dead and gives them life; so the Son also gives life to whom He chooses.

22 For the Father judges no man, but has handed all judgment to the Son:

23 That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that does not honour the Son does not honour the Father that sent Him.

24 Truly, truly, I say to you, He that hears my word, and believes in Him that sent me, has everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is
passed from death into life.

25 Truly, truly, I say to 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 has life in Himself; so He has given to the Son to have life in Himself;

27 And has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of man.

28 Do not be astonished at this: for the time is coming, when all the dead shall hear His voice,

29 And shall arise; those who have done good, to the resurrection of life; and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

30 I can of Myself do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; I do not seek my own will, but I seek the will of the Father who has sent me.

31 If I bear witness of Myself, my witness is not true.

32 There is another who bears witness of me; and I know that the truth, which he testifies about me, is valid.

33 You have sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth.

34 I do not receive testimony from man, but I say these things that you may be saved.

35 He was the burning and shining lamp and you were willing for a time to rejoice in his light.

36 But I have a weightier testimony than that of John: because the work that the Father has given me to finish, these same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father has indeed sent me.

37 And the Father Himself, who has sent me, has borne witness of me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape.

38 And you do not have His word dwelling in you: for you did not believe Him whom the Father has sent.

39 Search the scriptures; for in them you think you have eternal life: yet it is these very same scriptures, which testify of me.

40 And you will not come to me, that you might receive life.

41 I do not receive honour from men.

42 But I know you, that you do not have the love of
God in you.

43 I have come in my Father’s name, but you will not receive me: if another comes in his own name, you would receive him.

44 How can you believe, you who receive honour from one another, but do not seek the honour that comes from God alone?

45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuses you; it is Moses, in whom you trust.

46 For had you believed Moses, you would have believed me: for he wrote of me.

47 But if you do not believe in his writings, how shall you believe my words?

CHAPTER 6

35 And Jesus said to them, I am the bread of life: he that comes to me shall never hunger; and he that believes in me shall never thirst.

36 But I said to you, that you have seen me, and still do not believe.

37 All that the Father gives to me shall come to me, and he that comes to me I will never turn away.

38 For I came down from heaven, not to do my own will, but to do the will of Him that sent me.

39 And this is the Father’s will who sent me, that of all those He has given me I should lose none, but should raise them up again at the last day.

40 And this is the will of Him who sent me, that everyone who sees the Son, and believes in Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

CHAPTER 7

38 He that believes in me, as the scripture has said, from out of his mouth shall flow rivers of living water.

39 (Jesus was speaking of the Spirit, that those who believe in Him would receive: for the Holy Spirit was not yet given; because Jesus had not yet been glorified).
CHAPTER 8

13 Because of this the Pharisees said to Him, You are bearing witness to yourself, your own witness cannot be true.
14 Jesus answered and said to them, Though I bear witness of Myself, my witness is true: because I know where I have come from, and I know where I am going to; but you cannot tell where I come from, or where I am going to.
15 You judge by earthly standards; I judge no man.
16 And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, for the Father who sent me is with me.
17 It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.
18 I am one that bears witness of Myself, and the Father that sent me bears witness of me.
19 Then they said to Him, Where is your Father? Jesus answered, You do not know me, nor my Father: if you had known me, you would have known my Father also.
20 Jesus said this in the treasury, as He taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on Him; for His hour had not yet come.
21 Again Jesus said to them, I am going away, you will search for me, and you will die in your sins: where I am going, you cannot come.
22 Then the Jews said, Will He kill Himself? Because He said, Where I am going, you cannot come.
23 Then He said to them, You are from beneath; I am from above: you are of this world; I am not of this world.
24 I therefore said to you, that you will die in your sins: for if you do not believe that I am He, you will surely die in your sins.
25 Then they said to Him, Who are you? And Jesus said to them, I am who I said I was from the very beginning.
26 I have many things to say in judgment of you: that He that sent me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I have heard Him speak.
27 They did not understand that He spoke to them of the Father.
28 Then Jesus said to them, When you have lifted up
the Son of man, then you shall know that I am He,
and that I do nothing of Myself; but as my Father
has taught me, I speak these things.
29 And He that sent me is with me: the Father has not
left me alone; for I always do those things that
please Him.
30 As He spoke these words, many believed in Him.
42 Jesus said to them, If God were your Father, you
would love me: for I proceeded forth and came
from God; I did not come of Myself, but He sent
me.
43 Why do you not understand what I am saying to
you? It is because you cannot hear.
44 You are of your father the devil, and the lusts of
your father you will do. He was a murderer from
the beginning, and did not live in the truth,
because there is no truth in him. When he speaks
he speaks lies, because he is a liar, and the father
of untruth.
45 And because I tell you the truth, you do not believe
me.
46 Which of you can convince me I have sinned? And
if I speak the truth, why do you not believe me?
47 He that is of God hears God’s words: you therefore
hear them not, because you are not of God.
49 I do not have a devil; but I honour my Father, and
you dishonour me.
50 I do not seek my own glory: there is one that seeks
and judges.
51 Truly, truly, I say to you, if a man keeps my words,
he shall never see death.
54 If I honour Myself, my honour is nothing: but it is
my Father that honours me; of whom you say, He is
your God:
55 Yet you have not known Him; for I know Him: and
if I should say, I know Him not, I would be a liar like
you: but I know Him, and keep His commands.
58 Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born,
I AM.
CHAPTER 9
5 As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the world.

CHAPTER 10
11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.
12 But the paid worker does not own the sheep, and when he sees the wolf coming he abandons them; the wolf attacks them, and the sheep are scattered.
13 The paid worker abandons the sheep, because he does not own them and does not care for them.
14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and they know me.
15 As the Father knows me, in the same way I know the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.
16 I have other sheep, which are not of this fold: I must bring them also, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.
17 Therefore my Father loves me, because I lay down my life, so that I might take it up again.

CHAPTER 11
25 Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he who believes in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
26 And whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?
27 She answered Him, Yes, Lord: I believe that you are
the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.

Is it not advantageous for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation should not die.

Caiaphas did not speak this of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;

And not for that nation only, but also He should gather together in one, the children of God that were scattered abroad.

CHAPTER 12

On the next day a great many people came to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,

They took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel who comes in the name of the LORD.

And Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat upon it; as it is written,

Fear not, daughter of Zion: behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt.

At first His disciples did not understand these things: but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him, and that the people had done these things to Him.

And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour has come, that the Son of man be glorified.

Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a seed of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it cannot produce more seed: but if it dies, it brings forth much fruit.

He that loves his life shall lose it; and he that hates his life in this world shall have eternal life.

If any man serves me, let him follow me; and where I am, there also shall my servant be: if any man serves me, my Father will honour him.

Now my soul is troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: no, but it is for this reason that I have come to this hour.
Father, glorify your name. Then there came a voice from heaven, saying, I HAVE BOTH GLORIFIED IT, AND WILL GLORIFY IT AGAIN.

Therefore the people that stood by and heard it said that it thundered: others said, An angel spoke to Him.

Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.

Now is the time for the redemption of this world: now shall the prince of this world be defeated.

And if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

This He said, signifying what death He should die.

The people answered Him, We have heard out of the law that Christ lives forever: and you say that, The Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man?

Then Jesus said to them, For a short time the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, because when darkness comes, he that walks in darkness will not know where he is going.

While you have light, believe in the light, that you may be the children of light. Jesus spoke these things, departed and hid Himself from them.

Jesus cried out and said, He that believes in me, does not believe in me, but on Him that sent me.

CHAPTER 13

Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come, and that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them to the end.

After supper, the devil put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, to betray Him;

Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He came from God, and would return to God;

Arose from supper, removed His outer garments; and girded Himself with a towel.

After that He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet, wiping them with the
towel that He was wearing.

6 Then He came to Simon Peter: and Peter said to Him, Lord, why are you washing my feet?

7 Jesus answered and said to him, You do not understand what I do now, but you will understand later.

8 Peter said to Him, You should never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I do not wash you, you have no part with me.

9 Simon Peter said to Him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

10 Jesus said to him, He that is washed needs only to have his feet washed, for he is clean everywhere, but not every one of you is clean.

11 For He knew who should betray Him; so He said to His disciples, Not all of you are clean.

12 So after He had washed their feet, He put His clothes on, and sat down, and said to them, Do you know what I have done?

13 You call me Master and Lord: and you say well; for so I am.

14 If I am then, your Lord and Master, and have washed your feet; you also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example that you should do as I have done to you.

16 Truly, truly, I say to you, the servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater, than he that sent him.

17 If you know these things, happy are you if you do them.

31 When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, Now is the Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in Him.

32 If God be glorified in Jesus, God shall also glorify Him in Himself, and shall straightaway glorify Him.

33 Little children, for a little longer I am with you. You shall look for me: and as I said to the Jews, Where I go, you cannot come; this now I say to you.

34 A new commandment I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you.

35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.
Simon Peter said to Him, Lord, where are you going? Jesus answered him, Where I go now, you cannot follow; but you shall follow me later.

Peter said to Him, Lord, why cannot I follow you now? I will lay down my life for your sake.

Jesus answered him, Will you lay down your life for my sake? Truly, truly, I say to you, the Cockerel shall not crow, until you have denied me three times.

CHAPTER 14
1 Let not your heart be troubled: you 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 to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.
4 And you know where I am going and you know the way.
5 Thomas said to Him, Lord, we do not know where you are going; so how can we know the way?
6 Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes to the Father, but by me.
7 If you had known me, you would have known my Father also: and from now on you know Him, and have seen Him.
8 Philip said to Him, Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.
9 Jesus said to him, Have I been with you all this time, and yet you do not know me Philip? He that has seen me has seen the Father; how can you then say, Show us the Father?
10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak to you are not my own: but the words of the Father that dwells in me, He does 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 Truly, truly, I say to you, He who believes in me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works
than these shall he do; because I go to my Father.

13 And whatever you ask in my name, I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If you shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.

15 If you love me, keep my commandments.

16 And I will pray to the Father, that He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever;

17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it cannot see Him or know Him: but you know Him; for He dwells 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 sees me no more; but you see me: because I live, you shall live also.

20 On that day you shall know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

21 He that I have entrusted my commandments to, and keeps them, he it is that loves me: and he that loves me, shall be loved by my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.

22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?

23 Jesus answered and said to him, If a man loves me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our dwelling with him.

24 He that does not love me, does not obey me: and the word which you hear is not mine, but the Father's who sent me.

25 These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you.

26 But the Comforter, who is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, He shall teach you all things, and bring to mind all the things that I have said to you.

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you: I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your heart be troubled and do not be afraid.

28 You have heard how I said to you, I will go away, and come again to you. If you loved me, you would
rejoice, because I said, I go to the Father: for my Father is greater than I.
29 And now I have told you before it happens, so that when it is come to pass, you might believe.
30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world comes, but he has no power over me.
31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father commanded me, so I do.

CHAPTER 15
12 This is my commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.
13 Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.
14 You are my friends, if you do whatever I command you.
15 From this day forward I do not call you servants; for the servant does not know what his Lord is doing: but I have called you friends; for all the things that I have heard from my Father, I have made known to you.
16 You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that you should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever you shall ask of the Father in my name, He will give it to you.
17 These things I command you, that you love one another.
26 But when the Comforter has come, whom I will send to you from the Father, who is the same Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He shall testify of me:
27 And you shall also bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

CHAPTER 17
1 Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son, that your Son also may glorify you:
2 As you have given Him power over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as you have
given Him.

3 And this is life eternal, that they might know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

4 I have glorified you on the earth: I have finished the work which you have given me to do.

5 And now, Oh Father, glorify me with your own self, with the glory which I had with you before the world was.

6 I have shown your name to the men which you gave me out of the world: they were mine, and you gave them to me; and they have kept your word.

7 Now they have known that whatever you have given me is all from you.

8 For I have given to them the words which you gave me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from you, and they have believed that you did send me.

9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for those which you have given me; for they are yours.

10 And all mine are yours, and yours 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 you. Holy Father, keep safe through your own name those you have given me, that they may be one, as we are one.

12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in your name: that those you gave me I have kept, and none of them is lost, apart from the son of perdition; so that the scripture might be fulfilled.

13 And now come I to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

14 I have given them your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

15 I do not pray that you should take them out of the world, but that you should keep them safe from the evil one.

16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17 Sanctify them through your truth: your word is
As you have sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither do I pray for these alone, but for those also who shall believe in me through their word; That they all may be one; as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that you have sent me. And the glory which you have given me, I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and you in me, that they may be made perfect in us; and that the world may know that you have sent me, and have loved me. Father, It is also my wish, that they whom you have given me, be with me where I am; so that they can behold my glory, which you have given me: for you have loved me before the foundation of the world. Oh righteous Father, the world has not known you: but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me. And I have declared to them your name, and will declare it: so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.

CHAPTER 18

My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then my servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but my kingdom is not from here. Pilate said to Him, You are a king then.

CHAPTER 19

Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and flogged Him. And the soldiers plaited a crown of thorns, and put it on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe, And said, Hail, King of the Jews! And they beat Him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and said to them,
Behold, I bring Him forth to you, that you may know that I find no fault in Him.

5 Then Jesus came forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate said to them, Behold the man!

6 Therefore when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, Crucify Him, crucify Him. Pilate said to them, Take 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 said to Jesus, Where are you from? But Jesus gave him no answer.

10 Then Pilate said to Him, Why do you not speak to me? Do you not realise I have power to crucify you, and have power to release you?

11 Jesus answered, You would have no power at all against me, except it were given you from above: therefore he that delivered me into your hands has the greater sin.

12 And from there on Pilate sought to release Him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If you let this man go, you are not Caesar’s friend: whoever makes himself a king speaks against Caesar.

13 When Pilate heard them say this, 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 said to the Jews, Behold your King!

15 But they cried out, Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him. Pilate said to them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.

16 Then he delivered Him to the soldiers to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led Him away.

17 And He bearing His cross went forth into a place
17 called the place of the skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:
18 Where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one either side, and Jesus in the midst.
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 tear it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which said, They parted my clothing among them, and for my coat they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.
25 Mary the mother of Jesus stood by the cross with her sister, and Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.
26 When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple standing by, whom He loved, He said to His mother, Dear woman, this is your son!
27 Then He said to the disciple, Behold this is your mother! And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.
28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, said, I thirst.
29 Now there was a jar full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with some 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 His Spirit.
31 The Jews therefore, because it was the day of preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the Sabbath day, (for that Sabbath day was the passover), they requested Pilate to have the legs broken, and that they might be taken away.
32 Then came the soldiers, and broke the legs of the first, and the other which was crucified with Him.
33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that He was dead already, they did not break His legs:
34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced His
side, and immediately there came out blood and water.

35 And he that saw this bears witness and his record is true: and he speaks this truth that you 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 said, 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, requested from Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him permission. He came and took the body of Jesus.

39 And there came Nicodemus, who at first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy five pounds in weight.

40 Then they took the body of Jesus, and wound it in strips of linen 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, which had not yet been used.

42 They laid Jesus there because it was the Jewish day of preparation, and the sepulchre was close at hand.

CHAPTER 20

1 The first day of the week whilst it was still dark Mary Magdalene came early to the sepulchre, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the sepulchre.

2 She ran, and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid Him.

3 Peter and the other disciple went forth, and came to the sepulchre.

4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple outran Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

5 Stooping down, and looking in, he saw the linen
strips lying there; yet he did not go in.

6 Then came Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and saw the linen strips lying there,

7 And the cloth, that was around His head, was not lying with the linen strips, but was wrapped together in a place by itself.

8 The disciple which came to the sepulchre first, went in, saw, and believed.

9 For at this time they did not know the scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.

10 Then the disciples returned to their own home.

11 But Mary stood outside the sepulchre weeping.....

26 And after eight days His disciples were together indoors, and Thomas was with them: then Jesus came and stood in the midst of them, even though the doors were locked, and said: Peace be unto you.

27 Then He said to Thomas, Take your finger and place it in my hand, reach out your hand and thrust it into my side: do not be faithless, but be believing.

28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, My Lord and my God.

29 Jesus said to him, Thomas, because you have seen me, you have believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

CHAPTER 21

4 But when the morning had come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples did not realise it was Jesus.

5 Then Jesus said to them, Children, have you any fish? They answered Him, No.

6 And He said to them, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and you will find some. So they cast the net out, but were not able to pull it in for the multitude of fishes.

7 Therefore the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his fisherman’s coat, (for he was naked), and jumped into the sea and
waded ashore.

8 And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it were about 90 metres), dragging the net with fishes.

9 As soon as they landed, they saw a coal fire there, with fish cooking, and bread.

10 Jesus said to them, Bring the fish you have now caught.

11 Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, there were a hundred and fifty three: even though there were so many, the net had not broken.

12 Jesus said to them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples dare ask Him, Who are you? Knowing that it was the Lord.

13 Jesus then came, took the bread and gave it to them, and the fish likewise.

14 This was now the third time that Jesus showed Himself to His disciples, after He had risen from the dead.

15 So when they had dined, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, Do you love me more than these? He said to Him, Yes, Lord; you know that I love you. Jesus said to him, Feed my lambs.

16 He then said a second time, Simon, son of Jonas, do you love me? He replied, Yes Lord; you know that I love you. Jesus said, Feed my sheep.

17 He said to him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, do you love me? Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, Do you love me? And he said to Him, Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you. Jesus said to him, Feed my sheep.

18 Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you dressed yourself, and walked where you wanted to: but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands and another will dress you and carry you to where you do not wish to go.

19 This He spoke, to show by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, Follow me.

20 Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved, following; who had also leaned on His
breast at supper, and said, Lord, who is he that betrays you?

21 Peter seeing Him said to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do?

22 Jesus said to him, If I choose that he waits until I come, what is that to you? You follow me.

23 Then it was rumoured among the disciples, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus did not say to Peter, he would not die; but He said, If I choose that he waits until I come, what is that to you?

24 This is the disciple who testifies 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, if every one were written down, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.
CHAPTER 1
11 But I assure you, brothers, the gospel that was preached by me, is not from man.
12 For I neither received from man, neither was I taught the gospel, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.
13 For you have heard of my opinions in time past in Judaism, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and tried to destroy it:
14 And studied and learned more in Judaism, than many contemporaries from my own nation, being much more zealous of the traditions of my fathers.
15 But when it pleased God, who from my birth called me by His grace,
16 To reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the gentiles; from the beginning I did not discuss it with anyone:
17 Neither did I go to Jerusalem to them who were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and then returned again to Damascus.
18 Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and lived with him for fifteen days.
19 But I saw none of the other apostles, apart from one, James the Lord’s brother.
20 See, before God, the things which I write to you, I do not lie.
21 Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;
22 And was not known in person to the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:
23 But they had heard only, that he who persecuted us in times past, now preaches the faith which he was once destroying.
24 And they glorified God in me.
CHAPTER 2
1 Then fourteen years later, I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.
2 Because of a revelation, I went and shared with them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but I spoke privately to them who were of leadership, in case my teaching should be in vain.
3 But even Titus who was with me, being a Greek, was not compelled to be circumcised:
4 And this was because of false brothers, who came in secretly to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into slavery:
5 To whom we did not submit for even an hour; so that you might continue in the truth of the gospel.
6 But of these who seemed to be of self importance, (whoever they were, it made no difference to me: God is not interested in appearances): for those who seemed to be important in discussion, added no wisdom to me:
7 But on the contrary, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was my responsibility, just as the gospel of the circumcision was entrusted to Peter;
8 (For He that appointed Peter to the apostleship of the Jews, also appointed me to the Gentiles):
9 And when James, Peter, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given to me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship; that we should go to the gentiles, and they to the Jews.
10 They simply requested we should remember the poor; which I also was eager to do.
11 But when Peter came to Antioch, I confronted him because he was clearly in the wrong.
12 Before that group came from James, Peter ate with the Gentiles: but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.
13 And the other Jews agreed with him; even Barnabas was carried along with their viewpoint.
14 But when I saw that they did not walk in the truth
of the gospel, I said to Peter in front of them all; If you, being a Jew, live as a Gentile, and not as the Jews, why do you compel the Gentiles to live as the Jews do?

15 We who are Jews by birth, and not 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 man 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 offensive to God.

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 lives 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 came by the law, then Christ died in vain.

CHAPTER 3

1 O foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, the evidence of Jesus Christ’s crucifixion has been clearly set before you?

2 All I want to know from you is, did you receive the Spirit by observing the works of the law, or by the hearing of the word?

3 Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now made perfect by the law?

4 Have you suffered so many things without gain? If it really was without gain.

5 He that gave you the Spirit, and worked miracles among you, does He do it by the law, or by faith in His word?

6 Even as Abraham believed the word of God, and it
was accounted to him as righteousness.

7 Those who are saved by faith, they are the children of Abraham.

8 And the word of God saying to Abraham: In you shall all nations be blessed, foresaw that God would justify the gentiles through faith, was preached before the gospel of Christ.

9 So then those who are of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse of the law: for it is written, Cursed is everyone that does not obey the commands which are written in the book of the law.

11 For 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 built on faith: but, the man that follows the law shall live because of it.

13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having been made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangs 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 Brothers, I speak in the way of men; even a man’s agreement, once confirmed, cannot be made void or added to.

16 Now the promises were made to Abraham and his seed. He did not say, And to seeds, in the plural; but as of one, And this to your seed, which is Christ.

17 And this I say, that the agreement that was confirmed before, by God in Christ to Abraham; the law, was not cancelled out or made ineffective by the law which was given four hundred and thirty years later.

18 For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.

19 What purpose does the Law serve? It was added because of sins, until the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was coordinated by angels in the hand of a mediator.

20 Now a mediator is not a mediator of one person,
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, truly righteousness would have been given by the law.

22 But the scripture has provided for all under sin, so 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, unaware of the faith, which afterwards would be revealed.

24 And so the law was our schoolmaster to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

25 But after that faith has come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

26 For you are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

27 For as many of you as have been joined in Christ, have been clothed in Christ.

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female: for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.

CHAPTER 4

1 Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differs nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed by the father.

3 Even so we, when we were children, were under authority to the ways of the world:

4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

5 To redeem them that were under the law, so that we could become adopted sons.

6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, and He cries, Abba, Father.
Therefore you are no longer a servant, but a son; and if you are a son, then you are an heir of God through Christ.

How is it then, when you did not know God, you served those which by nature are not gods.

But now, that you have known God, or rather are known of God, how can you turn again to the weak and beggarly way of life, whereby your desire will again take you into slavery?

You observe days, and months, and times, and years.

I am afraid for you, for fear that the work that I have done on your behalf has been done in vain.

Brothers, I beg you, to be as I am; for I am as you are: you have not injured me at all.

You know how I preached the gospel to you at first, even though I was not well.

You did not despise me, nor reject me; but received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus, although it was difficult for you.

Where then is the blessing you spoke of? For I bear witness, that, if it had been possible, you would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me!

Have I become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?

They determinedly affect you, but not well, yes, they would exclude you for fear that you would affect them.

But it is good to be always affected zealously in a good thing, and not only when I am present with you.

My little children, of whom I labour in birth again until Christ is formed in you,

I desire to be present with you now, and to change the tone of my voice; for I stand in doubt of you.

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law?

For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a servant, the other by a wife.

But he who was of the slave woman was born of the flesh; but he of the freewoman was born by the
These things are an example: for these are the two covenants; the one from the Mount Sinai, which gives birth to slavery, which is Hagar.

For this Hagar, which is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and answers to Jerusalem which now is, and is in slavery with her children.

But Jerusalem which is above is free, who is the mother of us all.

For it is written, Rejoice, you who are barren and bears not; break forth and cry, you who labours not: for the desolate has many more children than she who has a husband.

Now we, brothers, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

For in those days he who was born of the flesh, persecuted him who was born of the Spirit, and so it is today.

Even so what does the scripture say? Cast out the slavewoman and her son: for the son of the slavewoman shall not be heir with the son of the wife.

So then, brothers, we are not children of the slavewoman, but of the free.

CHAPTER 5

Therefore stand strong in the liberty with which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with the yoke of slavery.

Behold, I Paul, say to you, that if you become circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.

For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is obliged to follow the whole law.

Christ would benefit you nothing, for whoever of you is justified by the law; you have fallen from grace.

For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.

For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; but faith, which works by love, means everything.

You were running well; who tripped you up so that
you should not obey the truth?

8 This teaching does not come from Him that calls you.

9 A little yeast raises the whole lump of dough.

10 I have confidence in you through the Lord, that you will be like-minded: but he who is trying to mislead you, will bear his judgment, whoever he may be.

11 And I, brothers, if I still preach circumcision, why do I still suffer persecution? This would mean that the sacrifice of the cross is abolished.

12 I wish those who are troubling you would be cut off.

13 So, brothers, you have been called into liberty; only do not use your liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but by love, serve one another.

14 For all the law is fulfilled in one sentence, it is this; You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

15 But if you bite and devour one another, take heed that you are not consumed by one another.

16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh works against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are opposite to each other: so that you cannot do the things that you would wish to.

18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

19 Now the works of the flesh manifest as these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: as I have mentioned to you in the past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

20 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

21 And they that are Christ’s, have crucified the flesh with it’s affections and lusts.

22 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
26 Let us not desire vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

CHAPTER 6
1 Brothers, if a man is overtaken by a fault, you who are spiritual, should restore him in a spirit of meekness; guarding yourself, or you may also be tempted.
2 Carry one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.
3 For if a man thinks himself important when he is nothing, he deceives 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 do his own work.
6 Let him who has been trained in the word of God, constantly pray to Him who has taught him all good things.
7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatever a man sows, so shall he reap.
8 For he who sows in the flesh, shall of the flesh receive death; but he who sows in the Spirit shall in the Spirit receive everlasting life.
9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we continue in our work.
10 Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, especially to them who are of the household of faith.
11 You see how large a letter I have written to you with my own hand.
12 All those who desire to make an example in the flesh, by persuading you to be circumcised; only do so in case 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, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.
15 For in Christ Jesus, neither circumcision, nor
uncircumcision achieves anything, but in Him I am a new creature.

16 As many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, 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 Brothers, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.
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CHAPTER 1
16 Therefore the LORD says; I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, says the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth over Jerusalem.
17 Cry yet, saying, thus says the LORD of hosts; My cities through prosperity will be enlarged; and the LORD will comfort Zion, and will choose Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 2
8 For thus says the LORD of hosts; For His glory He has sent me to the nations that destroyed you: for he that touches you, touches the apple of His eye.
9 For, behold, I will raise my hand to them, and they shall be a trophy to their servants: and you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent me.
10 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, behold I come, and I will dwell in the midst of you, says the LORD.
11 And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and you shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of you, and you shall know that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you.
12 And the LORD shall inherit Judah, His portion in the Holy Land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.
13 Be silent, all flesh, before the LORD: for He is raised up out of His Holy Habitation.

CHAPTER 3
6 And the angel of the LORD proclaimed to Joshua, saying,
7 Thus says the LORD of hosts; If you will walk in my ways, and if you will keep my commands, then you will also judge my house, and will look after my temple courts, and I will give you places to walk among those that stand by.
Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, you, and your fellow priests that sit before you: for they are men to be wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.

For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon the one stone shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the new name, says the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the sin of that land in one day.

In that day, says the LORD of hosts, you shall call every man your neighbour, under the vine and under the fig tree.

CHAPTER 4

For who has despised the day of small things? For they shall rejoice, and shall see the plumb line in the hand of Zerubbabel with these seven; they are the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

CHAPTER 8

Thus says the LORD; I am returned to 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.

Thus says the LORD of hosts; There shall yet be old men and old women living in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand because of his old age.

And the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.

Thus says 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 my eyes? Says the LORD of hosts.

Thus says the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from the west country;

And I will bring them, and they shall live in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.
CHAPTER 10

3 My anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the sheep and goats: for the LORD of hosts has visited His flock, the house of Judah, and has made them as His strong horse in the battle.

4 Out of Him came forth the cornerstone, out of Him the builders nail, out of Him the battle bow, out of Him every leader together.

5 And they shall be as mighty men, which tread down their enemies in the dirt and filth of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD is with them, and the riders on horses shall be defeated.

6 And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to Jerusalem; 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.
CHAPTER 1
1 In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, saying,
   Thus says the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, It is not yet time that the house of the LORD shall be built.
2 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,
   Is it time for you, O you, who live in your cladded houses, and that my house lies waste?
3 Now therefore says the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.
   You have sown much, and bring in little; you eat, but you do not have enough; you drink, but you still thirst; you clothe yourselves, but you are not warm; and he that earns wages, earns wages to put it into a bag with holes.
4 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, says the LORD.
5 You looked for much, but, it came to little; and when you brought it home, I blew upon it. Why? Says the LORD of hosts. Because of my house that is waste, and you focus on your own house.
6 Therefore the heaven over you does not produce dew, and the earth does not produce fruit.
7 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 brings forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of your hands.
Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Jehozadak, 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 were fearful before the LORD.

Then Haggai the prophet, spoke the LORD’s message to the people, saying, I am with you, says the LORD.

And the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, 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,

In the twenty fourth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

CHAPTER 2

Who is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? And how do you see it now? Does it compare with nothing in your eyes?

Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land, says the LORD, and work: for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts:

According to the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so my Holy Spirit remains among you: fear not.

For thus says the LORD of hosts; in a little while, I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;

And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, says the LORD of hosts.

The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts.

The glory of this new house shall be greater than that of the old one, says the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, says the LORD of hosts.

In the twenty fourth day of the ninth month, in the
second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

11 Thus says the LORD of hosts; Ask now the priests concerning the law, saying,

12 If one carries holy meat in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt touches 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 anyone is unclean by a dead body and touches any of these things, shall they be unclean? And the priests answered and said, They shall be unclean.

14 Then answered Haggai, and said, So is this people, and so is this nation before me, says the LORD; and so is every work of their hands; and so that which they offer there is also unclean.

15 And now, I pray you, consider from this day onwards, from before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of the LORD:

16 In those days, when one came to a heap of twenty measures, there were but ten: when one came to the winepress to draw out fifty vessels from the press, there were only twenty.

17 I afflicted you with blight and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your hands; yet you did not turn to me, says the LORD.

18 Consider now from this day forward, from the twenty fourth day of the ninth month, even from the day that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, think about it.

19 Is the harvest yet in the barn? Hear this, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, have not yet brought forth produce: from this day I will bless you.

20 And again the word of the LORD came to Haggai in the twenty fourth 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 unbelievers; 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, says the LORD of hosts, I will take you, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, says the LORD, and will make you as a seal of authority: for I have chosen you, says the LORD of hosts.
CHAPTER 1

3 The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not release the wicked: the LORD repays in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of His feet.

5 The mountains quake at Him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at His presence, hear this world, and all that lives therein.

6 Who can stand before His indignation? And who can live 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 stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knows them that trust in Him.

15 Behold upon the mountains the feet of Him that brings good news, and publishes peace! O Judah, keep your solemn feasts, perform your solemn vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through you; he is utterly cut off.
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CHAPTER 1

2 Hear, all you people; listen, O earth, all that are therein: and let the LORD God be witness against you, the LORD from His Holy Temple.

CHAPTER 2

13 The battering ram has come up before them: they have broken free, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the LORD at the head of them.

CHAPTER 6

8 He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you? Simply to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

CHAPTER 7

7 Therefore I will look to the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

18 Who is a God like you, that pardons sin, and passes by the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He retains not His anger forever, because He delights in mercy.

19 He will turn again, He will have compassion upon us; He will subdue our iniquities; and He will cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.
CHAPTER 1

1 In the beginning God created the heavens 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 separated 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 an island in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7 And God made a mass of land, and divided the waters which were under it, from the waters which were above the mass of land: and it was so.

8 And God called the Heavens, Sky. 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 dry land appear: and it was so.

10 And God called the dry land, Earth; and the gathering together of the waters He called, 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 it’s 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 it’s kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after it’s kind: and God saw that it was good.

13 And the evening and the morning were the third
And God said, Let there be lights in the Heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and for years:

And let them be for lights in the heavens to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

And God made two great lights; the brightest light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made the stars also.

And God set them in the heavens to give light upon the earth,

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.

And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

And God said, Let the waters produce abundantly the moving creature that has life, and the birds that may fly above the earth in the open skies.

And God created great whales, and every living creature that moves, which the waters produced abundantly, each species, and every winged bird in its individual species: and God saw that it was good.

And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply in the earth.

And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

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.

And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

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 birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

So God created man in His own image, in the
image of God He created man; male and female He created them.
28 And God blessed them, and God said to them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves 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, which is in the fruit of a tree yielding seed; and it shall be for meat.
30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for food: and it was so.
31 And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

CHAPTER 2
1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all that was in 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 in that day He had rested from all His work which God created and made.
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 the LORD God made 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 there it was parted, and became four riverheads.
11 The name of the first is Pison: which runs through the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;
12 And the gold of that land is good: there is aromatic
resin and the onyx stone.

13 And the name of the second river is Gihon: which encompasses parts of the land of Africa.

14 And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: which goes toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates.

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat:

17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, you shall not eat of it: for in the day that you do eat of it, you shall surely die.

18 And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make a helper for him.

20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a helper 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 in its place;

22 And the LORD God made a woman from that rib and brought her to 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.

CHAPTER 3

2 And the woman said to 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 has said, You shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.

4 And the serpent said to the woman, You shall not surely die:

5 For God does know that in the day you eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and you 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 from that tree, and ate it, and also gave to her husband; and he ate it.

7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they
knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made coverings for themselves.

9 And the LORD God called to Adam, and said to him, Where are you?

10 And he said, I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

12 And then said, The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate it.

13 And the LORD God said to the woman, What is this that you have done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I ate.

14 And the LORD God said to the serpent, Because you have done this, you are cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon your belly you shall go, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life:

15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.

17 And to Adam He said, Because you listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten from the tree which I commanded you; You shall not eat of it: cursed is the ground because of what you have done; in sorrow and hardship you shall eat the fruit of it all the days of your life.

20 And Adam called his wife’s name Eve; because she was the mother of all the living.

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was made.

CHAPTER 4

8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and killed him.

17 And Cain and his wife; had a son, who was named Enoch: and Cain built a city, and named it after his son, Enoch.

25 And Adam and his wife had another son, and he was named Seth: For God, she said, has appointed
me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew.

26 Then Seth, also had a son; and named him Enos: then men began to call upon the name of the LORD.

CHAPTER 5
1 This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, He made man in His own image;
2 He created them male and female; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.
3 And Adam lived a hundred and thirty years, and bore a son in his own likeness, after his image; and he named him Seth:
4 And after Seth was born Adam lived eight hundred years: and he bore sons and daughters:
5 And Adam lived nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.
6 And Seth lived a hundred and five years, and bore Enos:
7 After Enos was born, Seth lived eight hundred and seven years, and bore sons and daughters:
8 And Seth lived nine hundred and twelve years: and he died.
9 And Enos lived ninety years, and bore Cainan:
10 After Cainan was born, Enos lived eight hundred and fifteen years, and bore sons and daughters:
11 And altogether Enos lived nine hundred and five years: and he died.
12 And Cainan lived seventy years, and bore Mahalaleel:
13 And Mahalaleel was born, Cainan lived eight hundred and forty years, and bore sons and daughters:
14 Altogether Cainan lived nine hundred and ten years: and he died.
15 And Mahalaleel lived sixty five years, and bore Jared:
16 After Jared was born Mahalaleel lived eight hundred and thirty years, and he bore sons and daughters:
Altogether Mahalaleel lived eight hundred and ninety-five years: and he died.

And Jared lived a hundred and sixty-two years, and he bore Enoch:

After Enoch was born Jared lived eight hundred years, and bore sons and daughters:

Altogether Jared lived nine hundred and sixty-two years: and he died.

And Enoch lived sixty-five years and bore Methuselah;

After Methuselah was born, Enoch walked with God for three hundred years, and bore sons and daughters:

Altogether Enoch lived for three hundred and sixty-five years:

And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

And Methuselah lived a hundred and eighty-seven years, and bore Lamech:

And Lamech was born, Methuselah lived seven hundred and eighty-two years, and bore sons and daughters:

Altogether Methuselah lived nine hundred and sixty-nine years: and he died.

And Lamech lived a hundred and eighty-two years, and bore a son:

And he called his name Noah, saying, This child shall comfort us during our work and the toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD has cursed.

After Noah was born Lamech lived for ninety-five years, and bore sons and daughters:

Altogether Lamech lived for seven hundred and seventy-seven years: and he died.

And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah bore Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

CHAPTER 6

These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

And Noah bore three sons, Shem, Ham, and
Japheth.
11 The earth was also 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 God’s way upon the earth.
13 And God said to Noah, It is time to end all flesh; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.
14 Make me an ark of gopher wood; you shall make rooms within the ark, and you shall cover the inside and outside with pitch.
15 And the measurements which you shall make it, are: The length of the ark shall be four hundred and fifty feet long, the breadth shall be seventy five feet, and the height of it forty five feet.
16 You shall make a window in the ark, and it shall be eighteen inches below the roof; and the door of the ark shall be set in the side; with lower, second, and third stories you shall 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 everything that is in the earth shall die.
18 But with you will I establish my covenant; and you shall come into the ark, you, and your sons, and your wife, and your sons’ wives with you.
19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every kind you shall bring into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female.
20 Of birds after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every kind shall come to you, to keep them alive.
21 And take with you all food that is eaten, and you shall gather it together; and it shall be for food for you, and for the animals.
22 Thus Noah did all that God commanded him.

CHAPTER 7
1 And the LORD said to Noah, Come you and all your house into the ark; for I have seen you as righteous
before me in this generation.

2 Of every clean beast you shall take by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by twos, the male and his female.

3 Of birds also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to each species to keep alive upon the face of all the earth.

4 For in seven days, I will cause it to rain upon the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living creature that I have made I will destroy from off the face of the earth.

5 And Noah did everything that the LORD commanded him.

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 birds, and of everything that creeps upon the earth,

9 They went in two by two 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 creeps upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every kind.

15 And they went to Noah into the ark, two by 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 lifted up the ark upon the waters.
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 continued to increase upon the earth; and all the mountains, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.
20 And the highest mountains were covered by at least twenty two feet of water.
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 creeps upon the earth, and every man:
22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was on 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 birds of the air; and they were destroyed from the earth: and only Noah remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.
24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth for a hundred and fifty days.

CHAPTER 8
1 And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that were with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters receded;
2 Also the fountains of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;
3 And the waters continued to recede: and at the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were greatly reduced.
4 And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the
And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen.

And at the end of forty days, Noah opened the window of the ark, which he had made:

And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.

Also he sent a dove out to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

But the dove found no place to alight, and so returned to the ark, because the waters were still covering the earth: then Noah put out his hand, and took the dove into the ark.

And he waited a further seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

And the dove came to him in the evening; and in her mouth was an olive leaf: so Noah knew that the waters had decreased further from the earth.

And he waited another seven days; and sent forth the dove; which did not return to him again.

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.

And in the second month, on the twenty seventh day, the earth was dry.

And God spoke to Noah, saying,

Go out of the ark, you, and your wife, and your sons, and your sons' wives with you.

Bring forth every living thing that is with you, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.

And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatever creeps upon the earth, in their species, went forth out of the ark.
20 And Noah built an altar to 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 never again curse the ground anymore for man’s sake; for the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth; I will not destroy anymore every living thing, as I have done.
22 While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

CHAPTER 9
1 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and He said to them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.
2 And the fear of man and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every bird of the air, upon all that moves upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand they are delivered.
3 Every moving thing that lives shall be meat for you; even as I gave you the green herb have I now given you all things.
4 But flesh with the life still in it, which is the blood thereof, you shall not eat.
5 And I will hold you answerable for your lifeblood; and every beast that kills a man will be held answerable for the lifeblood, and the man that kills another will be held answerable; every man who kills another will be held answerable for the lifeblood.
6 Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made He man.
7 And you, be fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.
8 And God spoke to Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,
9 And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;
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.

And I will establish my covenant with you; nor shall all mankind be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; nor shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth.

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:

I set my rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be as a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow shall be seen in the cloud:

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.

And the rainbow 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.

And God said to Noah, This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

CHAPTER 13

And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.

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

And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai;

To the place where he had built the altar at first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

And Lot who went with Abram, also had flocks, herds, and tents.

And they were not able to live together: for the
land could not sustain all their flocks and herds.

And there was disagreement between the herdsmen of Abram's cattle and the herdsmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite also lived in the land.

And Abram said to Lot, Let there be no strife, I beg you, between me and you, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are family.

Is not the whole land before you? I beg you, we must separate ourselves: if you take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or, if you depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left.

And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as one comes to Zoar.

Then Lot chose for himself all the plain of Jordan; and he journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

Abram lived in the land of Canaan, and Lot lived in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom.

But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

And the LORD said to Abram, after Lot was separated from him, Lift up your eyes, and look north, east, south and west from the place where you are:

For all the land which you see, to you will I give it, and to your seed forever.

And I will make your seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall your seed also be numbered.

Arise, walk through the length and breadth of the land; for I will give it to you.

Then Abram removed his tent, and came and lived in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar to the LORD.

CHAPTER 17

Neither shall your name any more be Abram, but
your name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made you.

21 But I will establish my covenant with Isaac, whom Sarah will give birth to at this set time in the next year.

22 And after their conversation, 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 to him.

24 And Abraham was ninety nine years old, 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 Abraham was circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money from foreigners, were circumcised with him.

CHAPTER 22

7 And Isaac spoke to 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 both went 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 to him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham. And he said, Here am I.

12 And he said, Do not lay your hand upon the lad, neither do anything to him: for now I know that
you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your 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 instead of his son.

14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mountain of the LORD it shall be seen.

15 And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham out of heaven the second time,

16 And said, By myself I have sworn, says the LORD, for because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son:

17 That in blessing I will bless you, and in multiplying I will multiply your seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and your seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

18 And in your seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because you have obeyed my voice.

19 So Abraham returned to his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham lived at Beer-sheba.

20 And it came to pass after these things, that it was told to Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah; she has also born children to your 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 was the father of Rebekah: these eight Milcah bore to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

24 And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, also bore Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and Maachah.

CHAPTER 23

9 That he might give me the cave of Machpelah, which he has, that is in the end of his field; he shall give it to me for as much money as it is worth, to use as a burial place.
And Ephron lived among the people of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the people of Heth, even of all that went in at the gate of the city, saying,

No, my lord, listen: the field I give to you, and the cave that is therein, I give it to you; in the presence of the sons of my people I give it to you: bury your dead.

And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

And he spoke to Ephron in the hearing of the people of the land, saying, But if you will give it, I pray you hear me: I will give you money for the field; take it from me, and I will bury my dead there.

And Ephron answered Abraham, saying to him,

My Lord, hear me: the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver; what is that between you and me? Bury therefore your dead.

And Abraham weighed the silver before Ephron, which he had named in the hearing of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current money with the merchant.

And Ephron’s field, which was in Machpelah, on the way to Mamre, the field and the cave that was in it, and all the trees that were in the field, and all in the borders around it, were confirmed

To Abraham for a possession, in the presence of the people of Heth, and before all that went in at the gate of his city.

And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah, on the way to Mamre: the same is Hebron in the land of Canaan.

And the field, and the cave that is in it, were confirmed to Abraham for a possession as a buryingplace, by the sons of Heth.

CHAPTER 24

And the girl ran, to her mother’s house and told her these things.

And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was
Laban: and Laban ran out to the man at the well.

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, This is what the man said to me; that he came to the man at the well; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

And he said, Come in, you who are blessed of the LORD; why are you standing outside? For I have prepared the house and made room for the camels.

And the man came into the house: and he unloaded his camels, and gave straw and food for them, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that were with him.

And there was meat set before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat until I have told you why I am here. And Laban said, Speak on.

And he said, I am Abraham's servant.

And the LORD has blessed my master greatly, and he has become great: and He has given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and donkeys.

And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old: and to his son he has given all that he has.

And my master made me swear, saying, You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live:

But you shall go to my father's house, and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son.

And I said to my master, What if the woman will not follow me.

And he said to me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send His angel with you, and prosper your way; and you shall take a wife for my son, of my relatives, and of my father's house:

Then you will be released from my oath, when you come to my relatives; and if they do not give you a wife for Isaac, you shall be released from my oath.

And today I came to the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, if you are prospering
the way in which I go:

43 Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall happen, that when the virgin comes forth to draw water, and I will say to her, Give me a little water to drink from the pitcher;

44 And she says to me, Drink, and I will also draw for your camels: let her be the woman whom the LORD has chosen for my master’s son.

45 And before I had done speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down to the well, and drew water: and I said to her, Let me drink, I pray you.

46 And quickly she let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drink, and I will give your camels a drink also: so I drank, and she gave the camels a drink too.

47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter are you? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to 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, who had led me in the right way to take my master’s brother’s daughter to his son.

49 And now if you 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, It is clearly the LORD’s will: we cannot speak to you bad or good.

51 Behold, Rebekah is before you, take her, and go, and let her be your master’s son’s wife, as the LORD has 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 fine clothing, and gave them to Rebekah: he also gave to her brother and to her mother precious things.
And they ate and drank, he and the men that were with him, and stopped overnight; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away to my master.

And her brother and her mother said, Let the girl stay with us a few days, at least ten; after that she shall go.

And he said to them, As the LORD has prospered my way, do not hinder me; but send me away that I may go to my master.

And they said, We will call the girl, and ask her.

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, Will you go with this man? And she said, I will go.

...so she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

CHAPTER 25
1 Then again Abraham took a wife, and her name was Keturah.

2 And she bore 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 to Isaac.

6 But to the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away while he still lived, eastward, into the east country, away from Isaac his son.

7 And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, a hundred and seventy five years.

8 Then Abraham gave up his spirit, 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 on the way to Mamre;

10 The field which Abraham bought from the people
of Heth: there Abraham was buried, and Sarah his wife.

11 And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac lived by the well Lahai-roi.

12 Now these are the generations of Ishmael: Abraham’s son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah’s handmaid, bore to 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; a hundred and thirty seven years, and he gave up his spirit and died, and was gathered to his people.

18 And they lived from Havilah to Shur, that is before Egypt, as one goes towards Assyria, and he died in the presence of all his brothers.

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 be his wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.

21 And Isaac pleaded with the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD listened to him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it is the LORD’s will, why is this happening to me? And she went to ask the LORD.

23 And the LORD said to her, Two nations are in your womb, and you shall give birth to two different people; and one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the eldest will serve the youngest.

24 And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.
And the first came out red, all over like a hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.

And after that his brother came out, and his hand took hold of Esau's heel, and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field, and Jacob was a simple man, living in tents.

And Isaac loved Esau, because he ate of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.

And Jacob was making stew: and Esau returned from the field, and he was faint with hunger:

And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I beg you, with that red stew, for I am faint, therefore his name was called Edom.

And Jacob said, Sell me this day your birthright.

And Esau said, Behold, I am dying of hunger: and what good is this birthright to me?

And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he swore to him: and he sold his birthright to Jacob.

Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and lentil stew; and he ate and drank, rose up, and went on his way, thus Esau despised his birthright.

CHAPTER 26

And Isaac lived in Gerar:

And the men of the place asked him about his wife; and he said, She is my sister; because he was scared to say, She is my wife; for he thought the men of the place would kill him for Rebekah; as she was beautiful to look upon.

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 that Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife.

And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, I am certain she is your wife: why did you say, She is my sister? And Isaac said to him, For fear that I would die because of her.

And Abimelech said, What is this you have done to us? One of the people might have lain with your
wife, and could have brought guilt upon us.
11 And Abimelech charged all his people, saying, He that touches this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.
12 Then Isaac farmed in that land, and received in that same year a hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.
13 And the man became great, and continued to expand until he became very great:
14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and a large number of servants: and the Philistines envied him.
15 For all the wells which his father’s servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, had been stopped up and filled with earth by the Philistines.
16 And Abimelech said to Isaac, Move away from us; for you are much mightier than us.
17 And Isaac departed, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and lived there.
18 And Isaac dug again the wells of water, which they had dug in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names by the names which his father had called them.
19 And Isaac's servants dug in the valley, and there they found a well of spring water.
20 And the herdsmen of Gerar argued with Isaac’s herdsmen, saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they argued with him.
21 And they dug another well, and argued for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah.
22 And he moved away from there, and dug another well; and for that they did not argue: and he called it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.
23 And he went up from there to Beer-sheba.
24 And the LORD appeared to him that same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham your father: fear not, for I am with you, and will bless you, and multiply your seed for my servant Abraham’s sake.
And he built an altar there, and called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac’s servants dug a well.

Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.

And Isaac said to them, Why have you come to me, when you hate me, and have sent me away from you?

And they said, We were certain that the LORD was with you: and we said, Let us make an oath between us, even between us and you, and let us make an agreement with you;

That you will do us no harm, as we have not touched you, and as we have done nothing but good to you, and have sent you away in peace: you are now blessed by the LORD.

And he made them a feast, and they ate and drank.

And they rose up early in the morning, and swore each with the other: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.

And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac’s servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had dug, and said to him, We have found water.

And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city is Beer-sheba to this day.

And Esau was forty years old when he took for a wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:

Which caused grief of mind to Isaac and to Rebekah.

CHAPTER 27

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 to him, My son. And he said to him, Behold, here I am.

And he said, Listen, now I am old, I do not know the day of my death:

So take, I beg you, your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and catch me
some venison;
4 And make me the savoury meat, that I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless you before I die.
5 And Rebekah heard what Isaac said to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it home.
6 And Rebekah spoke to Jacob her son, saying, Listen, I heard your father speak to Esau your brother, saying,
7 Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless you before the LORD before my death.
8 Now my son, listen to what I have to say and do what I command you.
9 Go now to the flock, and bring me two young goats; and I will make savoury meat for your father, which he loves:
10 And you shall bring it to your father, that he may eat, and that he may bless you before his death.
11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, But look, Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man:
12 What if my father feels me, 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 to him, The curse shall be upon me, my son: only obey my voice, go and fetch the goats.
14 And he went, and brought them to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved.
15 And Rebekah took Esau’s best clothes, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:
16 And she put the skins of the young 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 to his father, and said, My father. And he said, Here I am; are you my son?
And Jacob said to his father, I am Esau your firstborn; I have done as you asked me: get up now, sit, and eat the venison so that your soul may bless me.

And Isaac said to his son, How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD your God brought it to me.

And Isaac said to Jacob, Come near, I beg you, that I may feel you, my son, and know whether you are truly my son Esau or not.

And Jacob went near to Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice is Jacob’s voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau.

And he did not recognise him, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau’s hands: so he blessed him.

And he said, Are you truly my son Esau? And he said, I am.

And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat my son’s venison, that my soul may bless you. And he brought it near to him, and he ate: and he brought him wine, and he drank.

And his father Isaac said to him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his clothes, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the LORD has blessed:

Therefore God give you of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:

Let people serve you, and nations bow down to you: be lord over your brothers, and let your mother’s son’s bow down to you: cursed be everyone that curses you, and blessed be he that blesses you.

And it happened, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob had barely left the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

And he had made savoury meat as well, and brought it to his father, and said to his father, Let
my father arise, and eat of his son’s venison, that your soul may bless me.

32 And Isaac his father said to him, Who are you? And he said, I am your son, your firstborn Esau.

33 And Isaac shook, and said, Who? Where is he that has caught the venison, and brought it to me, and I have eaten it all before you came, and have blessed him? And he will be blessed.

34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried out with a loud and bitter cry, and said to his father, Bless me, as well, O my father.

35 And he said, Your brother came craftily, and has taken away your blessing.

36 And he said, He is rightly named Jacob? For he has tricked me these two times: he took away my birthright; and now he has taken away my blessing. And he said, Have you not reserved a blessing for me?

37 And Isaac answered and said to Esau, Behold, I have made him your lord, and all his brothers have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine I have sustained him: and what shall I do now for you, my son?

38 And Esau said to his father, Have you only one blessing, my father? Bless me too, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

39 And Isaac his father answered and said to him, Behold, you shall live from the fatness of the land and from the dew of the heaven;

40 And by your sword you shall live, and you shall serve your brother; after a time you shall have the upper hand and you shall break his yoke from off your neck.

41 And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing with which his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are close; then will I slay my brother Jacob.

42 And the words of Esau, the elder son, were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said to him, Listen, your brother Esau, is comforting himself, with the thought of killing you.
43 Because of this, my son, obey my voice; get up, flee to Haran, to Laban my brother;
44 And stay with him a few days, until your brother’s anger subsides;
45 Stay until your brother’s anger turns away from you, and forgets what you have done to him: then I will send for you from there: why should I be deprived of both of you in one day?
46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am tired of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob should take a wife from the daughters of Heth, which are daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

CHAPTER 28
1 And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and told him, You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan.
2 Arise, go to Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel your mother’s father; and take a wife from there of the daughters of Laban your mother’s brother.
3 And God Almighty bless you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, that you may be a multitude of people;
4 And give you the blessing of Abraham, to you, and to your seed with you; that you may inherit the land where you are a stranger, which God gave to Abraham.
5 And Isaac sent Jacob away: and he went to Padan-aram to Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, who is Jacob’s and Esau’s mother.
6 When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, to take a wife from there; and as he blessed him he told him, saying, You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan;
7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and had gone to Padan-aram;
8 And Esau realised that the daughters of Canaan did not please Isaac his father;
9 Then Esau went to Ishmael, and added to the wives
which he already had, Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael who was Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.  

10 And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went towards Haran.  

11 And he arrived at a certain place, and stayed there all night, because the sun was set; and he took from the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.  

12 And he dreamed, and saw a ladder, the bottom of it was on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and he saw 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 your father, and the God of Isaac: to you and your seed I will give the land on which you are lying;  

14 And your seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in you and in your seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.  

15 And, behold, I am with you, and wherever you may go, I will bring you again into this land; for I will not leave you, until I have done that which I have spoken to you.  

16 And Jacob woke out of his sleep, and he said, Truly the LORD is in this place; and I did not realise it.  

17 And he was afraid, and said, How awesome this place is! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.  

18 And Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had used for his pillows, and set it up as a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.  

19 And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of that city was originally 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 clothing to put on,  

21 So that I come again to my father’s house in peace; then shall I know that the LORD is my God:
22 And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God’s house: and of all that you have given me I will surely give a tenth to you.

CHAPTER 29
1 Then Jacob went on his journey, and came into the land of the people of the east.
2 And he looked, and saw a well in the field, and there were three flocks of sheep lying by it; out of that well they watered the flocks: and a great stone was upon the well’s mouth.
3 And there all the flocks were 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 its place.
4 And Jacob said to them, My brothers, where are you from? And they said, We are from Haran.
5 And he said to them, Do you know Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know him.
6 And he said to them, Is he well? And they said, He is well: and, look, Rachel his daughter is coming with the sheep.
7 And he said, It is barely noon, neither is it time that the cattle should be gathered together: water your sheep, and go and feed them.
8 And they said, We cannot, until all the flocks are gathered together, and until they roll the stone from the well’s mouth; then we water the sheep.
9 And while he was still speaking 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 which belonged to him, Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the mouth of the well, 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 kinsman, and that he was Rebekah’s son: and she ran and told her father.
13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard the news of
Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things.

14 And Laban said to him, Truly you are my bone and my flesh. And he stayed with him for a month.

15 And Laban said to Jacob, Because you are my relative, should you work for me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your 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 had poor vision; but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.

18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, I will work seven years for Rachel your younger daughter.

19 And Laban said, It is better that I give her to you, than that I should give her to another man: stay with me.

20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed to him but a few days, because of the love that he had for her.

21 And Jacob said to Laban, Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may marry 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 to her.

24 And Laban gave to his daughter Leah, Zilpah, his maid for a servant.

25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Leah: and he said to Laban, What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve you for Rachel? Why have you deceived me?

26 And Laban said, In our country, it is not right to give the younger before the firstborn in marriage.

27 Complete her week, and we will give you Rachel as well in exchange for a further seven years.

28 And Jacob did so, and completed her week: and Laban gave him Rachel his daughter for a wife as well.

29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his
handmaid to be her maid.

30 And he was united with Rachel, and he loved Rachel more than Leah, and served with him for another seven years.

31 And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, He opened her womb: but Rachel was barren.

32 And Leah conceived, and bore a son, and she called his name Reuben: for she said, Surely the LORD has looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.

33 And she conceived again, and bore a son; and said, Because the LORD has heard that I was hated, He has therefore given me this son also: and she called his name Simeon.

34 And she conceived again, and bore a son; and said, Now this time will my husband be joined to me, because I have borne him three sons: therefore was his name called Levi.

35 And she conceived again, and bore a son: and she said, Now will I praise the LORD: therefore she called his name Judah; and did not conceive again.

CHAPTER 30

1 And when Rachel saw that she bore Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister; and said to Jacob, Give me children, or else I will die.

2 And Jacob’s anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, Am I in God’s place, who has stopped you from conceiving?

3 And she said, Behold my maid Bilhah, go to 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 to her.

5 And Bilhah conceived, and bore Jacob a son.

6 And Rachel said, God has judged me, and has also heard my voice, and has given me a son: she named him Dan.

7 And Bilhah, Rachel’s maid conceived again, and bore 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.
When Leah saw that she had stopped conceiving, she took Zilpah her maid, and gave her Jacob to wife.

And Zilpah, Leah’s maid, bore Jacob a son.

And Leah said, A tribe is forming: and she named him Gad.

And Zilpah, Leah’s maid, bore Jacob a second son.

And Leah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she named him Asher.

And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them to his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, Give me, I beg you, of your son’s mandrakes.

And she said to her, Is it a small matter that you have taken my husband? And would you take away my son’s mandrakes also? And Rachel said, Therefore he shall lie with you tonight for your son’s mandrakes.

And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, You must lie with me; for surely I have hired you with my son’s mandrakes. And he lay with her that night.

And God listened to Leah, and she conceived, and bore Jacob the fifth son.

And Leah said, God has rewarded me, because I have given my maid to my husband: and she called his name Issachar.

And Leah conceived again, and bore Jacob the sixth son.

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Joseph, that Jacob said to Laban, Send me away, that I may go to my own place, and to my country.

26 Give me my wives and my children, for whom I have served you, and let me go: for you know how long I have worked for you.

27 And Laban said to him, I beg you, if I have found favour in your eyes, stay: for I have learned by experience that the LORD has blessed me for your sake.

28 And he said, Choose your wage, and I will give it.

29 And he said to him, You know how I have served you, and how your cattle were with me.

30 For there were few before I came, and they have now increased to a multitude; and the LORD has blessed you since my coming: and now when shall I provide for my own household?

31 And Laban said, What shall I give you? And Jacob said, You shall not give me anything: if you will do this thing for me, I will again feed and look after your flock.

32 I will pass through all your flock today, removing from there all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle, the brown among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and that will be my pay.

33 So shall my honesty answer for me in time to come, when my service has ended and you check the flocks yourself: everyone that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that shall be counted stolen by me.

34 And Laban said, Behold, I agree with what you have said.

35 And he removed that day the he goats that were spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, and everyone that had some white in it, and all the brown among the sheep, and gave them to the care of his sons.

36 And he set three days journey between himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban’s flocks.

37 And Jacob took branches of green poplar, and of the hazel and chestnut tree; and carved white stripes in them, and made the white appear which
was in the branches.

38 And he set the branches which he had carved before the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs, when the flocks came to drink, so that they should conceive.

39 And the flocks conceived before the branches, and brought forth cattle speckled, spotted and stripy.

40 And Jacob separated the lambs, and turned the faces of the flocks who were striped, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and did not put them into Laban’s cattle.

41 And it came to pass, whenever the stronger cattle conceived, that Jacob put the branches in the gutters in the sight of the cattle, so that they would conceive among the branches.

42 But when the cattle were weak, he did not put the branches in: and so the weaker were Laban’s, and the stronger Jacob’s.

43 And Jacob increased exceedingly, and had many cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and donkeys.

CHAPTER 31
1 And Jacob heard Laban’s sons, saying, Jacob has taken away all that belonged to our father; and from that which was our father’s, and has become very rich.

2 And Jacob saw that Laban’s manner, had changed towards him.

3 And the LORD said to Jacob, Return to the land of your fathers, and to your family; and I will be with you.

CHAPTER 33
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 these with you? And he said, The children which God has graciously given your servant.

6 Then the handmaidens came near, they and their
children, and they honoured Esau.
7 And Leah also with her children came near, and honoured him: and after came Joseph and Rachel, and they honoured him as well.
8 And he said, What do you mean by sending all these gifts ahead of you? And Jacob said, These are to find favour in the sight of my lord.
9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep what you have for yourself.
10 And Jacob said, No, I beg you, if now I have found favour in your sight, then receive the gifts from my hand: for therefore I have seen your face, as though I had seen the face of God, and you were pleased with me.
11 Take, I beg you, my blessing that is brought to you; because God has dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and Esau took it.
12 And he said, Let us take our journey, and I will go ahead of you.
13 And Jacob said to him, My Lord knows that the children are young, and the flocks and herds with young are with me: and if the men should move too quickly for one day, all the flock will die.
14 Let my Lord, I beg you, go ahead of his servant: and I will lead on more slowly, according to what the cattle that go before me and the children, are able to endure, until I come to my Lord in Seir.
15 And Esau said, Let me now leave with you some of the folk that are with me. And he said, There is no need. Let me find grace in the sight of my Lord.
16 So Esau returned that day on his way to Seir.
17 And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him a house, and made shelter for his cattle: therefore the name of this 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 part of a field, from the children of Hamor, Shechem’s father, for an hundred pieces of money. And there he spread his tent.
20 And there he built an altar, and called it El-Elohe-
Israel.

CHAPTER 34
1 And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bore to 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 was touched by Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the girl, and spoke kindly to her.
4 And Shechem spoke to his father Hamor, saying, Get me this girl for my 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 came.
6 And Hamor the father of Shechem went out to Jacob to speak 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 angry, because he had disgraced Israel by lying with Jacob’s daughter; which should not have been done.
8 And Hamor spoke with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longs for your daughter: I pray you give her to him for his wife.
9 And you make marriages with us, and give your daughters to us, and take our daughters to you.
10 And you shall live with us: and the land shall be before you; live and trade therein, and obtain property there.
11 And Shechem said to Dinah’s father and to her brothers, Let me find favour in your eyes, and what you ask of me I will give.
12 Ask me for whatever dowry and gift, and I will give you what you ask for: only give me the girl for my wife.
13 And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father deceitfully, because he had defiled Dinah their sister:
14 And they said to them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised, this
would be an insult to us:

15 But we will consent to this marriage: If you will be as we are, and every male be circumcised;

16 Then we will give our daughters to you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will live with you, and we will become one people.

17 But if you will not take heed and be circumcised; then we will take our sister, and be gone.

18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem, Hamor’s son.

19 And the young man did not delay, 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 to the gate of their city, and spoke with the men of their city, saying,

21 These men are at peace with us; therefore let them live in the land, and trade in it; 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 on one condition, that the men consent to live with us to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they are circumcised.

23 Shall not their cattle and their goods and every beast of theirs be ours? Only let us consent to them, and they will live with us.

24 And all that went out of his gate of the city listened to Hamor and to Shechem his son; and every male was circumcised,

25 And it came to pass on the third day, when the men were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah’s brothers, took their swords, and came upon the city boldly, and killed all the males.

26 And they killed Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem’s house, and left.

27 The sons of Jacob came upon the dead, and ransacked the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their
donkeys, and all that was in the city, and all that was in the field,

29 And all their wealth, and all their children and their wives they took captive, and destroyed all that was in the houses.

30 And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, You have brought great trouble upon me and made me a stench to the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites: and I being few in number, they will gather themselves together against me, and kill me; and I will be destroyed, I and my house.

31 And they said, Should he have treated our sister as though she were a prostitute?

CHAPTER 35

1 And God said to Jacob, Arise, go to Bethel, and live there: and make there an altar to God, who appeared to you when you fled from Esau your brother.

2 Then Jacob said to 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 to Bethel; and I will make there an altar to God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me everywhere that I went.

4 And they gave to 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 Bethel in the land of Canaan, he and all the people that were with him.

7 And he built there an altar, and called the place Elbethel: because there God appeared to him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

8 But Deborah, Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Bethel under an oak: and the name
And God appeared to Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

And God said to him, Your name is Jacob: your name shall not be called Jacob anymore, but Israel shall be your name: and He called his name Israel.

And God said to him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be from you, and kings shall come out of your loins;

And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to you I will give it, and to your seed after you I will give the land.

And God went up from the place where he talked with Him.

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 upon it, and he poured oil upon it.

And Jacob called the name of the place where God spoke with him, Bethel.

And they journeyed from Bethel; and there was but a short distance to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.

And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said to her, Fear not; you shall have this son too.

And it came to pass, as her soul was departing, (for she died) that she named him Ben-oni: but his father called him Benjamin.

And Rachel died, and was buried on the way to Ephrath, which is Bethlehem.

And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that is the pillar of Rachel’s grave to this day.

And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Edar.

And it came to pass, when Israel lived 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:

The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob’s firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar,
Zebulun:
The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:
And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel’s handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:
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.
And Jacob came to Isaac his father in Mamre, to the city of Arbah, which is Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac lived.
And the days of Isaac were a hundred and eighty years.
And Isaac gave up his spirit, and died, and was gathered to his people, being old and full of years: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

CHAPTER 36
1 Now these are the generations of Esau, who is Edom.
2 Esau took his wives from 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 bore to Esau, Eliphaz; and Bashemath bore Reuel;
5 And Aholibamah bore Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these are the sons of Esau, who were born to 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 goods, which he had got in the land of Canaan, and went into the country out of sight of his brother Jacob.
7 For their riches were too many for them to live together, and the land where they were strangers could not bear them because of the amount of their cattle.
8 And Esau lived in mount Seir:
9 And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir:
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.

And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.

And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz, Esau’s son, and she bore to Eliphaz, Amalek. These were the sons of Adah, Esau’s wife.

And these are the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath, Esau’s wife.

And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau’s wife: and she bore to Esau, Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

These were the dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn son of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,

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.

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.

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.

These are the sons of Esau, who is Edom, and these are their dukes.

These are the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,

And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these are the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam, and Lotan’s sister was Timna.

And the children of Shobal were these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and Onam.
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 donkeys of Zibeon his father.

And the children of Anah were these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.

And these are the children of Dishon; Hemdan, and Esh-ban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

The children of Ezer are these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan.

The children of Dishan are these; Uz, and Aran.

These are the dukes that came of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah,

Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these are the dukes that came of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

And these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel.

And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.

And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who slew Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Avith.

And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth by the river, reigned in his stead.

And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

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.

And these are the names of the dukes that came from Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth,
Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon, 
Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar, 
Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these are the dukes of 
Edom, according to their towns in the land of their 
possessions: he is Esau the father of the Edomites.

CHAPTER 37
1 And Jacob lived in the land where his father was a 
stranger, in the land of Canaan.
2 These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being 
seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his 
brothers; and the lad was with the sons of Bilhah, 
and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and 
Joseph brought to his father a report of their 
misdeeds.
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 brothers saw that their father loved 
him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and 
could not speak pleasantly to him.
5 And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it to his 
brothers, and they hated him even more.
6 And he said to them, Listen to this dream which I 
have dreamed:
7 For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, 
and suddenly my sheaf arose, and stood upright; 
and behold, your sheaves stood round about, and 
bowed to my sheaf.
8 And his brothers said to him, Will you indeed reign 
over us? Or will you indeed have dominion over 
us? And they hated him all the more for his 
dreams, and for his words.
9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it to 
his brothers, and said, Listen, I have dreamed 
another dream; and I saw the sun and the moon 
and the eleven stars bowed down to me.
10 And he told it to his father, and to his brothers: and 
his father rebuked him, and said to him, What is 
this dream that you have dreamed? Shall I and 
your mother and your brothers indeed come and 
bow down ourselves?
11 And his brothers envied him, but his father remembered all that Joseph had said.
12 And his brothers went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.
13 And Israel said to Joseph, Do not your brothers feed the flock in Shechem? Come, and I will send you to them. And he said to him, Very well.
14 And he said to him, Go and see whether all is well with your brothers, and also with the flocks; and come and tell me. So he sent him out of the valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.
15 And a certain man found him, and saw he was wandering in the field, and the man asked him, saying, What are you looking for?
16 And he said, I am looking for my brothers, tell me if you know where they are feeding their flocks.
17 And the man said, They have left here; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brothers, and found them in Dothan.
18 And when they saw him from a long way off, even before he came near to them, they conspired against him, to kill him.
19 And they said to one another, Look, here comes the dreamer.
20 Come now, let us kill him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some evil beast has 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, saying, Let us not kill him.
22 And Reuben said to them, Shed no blood, but throw him into this pit in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him, he said this that he might keep him out of their hands, and so deliver him to his father again.
23 And it came to pass, when Joseph reached his brothers, they took him and stripped Joseph of the coat of many colours that he was wearing;
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
Ishmaelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spices, ointments and perfumes, carrying them down to Egypt.

26 And Judah said to his brothers, What do we gain if we kill our brother, and hide his blood?
27 Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let us not harm him, for he is our brother and our flesh. And his brothers were happy.
28 Then Midianite merchantmen passed by, and his brothers lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver, and they brought Joseph into Egypt.
29 And Reuben returned to the pit, and, behold, Joseph was not in the pit, and he tore his clothes.
30 And he returned to his brothers, and said, The boy is gone, where shall I go?
31 And they took Joseph’s coat, and killed a young goat, and dipped the coat in it’s blood;
32 And they took the coat of many colours, and brought it to their father; and said, We have found this coat, Is it definitely the coat of your son.
33 And he recognised it, and said, It is my son’s coat, an evil beast has devoured him, Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces.
34 And Jacob tore his clothes, and put on sackcloth, and mourned his son for 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, I will go to the grave in mourning for my son. And his father wept for him.
36 And the Midianites sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh’s, and captain of the guard.

CHAPTER 38
1 And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brothers, and turned 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 lay with her.
3 And she conceived, and bore a son, and he named him Er.
And she conceived again, and bore a son, and she named him Onan.

And she yet again conceived, and bore a son, and she named him Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bore him.

And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar.

And Er, Judah’s firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.

And Judah said to Onan, Go to your brother’s wife, and marry her, and raise up children for your brother.

And Onan knew that the seed should not be his, and it came to pass, when he went to lay with his brother’s wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: because of this He slew him also.

Then Judah said to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at your father’s house, until Shelah my son has grown, for he said, I am afraid he may die also, as his brothers did. And Tamar went and lived in her father’s house.

And in due time the daughter of Shuah, Judah’s wife, died, and Judah was comforted, and went to his sheepshearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

And Tamar was told, Your father-in-law is going to Timnath to shear his sheep.

And she took off her widow’s clothing, and covered herself with a veil, and sat in an open place, which is on the road to Timnath, for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she had not been given to him as a wife.

When Judah saw her, he thought her to be a prostitute, because she had covered her face.

And he turned to her as he was passing, and said, Come let me lie with you, (for he did not realise that she was his daughter-in-law). And she said, What will you give me in return?

And he said, I will send you a young goat. And she said, Will you give me something as a deposit until
you send it?

18 And he said, What shall I give you? And she said, Your seal, and your bracelets, and your staff that is in your hand. And he gave them to her, and he came and lay with her, and she conceived by him.

19 And she arose, and went away, and removed her veil, and put on her widow’s clothes.

20 And Judah sent the young goat by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive his deposit from the woman, but he could not find her.

21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where is the prostitute, who was openly by the roadside? And they said, There was no prostitute 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 prostitute in this place.

23 And Judah said, Let her keep the deposit, or I will be shamed, listen, I sent this young goat, and you have not found her.

24 And it came to pass about three months after, that Judah was told, that Tamar your daughter-in-law has played the harlot; and also, she is with child by prostitution. And Judah said, Bring her out, and let her be burnt.

25 When she was brought out, she sent a message to her father-in-law, saying, I am with child by the man who owns these, See, I beg you, who they belong to; the signet, the bracelets, and the staff.

26 And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She has been more righteous than I; because I did not give her to Shelah my son, and he did not know her again.

27 And it came to pass that when she went into labour, twins were in her womb.

28 And it happened when she was in labour, one baby put out his hand, and the midwife tied upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.

29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that his brother came out, and she said, How have you broken through? And therefore he was named Pharez.
And afterward his brother came out, who had the scarlet thread upon his hand, and his name was called Zerah.

CHAPTER 39
1 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard and an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites, who had taken him there.
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 turned his hand to, to prosper.
4 And Joseph found grace in the sight of Potiphar, and he served him, and he made him overseer of his house, and all that he had, he put under his authority.
5 And from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, 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 everything in Joseph’s hand, and he did not even know what he owned, only the bread which he ate. 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 to his master’s wife, Listen, my master does not know everything that I am taking care of in the house, and he has committed everything that he has to my care;
9 There is none greater in this house than I, neither has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are his wife; how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?
10 And it came to pass, as she spoke to him daily, that he would not listen to her, to lie by her, or to be with her.
And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph went into the house to do his work; and none of the men of the house were inside.

And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled.

And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and had fled,

That she called to the men of her house, and spoke to them, saying, See, he has brought in a Hebrew to mock us; he came in to lie with me, and I cried out with a loud voice:

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 she kept his garment by her, until Potiphar came home.

And she said to him in these words, The Hebrew servant, which you have brought to us, came to take advantage of me:

And it came to pass, as I raised my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

And when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spoke to him, saying, This is how your servant treated me, that his wrath was kindled.

And Joseph’s master took him to a place where the king’s prisoners were bound, and he was put there in the prison.

But the LORD was with Joseph, and showed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

And the governor of the prison committed to Joseph all the prisoners that were in the prison, and whatever they did there, he organised it.

The governor of the prison did not attend to anything that was under his authority, because the LORD was with Joseph, and all that he did, the LORD made to prosper.

CHAPTER 41

And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set you 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.

CHAPTER 47
23 Then Joseph said to the people, Behold, today I have bought you and your land for Pharaoh; here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land.
24 And it shall be in the plentiful harvest that you shall give the fifth part to Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own for seed of the field, and for your food, and for those in your households, and for food for your little ones.
25 And they said, You have saved our lives, let us find favour in your eyes my Lord, and we will be Pharaoh’s servants.
26 And Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt to this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth part, with the exception of the priest’s land, which did not become Pharaoh’s.
27 And Israel lived in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen, and they had property there, and grew, and multiplied greatly.
28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt for seventeen years, and Jacob was aged a hundred and forty seven years.
29 And the time drew near for Israel to die, and he called Joseph, and said to him, If I have found favour in your sight, put I beg you, your hand under my thigh and deal kindly and honestly with me, do not bury me I beg you, in Egypt:
30 But I will lie with my fathers, and you shall carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their buryingplace. And he said, I will do as you have said.
31 And he said, Swear to me. And he swore to him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bedpost.
CHAPTER 48

1 And it came to pass after these things, that Joseph was told, Behold, your father is sick, and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

2 And Jacob was told, Behold, your son Joseph is coming to see you; and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

3 And Jacob said to Joseph, God Almighty appeared to me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me,

4 And said to me, Behold, I will make you fruitful, and multiply you, and I will make you a multitude of people; and will give this land to your seed after you for an everlasting possession.

5 And now your two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born to you in the land of Egypt before I came to you here in Egypt, are mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

6 And any children which you have after them shall be yours, and shall be called by the same name as their brothers in their inheritance.

7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan on the way, when there was only a little way to come to Ephrath, and I buried her there on the way to Ephrath, the same is Bethlehem.

8 And Israel saw Joseph's sons, and said, Who are these?

9 And Joseph said to his father, They are my sons, whom God has given to me. And he said, Bring them to me I beg you, and I will bless them.

10 Now the eyes of Israel were dim with age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near to him, and he kissed them, and embraced them.

11 And Israel said to Joseph, I had not thought to see your face again, and God has showed me also your children.

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 towards Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in
his left hand towards Israel’s right hand, and brought them near to 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 knowingly; 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 to this day,

16 The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless these male children 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 to Manasseh’s head.

18 And Joseph said to his father, Not so my father, for this is the firstborn, put your 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 and saying, In you shall Israel be blessed, saying, God make you as Ephraim and as Manasseh, and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.

21 And Israel said to Joseph, Behold, I am dying, but God shall be with you, and bring you again to the land of your fathers.

22 Moreover I have given to you one portion more than your brothers, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

CHAPTER 49

1 And Jacob called to 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, sons of
Jacob, and listen to Israel your father.

3 Reuben, you are my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

4 Unstable as water, you will not excel because you went up to your father's bed, then you defiled it: you went up to my couch.

5 Simeon and Levi are brothers, instruments of cruelty are in their houses.

6 O my soul, do not have a part in their secret, my honour, do not be united in their assembly, because in their anger they killed a man and in their arrogance they broke 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, you are he whom your brothers shall praise, your hand shall be in the neck of your enemies, your father's children shall bow down before you.

9 Judah is a lion's cub, you have left the prey my son, he stooped down, he rested as a lion, and as an old lion who shall provoke him?

10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, and a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh comes; and to Him shall the gathering of the people be.

11 Binding His foal to the vine, and His donkey's colt to 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 live at the haven of the sea, and he shall be for a haven of ships, and his border shall be to Zidon.

14 Issachar is a strong donkey crouching down between two burdens:

15 And he saw that rest was good, and the land was pleasant, and bowed his shoulder to work, and to become a servant in that land.

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 bites the horse's heels, so that his rider
shall fall backwards.
18 I have waited for your 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 sought after and he shall bake dainties for royalty.
21 Naphtali is a freed hind let loose, he gives 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 was used in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob; (from there is the Shepherd, the stone of Israel):
25 Even by the God of your father, who shall help you, and by the Almighty, who shall bless you with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lie under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:
26 The blessings of your father have prevailed above the blessings of my immediate ancestors to the utmost boundary of the everlasting hills, they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separated from his brothers.
27 Benjamin shall be voracious 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 what their father spoke to them, and blessed them, everyone according to his blessing he blessed them.
29 And he charged them, and said to them, I am to be gathered to 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 sons of Heth.

33 And when Jacob had finished instructing his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up his spirit, and was gathered to his people.

CHAPTER 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 seventy days.

4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spoke to the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak I beg you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,

5 My father made me swear, saying, I am dying, You shall bury me in my grave which I have dug for myself in the land of Canaan. Now therefore let me go up, I beg you, and bury my father, and I will return.

6 And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury your father, according to his wishes.

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 brothers, 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 mourned for his father for 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, and so it was named Abel-mizraim, which is beyond Jordan.

12 And his sons did to him according to his instructions:

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 buryingplace, from Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14 And after he had buried his father, Joseph returned into Egypt, he and his brothers, and all that went up with him to bury his father.

15 And when Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, Joseph will probably hate us, and will certainly repay us for all the evil which we did to him.

16 And they sent a messenger to Joseph, saying, Your father left instructions before he died, saying,

17 You shall say to Joseph, Forgive I beg you now, the wickedness of your brothers and their sin, for they did evil to you, and now we beg you, forgive the wickedness of the servants of the God of your father. And Joseph wept when they spoke to him.

18 And his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, See, we are your servants.

19 And Joseph said to them, Fear not, for am I in the place of God?

20 But as for you, you did evil against me, but God used it for good to bring about, as it is this day, the saving of many people’s lives.

21 Now therefore do not fear me, I will look after you and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spoke kindly to them.

22 And Joseph lived in Egypt, he and his father’s house, and Joseph lived a 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 to his brothers, I am dying, and God will surely visit you and bring you out of this land to the land which He promised to Abraham, to
Isaac, and to Jacob.

25 And Joseph took an oath before the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and you shall carry my bones from here.

26 So Joseph died, being a hundred and ten years old, and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.
The Third Epistle of

JOHN

CHAPTER 1
11 Beloved, do not follow that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God, but he that does evil has not seen God.
CHAPTER 5
9 And they sang a new song, saying, You are worthy to take the book, and to open its seals thereof: for you were slain, and have redeemed us to God by your blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;
10 And have made us to our God, kings and priests, and we shall reign on the earth.
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, I heard say, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sits upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

CHAPTER 22
12 And, see, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give to every man according to his work.

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.
CHAPTER 6
26 ...for He is the living God, and steadfast forever, and His kingdom is that which shall not be destroyed, and His dominion shall be even unto the end.
27 He delivers and rescues, and He works signs and wonders in heaven and in earth...

CHAPTER 9
15 And now, O LORD our God, who has brought your people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and has given you renown, to this very day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.
16 O LORD, according to all your righteousness, I beseech you, let your anger and your fury be turned away from your city Jerusalem, your Holy Mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people have become a reproach, a disgrace to all that are about us.
17 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of your servant, and his supplications, and cause your face to shine upon your sanctuary that is desolate, for the LORD’s sake.
18 O my God, incline your ear, and hear; open your eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by your name: for we do not present our supplications before you for our righteousnesses, but for your great mercies.
19 O LORD, hear; O LORD, forgive; O LORD, listen and do; for your own sake do not wait, O my God: for your city and your people are called by your name.
The Second Epistle of

JOHN

2 For the truth's sake, which lives in us, and shall be with us forever.
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.
CHAPTER 1
5 ...God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all.
6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not live 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 cleanses 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.

CHAPTER 2
20 ...you have an anointing from the Holy One...

CHAPTER 4
7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loves is born of God, and knows God.
8 He that does not love, does not know God; for God is love.
9 In this the love of God was manifested towards us, because God sent His one and only Son into the world, that we might live through Him.
10 This is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the sacrifice for our sins.
11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.
12 No man has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God lives in us, and His love is perfected in us.
13 By this we know that we live in Him, and He in us, because He has given us 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 lives in him, and he in God.

16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love; and he that lives in love lives in God, and God in him.

17 This is how our love is 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 casts fear out, because fear is a torment. He that fears is not made perfect in love.

19 We love him, because He first loved us.

20 If a man says, I love God, and hates his brothers, he is a liar: for if he does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?

21 And this commandment we have from Him, That he who loves God, loves his brothers, and all men.

CHAPTER 5

1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ, is born of God, and everyone that loves God, loves Jesus also.

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 complicated.

4 For whoever is born of God overcomes the world, and it is our faith that gives us victory over the world.

5 He who believes that Jesus is the Son of God, is he that overcomes the world.

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 bears witness, because the Spirit is truth.

7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit: and these
three are one.

8 And there are three that bear witness on 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 has testified of His Son.

10 He that believes on the Son of God knows in his heart that He is true, he that does not believe has made Him a liar, because he does not believe the record that God gave of His Son.

11 And this is the record, that God has given to us, eternal life and this life is in His Son.

12 He who has the Son has life, and he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

13 I have written these things to you that believe on the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you 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 anything according to His will, He hears us;

15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have our prayers answered.

19 And we know that we are of God, and that the whole world lies in wickedness.

20 And we know that the Son of God has come, and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is true, and we are in Him who is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.
The Epistle of Paul the Apostle to
PHILEMON

CHAPTER 1
1 Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellowlabourer,
2 And to our beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in your house:
3 Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I thank my God, always making mention of you in my prayers,
5 Hearing of your love and faith, which you have towards the Lord Jesus, and towards all saints;
6 That the communication of your faith may become effective by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.
7 For we have great joy and consolation in your love, because the depths of the saints are refreshed by you, brother.
8 Wherefore, though I might be authoritative in Christ, to advise you in that which is convenient,
9 Yet for love’s sake I would rather implore you, being such a one as Paul the elder, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.
10 I implore you for my son in Christ, Onesimus, whom I have adopted in my chains:
11 Who was in time past to you unprofitable, but is now profitable to you and to me:
12 Whom I have sent again: therefore receive him, as my very own son:
13 Whom I would have kept with me, that instead of visiting you, he might have ministered to me in prison for the gospel:
14 But without your consent I would do nothing; that your benefit would not be of necessity, but of willingness.
15 Perhaps because of this he departed for a season,
in the hope you would receive him forever;

16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

17 If therefore you count me a partner, receive him as myself.

18 If he has wronged you, or owes you anything, put that on my account;

19 I Paul have written it with my own hand, I will repay it, albeit I do not say to you how you owe to me even your own self besides.

20 Yes, brother, let me have joy of you in the Lord, refresh my spirit in the Lord.

21 Having confidence in your obedience I wrote to you, knowing that you will also do more than I say.

22 But also prepare me a lodging as well, for I trust that through your prayers I shall be given to you.

23 Epaphras my fellowprisoner in Christ Jesus, sends his love;

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, delivered by Onesimus a servant.
The Epistle of Paul the Apostle to

TITUS

CHAPTER 1
1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God’s elect, and the acknowledgement of the truth which is seeking godliness;
2 In the hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;
3 But has in recent times manifested His word through preaching, which is committed to me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;
CHAPTER 1
22 Seeing that you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love for the brothers, see that you fervently love one another with a pure heart;
23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which lives and remains forever.

CHAPTER 2
1 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,
2 As newborn babies, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that you may be nourished by it;
3 By this you have tasted that the LORD is gracious. You are living stones for building God’s House.
4 To whom, coming as if to a living stone, rejected by men, but chosen by God and precious,
5 You also, as living stones, are built into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.
6 It is also contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief cornerstone, elect, precious, and he that believes on Him shall not be confused.
7 To you therefore who believe, He is precious…..

CHAPTER 5
2 Feed the flock of God who are among you, taking the oversight, not by force, but willingly; not for financial gain, but of a ready mind;
3 Neither as being lords over God’s heritage, but being examples to the flock.
4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, you shall receive a crown of glory that does not fade away.
But people speak evil of those things which they do not understand, but what they know instinctively, as brute beasts, in these things they corrupt themselves.
The Book of
ZEPHANIAH

CHAPTER 1
2 I will utterly consume all things from off the land, says the LORD.
3 I will consume man and beast; I will consume the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, and I will destroy the stumblingblocks with the wicked, and I will cut off man from the land, says the LORD.

CHAPTER 2
3 Seek the LORD, all you meek of the earth, who have earned His judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness, it may be that you shall be hidden on the day of the LORD’s anger.
11 ...and men shall worship Him, everyone from his place, even all the isles of the heathen.

CHAPTER 3
8 Therefore wait upon me says the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey, for my indignation is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them my indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.
9 For then I will reveal to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve Him with one accord.
10 ...my remnant, even the daughter of my dispersed peoples, shall bring my offering.
11 In that day you shall not be ashamed for all your doings, where you have sinned against me....
13 The remnant of Israel shall not sin, nor speak lies, neither shall they speak deceitfully, for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid.
15 The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, He has cast out your enemy; the king of Israel,
even the LORD, is in the midst of you, you shall not see evil any more.

17 ...He will rejoice over you with joy; you will rest in His love, He will joy over you with singing.

19 ...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 I will restore you, 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, says the LORD.
CHAPTER 2
23 ...Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

CHAPTER 3
6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of sin: amongst the members of the body, it is the tongue that defiles the whole body and inflames human nature; and it is set on fire by hell.
17 ...but the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceful, gentle, and malleable, full of mercy.

CHAPTER 5
11 ...that the LORD is full of pity, and of tender mercy.
CHAPTER 1
17 ...This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

CHAPTER 3
10 But the day of the LORD will come as a thief in the night.....
The Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the

ROMANS

CHAPTER 1
25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the created more than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

CHAPTER 2
17 Behold, you are called a Jew, and rely upon the law, and make your boast of God,
18 And you know His will, and live by the things that are more excellent, having been instructed out of the law;
19 And are confident that you yourself, are a guide of the blind, and a light for those that are in darkness,
20 An instructor of the foolish, a teacher of the immature, who have the form of knowledge and of the truth in the law.
21 You who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach that a man should not steal, do you steal yourself?
22 You who say that a man should not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who hate idols, do you commit sacrilege?
23 You who boast about the law, do you dishonour God by breaking the law?
24 For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written.
25 If you keep the law, circumcision is very profitable: but if you are a breaker of the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision.
26 And so if the uncircumcised keep the righteousness of the law, shall not the uncircumcised be counted for as circumcision?
27 And shall not uncircumcision which is natural, if it fulfils the law, judge you, who by the letter and circumcision do break the law?
28 For he is not a Jew, who is one outwardly; neither is...
that circumcision, which is shown outwardly in the flesh:

29 But he is a Jew, who 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.

CHAPTER 3

1 What advantage is there in being a Jew? Or what profit is there in being circumcised?

2 In every way: mainly, because the Word of God was committed to them.

3 For what if some did not believe? Would their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?

4 God forbid: let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That you might be justified in your sayings, and might overcome when you are judged.

5 But if our unrighteousness should commend the righteousness of God, what shall we say? Is God unrighteous who takes vengeance? (I speak as a man)

6 God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world?

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

CHAPTER 4

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 are heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made, of no effect:

15 Because the law works judgment: for where there is no law, there is no sin.

16 Therefore it is by the righteousness of faith, that it might be by grace; in order that the promise might be secure to all the seed; not only to the seed of the law, but also to the seed which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

17 (As it is written, I have made you a father of many nations), before God whom Abraham believed, the
God, who gives life to the dead, and calls those things which are 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 your seed be.

19 And being strong in faith, he did not consider his own body now dead, when he was about a hundred years old, neither the deadness of Sarah’s womb:

20 He did not stagger through unbelief at the promise of God; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

21 And being fully persuaded that, what He had promised, He was also able to perform.

22 And therefore it was credited to him for righteousness.

23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was credited to him;

24 But for us also, to whom it shall be credited, if we believe on Him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;

25 Who was delivered to death for our offences, and was raised again to life for our justification.

CHAPTER 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 in which 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 brings patience;

4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

5 And hope does not make us ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who is given to us.

6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

7 Scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet perhaps for a good man some would even dare to die.

8 But God displayed His love for us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
9 Much more then, now being 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, have much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.
11 And not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.
12 And so, by one man, sin entered into the world, and death by sin; because death passed upon all men, because all have sinned:
13 For until the law, sin was in the world: but sin is not credited when there is no law.
14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the way of Adam’s sin, who is a taste of Him that was to come.
15 Not as the sin, but it is the free gift. For if through the sin of one man, many have died, how much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man Jesus Christ, has reached out to many.
16 And not as it was, by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one sin to condemnation, but the free gift is for the justification of many sins.
17 For if by one man’s sin, death reigned by one; how much more they who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness, shall reign in life by one man, Jesus Christ.
18 And so as by the sin of one, judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one, the free gift came upon all men to the 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 In this way, the law was given so that sin might be revealed. But where sin was revealed, grace was much more apparent:
21 That as sin has reigned to death, even so might grace reign through righteousness to eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.
CHAPTER 6
1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace might thrive?
2 God forbid! How shall we, that are dead to sin, live with it any longer?
3 Do you not know, as many as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death?
4 Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: and 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 also be in the likeness of His resurrection:
6 Knowing this, that our sinful man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, so that from here on we should no longer serve sin.
7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.
8 Now if we are dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him:
9 Knowing that Christ having being raised from the dead can die no more; death has no more dominion over Him.
10 For in that He died, He died to sin once: but in that He lives, He lives to God.
11 In the same way you consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
12 Do not let sin rule your mortal body, that you should obey it's sinful lusts.
13 Neither give your bodies as instruments of unrighteousness to sin: but give yourselves to God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your bodies as instruments of righteousness to God.
14 For sin shall not reign over you: for you 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 Do you not know, that whoever you submit to and obey, you have become his servant; whether a servant of sin to death, or a servant of obedience to righteousness?
But thank God, that you who were the servants of sin, have now obeyed from the heart, this teaching that has been delivered to you.

Being then made free from sin, you became the servants of righteousness.

I speak in the manner of men because of the weakness of your flesh: for as you have submitted your bodies as servants to uncleanness, and to sin; even so now submit your bodies as servants to righteousness and to holiness.

For when you were the servants of sin, you were free from righteousness.

What fruit then did you bear from those things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death.

But now being made free from sin, and having become servants to God, you have your fruit in holiness, and the end of these things is everlasting life.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Do you not know, brothers, (for I speak to them that know the law), that the law has dominion over a man for as long as he lives?

For the woman which has a husband is bound by the law to her husband for long as he lives; but if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband.

So if, whilst her husband lives, she is married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband is dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, even though she marries another man.

And so my brothers, you are dead to the law through the body of Christ; that you should be married to another, even to Him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit to God.

For when we were in the flesh, the growth of sins which were by the law, had worked in our bodies, the fruit of which is death.

Now we are set free from the law, where we were
held in death; so we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the letter of the law.

7 What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid! No, I did not recognize sin, until the law showed me what sin was: for I had not known lust, until the law said, You shall not covet.

8 But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of worldly desires. For without the law sin was dead.

9 For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin was born, and I died.

10 And the commandment, which was consecrated for life, I found to be working towards death.

11 For sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, deceived me, and by it killed 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, and sold under sin.

15 For that which I do, I do not understand: for what I want to do, that I do not do; but what I hate, that I do.

16 If then I do that which I would not, I agree with the law that it is good.

17 Now then it is not I that sins, but it is sin that lives in me.

18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh), lives no good thing: the desire to do that which is good is in me; but I do not know how to perform that which is good.

19 For the good that I want to do, I do not: but the evil which I do not want to do, that I do.

20 Now if I do what I do not want to, it is not I that do it, but sin that lives in me.

21 It seems to be a law, then, that when I do good, evil is also present with me.

22 For my spirit delights in the law of God:
23 But I see another law in my body, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin, which is in my body.

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.

CHAPTER 8
1 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who 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, has 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 sent His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and because He was sinless, so 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, care about the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit, care about 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 So if the Spirit of God dwells in you, you are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit. So if any man does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.

10 And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin; but your Spirit is alive because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also raise up your mortal
bodies by His Spirit that dwells in you.

12 Therefore, brothers, we are not indebted to the flesh, so that we have to live after it.

13 For if you live after the flesh, you shall die; but if you, through the Spirit, deaden the deeds of the body, you shall live.

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15 For you have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but you have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16 The Spirit Himself bears 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 it be that we suffer with Him, that we may also be 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 whole of creation waits for the sons of God to be revealed.

20 For the whole of creation was subjected to the hand of man, not willingly, but by Him who has subjected it in hope,

21 Because the whole of creation itself shall also be delivered from the bondage of corruption, into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

22 For we know that the whole of creation groans and labours 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, that is, the redemption of our body.

24 For we are saved by hope, but hope that is seen is not hope: For why would he hope for that which he can see?

25 But if we hope for what we do not see, then we wait for it with patience.

26 But the Holy Spirit helps us in our weaknesses, for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings that cannot be uttered.
And He who searches the heart knows what is the mind of the spirit, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

And we know that all things work together for good, to those that love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestine to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brothers.

Moreover whom He did predestine, those He also called: and whom He called, those He also justified: and whom He justified, those He also glorified.

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

He that did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all; how shall He not, with Him, also freely give us all things?

Who shall accuse God's elect of anything? It is God that justifies.

Who is he that condemns? It is Christ who died, or rather, who is risen again, who is at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written, For your sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

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.

CHAPTER 9

I say the truth in Christ, I do not lie, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit,

That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.
For I wish that I myself were parted from Christ for my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh:

Who are Israelites; to whom was given the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises;

Which belong to the Israelites, and of whom Christ came concerning the flesh, Christ who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

It is not as though the Word of God has taken no effect. For they are not all Israel, who are of Israel:

Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children, but; In Isaac shall your seed be called.

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.

For this is the Word of promise, At this time will I come, and Sarah shall have a son.

And not only this; but also when Rebecca had conceived by our father Isaac;

(For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to the choice might stand, not of works, but of Him that calls);

It was said to her, The elder shall serve the younger.

As it is written, Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated.

What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid!

For He says to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

So then it is not of him that wills, nor of him that runs, but of God that shows mercy.

For the scripture says to Pharaoh, For this same purpose I have raised you up, that I might show my power in you, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth.

Therefore He will have mercy on whom He will have mercy, and He will harden who He chooses.
19 You will then say to me, Why do you find fault? For who has resisted His will?
20 But, O man, who are you that speaks against God? Shall the thing formed say to Him that formed it, Why have you made me like this?
21 Has not the potter power over the clay, to make from the same lump one vessel for honour, and another for dishonour?
22 What if God, wanting to show 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, who He had previously prepared for glory,
24 Even us, whom He has called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?
25 As He says also in Hosea, I will call them my people, who were not my people; and her beloved, who was not beloved.
26 And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said to them, You are not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God.
27 Isaiah also spoke 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 the LORD makes a short work upon the earth.
29 And as Isaiah said before, If the LORD of hosts had not left us a seed, we would have been made like Sodom, and been made like Gomorrah.
30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, who did not search for righteousness, have attained righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith.
31 But Israel, who followed the law of righteousness, has not reached the law of righteousness.
32 Why? Because they did not seek it by faith, but they sought it by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;
33 As it is written, Behold, I lay in Zion a
stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believes on Him shall not be ashamed.

CHAPTER 10
1 Brothers, 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 for 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 to the righteousness of God.
4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believes.
5 For Moses describes the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which does those things shall live by them.
6 But the righteousness which is of faith speaks in this way; do not say in your 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 does it say? The word is near you, even in your mouth, and in your heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;
9 That if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved.
10 For with the heart man believes to righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made to salvation.
11 For the scripture says, Whosoever believes 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 to 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 Isaiah says, LORD, who has believed our report?
17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.
18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes truly, their sound went into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.
19 But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses said, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are not a people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you.
20 But Isaiah is very bold, and says, I was found by those who did not seek me; I was made manifest to those who did not ask for me.
21 But to Israel He says, All day long I have stretched forth my hands to a disobedient and gainsaying people.

CHAPTER 11
1 I say then, Has 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 has not cast away His people which He foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture said of Elijah? How he makes intercession to God against Israel, saying,
3 LORD, they have killed your prophets, and broken down your altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.
4 But what answer has God given to 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 it is no longer by works: Otherwise grace is no longer grace. But if it is of works, then it is no longer by grace: otherwise work is no longer work.
7 What then? Israel has not obtained that for which
she seeks; but the elect have obtained it, and the rest were blinded

8 (According as it is written, God has given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear); to this day.

9 And David said, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock, and a recompense to them:

10 Let their eyes be darkened that they may not see, and bow down their back always.

11 So, have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid; but rather through their fall, salvation is come to the Gentiles, in order to provoke them to jealousy.

12 Now if the fall of them becomes the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them becomes the riches of the Gentiles; how much more riches will their fullness bring?

13 For I speak to you Gentiles, because I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I clarify my role:

14 If in any way I might provoke my people the Jews, to emulate you and some of them might be saved.

15 For if the casting away of them means the reconciliation of the world, what shall the receiving of them mean, if not life from the dead?

16 For if the firstfruit is holy, the bunch is also holy: and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

17 And if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among them, and with them feed from the root and fatness of the olive tree;

18 Do not boast against the branches. You do not bear the root, but the root bears you.

19 You will say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.

20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by faith. Do not be arrogant but fearful:

21 For if God did not spare the natural branches, take heed unless He should also not spare you.

22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward you, goodness, if you continue in His goodness,
otherwise you shall also be cut off.

23 And they also, if they do not stay in unbelief, they shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again.

24 For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, who are the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?

CHAPTER 12

9 ...abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

17 Pay no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

18 If it be possible, as much as you are able, live peaceably with all men.

19 Dearly beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but retain your anger: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the LORD.

20 Therefore if your enemy hungered, feed him; if he thirsts, give him a drink: for in so doing you shall heap coals of fire on his head.

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

CHAPTER 13

7 Render therefore to all, what they are owed: tribute to whom tribute is due; loyalty to whom loyalty is owed; respect to whom respect is due; honour to whom honour is due.

8 Owe no man anything, but to love one another, for he that loves another has fulfilled the law.

9 For this; You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, You shall not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is quickly understood in this saying, namely, You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

10 Love does not work 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 prostitution and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

14 But put on you the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not make provision for the flesh, to fulfil its lusts.

CHAPTER 14

23 ...for whatever is not of faith is sin.
CHAPTER 1
11 Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, into all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;
12 Giving thanks to the Father, who has made us fit to share in the inheritance of the saints in light:
13 Who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has 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 before 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 exist.
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 pre-eminence.
19 For it pleased the Father that in Him all fullness should live;
20 And, having made peace through the blood of His cross, to reconcile all things to Himself; whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.
22 In the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in His sight:
23 If you continue in the faith grounded and settled, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which you have heard, and which was
CHAPTER 2
9 For in His body lives all the fullness of the Godhead.
10 And you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power:

CHAPTER 3
5 Mortify therefore your bodies which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, over affection, evil sexual desires, and covetousness, which is idolatry:
6 Because of which, the wrath of God comes on the children of disobedience:
7 And in which way you also walked for a time, when you lived in them.
8 But now you also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.
9 Seeing that you have put off your old self with its deeds, do not lie one to another;
10 And have put on the new man, who is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him:
15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which you are all called in one body; and be 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 whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father through Him.

CHAPTER 4
2 Continue in prayer, and watch prayerfully with thanksgiving;
3 Together praying also for us, that God would open to us a door to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds:
4 That I may make it easily understood, as I ought to speak.
5 Walk in wisdom towards those who are not wise, using your time wisely.
6 Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer every man.
CHAPTER 1
5 Behold you among the heathen, and watch and wonder incredulously: for I will work a work in your days, which you will not believe, though it be told to you.

CHAPTER 2
3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it will speak, and it will not lie: although it seems a very long time, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.
CHAPTER 4

4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.

8 And Jesus answered and said to him, Get behind me Satan: for it is written, You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only shall you serve.

12 And Jesus answering said to him, It is said, You shall not tempt the LORD your God.

18 The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, because He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovery 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 lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said, Blessed are the poor: for theirs is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are they that hunger: for they shall be filled. Blessed are they that weep: for they shall be comforted.

22 Blessed are you, 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.

24 But woe to you who hold your riches tightly! For you have received your consolation.

25 Woe to you that are full! For you shall hunger. Woe to you that laugh now! For you shall mourn and weep.

26 Woe to you, when all men shall speak well of you! For so did their fathers to the false prophets.
27 But I say to you who are listening, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,
28 Bless them that curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you.
29 And to him that hits you on the one cheek, offer also the other; and him that takes away your coat, do not forbid him, but give him your shirt also.
30 Give to every man that asks of you; and of him that takes away your goods do not ask for them back.
31 And as you would like men to treat you, so you also should treat them.
32 For if you love those who love you, what thanks have you? For sinners also love those that love them.
33 And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks have you? For sinners also do the same.
34 And if you lend to those who pay you back, what thanks have you? For sinners also lend to sinners who will repay them.
35 But love your enemies, and do good, lend, not hoping for repayment; and your reward shall be great, and you shall be the children of the Highest: for He is kind to the ungrateful and to the evil.
36 Therefore be merciful, as your Father also is merciful.
37 Judge not, and you shall not be judged: condemn not, and you shall not be condemned: forgive, and you shall be forgiven:
38 Give, and it shall be given to you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that you give, so shall it be measured to you again.

CHAPTER 9
58 And Jesus said to him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay His head.

CHAPTER 11
2 And He said to them, When you pray, say, Our
Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

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.

But He said, Rather, blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it.

CHAPTER 12

Also I say to you, Whoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:

For he who denies me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

And whoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but to him that blasphemes against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven.

CHAPTER 20

And He looked at them, and said, What is this then that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, the same has become the head of the corner?
CHAPTER 2
17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, says 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 show 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’s coming:
21 And it shall come to pass, that whoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
25 For David spoke concerning Him, I saw the LORD always before my face, for He is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:
26 Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:
27 Because you will not leave my soul in hell, neither will you suffer your Holy One to see corruption.
28 You have made known to me the ways of life; you shall make me full of joy with your company.
34 For David had not ascended into the heavens: but he himself said, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand,
35 Until I make your foes your footstool.

CHAPTER 4
11 This is the stone, which was considered nothing by your builders, which has become the head of the corner.
24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their
voices to God with one accord, and said, LORD, you are God, who has made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that is in them:

25 Who by the mouth of your servant David has 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.

CHAPTER 7

49 Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: what house will you build for me? Says the LORD: or what is the place of my rest?

50 Has not my hand made all these things?

CHAPTER 8

32 In the scripture which the Eunuch read, was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before His shearer, so He did not open His mouth:

33 In His humiliation the judgment of Him was taken away: and who shall tell of His generation? For His life is taken from the earth.

CHAPTER 13

32 And we declare to you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made to the fathers,

33 God has fulfilled to us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, You are my Son, this day I have begotten you.

34 And concerning that He raised Him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, He said in this way, I will give you the sure mercies of David.

35 Also He said in another psalm, You shall not suffer your Holy One to see corruption.

41 Listen, you despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I do a work in your days, a work which you shall in no way believe, though a man declares it to you.

47 For so has the LORD commanded us, saying, I have
set you to be a light for the Gentiles, that you should teach salvation to the ends of the earth.

CHAPTER 15
16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; and I will rebuild the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:
17 That the remnant of men might seek after the LORD, and all the Gentiles who are called by my name, says the LORD, who does all these things.
18 Known to God are all His works from the beginning of the world.

CHAPTER 28
26 ...Go to this people, and say, Hearing you shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing you shall see, and not perceive:
27 For the heart of this people is completely sealed, and their ears are dull of hearing, and they have closed their eyes; 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.
CHAPTER 2
5 Let this humble 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 to death, even the death of the cross.
9 Wherefore God also has 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.
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CHAPTER 1
2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who shall prepare your way before you.
3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight.

CHAPTER 4
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.

CHAPTER 10
29 And Jesus answered and said, Truly I say to you, There is no man that has left house, or brothers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for the gospel and for my sake,
30 Who shall not receive one hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brothers, 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.

CHAPTER 11
9 And they that went before and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed is He that comes in the name of the LORD:
10 Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that comes in the name of the LORD: Hosanna in the highest.

CHAPTER 12
10 And have you not read this scripture; The stone which the builders rejected has become the head
of the corner:

11 This was the LORD’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes!

32 ...you have said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but He:

33 And to love Him with all your heart, and with all your understanding, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

36 For David himself said by the Holy Spirit, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I make your enemies your footstool.

CHAPTER 14

27 ...for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.
19 You, O LORD, remain forever; your throne from generation to generation.
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JEREMIAH

CHAPTER 1
5 Before I formed you in the belly I knew you; and before you came forth out of the womb I sanctified you, and I ordained you a prophet to the nations.
15 ...and they shall come, and everyone shall set his throne at the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem, and against the walls round about it, 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 to other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.

CHAPTER 2
2 ...I remember you, the kindness of your youth, your bridal love, when you went after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown.
3 Israel was holiness to the LORD, and the firstfruits of His increase: all that devour her shall offend; evil shall come upon them, says the LORD.
4 Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel:
5 Thus says the LORD, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and have become vain?
6 Neither did they say, 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 lived?
7 And I brought you into a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof; but when you entered, you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination.
The priests did not say, Where is the LORD? And those who teach the law did not know me: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after things that do not profit.

Therefore I will yet plead with you, says the LORD, and with your children's children will I plead.

For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send to Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.

Has a nation changed their gods, which actually are not gods? But my people have exchanged their glory for that which does not profit.

Be astonished, O heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be very desolate, says the LORD.

For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and carved for themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Is Israel a servant? Is she a homeborn slave? Why is she spoiled?

The young lions roared upon her, and yelled, and they made her land waste: her cities are burned without inhabitant.

Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes have broken the crown of your head.

Have you not brought this upon yourself, in that you forsook the LORD your God, when He led you by the way?

And now what have you to do in the ways of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? Or what have you to do in the ways of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?

Your own wickedness shall correct you, and your backslidings shall reprove you: know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and bitter, that you have forsaken the LORD your God; and that fear for Him is not in you, says the LORD God of hosts.

From days of old I have broken your yoke, and broken your bonds; and you said, I will not transgress; when upon every high hill and under Every green tree you wander, playing the
Yet I had planted you a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then are you turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine to me?

For though you wash yourselves with sodium nitrate, and use much soap, yet your iniquity is marked before me, says the LORD God.

How can you say, I am not polluted, I have not gone after Baalim? See your way in the valley, know what you have done: though you are a swift dromedary camel traversing her ways;

A wild donkey used to the wilderness, that sniffs the wind at her pleasure; when in her season who can turn her away? All those who seek her will not tire themselves; for in her month she is easily found.

Do not go barefoot, nor let your throat thirst: but you said, There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them I will go.

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,

Saying to a piece of wood, You are my father; and to a pebble, You have brought me forth: for they have turned their back to me, and not their face: but in the time of their trouble they will say, Arise, and save us.

But where are your gods that you have made for yourselves? Let them arise, if they can save you in the time of your trouble: for your gods are the number of your cities, O Judah.

Wherefore will you plead with me? All have transgressed against me, says the LORD.

In vain I have disciplined your children; they received no correction: your own sword has destroyed your prophets, like a devouring lion.

O generation, see the Word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness to Israel? A land of darkness? Why do my people say, We are lords; we will come no more to you?

Can a young girl forget her ornaments, or a bride her gown? Yet my people have forgotten me for
days without number.

33 Why do you change your ways to seek love? Wherefore you have also taught the wicked ones your ways.

34 Also in your skirts is found the blood from the souls of the poor innocents: I have not found it by secret searching, but openly upon all of these.

35 Yet you say, Because I am innocent, surely His anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with you, because you say, I have not sinned.

36 Why do you roam about so much to change your ways? You will also be ashamed of Egypt, as you were ashamed of Assyria.

37 Yes, you will go out from him, with your hands upon your head: for the LORD has rejected your representatives, and you shall not prosper through them.

CHAPTER 3

1 They say, If a man divorces his wife, and she leaves him, and becomes another man’s, shall he return to her again? Shall not that land be greatly polluted? But you have played the prostitute with many lovers; yet return again to me, says the LORD.

2 Lift up your eyes to the high places, and see if there are any places you have not lain down. Along the roads you have sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and you have polluted the land with your prostitutions and with your wickedness.

3 Therefore the showers have been withheld, and you have no latter rain; and you have the hard look of a prostitute, who refuses to be ashamed.

4 Will you not from this time cry to me, My father, you are the guide of my youth? Will He reserve His anger forever? Will He keep it to the end? Behold, you have spoken and done as many evil things as you could.

5 Go and proclaim these words towards the north, and say, Return, you backsliding Israel, says the LORD; and I will not cause my anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, says the LORD, and I will not keep my anger forever.
Only acknowledge your iniquity, that you have transgressed against the LORD your God, and have scattered your ways to the strange idols under every green tree, and you have not obeyed my voice, says the LORD.

Turn, O backsliding children, says the LORD; for I am married to you: and I will take you one from a city, and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

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

And it shall come to pass, when you have multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, says 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 anymore.

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

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 to your fathers.

But I said, How shall I put you among the children, and give you a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of nations? And I said, you shall call me, My father; and shall not turn away from me.

Surely as a wife treacherously departs from her husband, so have you dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, says the LORD.

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.

Return, you backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings. You will say, Behold, we come to you; for you are the LORD our God.

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 has 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 covers us: for we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even to this day, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.

CHAPTER 4

1 If you will return, O Israel, says the LORD, return to me: and if you will put away your idols out of my sight, then shall you not remove yourselves from me.

2 And you shall swear, The LORD lives, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in Him, and in Him shall they glory.

3 For thus says the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and do not sow among thorns.

4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, you men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and continue burning so that none can quench it, because of the evil of your deeds.

5 Declare in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow 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 your land desolate; and your cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.

8 For this, gird yourselves with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the LORD will not turn
And it shall come to pass at that day, says 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.

Behold, He shall appear as in clouds, and His chariots shall be like whirlwind: His horses are swifter than eagles. Woe to us! For we are spoiled.

O Jerusalem, cleanse your heart from wickedness, that you may be saved. How long shall your vain thoughts remain within you?

For a voice declares from Dan, and publishes affliction from mount Ephraim.

Make mention to the nations; listen, publish against Jerusalem, that watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah.

As keepers of a field, all those surrounding her are against her; because she has been rebellious against me, says the LORD.

Your ways and your deeds have brought these things upon you; this is your wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reaches to your heart.

My very soul is in agony, I am pained at my very heart; my heart pounds within me; I cannot hold my peace, because you have heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.

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

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

For my people are foolish, they have not known me; they are stupefied children, and they have no understanding: they understand how to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

I beheld the earth, and there it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light.

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

I beheld, and there was no man, and all the birds of the skies were fled.
26 I beheld, and 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 the LORD has 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 live therein.
30 And when you are spoiled, what will you do? Though you clothe yourself with crimson, though you dress yourself with jewels of gold, though you cover yourself with makeup, in vain you shall make yourself fair; your lovers will despise you, they will seek your life.
31 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in labour, the anguish as of her who brings forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that mourns for herself, that spreads her hands, saying, Woe is me now! For my soul is wearied because of murderers.

CHAPTER 5
1 Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the courtyards, if you can find a man, if there be any that executes judgment, that seeks the truth; and I will pardon it.
2 And though they say, The LORD lives; surely they swear falsely.
3 O LORD, are not your eyes upon the truth? You have stricken them, but they have not grieved; you have 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 search out the great men, and will speak to 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: everyone that goes out there shall be torn in pieces: because their transgressions are many, and their backslidings are increased.

7 How shall I pardon thee for this? Your children have forsaken me, and sworn by those that are not gods: when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the prostitute's houses.

8 They were as fed horses in the morning: everyone neighed after his neighbour's wife.

9 Shall I not visit for these things? Says the LORD: and shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

10 Go 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, says the LORD.

12 They have lied about 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 to them.

14 And so thus says the LORD God of hosts, Because you speak this word, behold, I will make my words in your mouth, fire and this people, wood; and it shall devour them.

15 See, I will bring a nation upon you from afar, O house of Israel, says the LORD: it is a mighty nation, it is an ancient nation, a nation whose language you do not know, neither understand what they say.

16 Their quiver is as an open sepulchre, they are all mighty mighty men.
17 And they shall eat up your harvest, and your bread, which your sons and your daughters should eat: they shall eat up your flocks and your herds: they shall eat up your vines and your fig trees: they shall impoverish your fortified cities, in which you trusted, with the sword.

18 Nevertheless in those days, says the LORD, I will not make a full end with you.

19 And it shall come to pass, when you shall say, Why does the LORD our God do all these things to us? Then shall you answer them, Like as you have forsaken me, and served strange gods in your land, so shall you 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, without understanding; who have eyes, and see not; who have ears, and hear not:

22 Do you not fear me? Says the LORD: will you not tremble at my presence, which has placed the sand for the boundary of the sea by a continuous decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves toss themselves, they cannot prevail; though they roar, they cannot pass over it.

23 But this people have a mutinous and a rebellious heart; they have rebelled and gone.

24 Neither do they say in their heart, Let us now fear the LORD our God, who gives the rains in their due seasons: He reserves for us the appointed weeks of the harvest.

25 Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withheld good things from you.

26 For among my people are found wicked men: they lay wait, as he that sets 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 have become great, and grown rich.

28 They have grown fat and sleek: yes, they have overtaken the deeds of the wicked: they do not consider the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet
they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not consider.

29 Shall I not visit for these things? Says 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 rule with their own laws; and my people love to have it so: and what will you do at the end of all this?

CHAPTER 6

1 O children of Benjamin, prepare 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 appears out of the north, and great destruction.

2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a beautiful and delicate woman.

3 The shepherds with their flocks shall come to her; they shall pitch their tents against her walls; each one shall be fed in his place.

4 Prepare for war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe to us! For the day goes 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 the LORD of hosts has said, Cut down trees, and pile them against the walls of Jerusalem: this is the city to be visited; she is completely oppressed within her.

7 As a fountain spouts out her waters, so she spouts out her wickedness: violence and destruction is heard in her; before me continually is grief and wounds.

8 Be instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul depart from you; lest I make you desolate, a land not inhabited.

9 Thus says the LORD of hosts, They shall thoroughly strip the remnant of Israel as a vine: return back your hand again as a grapegatherer with your baskets.
10 To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? Behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot listen: behold, the word of the LORD is to 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 outside, and upon the assembly of young men together: for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, and the elderly who is full of days.

12 And their houses shall be handed over to others, with their fields and wives together: for I will stretch out my hand upon the inhabitants of the land, says the LORD.

13 For from the least of them even to the greatest of them everyone is given to greed; and from the prophet even to the priest everyone deals 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? No, 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, says the LORD.

16 Thus says the LORD, Stand in the roadsides, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk in it, and you shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk in them.

17 Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Listen to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not listen.

18 Therefore hear, you 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 listened to my words, nor to my law, but rejected it.

20 To what purpose comes there to me incense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? Your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet to me.

21 Therefore thus says 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 says the LORD, Behold, a people comes 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 roars like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against you, O daughter of Zion.

24 We have heard the horror of this: our hands tremble: anguish has taken hold of us, and pain, as of a woman in labour.

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, clothe yourself with sackcloth, and cover yourself in ashes: make your mourning, as for an only son, most bitter lamentation: for the spoiler shall suddenly come upon us.

27 I have set you for a tower and a fortress among my people, that you may know and try their way.

28 They are all grievous rebels, 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 blacksmith melts in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.

30 Flawed silver shall men call them, because the LORD has rejected them.

CHAPTER 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 you of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the LORD.

3 Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to live in this place.

4 Trust 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 you thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if you thoroughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour;

6 If you oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your detriment:

7 Then will I cause you to live in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, forever and ever.

8 Behold, you trust in lying words, that cannot profit.

9 Will you steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense to Baal, and walk after other gods whom you 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, says the LORD.

12 But go now to 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 you have done all these works, says the LORD, and I spoke to you, rising up early and speaking, but you heard not; and I called you, but you answered not;

14 Therefore will I do to this house, which is called by my name, wherein you trust, and to 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 brothers, even the whole seed of Ephraim.

16 Therefore pray not for this people, neither lift up a cry nor a prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not hear you.

17 Do you not see 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 to other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

19 Do they provoke me to anger? says the LORD: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces?

20 Therefore thus says the LORD God; Behold, my 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 says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Put your burnt offerings alongside your sacrifices, and you eat the flesh.

22 For I did not speak to 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 I commanded them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be my people: and walk in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well with you.

24 But they listened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backwards, and not forwards.

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

26 Yet they did not listen to me, nor inclined their ear, but hardened their neck: they did worse than their fathers.

27 Therefore you shall speak all these words to them; but they will not listen to you: you shall also call to them; but they will not answer you.

28 But you shall say to them, This is a nation that does not obey the voice of the LORD their God, nor receives correction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.

29 Cut off your hair, O Jerusalem, and throw it away, and take up a lamentation on high places; for the LORD has rejected and forsaken the generation of
His wrath.
30 For the children of Judah have done evil in my sight, says 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 Topheth, 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.
32 Therefore, see, the days come, says the LORD, that it shall no more be called Topheth, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but it shall be called the valley of slaughter: for they shall bury in Topheth, till there be no more space.
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 remove them.
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.

CHAPTER 8
1 At that time, says 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, says the LORD of hosts.
4 Moreover you shall say to them, Thus says the
LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? Shall he turn away, and not return?
5 Why then is this people of Jerusalem fallen back by a perpetual backsliding? They hold fast to deceit, they refuse to return.
6 I listened and heard, but they did not speak correctly: no man repented of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? But everyone turned to his own ways, as the horse rushes into the battle.
7 Yes, the stork in the heaven knows her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their migrations; but my people do not know the ways of the LORD.
8 How can you say, We are wise, and the law of the LORD is with us? When really He has made it in vain; and the pen of the scribes has been used in vain.
9 The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: see, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them?
10 Therefore will I give their wives to others, and their fields to them that shall inherit them: for everyone from the least even to the greatest is given to greed, from the prophet even to the priest everyone deals 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? No, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the time of their judgment they shall be cast down, says the LORD.
13 I will surely consume them, says 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 fortified cities, and let us be silent there: for the LORD our God has put us to silence, and given us bitter water 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 live therein.
17 For, behold, I will send serpents, monsters, among you, which will not be charmed, and they shall bite you, says the LORD.
18 When I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart is faint in me.
19 Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people because of them that live 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 in a black depression; astonishment has taken hold of 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?

CHAPTER 9
1 Oh that my head were waters, and my 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, says the LORD.
4 Everyone should keep watch of their neighbour, and not trust in any brother: for every brother will be completely self-seeking, and every neighbour will walk with lies and accusations.
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 Your habitation is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, says the LORD.

7 Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will refine 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 speaks deceit: one speaks peacefully to his neighbour with his mouth, but in his heart he lies in wait.

9 Shall I not visit them for these things? says 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 ferocious wild animals; 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 has spoken, that he may declare it, for what reason the land perishes and is burned up like a wilderness, that none can pass through?

13 And the LORD says, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked in it;

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

15 Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, even this people, with burnt wood, and give them bitter water to drink.

16 I will scatter them also among the brothers, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: and I will send a sword after them, until I have consumed
Thus says the LORD of hosts, Consider, and call for the mourning women, that they may come; and send for cunning women, that they may come:

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

For a voice of wailing is heard from out of Zion, How we are destroyed! We are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have abandoned us.

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 teach everyone, her neighbour, lamentation.

For death has entered every house, and has entered into our palaces, and has removed the children from within, and the young men from the streets.

Speak thus, says the LORD, Even the carcases of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the handful left after the harvestman, and none shall gather them.

Thus says 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:

But let him that glories, glory in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD which exercises lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, says the LORD.

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, that I will punish all those who are circumcised alongside those who are uncircumcised;

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

CHAPTER 10

Thus says the LORD, Learn not the way of the
heathen, and do not be surprised at the signs in the skies; for the heathen are surprised at them.
3 For the customs of the people are pointless: for one cuts a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe.
4 They decorate it with silver and with gold; they secure it with nails and hammers, so that it will not move.
5 They are upright as the palm tree, but do not speak: they have to be carried, because they cannot move. Do not be afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither is it in them to do good.
6 For as much as there are none like you, O LORD; you are great, and your name is great in might.
7 Who would not fear you, O King of nations? For to you does the saying refer: for as much as among all the wise men of the nations, and in all their kingdoms, there is none like you.
8 But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the idol is a doctrine of vanities.
9 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Uphaz, the work of the workman, and the hands of the foundry man: blue and purple is their clothing: they are all the work of deceitful 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 you say to 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 has made the earth by His power, He has established the world by His wisdom, and has stretched out the heavens by His discretion.
13 When He speaks with His voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heavens, and He causes the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightnings with rain, and brings forth the wind out of His treasures.
14 Every man is brutish in his knowledge: every
founder is bewildered 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 judgment 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 your goods out of the land, O inhabitant of the fortress.

18 For thus says the LORD, Behold, I will sling out the inhabitants of the land in an instant, and will distress them, that they may experience it.

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 from me, and they are not: there is none to stretch forth my tent anymore, and to set up my curtains.

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 brute 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 for man to direct his own steps.

24 O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in your anger, lest you bring me to nothing.

25 Pour out your fury upon the heathen that do not know you, and upon the families that do not call on your name: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.

CHAPTER 11

3 And say to them, Thus says the LORD God of Israel; Cursed be the man that does not obey 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 you be my people, and I will be your God:

5 That I may perform the oath which I have sworn to 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 to me, Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying, Hear the words of this covenant, and do them.

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

8 Yet they did not obey, 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 not do them.

9 And the LORD said to 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 says 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 listen to them.

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

13 And the number of gods were according to the number of your cities, O Judah; and according to the number of the streets of Jerusalem you have set up altars to that shameful thing, altars to burn incense to Baal.

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

15 What has my beloved to do in my house, seeing she has behaved as a prostitute with many, and the holy sacrifice will no longer save you? When you do evil, then you rejoice.

16 The LORD called your name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great crowd He has kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

17 For the LORD of hosts, that planted you, has pronounced evil against you, 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 to Baal.

18 And the LORD has given me knowledge of it, and I know it: then you showed me their behaviour.

19 But I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised plans 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 remembered no more.

20 But, O LORD of hosts, that judges righteously, and tries the motives of the heart, let me see your vengeance on them: for to you have I revealed my cause.

21 Therefore thus says the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek your life, saying, Do not prophesy in the name of the LORD, or you will die by our hand:

22 Therefore thus says 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, in the year of their judgment.

CHAPTER 12

1 Righteous are you, O LORD, when I plead with you: yet let me talk with you of your judgments: Why do
the ways of the wicked prosper? Why are they happy who deal very treacherously?

2 You have planted them, yes, they have taken root:
they grow, yes, they bring forth fruit: you are near in their mouth, and far from their hearts.

3 But you, O LORD, know me: you have seen me, and tried my heart towards you: 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, because of the wickedness of those that live therein? The beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, He shall not see the way we end.

5 If you have run with the footmen, and they have wearied you, then how can you run with horses?
And if in the land of peace, wherein you trust, they wearied you, then how will you cope when you move into Jordan?

6 For even your brothers and the house of your father, even they have dealt treacherously with you; yes, they have set a multitude against you: do not believe them, even though they speak pretty words to you.

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

8 My heritage is to me as a lion in the forest; it cries out against me: therefore have I hated it.

9 My heritage is to me as a speckled bird, the birds round about are against her; come you, 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 I mourn for it; the whole land is made desolate, because no man cares for it.

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 says the LORD against all my 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 lives; 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, says the LORD.

CHAPTER 13

1 Thus said the LORD to me, Go and get a linen belt, and put it upon your hips, and put it not in water.

2 So I got a belt according to the word of the LORD, and put it around my hips.

3 And the word of the LORD came to me the second time, saying,

4 Take the belt that you have got, which is upon your hips, 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 to me, Arise, go to Euphrates, and take the belt from there, which I commanded you to hide there.

7 Then I went to Euphrates, and dug, and took the belt from the place where I had hid it: and, behold, the belt was marred, it was profitable for nothing.

8 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

9 Thus says the LORD, After this manner will I mar
the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.

10 This evil people, who refuse to hear my words, who walk in the imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve them and to worship them, they shall be as this belt, which is good for nothing.

11 For as the belt holds fast to the hips of a man, so have I caused to hold fast to me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, says the LORD; that they might be a people for me, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not hear.

12 Therefore you shall speak to them this word; Thus says the LORD God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say to me, We certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine.

13 Then you shall say to them, Thus says 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, says the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them.

15 Listen, and give ear; do not be proud: for the LORD has spoken.

16 Give glory to the LORD your God, before He causes darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while you look for light, He turns it into the shadow of death, and makes it gross darkness.

17 But if you will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for your pride; and my eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because the LORD’s flock is carried away captive.

18 Say to the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down: for your principalities 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 to you, your beautiful flock?

21 What will you say when He shall punish you? For you have taught them to be captains and chief over you: shall not sorrows take you, as a woman in labour?

22 And if you say in your heart, Why have these things come upon me? For the greatness of your iniquity are your skirts raised, and your heels made bare.

23 Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? Then may you also do good, who are accustomed to do evil.

24 Therefore will I scatter them like the stubble that passes away by the wind of the wilderness.

25 This is your lot, the portion of your measure from me, says the LORD; because you have forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.

26 Therefore will I discover your skirts upon your face, that your shame may appear.

27 I have seen your adulteries, and your neighings, the lewdness of your prostitution, and your idols on the hills in the fields. Woe to you, O Jerusalem! Will you not be made clean? When shall it be so?

CHAPTER 14

1 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning the shortages.

2 Judah mourns, and the gates have broken down; they are black to the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem has 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 parched, for there was no rain in the earth, the ploughmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.
Yes, the hind also calved in the field, and abandoned it, because there was no grass.

And the wild donkeys stood in the high places, they snuffed up the wind like dragons; their eyes did fail, because there was no grass.

O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do it for your name’s sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you.

O the hope of Israel, its saviour in time of trouble, why should you be as a stranger in the land, and as a traveller that turns aside to stay for a night?

Why should you be as a man astonished, as a mighty man that cannot save? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not leave us.

Thus says the LORD to this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet, therefore the LORD does not accept them; He will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins.

Then said the LORD to me, Do not pray for the good of this people.

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

Then I said, Ah, LORD God! Behold, the prophets say to them, You shall not see the sword, neither shall you have famine; but I will assure you of peace in this place.

Then the LORD said to me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I did not send them, neither have I commanded them, neither spoke to them: they prophesy to you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nothing, and the deceit of their heart.

Therefore thus says the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I did not send them, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land. By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed.

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, neither them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them.

17 Therefore you shall say this word to them; Let my eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a grievous blow.

18 If I go forth into the field, then see those who have died by the sword! And if I enter into the city, then see those who are sick with famine! Yes, both the prophet and the priest go into a land they do not know.

19 Have you utterly rejected Judah? Does your soul hate Zion? Why have you 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 you.

21 Do not hate us, for your name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of your glory: remember, do not break your covenant with us.

22 Are there any among the sorcerers of the Gentiles that can cause rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Are you not He, O LORD our God? Therefore we will wait upon you: for you have made all these things.

CHAPTER 15

1 Then the LORD said to me, Even if Moses and Samuel were interceding 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 to you, Where shall we go? Then you shall tell them, Thus says 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.

3 And I will appoint over them four kinds, says 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 sent into all kingdoms of the earth, because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, because of what he did in Jerusalem.

5 For who shall have pity upon you, O Jerusalem? Or who shall bemoan you? Or who shall go aside to ask how you do?

6 You have forsaken me, says the LORD, you have gone backwards: therefore will I stretch out my hand against you, and destroy you; 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 destroyer at noonday: I have caused him to fall upon the city suddenly, with terrors.

9 She that has born seven, languishes: she has given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it was yet day: she has been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, says the LORD.

10 Woe is me, my mother, that you have born me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent for excessive profit, nor have I been lent to for excessive profit; yet every one of them does curse me.

11 The LORD said, Truly it shall be well with your remnant; truly I will cause the enemy to implore you well in the time of evil and in the time of affliction.

12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel?

13 Your substance and your treasures will I give to the oppressor without price, and that for all your sins, even in all your borders.

14 And I will make you to pass with your enemies into a land which you do not know: for a fire is kindled
in my anger, which shall burn upon you.

15 O LORD, you know: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in your longsuffering: know that for your sake I have suffered rebuke.

16 Your words were found, and I did eat them; and your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart: for I am called by your name, O LORD God of hosts.

17 I sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of your hand: for you have filled me with indignation.

18 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuses to be healed? Will you be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that fail?

19 Therefore thus says the LORD, If you return to me, then I will bring you again, and you shall stand before me: and if you take forth the precious words from the evil, you shall be as my mouth: let them return to you; but you are not to return to them.

20 And I will make you to this people a fenced wall of bronze: and they shall fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you: for I am with you to save you and to deliver you, says the LORD.

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

CHAPTER 16

1 The word of the LORD came also to me, saying,

2 You shall not take to yourself a wife, neither shall you have sons or daughters in this place.

3 For thus says 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 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.

5 For thus says 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, says 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 cut 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 Neither shall you go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.

9 For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, 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 will cease to be heard in this place.

10 And it shall come to pass, when you shall show this people all these words, and they shall say to you, Why has 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 you shall say to them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, says 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 you have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, you walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that they may not listen to me:

13 Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that you do not know, neither you nor your fathers; and there shall you serve other gods day and night; where I will not show you favour.

14 Therefore, behold, the days come, says the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD lives, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of
Egypt;
15 But, The LORD lives, who brought up the children of Israel out of the land of the north, and from all the lands where He had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave to their fathers.
16 Behold, I will send for many fishers, says 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 my eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from my eyes.
18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled my land, they have filled my 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 to you 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 for himself, yet they are not gods?
21 Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know my hand and my might; and they shall know that my name is The LORD.

CHAPTER 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 your substance and all your treasures to the oppressor, and your high places for sin, throughout all your borders.
4 And you, even yourself, shall discontinue from your
heritage that I gave you; and I will cause you to serve your enemies in the land which you do not know: for you have kindled a fire in my anger, which shall burn forever.

5 Thus says the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusts in man, and makes himself his strength, and whose heart departs from the LORD.

6 For he shall be like the oasis in the desert, and shall not see when good comes; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

7 Blessed is the man that trusts in the LORD, and whose hope is in the LORD.

8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreads out her roots by the river, she shall not see when heat comes, but her leaf shall be green; and she shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall she 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 sits on eggs, and does not hatch them; so he that obtains riches illegally, but 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 you 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 you are my praise.

15 Behold, they say to 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 you: neither have I desired the woeful day; you know that that which came out of my lips was right before you.

17 Be not a terror to me: you are 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 says the LORD to me; Go and stand in the gate of the children of the people, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem;

20 And say to them, Hear the Word of the LORD, kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates:

21 Thus says 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 any work, but honour the Sabbath day as Holy, 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 you diligently listen to me, says 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 forever.

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, to the house of the LORD.

27 But if you will not listen to 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.

CHAPTER 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 you to hear my words.
3 Then I went down to the potter’s house, and, behold, he created 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? Says the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.
7 At what point I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up and to pull down and to destroy it;
8 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turns from evil, I will turn from the judgment that I thought to do to them.
9 And at what point I shall speak concerning a nation and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it;
10 If it does evil in my sight, that it obeys not my voice, then I will turn from the good with which 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 says the LORD; Behold, I surround you with evil, and devise a device against you: return 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 says the LORD; Ask now among the heathen, who have heard such things: the virgin of
Israel has done a very horrible thing.

14 Will the snow on the mountains of Lebanon ever disappear? Or the cold flowing waters that come from a distance be stopped?

15 Because my people have 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 that have not been laid;

16 To make their land desolate and a place of wailing; everyone who passes shall be shocked and shake his head.

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

18 Then they said, 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 Hear me O LORD, and listen to the voice of those that contend with me.

20 Shall evil be repaid for good? For they have dug a pit for my soul. Remember that I stood before you to speak good for them, and to turn away your 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 you shall bring a troop suddenly upon them: for they have dug a pit to take me and hid snares for my feet.

23 Yet, LORD, you know all their counsel against me to slay me: forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from your sight, but let them be overthrown before you; deal thus with them in the time of your anger.
CHAPTER 19

1 Thus says the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and take from the elders of the people, and take from the elders of the priests;

2 And go forth to the valley of the sons of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell you,

3 And say, Hear the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, that whoever hears it, his ears shall tingle.

4 Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it to 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 to Baal, which I commanded not, nor spoke it, neither came it into my mind:

6 Therefore, behold, the days come, says the LORD, that this place shall no more be called Topheth, nor The valley of the sons 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.

8 And I will make this city desolate, and a wailing; everyone that passes by there shall be astonished and wail because of all the plagues there.

9 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat, everyone, the flesh of his friend in the siege and restrictions, whereby their enemies and those that seek their lives, shall oppress them.

10 Then you shall break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with you.

11 And you shall say to them, Thus says the LORD of
hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaks a potter’s vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury them in Topheth, until there is no place to bury them.

12 Thus will I do to this place, says the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Topheth:

13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Topheth, because of all the houses upon whose rooves they have burned incense to all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings to other gods.

14 Then came Jeremiah from Topheth, where 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 says 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.

CHAPTER 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 beat 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 following day, that Pashur brought forth Jeremiah out of the stocks. Then Jeremiah said to him, The LORD has not called your name Pashur, but Magor-Missabib.

4 For thus says the LORD, Behold, I will make you a terror to yourself, and to all your friends: and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and your 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 you, Pashur, and all that live in your house shall go into captivity: and you shall come to Babylon and there you shall die and shall be buried there, you and all your friends to whom you have prophesied lies.

7 O LORD, you have deceived me and I was deceived: you are stronger than I and have prevailed: I am in derision daily, everyone mocks me.

8 For since I spoke, I cried out, I cried violence and spoil; because the Word of the LORD was made a reproach to 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 my 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 derogatory comments of many, fear on every side. Report to us they said, and we will report it. All those who knew me watched for my stumbling, saying, With luck he will be enticed, and we shall stand 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 condemnation shall never be forgotten.

12 But, O LORD of hosts, that tries the righteous and sees the motives of the heart, let me see your vengeance on them: for to you have I opened my cause.

13 Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD: for He has 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 bore me, be blessed.
15 Cursed be the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is born to you; making him very glad.
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 did not kill me in 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?

CHAPTER 21
1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, when king Zedekiah sent to him Pashur the son of Melchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,
2 Inquire, I pray of you, of the LORD for us; for Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon makes war against us; if it so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all His wondrous works, that Nebuchadnezzar may go up from us.
3 Then Jeremiah said to them, Thus shall you say to Zedekiah:
4 Thus says the LORD God of Israel; Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands, wherewith you fight against the king of Babylon, and against the Chaldeans, which besiege you outside 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 afterwards, says 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 Nebuchadnezzar 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 to this people you shall say, Thus says the LORD; Behold, I set before you the way of life and the way of death.

9 He that lives in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goes out, and falls to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live and become a prisoner.

10 For I have set my face against this city for evil and not for good, says the LORD: and 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 the Word of the LORD;

12 O house of David, thus says 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 you, O inhabitant of the valley and rock of the plain, says the LORD; you 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, says the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things around about it.

CHAPTER 22

1 Thus says 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 sits upon the throne of David, you and your servants and your people that enter in by these gates:

3 Thus says the LORD; Execute judgment and righteousness and deliver the desecrated 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.
For if you 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.

But if you will not hear these words, I swear by myself, says the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

For thus says the LORD to the king’s house of Judah; You are Gilead to me and the head of Lebanon: yet surely I will make you a wilderness and cities which are not inhabited.

And I will prepare destroyers against you, everyone with his weapons: and they shall cut down your choice cedars and cast them into the fire.

And many nations shall pass by this city and they shall say every man to his neighbour, Why has the LORD done this to this great city?

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

Weep not for the dead, neither mourn him: but weep sore for him that goes away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.

For thus says the LORD touching Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, who reigned instead of Josiah his father, who went forth out of this place; he shall not return here anymore:

But he shall die in the place where they have led him captive and shall see this land no more.

Woe to him that builds his house by unrighteousness and his chambers by wrong; that uses his neighbour’s service without wages, and does not pay him for his work;

That says, I will build myself a wide house and large chambers, and cut out windows; and clad it with cedar and painted with vermillion.

Shall you reign, because you surround yourself in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do judgment and justice, and then it was well with him?

He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well with him: did he not do this in order to
know me? Says the LORD.

17 But your eyes and your heart do not follow me, but are for your covetousness, and to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for doing of violence.

18 Therefore thus says 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 a donkey, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

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

21 I spoke to you in your prosperity; but you said, I will not hear. This has been your manner from your youth, that you do not obey my voice.

22 The wind shall eat up all your pastors and your lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shall you be ashamed and confounded for all your wickedness.

23 O inhabitant of Lebanon, that makes your nest in the cedars, how gracious shall you be when pain comes upon you, the pain as of a woman in labour!

24 As I live, says the LORD, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah were the signet upon my right hand, yet I would remove you from there;

25 And I will give you into the hand of them that seek your life and into the hand of them whose face you fear, even into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

26 And I will cast you out and your mother that bore you, into another country, where you were not born; and there shall you die.

27 But to the land to which they desire to return, there they shall not return.

28 Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol? Is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? Why 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 says the LORD, Write of 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 anymore in Judah.

CHAPTER 23
1 Woe be to the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.
2 Therefore thus says the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; You have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, says the LORD.
3 And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries where 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, says the LORD.
5 Behold, the days come, says the LORD, that I will raise to 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 live safely: and this is His name whereby He shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.
7 Therefore, behold, the days come, says the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD lives, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;
8 But, The LORD lives, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country and from all countries where I had driven them; and they shall live in their own land.
9 My 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 has 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 mourns; 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; yes, in my house have I found their wickedness, says the LORD.

12 Where their way shall be to 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 judgment, says the LORD.

13 And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal and caused my people Israel to go astray.

14 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem, a horrible thing: they commit adultery and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none do return from his wickedness: they are all of them to me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof, as Gomorrah.

15 Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets; Behold, I will feed them with bitterness, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.

16 Thus says the LORD of hosts, Listen not to the words of the prophets that prophesy to you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart and not out of the mouth of the LORD.

17 They still say to those that despise me, The LORD has said, You shall have peace; and they say to everyone that walks after the imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you.

18 For who has stood in the counsel of the LORD, and has perceived and heard His Word? Who has 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 has executed, and until He has performed the thoughts of His heart: in the latter days you shall
understand it perfectly.

21 I did not send 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, says the LORD, and not a God afar off?

24 Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? Says the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? Says 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? Yes, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

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

28 The prophet that has a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that has my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? Says the LORD.

29 Is not my word like as a fire? Says the LORD; and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

30 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, that steal my words, everyone from his neighbour.

31 Behold, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He says.

32 Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, says the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to go astray by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I did not send them, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, says the LORD.

33 And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask you, saying, What is the burden of the LORD? You shall then say to them, What burden? I
will even forsake you, says 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 you shall say everyone to his neighbour, and everyone to his brother, What has the LORD answered? And, What has the LORD spoken?
36 Thus you shall say everyone to his neighbour, and everyone to his brother, What has the LORD answered? And, What has the LORD spoken?
37 Thus you shall say to the prophet, What has the LORD answered you? And, What has the LORD spoken?
38 But since you say, The burden of the LORD; therefore thus says the LORD; Because you say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent to you, saying, You 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.

CHAPTER 24
1 The LORD showed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs were set before the Temple of the LORD, after that Nebuchadnezzar 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 rotten figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.
3 Then said the LORD to me, What do you see Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the evil figs, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.
Again the Word of the LORD came to me saying,

Thus says 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.

For I will set my 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.

And I will give them a 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.

And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus says 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 live in the land of Egypt:

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 where I shall drive them.

And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave to them and to their fathers.

CHAPTER 25

The word that came to Jeremiah, concerning all the people of Judah in the fourth year of Jehoiakim, the son of Josiah king of Judah, that was the first year of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon;

To which Jeremiah the prophet spoke to all the people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,

From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, even to this day, that is the twenty third year, the Word of the LORD has come to me, and I have spoken to you, rising early and speaking; but you have not listened.

And the LORD has sent to you all His servants the
prophets, rising early and sending them; but you have not listened, nor inclined your ear to hear.
5 They said, Turn again now everyone from his evil way, and from the evil of your doings, and live in the land that the LORD has given to you and to your fathers for ever and ever:
6 And do not go 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 you have not listened to me, says the LORD; that you might provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own detriment.
8 Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts; Because you have not heard my words,
9 Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, says the LORD, and Nebuchadnezzar 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 horror, and a wailing, 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 horror; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon for 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, says 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 has 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.
For thus says the LORD God of Israel to me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send you, to drink it.

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

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

That is, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, a wailing, and a curse; as it is this day;

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

And all the mixed races 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,

Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,

And all the kings of Tyre, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the isles which are beyond the sea,

Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that are in the utmost corners,

And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mixed races people that live in the desert,

And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes,

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.

Therefore you shall say to them, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink, and be drunken, and spew, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.

And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at your hand to drink, then shall you say to them, Thus says the LORD of hosts; You shall certainly drink.

See, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name, and should you be utterly
unpunished? You shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, says the LORD of hosts.

30 Therefore prophesy against them all these words, and say to 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 has a controversy with the nations, He will plead with all flesh; He will give them that are wicked to the sword, says the LORD.

32 Thus says 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 to the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

34 Howl, you shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes, you leader of the flock: for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and you shall fall like a decorated vessel.

35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the leader of the flock to escape.

36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and a howling of the leader of the flock, shall be heard: for the LORD has destroyed their pasture.

37 And the peaceful habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

38 He has forsaken His hiding place, as the lion: for their land is desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of His fierce anger.

CHAPTER 26

2 Thus says the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD’s house, and speak to all the cities of Judah which come to worship in the LORD’s house, all the words that I command you to speak to them; diminish not a word:
If they should listen and turn every man from his evil way, that I may repent of the judgment which I intend to do to them, because of the evil of their doings.

And you shall say to them, Thus says the LORD; If you will not listen to me, to walk in my law which I have set before you,

To listen to the words of my servants the prophets whom I sent to you, both rising up early and sending them, but you have not listened;

Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.

So the priests and the prophets and all the people, heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.

Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded him, to speak to all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, You shall surely die.

Why have you 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.

When the princes of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king’s house to the house of the LORD, and sat down in the entry of the new gate of the LORD’s house.

Then spoke the priests and the prophets to the princes and to all the people, saying, This man is worthy to die; for he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your ears.

Then spoke Jeremiah to 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 you have heard.

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 judgment that He has pronounced against you.
As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me as seems right and proper to you.  
But you know for certain, that if you put me to death, you shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for in truth the LORD has sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.  
Then the princes and all the people said to the priests and to the prophets; It is not fitting that this man should die: for he has spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.  
Then certain elders of the land rose up, and spoke to all the assembly of the people, saying,  
Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spoke to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts; Zion shall be ploughed like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps of rubble, and the mountain of the house, as the high places of a forest.  
Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death? Did he not fear the LORD, and beseech the LORD, and the LORD turned from the judgment which He had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.  
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:  
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;  
And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and certain men with him into Egypt.  
And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him to Jehoiakim the king; who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead body into the graves of the common people.  
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.

CHAPTER 27

2 Thus says the LORD to me; Make bonds and yokes, and put them upon your 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 Tyros, and to the king of Zidon, by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem to Zedekiah king of Judah;

4 And command them to say to their masters, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Thus shall you say to 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 to whom it seemed good to me.

6 And now I have 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 comes: 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 I will punish, says the LORD, with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

9 Therefore do not listen to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, who speak to you, saying, You shall not serve the king of Babylon:

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

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

12 I spoke 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 you die, you and your people, by the sword, by the famine and by the pestilence, as the LORD has spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

14 Therefore listen not to the words of the prophets that speak to you, saying, You shall not serve the king of Babylon: for they prophesy a lie to you.

15 For I have not sent them, says the LORD, yet they prophesy a lie in my name; that I might drive you out, and that you might perish, you, and the prophets that prophesy to you.

16 Also I spoke to the priests and to all this people,

saying, Thus says the LORD; Listen not to the words of your prophets that prophesy to you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the LORD’s house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie to you.

17 Listen not to 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 says the LORD of hosts concerning the temple 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 Yes, thus says 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, says the LORD; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.

CHAPTER 28
2 Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.
3 Within two full years of days 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, says the LORD: for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.

5 Then the prophet Jeremiah said to 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 your words which you have 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 now this word that I speak in your ears, and in the ears of all the people;
8 Before me and before you, the prophets of old prophesied both against many countries and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence.
9 The prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that the LORD has truly sent him.
10 Then Hananiah the prophet, took the yoke from off
11 And Hananiah spoke in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus says 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 to 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 says the LORD; You have broken the yokes of wood; but you shall make for them yokes of iron.

14 For thus says 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 the prophet Jeremiah said to Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The LORD has not sent you, but you make this people to trust in a lie.

16 Therefore thus says the LORD; Behold, I will cast you from off the face of the earth: this year, you shall die because you have taught rebellion against the LORD.

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

CHAPTER 29

1 Now these are the words of the letter, that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem, to the remnant of the elders which were carried away captive, 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
Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all that are carried away captive, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem to Babylon;

Build houses, and live in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;

Take 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 you may be increased there and not diminished.

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

For thus says 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 listen to your dreams which you cause to be dreamed.

For they prophesy falsely to you in my name: I have not sent them, says the LORD.

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

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

Then shall you call upon me, and you shall go and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

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

And I will be found by you, says the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place where I caused you to be carried away captive.

Because you have said, The LORD has raised us up prophets in Babylon;
16 Know that, thus says the LORD of the king that sits upon the throne of David, and of all the people that live in this city, and of all your brothers that are not gone forth with you into captivity;

17 Thus says 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.

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 wailing, and a reproach, among all the nations where I have driven them:

19 Because they have not listened to my words, says the LORD, which I sent to them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; but you would not hear, says the LORD.

20 Hear therefore the Word of the LORD, all you in captivity, whom I have sent from Jerusalem to Babylon:

21 Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy lies to you in my name; Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them before your eyes;

22 And of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captive of Judah which are in Babylon, saying, The LORD make you like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire;

23 Because they have committed villainy 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, says the LORD.

24 Thus shall you also speak to Shemaiah the Nehelamite, saying,

25 Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, Because you have sent letters in your name to 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 have made you priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest, that you should be officers in the house of the LORD, for every man that is mad, and makes himself a prophet, that you should put him in prison, and in the stocks.

27 Now therefore, why have you not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth, who makes himself a prophet to you?

28 For therefore, He sent to us in Babylon, saying, This captivity is long: build houses, and live 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 to Jeremiah, saying,

31 Send to all of those in captivity, saying, Thus says the LORD concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite; Because that Shemaiah has prophesied to you, and I did not send him, and he caused you to trust in a lie:

32 Therefore thus says the LORD; Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seed: he shall not have a man to live among this people; neither shall he see the good that I will do for my people, says the LORD; because he has taught rebellion against the LORD.

CHAPTER 30

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus speaks the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write all the words that I have spoken to you in a book. For, see, the days come, says the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, says the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

3 And these are the words that the LORD spoke concerning Israel and concerning Judah. For thus says the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.
6 Ask now, and see whether a man labours with child? Why do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in labour, 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, says the LORD of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off your neck, and will burst your bonds, and strangers shall no more be served by him:

9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up for them.

10 Therefore fear not, O my servant Jacob, says the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, see, I will save you from afar, and your 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 you, says the LORD, to save you: though I make a full end of all nations where I have scattered you, yet will I not make a full end of you: but I will correct you in measure, and will not leave you altogether unpunished.

12 For thus says the LORD, Your bruise is incurable, and your wound is grievous.

13 There is none to plead your cause, that you may be bandaged: you have no healing medicines.

14 All your lovers have forgotten you; they seek you not; for I have wounded you with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of your iniquity; because your sins were increased.

15 Why do you cry out in your affliction? Your sorrow is incurable for the multitude of your iniquity: because your sins were increased, I have done these things to you.

16 Therefore all they that devour you, shall be devoured; and all your adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil you, shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon you, will I give for a prey.
For I will restore health to you, and I will heal you of your wounds, says the LORD; because they called you an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man searches for.

Thus says the LORD; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob’s tents, and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be built upon her own land, and the palace shall remain in that manner.

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.

Their children also shall be as they once were, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.

And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach to me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach to me? Says the LORD.

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

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

The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return, until He has done it, and until He has performed the intents of His heart: in the latter days you shall consider it.

CHAPTER 31

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

Thus says the LORD, The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.

The LORD has appeared from times past, saying, Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness have I drawn you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O
Virgin of Israel: you shall again be equipped with your musical instruments, and shall go forth in the dances of those that make merry.

You shall yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things.

For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise, and let us go up to Zion to the LORD our God.

For thus says the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish, praise, and say, O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.

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 labours with child together: a great company shall return there.

They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of water in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a Father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

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

For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him, that was stronger than he.

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.

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.

And I will satisfy the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness,
Thus says the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children refusing to be comforted for her children, because they were not.

Thus says the LORD; Refrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears: for your work shall be rewarded, says the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.

And there is hope in your end, says the LORD, that your children shall come again to their own border.

I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus; You have chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: turn me, and I shall be turned; for you are the LORD my God.

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

Is Ephraim my dear son? Is he a pleasant child? For since I spoke against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my heart is troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, says the LORD.

Set up road signs, make high heaps: set your heart toward the highway, even the way which you went: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these your cities.

How long will you go about, O backsliding daughter? For the LORD has created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall encircle a man.

Thus says 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 you, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness.

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

For I have satisfied the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul.

Upon this I awakened, and beheld; and my sleep
was sweet to me.

27 Behold, the days come, says 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, in the same manner that 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, says 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 eats the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

31 Behold, the days come, says 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 broke, although I was an husband unto them, says the LORD:

33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, says 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 to the greatest of them, says the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

35 Thus says the LORD, which gives the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divides the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is His name:

36 If those ordinances of the moon, and of the stars depart from before me, says the LORD, then the seed of Israel also, shall cease from being a nation
before me forever.

37 Thus says the LORD; If heaven above could be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I would also cast off all the seed of Israel, for all that they have done, says the LORD.

38 Behold, the days come, says the LORD, that the city shall be built to the LORD, from the tower of Hananeel, to the gate of the corner.

39 And the measuring line shall yet go out from the corner gate, to the hill Gareb, and shall circle around to Goath.

40 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the fields to the brook of Kidron, to the corner of the horse gate, toward the east, shall be holy to the LORD; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more forever.

CHAPTER 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 Nebuchadnezzar.

2 For then the king of Babylons army besieged Jerusalem: and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the prison, which was in the king of Judahs house.

3 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Why do you prophesy, and say, Thus says the LORD, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylons, 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 Babylons, and shall speak with him, mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall behold his eyes;

5 And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babylons, and there shall he be until I visit him, says the LORD: though you fight with the Chaldeans, you shall not prosper.

6 And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me, saying,

7 Behold, Hanameel the son of Shallum your uncle shall come to you, saying, Buy my field that is in
Anathoth: for the right of redemption is yours to buy it.

So Hanameel, my uncle’s son, came to me in the court of the prison, according to the word of the LORD, and said to me, Buy my field, I beg you, that is in Anathoth, which is in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance is yours, and the redemption is yours; buy it for yourself. Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

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.

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

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

And I gave the written evidence of the purchase to Baruch, the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, in the sight of Hanameel my 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.

And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

Thus says 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.

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

Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed to the LORD, saying,

Ah LORD God! Behold, you have made the heaven and the earth by your great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for you:

You show loving kindness to thousands, and repay 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 your 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 Who have set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even to this day, and in Israel, and among other men; and have made you a name, up to this very day;
21 And has brought forth your 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 have given them this land, which you did 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 your voice, neither walked in your law; they have done nothing of all that you commanded them to do: therefore you have caused all this evil to come upon them:
24 Behold the mounted warriors, they are come to 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 you have spoken is come to pass; and, behold, you watch it.
25 And you have said to me, O LORD God, Buy 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 to Jeremiah, saying,
27 Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?
28 Therefore thus says the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar 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 rooves they have offered incense to Baal, and poured out drink offerings to
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, says the LORD.

31 For this city has been to me as a provocation of my anger, and of my fury, from the day that they built it, even to 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 to me the back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not listened 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 to 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 says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof you 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, where I have driven them in my anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again to this place, and I will cause them to live 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 forever, 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 Yes, 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.  
42 For thus says 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 you 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 them to return from captivity, says the LORD.

CHAPTER 33
1 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet shut up in the court of the prison, saying,  
2 Thus says the LORD, the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it to establish it; the LORD is His name; Call to me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.  
3 For thus says 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 mounted warriors, and by the sword; They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but it is to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have slain in my anger and in my fury, and for all whose wickedness, I have hid my face from this city.  
4 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth.  
5 And I will cause Judah to return from captivity, and Israel to return from captivity, and will build them, as they once were.  
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 to them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.

10 Thus says the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which you 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 endures forever: and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause the land to be free from captivity, as it was at the first, says the LORD.

12 Thus says 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 counts them, says the LORD.

14 Behold, the days come, says the LORD, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised to 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 live safely: and this is the name wherewith she
shall be called, The LORD our righteousness.
17 For thus says the LORD; David shall never be without a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel;
18 Neither shall the priests, the Levites, ever be without 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 to Jeremiah, saying,
20 Thus says the LORD; If you 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;
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 to me.
23 Moreover, the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,
24 Have you not considered what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the LORD has chosen, He has even cast them off? And so they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them.
25 Thus says 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 them to return from captivity, and have mercy on them.

CHAPTER 34
1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdoms under his dominion and all the people, fought against Jerusalem, and
Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel; Go and speak to Zedekiah king of Judah, and tell him, Thus says the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire:

And you shall not escape out of his hand, but shall surely be taken, and delivered into his hand; and your eyes shall behold the eyes of the king of Babylon, and he shall speak with you mouth to mouth, and you shall go to Babylon.

Yet hear the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah king of Judah; Thus says the LORD, of you, You shall not die by the sword:

But you shall die in peace: and with the funeral fires of your fathers, the former kings which were before you, so shall they burn fires for you; and they will lament you, saying, Ah lord! For I have pronounced the word, says the LORD.

Then Jeremiah the prophet spoke all these words to Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusalem,

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.

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

That every man should let his manservant, and every man his maidservant, being an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free; that none should retain for himself a slave who is a Jew, who is his brother.

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, so that none should retain for themselves a slave who is a Jew, then they obeyed, and let them go.

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 says 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 servitude, saying,

14 At the end of seven years let go every man his brother, a Hebrew, who has been sold to you; and when he has served you six years, you shall let him go free from you: but your fathers did not listen to me, neither inclined their ear.

15 And you were now turned, and had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty to every servant; and you had made an agreement before me in the house which is called by my name:

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

17 Therefore thus says the LORD; You have not listened to me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour: behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, says 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 broken my covenant, who have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in two, and passed between its parts.

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 to 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, says 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.

CHAPTER 36

2 Take a roll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken to you against Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spoke to you, from the days of Josiah, even to this day.

3 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do to 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 to 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, and read in the roll, which you have 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, you shall read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.

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

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

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 to 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 behold, 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 to 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, to Baruch, saying, Take in your hand the roll wherein you have read in the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came to them.

15 And they said to 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 another, and said to Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.

17 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How did you write all these words from Jeremiah’s mouth?

18 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words to me with his mouth, and I wrote them with ink in the book.

19 Then said the princes to Baruch, Go, hide yourselves, you and Jeremiah; and let no man know where you are.
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.

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 out with a small knife, 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 tore 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 again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah had burned.

29 And you shall say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus says the LORD; You have burned this roll, saying, Why have you written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall remove from there man and beast?

30 Therefore thus says the LORD about 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 listened 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 to these words many similar.

CHAPTER 37

1 And king Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah.

2 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did listen to the words of the LORD, which He spoke 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 to 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 came forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard news of them, they departed from Jerusalem.

6 Then came the word of the LORD to the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

7 Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel; Thus shall you say to the king of Judah, that sent you to me to inquire 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 says the LORD; Deceive not yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us:
for they shall not depart.

10 For though you had wounded the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained only wounded men among them, yet they would 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,

12 Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin, to separate himself there 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, You run away to the Chaldeans.

14 Then said Jeremiah, It is false; I do not run away to the Chaldeans. But he did not listen to him: so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.

15 Wherefore the princes were angered with Jeremiah, and hit him, and put him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.

16 When Jeremiah was put into the dungeon, and into the cabins, and had remained there many days;

17 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him secretly in his own house, and said, Is there any word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said He, you shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.

18 Moreover Jeremiah said to king Zedekiah, What have I offended against you, or against your servants, or against this people, that you have put me in prison?

19 Where now are your prophets which prophesied to you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?

20 Therefore hear now, I beg you, O my lord the king: let my supplication, I beg you, be accepted before you; that you cause me not to return to the house
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.

CHAPTER 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 to all the people, saying,
2 Thus says the LORD, He that remains in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goes forth to the Chaldeans shall live; for he who surrenders to them shall not die.
3 Thus says 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 to the king, We beseech you, let this man be put to death: for thus he weakens the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words to them: for this man seeks 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 the one who can do any thing against you.
6 Then they took Jeremiah, and cast him into the cistern of Malchiah the son of Hammelech, that was in the court of the prison: and they let down Jeremiah with cords. And in the cistern there was no water, but mud: so Jeremiah sank in the mud.
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 cistern; the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin;
8 Ebed-melech went forth out of the king’s house, and spoke 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 cistern; and he is bound to die in 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 here thirty men with you, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the cistern, before he dies.

11 So Ebed-melech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took there old castoffs and old rotten rags, and let them down by cords into the cistern to Jeremiah.

12 And Ebed-melech the Ethiopian said to Jeremiah, Put now these old castoffs and rotten rags under your arms under the cords. And Jeremiah did so.

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

14 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet to him, into the third entry that is in the house of the LORD: and the king said to Jeremiah, I want to ask you something; hide nothing from me.

15 Then Jeremiah said to Zedekiah, If I declare it to you, will you not surely put me to death? And if I give you counsel, will you not listen to me?

16 So Zedekiah the king swore secretly to Jeremiah, saying, As the LORD lives, that made us this soul, I will not put you to death, neither will I give you into the hand of these men that seek your life.

17 Then said Jeremiah to Zedekiah, Thus says the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; If you will assuredly go forth to the king of Babylon’s princes, then your soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and you shall live, and your house:

18 But if you will 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 you shall not escape out of their hand.

19 And Zedekiah the king said to 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 you. Obey, I beseech you, the voice of the LORD, which I speak to you: so it shall be well to you, and your soul shall live.

21 But if you refuse to go forth, this is the word that the LORD has shown 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, Your friends have deceived you, and have prevailed against you: your feet have sunk in the mud, and they have turned away.

23 So they shall bring out all your wives and your children to the Chaldeans: and you shall not escape out of their hand, but shall be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and you shall cause this city to be burned with fire.

24 Then said Zedekiah to Jeremiah, Let no man know of these words, and you shall not die.

25 But if the princes hear that I have talked with you, and they come to you, and say to you, Declare to us now what you have said to the king, hide it not from us, and we will not put you to death; also what the king said to you:

26 Then you shall say to 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 to 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 understood.

28 So Jeremiah lived in the court of the prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken: and he was there when Jerusalem was taken.

CHAPTER 39

1 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadnezzar 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, 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 between 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.

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 broke down the walls of Jerusalem.

9 Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, carried away captive into Babylon, the remnant of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.

10 But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left of the poor of the people, which had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time.

11 Now Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, saying,

12 Take him, and look well to him, and do him no
harm; but do to him even as he shall say to you.

13 So Nebuzaradan 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 to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home: so he lived among the people.

15 Now the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

16 Go and speak to Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus says 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 you.

17 But I will deliver you in that day, says the LORD: and you shall not be given into the hand of the men of whom you are afraid.

18 For I will surely deliver you, and you shall not fall by the sword, but your life shall be spared to you: because you have put your trust in me, says the LORD.

CHAPTER 40

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, after Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him, being bound in chains, among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were then carried away captive to Babylon.

2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said to him, The LORD your God has pronounced this evil upon this place.

3 Now the LORD has brought it, and done according as He has said: because you have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed His voice, therefore this thing has come upon you.

4 And now, behold, I loose you this day from the chains which were upon your hand. If it seems good to you to come with me to Babylon, come; and I will look after you: but if it does not seem
good to you to come with me to Babylon, then stay here: behold, all the land is before you: wherever seems good and convenient for you to go, then go there.

5 Now while he had not yet returned, he said, Go back also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the cities of Judah, and live with him among the people: or go wherever it seems convenient to you to go. So the captain of the guard gave him food and a reward, and let him go.

6 Then went Jeremiah to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and lived 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 to him men, and women, and children, and of the poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;

8 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of 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 swore to them and to their men, saying, Fear not to serve the Chaldeans: live in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you.

10 As for me, behold, I will live at Mizpah, to serve the Chaldeans, which will come to us: but gather your wine, and summer fruits, and oil, and put them in your vessels, and live in your cities that you 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 where they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, to Mizpah, and gathered much wine and summer fruits.

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 to him, Do you certainly know that Baalis the king of the Ammonites has sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to slay you? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not.

15 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spoke to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let me go, I beg you, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it: why should he slay you, and all the Jews, which are gathered to you, be scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?

16 But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said to Johanan the son of Kareah, You shall not do this thing: for you speak falsely of Ishmael.
And you Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not the least among the princes of Judah: for out of you shall come a King, that shall rule my people Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privately called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when you have found Him, bring me word again that I may come and worship Him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, until it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they had 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 to Him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

And when they had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and His mother, and flee into Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy Him.

When he arose, he took the young child and His mother by night, and departed into Egypt:

And they stayed 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 ignored by 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 Jeremiah the prophet, saying,  

18 In Ramah there was 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 appeared 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 reigned in Judea, on the throne of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there: especially, having been warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the region of Galilee:  

23 And he came and lived in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

CHAPTER 3  

1 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea,  

2 And saying, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.  

3 For this is He that was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare the way of the LORD, make His paths straight.  

4 And the same John had his clothing made of camel’s hair, and a leather belt around his waist; and his meat was locusts and wild honey.  

5 Then people went out to him from Jerusalem, and
all Judea, and the regions round about Jordan,
6 And were baptized by him in the Jordan, confessing their sins.
7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said to them, O generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath to come?
8 Bring forth fruits in keeping with repentance:
9 And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say to you, that God is able from these stones, to raise up children to Abraham.
10 And now also the axe is laid to the root of the trees: therefore every tree which does not bring forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.
11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that comes after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire:
12 Whose fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly purge His floor, and gather His wheat into the harvester; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.
13 Then came Jesus from Galilee to Jordan, to John, to be baptized by him.
14 But John forbade Him, saying, I have need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?
15 And Jesus answering said to him, Allow it to be so now: for in that way we will fulfil all righteousness. Then John allowed Him.
16 And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightaway out of the water: and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting upon Him:
17 And behold a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

CHAPTER 4
1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.
And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was very hungry.

And when the tempter came to Him, he said, If you are the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

But He answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.

Then the devil took Him up into the Holy City, and set Him on a pinnacle of the temple,

And said to Him, If you are the Son of God, cast yourself down: for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning you: and in their hands they shall bear you up, lest at any time you dash your foot against a stone.

Jesus said to him, It is written again, You shall not tempt the LORD your God.

Again, the devil took Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

And said to Him, All these things will I give you, if you will fall down and worship me.

Then Jesus said to him, Get away from here Satan: for it is written, You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only shall you serve.

Then the devil left Him, and, behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, He departed into Galilee;

And leaving Nazareth, He came and lived in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying,

The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;

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.

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 brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishermen.

19 And He said to them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

20 And they straightaway left their nets, and followed Him.

21 And going on from there, He saw two other brothers, 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 to Him all sick people that were taken with various diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatic, and those who were paralysed; and He healed them.

25 And there followed Him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judea, and from beyond Jordan.

CHAPTER 5

1 And seeing the multitudes, He went up into a mountain: and when He was sitting, His disciples came to 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
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 you, 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 in this way they persecuted the prophets which were before you.
13 You are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost it’s flavour, with what shall it be salted? It is no longer good for anything, but to be thrown out, and to be trodden under the foot of men.
14 You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.
15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a weighing bucket, but on a candlestick; and it gives light to 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 have come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I have not come to destroy, but to fulfil.
18 For truly I say to you, Until heaven and earth pass, one dot or one cross shall in no way be removed from the law, until all is fulfilled.
19 Therefore whoever shall break one of these lesser commandments, and also teaches men to do so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
20 For I say to you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and
Pharisees, you shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

21 You have heard that it was said by them of old time, You shall not kill; and whoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

22 But I say to you, That whoever is angry with his brother without a cause, shall be in danger of the judgment: and whoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whoever shall say, You fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

23 Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has anything against you;

24 Leave there your gift before the altar, and go your way; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

25 Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary delivers you to the judge, and the judge delivers you to the officer, and you are cast into prison.

26 Truly I say to you, You shall by no means come out from there, until you have paid the very last penny.

27 You have heard it said by those from past times, You shall not commit adultery:

28 But I say to you, That whoever looks on a woman to lust after her, has committed adultery with her already in his heart.

29 And if your right eye offends you, pluck it out, and cast it from you: it is beneficial for you that one of your body parts should perish, and not that your whole body should be cast into hell.

30 And if your right hand offends you, cut it off, and get rid of it: for it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not that your whole body should be cast into hell.

31 It has been said, Whoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a letter of divorce:

32 But I say to you, That whoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causes her to commit adultery: and whoever shall marry her that is divorced, commits adultery.
Again, you have heard that it has been said by them of old time, You shall not break your promises, but you shall keep your promises that you have made to the LORD.

But I say to you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God’s throne:
Nor by the earth; for it is His footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King.
Neither shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black.

But let your communication be, Yes, yes; No, no: for whatever is more than these comes from evil.

You have heard that it has been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

But I say to you, Do not resist evil: but whoever shall hit you on your right cheek, turn to him the other also.

And if any man should sue you in court, and takes away your coat, let him have your cloak also.

And whoever shall compel you to go a mile, go with him two.

Give to him that asks you, and from him that would borrow of you, turn him not away.

You have heard that it has been said, You shall love your neighbour, and hate your enemy.

But I say to 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;

That you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for He makes His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

For if you love them which love you, what reward have you? Do not even the wicked do the same?

And if you salute your brothers only, what are you doing more than anybody else? Do not the wicked do the same?

Be therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.
CHAPTER 6
1 Take heed that you do not do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen by them: otherwise you have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.
2 Therefore when you do your acts of righteousness, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Truly I say to you, They have their reward.
3 But when you do acts of righteousness, let not your left hand know what your right hand does:
4 That your acts of righteousness may be in secret: and your Father, which sees in secret, Himself shall reward you openly.
5 And when you pray, you should 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. Truly I say to you, They have their reward.
6 But you, when you pray, enter into your room, and when you have shut the door, pray to your Father which is in secret; and your Father which sees in secret shall reward you openly.
7 But when you pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their long winded prayers.
8 Therefore, do not be like them: for your Father knows what things you have need of, before you ask Him.
9 Therefore, in this manner you should pray: Our Father who 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
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 you forgive men their sins, your heavenly
Father will also forgive you:

But if you do not forgive men their sins, neither will your Father forgive your sins.

Moreover when you fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to fast. Truly I say to you, They have their reward.

But you, when you fast, anoint your head, and wash your face;

That to men you do not appear to fast, but unto your Father, which is in secret: and your Father, which sees in secret, shall reward you openly.

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break through and steal:

But lay up for yourselves treasure in heaven, where neither moth nor rust can destroy, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

The light of the body is the eye: if therefore your eye is drawn to righteousness, your whole body shall be full of light.

But if your eye is evil, your whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

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 be disloyal to the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

Therefore I say to you, Take no thought for your life, what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor yet for your body, what you shall put on. Is not the life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much better than they?

Which of you by worrying can add one inch to his height?

And why do you worry about clothing? Consider
the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say to you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

30 Therefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow 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, With what shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek) for your heavenly Father knows that you 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 to you.

34 Take therefore no thought for tomorrow: for tomorrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient to the day is the evil thereof.

CHAPTER 7

1 Do not judge, so that you will not be judged.

2 For with what judgment you judge, you shall be judged: and with the measure you use, it shall be measured to you again.

3 And why do you look at the splinter in your brother’s eye, but do not consider the beam that is in your own eye?

4 Or how will you say to your brother, Let me pull the splinter out of your eye; and look, a beam is in your own eye?

5 You hypocrite, first cast the beam out of your own eye; and then shall you see clearly to cast the splinter out of your brother’s eye.

6 Give not that which is holy to the dogs, neither cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and attack you.

7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you:

8 For every one that asks receives; and he that seeks finds; and to him that knocks it shall be opened.
9 Or what man is there among you, who if his son asks for bread, will he give him a stone?
10 Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent?
11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask Him?
12 Whatever you wish that men should do to you, this you should do to them: for this is the law and the prophets.
13 Enter in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:
14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads to 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 ravenous wolves.
16 You shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?
17 Even so every good tree brings forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree brings 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 does not bring forth good fruit is cut down, and cast into the fire.
20 Therefore by their fruits you shall know them.
21 Not everyone that says to me, LORD, LORD, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but it is he that does the will of my Father who is in heaven.
22 Many will say to me in that day, LORD, LORD, have we not prophesied in your name? And in your name have cast out devils? And in your name done many wonderful works?
23 And then will I profess to them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity.
24 Therefore whoever hears these sayings of mine, and does them, I will liken him to 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 everyone that hears these sayings of mine, and does them not, shall be likened to 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.

CHAPTER 8
1 When He had come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him.
2 And, behold, there came a leper who worshipped Him, saying, Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.
3 And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.
4 And Jesus said to him, See you tell no man; but go your way, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony to them.
5 And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came to Him a centurion, pleading with Him, And saying, Lord, my servant lies at home sick with paralysis, grievously tormented.
6 And Jesus said to him, I will come and heal him.
7 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.
8 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my servant, Do this, and he does it.
9 When Jesus heard it, He marvelled, and said to them that followed, Truly I say to you, I have not found such great faith, no, not in Israel.
10 And I say to 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 to the centurion, Go your way; and as you have believed, so be it done to you. And his servant was healed in the very same hour.

14 And when Jesus had come into Peter’s house, He saw Peter’s mother-in-law lying sick with a fever.

15 And He touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and looked after them.

16 When the evening had come, they brought to 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 Isaiah the prophet, saying, He Himself took our infirmities, and bore our sicknesses.

18 Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about Him, He gave instructions to depart to the other side.

19 And a certain scribe came, and said to Him, Master, I will follow you wherever you go.

20 And Jesus said to him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay His head.

21 And another of His disciples said to Him, Lord, allow me first to go and bury my father.

22 But Jesus said to him, Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.

23 And when He entered into a ship, His disciples followed Him.

24 And, behold, there arose a great storm 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 said to them, Why are you so 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!

And when He had come to the other side into the country of the Gadarenes, there met Him two men possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with you, Jesus, you Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?

And there was a good way off from them, a large herd of swine feeding.

So the evil spirits pleaded with Him, saying, If you cast us out, allow us to go away into the herd of swine.

And He said to them, Go. And when they had 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.

And they that kept the m, fled and went on their way into the city, and told everything that they had seen, and what had happened to the men who had been possessed.

And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw Him, they begged Him to depart out of their coastland.

CHAPTER 9

And He entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into His own city.

And, behold, they brought to Him a man sick with paralysis, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said to the sick man; Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you.

And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemes.

And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Why do you think evil in your hearts?

For which is easier to say, Your sins are forgiven you; or to say, Arise, and walk?

But that you may know that the Son of man has power on earth to forgive sins, (then He said to the sick man), Arise, take up your bed, and go to your
And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, who had given such power to men. And as Jesus passed forth from there, He saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of taxes: and He said to him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed Him. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat eating in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said to His disciples, Why does your Master eat with publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, He said to them, Those that are whole do not need a physician, but those that are sick, do. But go and learn what that means, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Then came to Him the disciples of John the Baptist, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples fast not? And Jesus said to them, Can the children of the bridal party 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. No man patches an old garment with new cloth, because the new cloth tears the garment, and the damage is made worse. Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runs out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved. While He spoke these things to them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped Him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay your hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did His disciples. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an
issue of blood for 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 around, and when He saw her, He said, Daughter, be of good comfort; your faith has made you whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

23 And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the musicians and mourners making a noise,

24 He said to them, Go now: for the maid is not dead, but sleeps. And they laughed Him to scorn.

25 But when the people had left, 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 from there, two blind men followed Him, crying, and saying, You, son of David, have mercy on us.

28 And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him: and Jesus said to them, Do you believe that I am able to do this? They said to Him, Yes, Lord.

29 Then He touched their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it to you.

30 And their eyes were opened; and Jesus strongly instructed them, saying, See that no man knows of this.

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 man spoke: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, This has never been seen in Israel.

34 But the Pharisees said, He casts 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 towards them, because they
fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then He said to His disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;

38 Therefore pray to the LORD of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest.

CHAPTER 10
1 And when He had called to 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 tax collector; 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 do not enter:

6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

7 And as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give.

9 Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,

10 Nor bag for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor a staff: for the workman is worthy of his meat.

11 And into whatever city or town you shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide until you go from there.

12 And when you come into an house, bless 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.
And whoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when you depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet.

Truly I say to you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city.

Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will flog you in their synagogues;

And you shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, as a testimony against them and the Gentiles.

But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what you shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what you shall speak.

For it is not you that speaks, but the Spirit of your Father which speaks in you.

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.

And you shall be hated by all men for my name's sake: but he that endures to the end shall be saved.

But when they persecute you in this city, flee into another: for truly I say to you, You will not go through all the cities of Israel, until the Son of man has come.

The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

It is enough for the disciple that he is like his master, and the servant like his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call the members of his household?

Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.

What I tell you privately, speak out in light: and what you hear whispered in your ear, preach out
upon the rooftops.

28 And do not fear those who kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him who 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's knowledge.

30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

31 Fear not therefore, you are of more value than many sparrows.

32 Whoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father who is in heaven.

33 But whoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven.

34 Think not that I have come to bring peace on earth: I did not come to bring peace, but a sword.

35 For I have 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 within his own household.

37 He that loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

38 And he that does not take his cross and follow after me, is not worthy of me.

39 He that finds his life shall lose it: and he that loses his life for my sake shall find it.

40 He that receives you receives me, and he that receives me receives Him that sent me.

41 He that receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward.

42 And whoever shall give to one of these little ones, a cup of cold water to drink, only in the name of a disciple, truly I say to you, he shall in no way lose his reward.
CHAPTER 11
1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding His twelve disciples, He departed there 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 they said to Him, Are you He that should come, or do we look for another?
4 Jesus answered and said to them, Go and show John again those things which you 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 who shall not be offended by me.
7 And as they departed, Jesus began to say to the multitudes concerning John, What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind?
8 But what did you go out to see? A man clothed in silken clothing? Behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings’ houses.
9 But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet.
10 For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger ahead of you, who shall prepare your way before you.
11 Truly I say to you, Among them that are born of women, there has 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 suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.
13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.
14 And if you will receive it, this is Elijah, who was due to come.
15 He that has ears to hear, let him hear.
16 But to what shall I liken this generation? It is like children sitting in the markets, and calling to their
playmates,

17 And saying, We have played for you, and you have not danced; we have mourned for you, and you have not lamented.

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He has a devil.

19 The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a drunkard, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified by her children.

20 Then began He to rebuke the cities wherein most of His mighty works were done, because they repented not:

21 Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, 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 to you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.

23 And you, Capernaum, which are exalted to heaven, shall be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works which have been done in you, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

24 But I say to you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for you.

25 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank you, O Father, LORD of heaven and earth, because you have hid these things from the wise and prudent, and have revealed them to babes.

26 Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in your sight.

27 All things are delivered to me by my Father: and no man knows the Son, but the Father; neither does any man know the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him.

28 Come to me, all you that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn by me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and you shall find rest to your souls.
CHAPTER 12

1 At that time Jesus went on the Sabbath day through the corn; and His disciples were hungry, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat.

2 But when the Pharisees saw it, they said to Him, Behold, your disciples are breaking the law of the Sabbath day.

3 But He said to them, Have you not read what David did when he and those that were with him were hungry;

4 How he entered into the house of God, and ate the consecrated bread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests?

5 Or have you not read in the law, how that on the Sabbath days the priests in the temple break the Sabbath, and are blameless?

6 But I say to you, That in this place is one greater than the temple.

7 But if you had known what this means, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, you would not have condemned the guiltless.

8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath day.

9 And when He departed from there, He went into their synagogue:

10 And, behold, there was a man who had a withered hand. And they asked Him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath day? That they might accuse Him.

11 And He said to them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath day, will he not lay hold of it, and lift it out?

12 How much then is a man better than a sheep? And so it is lawful to do good works on the Sabbath days.

13 Then said He to the man, Stretch forth your hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored whole, like the other.
Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against Him, how they might destroy Him.

But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew Himself from there: and great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all;

And charged them that they should not make Him known:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying,

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 show judgment to the gentiles,

He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear His voice in the streets.

A bruised reed shall He not break, and smoking flax shall He not quench, till He sends forth judgment to victory.

And in His name shall the Gentiles trust.

Then was brought to Him one possessed with a devil, blind and dumb: and He healed him, insomuch that the man both spoke and saw.

And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?

But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow does not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.

And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said to them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges.

But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come to you.

Or else how can one enter into a strong man’s house, and spoil his goods, except he first disables the strong man? And then he can spoil his house.

He that is not with me is against me; and he that
gathers not with me, scatters abroad.

31 And so I say to you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven to men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit shall not be forgiven to men.

32 And whoever speaks a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, nor 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 you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart brings forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasures brings forth evil things.

36 But I say to you, That every thoughtless word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

37 For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned.

38 Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, show us a sign.

39 But He answered and said to them, An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah:

40 For as Jonah 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 Jonah; and, behold, a greater than Jonah 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
walks through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none.

44 Then he said, I will return into my house from where I came out; and when he is come, he finds it empty, swept, and perfumed.

45 Then goes he, and takes with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and live there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also to this wicked generation.

46 While He yet talked to the people, behold, His mother and His brothers stood without, desiring to speak with Him.

47 Then one said to Him, Behold, your mother and your brothers stand without, desiring to speak with you.

48 But He answered and said to him that told Him, Who is my mother? And who are my brothers?

49 And He stretched forth His hand toward His disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brothers!

50 For whoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

CHAPTER 13

1 The same day Jesus went out of the house, and sat by the seaside.

2 And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

3 And He spoke many things to them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

4 And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the wayside, 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
sprang up, and choked them:
8 But others fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some a hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.
9 Who has ears to hear, let him hear.
10 And the disciples came, and said to Him, Why do you speak to them in parables?
11 He answered and said to them, Because it is given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.
12 For whoever has, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whoever has not, from him shall be taken away even that he has.
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 Isaiah, which says, By hearing you shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing you shall see, and shall not perceive:
15 For this people’s heart is hardened, 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 truly I say to you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which you see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which you hear, and have not heard them.
18 Hear therefore the parable of the sower.
19 When any one hears the Word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then comes the wicked one, and catches away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the wayside.
20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that hears the Word, and immediately with joy receives it;
21 Yet has he no root in himself, but lives for a while: for when tribulation or persecution arises because of the Word, very soon he falls away.
22 He also, that received seed among the thorns, is he that hears the Word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the Word, and he becomes unfruitful.
23 But he that received seed into the good ground, is he that hears the Word, and understands it; which also bears fruit, and brings forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.
24 Another parable put He forth to 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 weeds among the wheat, and went his way.
26 But when the blade grew up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the weeds also.
27 So the servants of the householder came and said to him, Sir, did not you sow good seed in your field? From where then have the weeds come from?
28 He said to them, An enemy has done this. The servants said to him, Would you like us to go and gather them up?
29 But he said, No; for while you gather up the weeds, you might also root up the wheat with them.
30 Let them both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather together first the weeds, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.
31 Another parable put He forth to them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:
32 Which indeed is the tiniest of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.
33 Another parable spoke He to them; The kingdom of heaven is like yeast, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of flour, until the whole of
the flour was affected.

34 All these things spoke Jesus to the multitude in parables; and without a parable spoke He not to 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 to Him, saying, Declare to us the parable of the weeds of the field.

37 He answered and said to them, He that sows 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 weeds 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 weeds 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 has ears to hear, let him hear.

44 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hid in a field; which when a man has found, he hides, and for joy goes and sells all that he has, and buys that field.

45 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like 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 a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered every kind of sea creature:

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 said to them, Have you understood all these things? They said to Him, Yes, Lord.

52 Then said He to them, Therefore every scribe who is instructed about the kingdom of heaven is like a man that is a householder, who brings forth out of his treasure, things new and old.

53 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these parables, He departed there.

54 And when He had come into His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so much so that they were astonished, and said, From where has this man this wisdom, and these mighty works?

55 Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

56 And His sisters, are they not all with us? From where then, has He gained all this knowledge?

57 And they were offended by Him. But Jesus said to them, A prophet is not without honour, except in his own country, and in his own house.

58 And He did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

CHAPTER 14

1 At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus,

2 And said to his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works are shown 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 to him, It is not lawful for you to have her.

And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as
a prophet.

But when Herod’s birthday was celebrated, the daughter of Herodias danced before them, and pleased Herod.

Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatever she would ask.

And she, having been instructed before by her mother, said, Give me John the Baptist’s head on a serving dish.

And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath’s sake, and those who were dining with him, he commanded it to be given to her.

And he sent, and had John beheaded in the prison.

And his head was brought on a serving dish, and given to the girl: and she brought it to her mother.

And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

When Jesus heard of it, He departed from there by ship into a desert place, apart: and when the people heard of His departure, they followed Him on foot out of the cities.

And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick.

And when it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, This is a desert place, and many hours have now passed; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves food.

But Jesus said to them, They need not depart; you give them food to eat.

And they said to Him, We have here only five loaves, and two fishes.

He said, Bring them here to me.

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 broke, and gave the loaves to His disciples, and the disciples gave to the multitude.

And they did all eat, and were filled: and they filled the twelve baskets with the fragments.

And they that had eaten were about five thousand
men, besides women and children.

22 And straightaway Jesus instructed His disciples to get into a ship, and to go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

23 And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up into a mountain to pray: and when the evening had come, He was there alone.

24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was blustery.

25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to 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 with fear.

27 But straightaway Jesus spoke to them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

28 And Peter answered Him and said, Lord, if it is you, tell me to come to you on the water.

29 And He said, Come. And when Peter climbed down out of the ship, He walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

30 But when he saw the wind so 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 to Him, O you of little faith, why did you doubt?

32 And when they had climbed into the ship, the wind ceased.

33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped Him, saying, Of a truth you are the Son of God.

34 And when they had crossed over, they came into the land of Gennesaret.

35 And when the men of that place realised who He was, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought to Him all those that needed healing;

36 And begged Him that they might only touch the hem of His garment: and as many as touched Him were made perfectly whole.
CHAPTER 15

1 Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,
2 Why do your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat bread.
3 But He answered and said to them, Why do you also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?
4 For God commanded, saying, Honour your father and mother: and, He that curses father or mother, let him die the death.
5 But you say, Whoever shall say to his father or his mother, by whatever you might be profited by me, it is a gift to God;
6 And does not honour his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition.
7 You hypocrites, Isaiah prophesied well about you, saying,
8 This people draw close to me with their mouth, and honour me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.
9 But they worship me in vain, teaching the commandments of men as doctrine.
10 And He called the multitude, and said to them, Hear, and understand:
11 That which goes into the mouth does not defile a man; but that which comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man.
12 Then came His disciples, and said to Him, Do you realise that the Pharisees were offended after they heard this saying?
13 But He answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father has not planted, shall be uprooted.
14 Let them alone: they are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.
15 Then answered Peter and said to Him, Explain to us this parable.
16 And Jesus said, Are you still without
Do not you yet understand, that whatever enters in at the mouth goes into the belly, and is cast out into the ditch?

But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.

For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man.

Then Jesus left there, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon.

And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried to Him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, you son of David; my daughter is grievously tormented with a devil.

But He did not answer a word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, Send her away; for she annoys us.

But He answered and said, I am only sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

Then she came and worshipped Him, saying, Lord, help me.

But He answered and said, It is not fitting to take the children's bread, and cast it to dogs.

And she said, That is right, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.

Then Jesus answered and said to her, O woman, great is your faith: be it to you as you have asked. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

And Jesus departed from there, and came beside the sea of Galilee; and went up into a mountain, and sat down there.

And great multitudes came to 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:

Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb able 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 to Him, and said, I have compassion on the multitude, because they have stayed with me now for three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way.

33 And His disciples questioned Him, Why should we have so much bread in the wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude?

34 And Jesus said to them, How many loaves have you? 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 broke them, and gave to His disciples, and the disciples gave to the multitude.

37 And they all ate, and were filled: and they took up the broken food that was left, seven baskets full.

38 And they that ate were four thousand men, beside women and children.

39 And He sent away the multitude, and took the ship, and came into the coasts of Magdala.

CHAPTER 16

1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tried to tempt Him that He would show them a sign from heaven.

2 He answered and said to them, When it is evening, you say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.

3 And in the morning, It will be foul weather today: for the sky is red and glowering. O you hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky; but can you not discern the signs of the times?

4 A wicked and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah. And He left them, and departed.

5 And when His disciples had sailed to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread.

6 Then Jesus said to them, Take heed and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is
because we have taken no bread.

8 For when Jesus perceived, He said to them, O you of little faith, why reason among yourselves, because you have brought no bread?

9 Do you not yet understand or remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets you took up?

10 Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets you took up?

11 How is it that you do not understand, that I did not say it to you concerning bread, and that you should beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?

12 Then they understood how He instructed them not to be aware of the yeast of the bread, but to be aware 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 you are John the Baptist: some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets.

15 He said to them, But who do you say that I am?

16 And Simon Peter answered and said, You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

17 And Jesus answered and said to him, Blessed are you, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood has not revealed it to you, but my Father which is in heaven.

18 And I say also to you, That you are 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 to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

20 Then He instructed His disciples that they should tell no man that He was Jesus the Christ.

21 From that time forth Jesus began to show to His disciples, how that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things by 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 you, Lord: this shall not
happen to you.
23 But He turned, and said to Peter, Get behind me,
Satan: you are an offence to me: for you savour not
the things that be of God, but those that be of
men.
24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, If any man will
come after me, let him deny himself, and take up
his cross, and follow me.
25 For whoever will save his life shall lose it: and
whoever 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 Truly I say to you, There are some standing here,
which shall not taste of death, until they see the
Son of man coming in His kingdom.

CHAPTER 17
1 And after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and
John his brother, and took them up into a high
mountain,
2 And was transfigured before them: and His face did
shine as the sun, and His garments were white as
the light.
3 And, behold, there appeared to them Moses and
Elijah talking with Him.
4 Then Peter answered, and said to Jesus, Lord, it is
good for us to be here: if you will, let us make here
three tabernacles; one for you, and one for Moses,
and one for Elijah.
5 While he yet spoke, 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 Him.
6 And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their
faces, and were very 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 instructed 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 do the scribes say that Elijah must first come?

11 And Jesus answered and said to them, Elijah truly will first come, and restore all things.

12 But I say to you, That Elijah has come already, and they knew him not, but have done to him whatever they wanted to. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer by them.

13 Then the disciples understood that He spoke to them of John the Baptist.

14 And when they met with 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 a lunatic and very tormented: for often times he falls into the fire, and often into the water.

16 And I brought him to your 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 here 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 when He was alone, and said, Why could we not cast him out?

20 And Jesus said to them, Because of your unbelief: for truly I say to you, If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you shall say to this mountain, Remove yourself over there; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible to you.

21 However this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.

22 And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said to
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 exceedingly sorry.

24 And when they had come to Capernaum, they that received tribute money came to Peter, and said, Does not your master pay tribute?

25 He said, Yes. And when He had come into the house, Jesus stopped him, saying, What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? From their own children, or from strangers?

26 Peter said to Him, From strangers. Jesus said to him, Then the children are free.

27 Nevertheless, in case we should offend them, go to the sea and cast a hook, and take up the fish that comes up first; and when you have opened his mouth, you shall find a piece of money: take that, and give to them for me and for you.

CHAPTER 18

1 At the same time, came the disciples to Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

2 And Jesus called a little child to Him, and set him in the midst of them,

3 And said, Truly I say to you, Except you be converted, and become as little children, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

4 Whoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

5 And whoever shall receive one such little child in my name, receives me.

6 But whoever shall offend one of these little ones who believes in me, it would be better for him that a millstone be hung about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

7 Woe to the world because of offences! For it is inevitable that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence comes!
8 Therefore if your hand or your foot offends you, cut it off, and cast it from you: it is better for you to enter into life crippled or maimed, rather than to enter with two hands or two feet and be cast into everlasting fire.
9 And if your eye offends you, pluck it out, and cast it from you: it is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.
10 Take heed that you despise not one of these little ones; for I say to you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.
11 For the Son of man has come to save that which was lost.
12 What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, does he not leave the ninety and nine, and go into the mountains, and seek that which has gone astray?
13 And if you should find it, truly I say to you, he rejoices more for that one sheep, than for the ninety and nine which did not go astray.
14 Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.
15 Moreover if your brother shall trespass against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone: if he shall hear you, you have gained your brother.
16 But if he will not hear you, then take with you 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 to the church: but if he neglects to hear the church, let him be to you as a heathen man and a publican.
18 Truly I say to you, Whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
19 Again I say to you, That if two of you shall agree on earth in regard to anything that you should ask, it shall be done for them by my Father who is in heaven.
20 For where two or three are gathered together in
Then came Peter to Him, and said, Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Is it seven times?

Jesus said to him, I do not say to you, Seven times: but, I say to you, Seventy times seven.

Therefore the kingdom of heaven is likened to a certain king, who would review the accounts of his servants.

And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought to him, who owed him ten thousand talents.

But as he did not have enough to repay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

The servant therefore fell down, and implored him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay to you all of it.

Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, who owed him a hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me what you owe!

And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and implored him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.

And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told their lord all that was done.

Then his lord, once he had called him, said to him, O you wicked servant, I forgave you all that debt because you begged me to:

Should not you also have had compassion on your fellowservant, even as I had pity on you?

And his lord was enraged, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due to him.
So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also to you, if you do not forgive everyone from your hearts, every one his brother their trespasses.

CHAPTER 19

1 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these sayings, He departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judea beyond Jordan;

2 And great multitudes followed Him; and He healed them there.

3 The Pharisees also came to Him, tempting Him, and saying to Him, Is it lawful for a man to rid himself of his wife for every cause?

4 And He answered and said to them, Have you 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 be joined to his wife: and the two shall be one flesh?

6 Therefore they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder.

7 They said to Him, Why did Moses then command to give a letter of divorce, and to put her away?

8 He said to them, Because of the hardness of your hearts Moses suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

9 And I say to you, Whoever shall put away his wife, except for adultery, and then shall marry another, commits adultery: and whoever marries her who has been divorced, does commit adultery.

10 His disciples said to Him, If the case of the man and his wife is true, it is not good to marry.

11 But He said to 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 little children were brought to Him, that He
should put His hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them.

14 But Jesus said, Allow little children, and do not forbid them to come to me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

15 And He laid His hands on them, and departed from there.

16 And, behold, a man came and said to Him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

17 And He said to him, Why do you call me good? There is none good but one, and that is, God: but if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.

18 He said to Him, Which? Jesus said, You shall do no murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness,

19 Honour your father and your mother: and, You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

20 The young man said to Him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what else must I do?

21 Jesus said to him, If you will be perfect, go and sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you shall 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 to His disciples, Truly I say to you, That a rich man shall find it hard to enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24 And again I say to 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 regarded them, and said to them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

27 Then answered Peter and said to Him, Look, we've given up home and family, and followed you; so what shall we have?

28 And Jesus said to them, Truly I say to you, That you who have followed me; in the regeneration when
the Son of man shall sit in the throne of His glory, you also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29. And everyone that has forsaken houses, or brothers, 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.

CHAPTER 20

1. For the kingdom of heaven is like a man who is a householder, who 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 to them; Go also into the vineyard, and whatever 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 said to them, Why are you standing here all day doing nothing?

7. They said to him, Because no man has hired us. He said to them, Go also into the vineyard; and whatever is right, that shall you be paid.

8. So when it was evening, the lord of the vineyard said to his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their pay, beginning from the last to the first.

9. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, every man received a penny.

10. But when the first came, they assumed that they should receive more; and likewise every man received a penny.

11. And when they had received it, they grumbled against the good man of the house,

12. Saying, These last men have worked for only one hour, and you have paid them equal to us, who have borne the burden and heat of the day.
13 But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do you no wrong: did you not agree with me for a penny?
14 Take that which is yours, and go your way: I will give to these last, even as I gave to you.
15 Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own money? Is your eye evil, because I am kind?
16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many are called, but few are chosen.
17 And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples to one side, and said to them,
18 Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed to the chief priests and to 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 to her, What is it you want? She said to Him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on your right hand, and the other on the left, in your kingdom.
22 But Jesus answered and said, You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They said to Him, We are able.
23 And He said to them, You shall indeed drink 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 by my Father.
24 And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brothers.
25 But Jesus called them to Him, and said, You know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and those that are great exercise authority over them.
26 But it shall not be so among you: but whoever will be great among you, let him be your servant;
And whoever would be in authority among you, let him be your servant:

Even as the Son of man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed Him.

And, behold, two blind men sitting by the wayside, when they heard that Jesus was passing by, cried out saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, you son of David.

And the multitude rebuked them, telling them to hold their peace: but they cried the more saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, you son of David.

And Jesus stood still and called them, and said, What do you want me to do for you?

They said to Him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened.

So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight and they followed Him.

CHAPTER 21

And when they drew near to Jerusalem, and arrived at Bethphage, at the mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples,

Saying to them, Go into the nearby village, and straightway you shall find a donkey tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them to me.

And if any man says anything to you, you shall say, The Lord has need of them; and straightway he will send them.

All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

Tell the daughter of Sion, Behold, your King comes to you, meek, and sitting upon a donkey, and a colt the foal of a donkey.

And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them,

And brought the donkey, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set Him thereon.

And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the
trees, and strewed 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 comes in the name of the LORD; Hosanna in the highest.

10 And when He came 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 those who sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of those that sold doves,

13 And said to them, It is written, My house shall be called the House of Prayer; but you 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 sorely displeased,

16 And said to Him, Do you hear what they say? And Jesus said to them, Yes; have you never read, Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings you have 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 along the way, He came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said to it, Let no fruit grow on you from henceforward and forever. And straightaway the fig tree withered.

20 And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away!

21 Jesus answered and said to them, Truly I say to you, If you have faith, and doubt not, you shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if you shall say to this mountain, Be removed, and be cast into the sea; it shall be done.
And all things, whatever you shall ask in prayer, believing, you shall receive such.

And when He came into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to Him as He was teaching, and said, By what authority do you do these things? And who gave you this authority?

And Jesus answered and said to them, I also will ask you one thing, which if you tell me, I in the same way will tell you by what authority I do these things.

The baptism of John, where did it come? From heaven, or of men? And they reasoned among themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; He will say to us, Why did you not then believe him?

But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.

And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And He said to them, Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

But what think you? A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go and work today in my vineyard.

He answered and said, I will not: but afterwards he repented, and went.

And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir: and went not.

Which of the two did the will of his father? They said to Him, The first. Jesus said to them, Truly I say to you, That the tax collectors and the prostitutes will go into the Kingdom of God before you.

For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you believed him not: but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him: and you, when you had seen it, did not repent afterwards, that you might believe him.

Hear another parable: There was a certain householder who planted a vineyard and hedged it round about, and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and let it out to a farmer, and went into a far country:
And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the farmer, that they might receive the fruits of it.

And the farmer took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.

Again, he sent even more servants than the first time: and they did to them likewise.

But last of all he sent to them his son, saying, They will honour my son.

But when the farmer saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize and take his inheritance.

And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

Therefore when the lord of the vineyard comes, what will he do to that farmer?

They said to Him, He will certainly destroy this wicked man, and will let out his vineyard to other farmers, who shall give to him the fruit in their seasons.

Jesus said to them, Did you never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same has become the head of the corner: this is the LORD’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?

Therefore say I to you, The Kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. And whoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard His parables, they perceived that He spoke of them.

But when they sought to lay hands on Him, they feared the multitude, because they took Him for a prophet.

CHAPTER 22

And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables, and said, The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king, who
arranged a marriage for his son,

3 And sent out the servants to call them that were invited to the wedding: and they would not come.

4 Again, he sent out other servants, saying, Tell them who are invited, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatted calf are killed and all things are ready: come to 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 treated them spitefully, and killed them.

7 But when the king heard of this, he was angered: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

8 Then said he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy.

9 Go therefore into the highways, and as many as you shall find, invite to the marriage.

10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together 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 who was not wearing a wedding garment:

12 And he said to him, Friend, how could you come here not wearing 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 to Him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that you are true, and teach the way of God in truth, neither do you care for any man: for you do not take into account the position of men.

17 Tell us therefore, What you think? Is it lawful to give taxes to Caesar, or not?
18 But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why are you trying to trap me, you hypocrites?
19 Show me the tax money. And they brought to Him a penny.
20 And He said to them, Whose is this image and inscription?
21 They said to Him, Caesar's. Then said He to them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar'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 the Sadducees came, who say that there is no resurrection, and asked Him,
24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man dies having no children, his brother shall marry his wife and raise up seed for his brother.
25 Now there were with us seven brothers: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife to his brother:
26 Likewise the second also, and the third, to the seventh.
27 And last of all the woman died also.
28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven brothers? For they all married her.
29 Jesus answered and said to them, You are in error, 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 for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read that which was spoken to 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, who was a teacher of the law, asked Him a question, tempting Him, and saying,
Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

Jesus said to him, You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like unto it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,

Saying, Who do you think the Christ is? Whose son is He? They said to Him, The son of David.

He said to them, How then does David in Spirit call Him LORD, saying,

The LORD said to my LORD, Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool? If David then called Him LORD, how is He his son? And no man was able to answer Him a word, neither dared any man from that day forth to ask Him any more questions.

CHAPTER 23

Then spoke Jesus to the multitude, and to His disciples,

Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat:

Therefore, whatever they bid you, you do it; but do not do the same works as them: for what they teach they do not practice. For they bind heavy burdens grievous to carry, and place them on mens’ shoulders; but they themselves will not lift a finger to move them. But all their works they do particularly to be seen by men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, And greetings in the markets, and to be called by men, Rabbi, Rabbi. But do not be called Rabbi: for only Christ is your
Master, and all you are brothers.

9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for only one is your Father, and He is in heaven.

10 Neither be called masters: for one is your Master, that is Christ.

11 But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

12 And whoever shall exalt himself shall be lowered; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

13 But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you close up the door of the kingdom of heaven against men: for you neither go in yourselves, nor allow those entering to go in.

14 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: therefore you shall receive the greater damnation.

15 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel sea and land to make one disciple, and when he is made, you make him twice the child of hell than yourselves.

16 Woe to you blind guides, who pretend that a man's oath by the temple does not bind him, unless he swears by the consecrated treasures of the temple!

17 You are foolish and blind: for what is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifies the gold?

18 And also, Whoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty.

19 You are foolish and blind: for what is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifies the gift?

20 And therefore whoever swears by the altar, swears by it, and by all the things thereon.

21 And whoever shall swear by the temple, swears by it, and by Him that lives therein.

22 And he that shall swear by heaven, swears by the throne of God, and by Him that sits thereon.

23 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithes of mint and anise and cumin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these you ought to have done, and not to leave the others undone.
24 You blind guides which strain out a gnat, and swallow a camel.
25 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excesses.
26 You blind Pharisees, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be cleansed also.
27 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful on the outside, but are full of dead men's bones and of all uncleanness within.
28 Even so, you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but within you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
29 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you build the tombs of the prophets, and decorate 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 In this way you are witnesses to yourselves, that you are the children of those who killed the prophets.
32 You do measure up to the sin of your fathers'.
33 You serpents, you generation of vipers, how can you escape the damnation of hell?
34 And so, behold, I send to you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them you shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall you 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 to the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom you slayed between the temple and the altar.
36 Truly I say to you, All these things shall come upon this generation.
37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets, and stone those who are sent to you, how often
would I have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you would not!

38 Behold, your house is left to you desolate.
39 For I say to you, You shall not see me from this time forth, till you shall say, Blessed is He that comes in the name of the LORD.

CHAPTER 24
1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and His disciples came to Him in order to show Him the buildings of the temple.
2 And Jesus said to them, Do you see all these things? Truly I say to 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 to Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be the sign of your coming, and the end of the age?
4 And Jesus answered and said to them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am the Christ; and shall deceive many.
6 And you shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that you 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 many places.
8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.
9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and you shall be hated by 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 the many shall grow cold.
13 But he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved.
And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations; and then shall the end come.

Therefore when you shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the Holy Place, (whoever reads this, let him understand):

Then let those who are in Judea flee into the mountains:

Let he who is on the housetop not come down to take anything out of his house:

Neither let he who is in the field return back to take his clothes.

And woe to them that are with child, and to those that give suck in those days!

But pray that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day:

For then shall there be great tribulation, such as has not been seen, since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

And except those days be shortened, there would be no flesh saved: but for the sake of the elect those days shall be shortened.

Then if any man shall say to you, Behold, here is the Christ, or there is the Christ; believe it not.

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, who shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they would deceive the very elect.

Behold, I have told you beforehand.

Therefore if they shall say to you, Behold, He is in the desert; go not forth: behold, He is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

For as the lightning comes out of the east, and shines even to the west; so also shall the coming of the Son of man be.

For wherever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

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:
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.

And He shall send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet and a great voice, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near:

So likewise, when you shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

Truly I say to you, This generation shall not pass, until all these things be fulfilled.

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

But of that day and hour no man knows, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

But as the days of Noah were, so also shall the coming of the Son of man be.

For as in the days that were before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

And they understood not until the flood came and took them all away; so also shall the coming of the Son of man be.

Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

Watch therefore: for you know not at what hour your Lord will come.

But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

Therefore also be ready: for in such an hour as you think not, the Son of man comes.

Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his
lord has made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

Blessed is that servant, whom his lord, when he comes, shall find working.

Truly I say to you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

But if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delays his coming;

And shall begin to beat his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards;

The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looks not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of,

And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

CHAPTER 25

Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened to ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

While the bridegroom delayed, they all slumbered and slept.

And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom comes; go out to meet him.

Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

And the foolish said to the wise, Give us some of your oil; for our lamps are going out.

But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

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.

Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.
12 But he answered and said, Truly I say to you, I know you not.
13 Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man comes.
14 For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered to them his goods.
15 And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his abilities; and straightaway went on a journey.
16 Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them a further five talents.
17 And likewise he that had received two, he also gained another two.
18 But he that had received one went and dug in the earth, and hid his lord’s money.
19 After a long time the lord of those servants came, and had a meeting with them.
20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought the other five talents, saying, Lord, you delivered to me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.
21 His lord said to him, Well done, you good and faithful servant: you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: receive the pleasure of your lord.
22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, you delivered to me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents besides them.
23 His lord said to him, Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: receive the pleasure of your lord.
24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I know you that you are a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered:
25 And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the earth: and so here you have what is yours.
26 His lord answered and said to him, You wicked and slothful servant, you knew that I reap where I
sowed not, and gather where I have not scattered:

27 You ought therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received my own with interest.

28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give it to him which has ten talents.

29 For to every one that has, more shall be given, and he shall have abundance: even that which he has shall be taken away.

30 And cast 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 divides 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 to them on His right hand, Come, blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

35 For I was hungry, and you gave me meat: I was thirsty, and you gave me drink: I was a stranger, and you took me in:

36 Naked, and you clothed me: I was sick, and you visited me: I was in prison, and you came to me.

37 Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying, Lord, and did we see you hungry, and feed you? Or thirsty, and gave drink?

38 When did we see you as a stranger, and take you in? Or naked, and clothed you?

39 Or when saw we you sick, or in prison, and came to you?

40 And the King shall answer and say to them, Truly I say to you, Inasmuch as you have done it to one of the least of these my brothers, you have done it to me.

41 Then shall He say also to them on the left hand, Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:
42 For I was hungry, and you gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and you gave me no drink:
43 I was a stranger, and you took me not in: naked, and you clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and you visited me not.
44 Then shall they also answer Him, saying, Lord, when did we see you hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister to you?
45 Then shall He answer them, saying, Truly I say to you, Inasmuch as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.
46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

CHAPTER 26
1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, He said to His disciples,
2 You know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man will be betrayed to be crucified.
3 Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, to the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas,
4 And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtlety, 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 to Him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on His head, as He sat at a meal.
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 to them, Why trouble the woman? For she has done a good thing to me.
11 For you have the poor always with you; but me you will not always have.
12 For in that she has poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial.
13 Truly I say to you, Wherever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there also shall this be told for a memorial of her, what this woman has done.
14 Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests,
15 And said to them, What will you give me, to deliver Him to you? And they agreed with him for thirty pieces of silver.
16 And from that time he sought for an opportunity to betray Him.
17 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying to Him, Where would you like us to prepare for you to eat the passover?
18 And He said, Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, The Master said, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at your house with my disciples.
19 And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.
20 Now when the evening had come, He sat down with the twelve.
21 And as they did eat, He said, Truly I say to you, that one of you shall betray me.
22 And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and began every one of them to say to Him, Lord, is it I?
23 And He answered and said, He that dips his hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me.
24 The Son of man goeth as it is written about Him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! It would have 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 to him, It is as you say.
26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, blessed it, and broke 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;
For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the forgiveness of sins.

But I say to you, I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

Then said Jesus to them, You shall all desert me this night: for it is written, I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.

But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

Peter answered and said to Him, Though all men shall desert you, yet will I never betray you.

Jesus said to him, Truly I say to you, that this night, before the cockerel crows, you shall deny me three times.

Peter said to Him, Even if I should have to die with you, I will not deny you. The disciples said the same.

Then came Jesus with them to a place called Gethsemane, and said to the disciples, Sit here, while I go and pray over there.

And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy hearted.

Then said He to them, My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death: stay here, and watch with me.

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 You will.

And He went a little further, and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away
from me, except I drink it, your 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 came He to His disciples, and said to 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 that betrays me is at hand.

47 And while He was still speaking, 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, Whosoever I shall kiss, that same is He: hold Him fast.

49 And straightway he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed Him.

50 And Jesus said to him, Friend, why have you come? Then they came, and laid hands on Jesus, and took Him.

51 And, behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

52 Then said Jesus to him, Put your sword into its sheath: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.

53 Do you think that I cannot pray to my Father, and He shall immediately give me more than twelve legions of angels?

54 But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that say it must be this way?

55 In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, Have you come out as if against a thief with swords and staves, in order to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and you laid no hand on me.

56 But all this was done, that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples
deserted Him, and fled.

57 And they that had taken hold of Jesus led Him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.

58 But Peter followed Him at a distance into the high priest’s palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the outcome.

59 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, were looking for false witnesses against Jesus, to put Him to death;

60 But found none: even though many false witnesses came, still they found 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 to Jesus, You answer nothing? What is it that these witnesses have against you?

63 But Jesus held His peace. And the high priest answered and said to Him, I command you by the living God, that you tell us whether you are the

64 Christ, the Son of God.

65 Jesus said to him, As you have said: nevertheless I say to you, Hereafter shall you see the Son of man sitting at the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

66 Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying, He has spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? Behold, now you have heard His blasphemy.

67 What do you think? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

68 Then they spat in His face, and pushed and shoved Him; and others struck Him with the palms of their hands,

69 Saying, Prophesy to us, you Christ, Who is he that struck you?

70 Now Peter sat outside in the palace: and a serving girl came to him, saying, You also were with Jesus of Galilee.

70 But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what you say.
And when he had gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said to them that were there, This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth. And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man. And after a while they that stood by came to him, and said to Peter, Surely you also are one of them; for your speech betrays you. Then began he to curse and to swear, saying, I know not the man. And immediately the cockerel crowed. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said to him, Before the cockerel crows, you shall deny me three times. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

CHAPTER 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. 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, Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? That is your problem. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with the silver pieces, the potter’s field to bury strangers in. This is why the field is called, The field of blood, to this day. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price that He was valued
at, He 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, Are you the King of the Jews? And Jesus said to him, It is as you say.
12 And when He was accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing.
13 Then said Pilate to Him, Do you hear how many things they witness against you?
14 And He answered him not a word; because of this, the governor marvelled greatly.
15 Now at that feast the governor was accustomed to release to the people a prisoner, whom they chose.
16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.
17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said to them, Who would you have me release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?
18 For he knew, that because of envy they had delivered Him.
19 When he was sitting down on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying, Have 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 for Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.
21 The governor answered and said to them, Which of the two will you have me release unto you? They said, Barabbas.
22 Pilate said to them, What shall I do then with Jesus, which is called Christ? They all said to him, Let Him be crucified.
23 And the governor said, Why, what evil has He done? But they cried out even more, saying, Let Him be crucified.
24 When Pilate saw that he could not win them over, but that rather a riot was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying,
am innocent of the blood of this just person: on your head be it.

25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.

26 Then he released Barabbas unto them: and when he had flogged Jesus, he delivered Him to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and the whole band of soldiers gathered around Him.

28 And they stripped Him, and put on Him a scarlet robe.

29 And when they had plaited 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 spat upon Him, and took the reed, and hit Him on the head.

31 And after they had mocked Him, they took the robe off from Him, and put His own clothes on Him, and led Him away to crucify Him.

32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: they compelled him to bear His cross.

33 And when they were come to the place called Golgotha, that is to say, the place of a skull,

34 They gave Him vinegar to drink, mingled with gall, and when He had tasted of it, 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 cloak did they cast lots.

36 And sitting down they watched Him there;

37 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: they compelled him to bear His cross.

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 shouted at Him, wagging their heads,

40 And saying, You who would destroy the temple, and build it in three days, save yourself. If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.

41 Likewise also the chief priests mocking Him, with the scribes and elders, said,
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.

He trusted in God, let Him deliver Him now, if He will have Him, for He said, I am the Son of God.

The thieves also, who were crucified with Him, called out in agreement.

Now from the sixth hour, there was darkness over all the land, to the ninth hour.

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? That is to say, My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man called for Elijah.

And straightaway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave Him to drink.

The rest said, Let Him be, let us see whether Elijah will come to save Him.

Jesus, when He had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up His spirit.

And, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks broke.

And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept, arose,

And came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the Holy city, and appeared to many.

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.

And many women were there watching from afar, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to Him:

Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.

When the evening was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, called Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:
He went to Pilate, and begged for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.

And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came to Pilate,

Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while He was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.

Command therefore that the sepulchre be made secure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night, and steal Him away, and say to the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

Pilate said to them, You have guards, go your way, make it as secure as you can.

So they went, and made the sepulchre secure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch of guards.

CHAPTER 28

In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn towards the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

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.

His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

And for fear of him the guards did shake, and became as dead men.

And the angel spoke and said to the women, Do not be afraid: for I know that you seek Jesus, who was crucified.
He is not here: for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

And go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead; and, behold, He goes before you into Galilee; there shall you see Him: and so, I have told you.

And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring His disciples word.

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.

Then said Jesus to them, Be not afraid: go tell my brothers that they must go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

Now when they were going, behold, some of the guards came into the city, and told to the chief priests all the things that were done.

And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large sums of money to the soldiers,

Saying: Say, His disciples came by night, and stole Him away while we slept.

And if this comes to the governor’s ears, we will convince him, and keep you safe.

So they took the money, and did as they were instructed: and this account is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them.

And when they saw Him, they worshipped Him: but some doubted.

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, All power is given to me in heaven and in earth.

Go therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and so, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.
For, behold, the LORD, the LORD of hosts, takes away from Jerusalem and from Judah the supply and the security, the whole supply of bread, and the whole supply of water.

The mighty man, and the man of war, the judge, and the prophet, and the prudent, and the ancient,

The captain of fifty, and the honourable man, and the counsellor, and the master craftsmen, and the eloquent orator.

And I will give children to be their princes, and babes shall rule over them.

And the people shall be oppressed, every one by another, and every one by his neighbour: the young shall behave arrogantly against the elderly, and the dishonest against the honourable.

When a man shall take hold of his brother in the house of his father, saying, You have clothing, be our ruler, and let this ruin be under your hand:

In that day shall he swear, saying, I will not be a leader; for in my house is neither bread nor clothing: do not make me a ruler of the people.

For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings are against the LORD, to offend the eyes of His glory.

The look on their faces witnesses against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom, they do not hide it. Woe unto their soul! For they have rewarded evil unto themselves.

Say to the righteous, that it shall be well with them: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.

Woe unto the wicked! It shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given to him.

As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they which lead you cause you to go astray, and destroy
the way of your paths.
13 The LORD stands upright to plead, and stands to judge the people.
14 The LORD will enter into judgment with the elders of His people, and the princes thereof: for you have eaten up the vineyard; the possession of the poor is in your houses.
15 What do you mean by beating my people to pieces, and grinding the faces of the poor? Saith the LORD God of hosts.
16 Moreover the LORD said, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking enticingly as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:
17 Therefore the LORD will inflict a scab on the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will reveal their shame.
18 In that day the LORD will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, and their fancy headwear, and their shaped necklaces like the moon,
19 The chains, and the bracelets, and the embroidered scarves,
20 The headwear, and the jewellery of the legs, and the headbands, and the perfume boxes, and the earrings,
21 The rings, and nose jewels,
22 The turbans, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the hat pins,
23 The looking glasses, and the fine linen, and the shawls, and the transparent veils.
24 And it shall come to pass that instead of a sweet smell, there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle, a tear; and instead of dressed hair, baldness; and instead of a fine bodice, a girding of sackcloth; and burning instead of beauty.
25 Your men shall fall by the sword, and your mighty men in the war.
26 And her gates shall lament and mourn; and she being desolate, shall sit upon the ground.
CHAPTER 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 clothing: only let us be called by your name, to take away our shame.
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 remains in Jerusalem, shall be called holy; even everyone that is listed 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 above 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 covering.
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 cover from storm and from rain.

CHAPTER 6
3 ...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.

CHAPTER 9
2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them has the light shined.
3 You have multiplied the nation, yet not increased the joy: they celebrate before you according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice, when they divide the spoil.
4 For you have 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 the 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.

CHAPTER 41

8 But you, Israel, are my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend.

9 You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called you from the chief men thereof, and said to you, You are my servant; I have chosen you, and not cast you away.

10 Fear not; for I am with you: be not dismayed; for I am your God: I will strengthen you; yes, I will help you; yes, I will uphold you with the right hand of my righteousness.

11 Behold, all they that were infuriated against you shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with you shall perish.

12 You shall seek them, and shall not find them, even them that contended with you: they that war against you shall be as nothing, and as a thing of naught.

13 For I the LORD your God will hold your right hand, saying to you, Fear not; I will help you.

14 Fear not, you worm Jacob, and you men of Israel; I will help you, said the LORD, and your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
CHAPTER 44
6 Thus said 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 show unto them.
8 Fear not, neither be afraid: have not I told you from that time, and have declared it? You are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? Yea, there is no God; I know not any.
23 ...For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and glorified Himself in Israel.

CHAPTER 45
24 ...In the LORD have I righteousness and strength...}

CHAPTER 46
12 Listen to me, you stouthearted, that are far from righteousness:

13 I bring near my righteousness; it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry:...

CHAPTER 62
12 And they shall call them, The Holy People, The redeemed of the LORD: and you shall be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.
PSALM 23
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.

PSALM 24
10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory.

PSALM 32
11 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, you righteous: and shout for joy, all you that are upright in heart.

PSALM 33
13 The LORD looks from heaven; He beholds all the sons of men.
14 From the place of His habitation He looks upon all the inhabitants of the earth.
15 He created their hearts alike; He observes all their works.

PSALM 34
15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cries.
18 The LORD is near to them that have a broken heart;
and saves those who are of a repentant spirit. 

22 The LORD redeems the soul of His servants: and none of them that trust in Him shall be in despair.

**PSALM 40**

8 I delight to do your will, O my God: yea, your law is within my heart. 

9 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: see, I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know it to be true. 

10 I have not hid your righteousness within my heart; I have declared your faithfulness and your salvation: I have not concealed your lovingkindness and your truth from the great congregation. 

11 Withhold not your tender mercies from me, O LORD: let your lovingkindness and your truth continually preserve me. 

**PSALM 46**

10 ...I will be exalted in the earth.

**PSALM 57**

5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth. 

11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth. 

**PSALM 67**

1 God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us; 

2 That thy way may be known upon the 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. 

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.

**PSALM 68**
19 Blessed be the LORD, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation.
20 He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto God the LORD, belong the judgments from death.

**PSALM 72**
17 ...And men shall be blessed in Him: all nations shall call Him blessed.
19 And blessed be His glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with His glory; Amen, and Amen.

**PSALM 144**
3 LORD what is man, that you take notice of him!
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CHAPTER 9
5  ...Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.
6  Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; you have 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 you preserve them all; and the host of heaven worships you.
7  You are the LORD the God, who chose Abram, and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gave him the name of Abraham;
8  And found his heart faithful before you, and made a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Gergashites, to give them, I say, to his seed, and have performed your words; for you are righteous:
9  And did see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heard their cry by the Red sea;
10  And showed signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and on all the people of his land: for you knew that they dealt proudly against them. In this way your name became known, as it is to this day.
11  And you did divide the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their persecutors you threw into the deep, as a stone into the mighty waters.
12  Moreover you led them in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in the night by a pillar of fire, to give them light in the way which they should go.
13  You came down also upon mount Sinai, and spoke with them from heaven, and gave them right judgments, and true laws, good statutes and commandments:
And made known to them your holy Sabbath, and commanded them values, statutes, and laws, by the hand of Moses your servant:

And gave them bread from heaven for their hunger, and brought forth water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and promised them that they should go in to possess the land which you had sworn to give them.

But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks, and did not listen to your commandments,

And refused to obey, neither were they mindful of your wonders that you did among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but you are a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and did not forsake them.

Yea, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This is your God that brought you up out of Egypt, and had worked great provocations;

Yet you in your manifold mercies did not forsake them in the wilderness: the pillar of the cloud did not depart from them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night, to show them light and the way in which they should go.

You gave also your good Spirit to instruct them, and withheld not your manna from their mouth, and gave them water for their thirst.

Yea, forty years you sustained them in the wilderness, so that they lacked nothing; their clothes did not grow old, and their feet did not swell.

Moreover you gave them kingdoms and nations, and divided them into corners: so that they possessed the land of Sihon, and the land of the king of Heshbon, and the land of Og, king of Bashan.

Their children also, you multiplied as the stars of heaven and brought them into the land, concerning which you had promised to their
fathers, that they should go in to possess it.

24 So the children went in and possessed the land, and you subdued before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gave 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 dug, vineyards, and olivegroves, and fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in your great goodness.

26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against you, and cast your law behind their backs, and killed your prophets which testified against them to turn them to you, and they worked great provocations.

27 Therefore you delivered them into the hand of their enemies, who frustrated them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried to you, you heard them from heaven; and according to your manifold mercies you gave them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of their enemies.

28 But after they had rest, they did evil again before you: therefore you left them in the hand of their enemies, so that they had the dominion over them: yet when they returned, and cried to you, you heard them from heaven; and many times did you deliver them according to your mercies;

29 And testified against them, that you might bring them again to your law: yet they behaved proudly, and did not listen to your commandments, but sinned against your judgments, (which if a man does so, he shall live in them); and turned away, and hardened their necks, and would not hear.

30 Yet, many years did you forbear them, and testified against them by your Spirit through your prophets: yet, would they not give ear: therefore you gave them into the hand of the people of the lands.

31 Nevertheless for your great mercies’ sake you did not utterly consume them, nor forsake them; for you are a gracious and merciful God.
Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the fearsomely awesome God, who keeps covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before you, that has come upon us, on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all your people, since the time of the kings of Assyria, to this day.

Albeit, you are just in all that is brought upon us; for you have done right, but we have done wickedly:

Neither have our kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept your law, nor listened to your commandments and your testimonies, therefore you did testify against them.

For they have not served you in their kingdom, and in your great goodness that you gave them, and in the large and fat land which you gave before them, neither turned they from their wicked works.

Behold, we are servants this day, and for the land that you gave to our fathers and to eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof, behold, we are servants in it:

And it yields much increase to the kings whom you have set over us because of our sins: also they have the dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure, and we are in great distress.
CHAPTER 16
8 Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the people.
9 Sing unto Him, sing psalms to 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.
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 to 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.
For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: He also is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.

Glory and honour are in His presence; strength and gladness are in His place.

Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

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.

Fear before Him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The LORD reigns.

Let the sea roar, and the fullness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein.

Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because He cometh to judge the earth.

O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good; for His mercy endureth for ever.

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.

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever..

CHAPTER 29

...Blessed be thou, LORD God of Israel our Father, for ever and ever.

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.

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.

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever...
13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.
Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, which spoke with His mouth to David my father, and has with His hand fulfilled it, saying,

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.

And it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

And the LORD said to David my father, Whereas it was in your heart to build an house unto my name, you did well that it was in your heart.

Nevertheless you shall not build the house; but your very own son shall be born to you, he shall build the house to my name.

And the LORD has performed His word that He spoke, 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.

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.

LORD God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keeps covenant and mercy with your servants that walk before you with all their heart:

Who has kept with your servant David my father all that you promised him: you spoke also with your mouth, and have fulfilled it with your hand, as it is this day.

Therefore now, LORD God of Israel, keep with your servant David my father as you promised him,
saying, There shall not fail to be a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; so that your children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as you have walked before me.

26 And now, O God of Israel, let your word, I pray you, be verified, which you spoke to your servant David my father.

27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have builded?

28 Yet you have respect to the prayer of your servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to listen to the cry and to the prayer, which your servant prays before you today:

29 That your eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which you have said, My name shall be there: that you may listen to the prayer which your servant shall make toward this place.

30 And listen to the supplication of your servant, and of your people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear you from heaven, your dwelling-place: and when you hear, forgive.

31 If any man sins against his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and the oath come before your altar in this house:

32 Then hear from heaven and do, and judge your servants, condemning the wicked to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.

33 When your people Israel be beaten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against you, and shall turn again to you, and confess your name, and pray, and make supplication to you in this house:

34 Then hear from heaven, and forgive the sin of your people Israel, and bring them again to the land which you gave to their fathers.

35 When heaven is shut up, and there is no rain because they have sinned against you; if they pray toward this place, and confess your name, and turn from their sin, when you afflict them:
36 Then hear from heaven, and forgive the sin of your servants, and of your people Israel, that you teach them the good way wherein they should walk, and give rain upon your land, which you have given to your people for an inheritance.

37 If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blight, mildew, locust, or if there be caterpillar; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their cities; whatsoever plague, whatsoever sickness there be;

38 Whatever prayer and supplication be made by any man, or by all your people Israel, which shall know, every man, the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

39 Then hear from heaven your dwelling place, and forgive, and do, and give to every man according to his ways, whose heart you know; (for you, for you only, know the hearts of all the children of men);

40 That they may fear you all the days that they live in the land which you gave to our fathers.

41 Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of your people Israel, but comes out of a far country for your name's sake;

42 (For they shall hear of your great name, and of your strong hand, and of your stretched out arm); when he shall come and pray toward this house;

43 Hear from heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calls to you for: that all people of the earth may know your name, to fear you, as do your people Israel; and that they may know that this house, which I have builded, is called by your name.

44 If your people go out to battle against their enemy, wherever you shall send them, and shall pray to the LORD towards the city which you have chosen, and toward the house that I have built for your name:

45 Then hear you in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause.

46 If they sin against you, (for there is no man that sins not), and you are angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they
carry them away captive to the land of the enemy, far or near;

47 Yet if they shall think to themselves in the land where they were carried captive, and repent, and make supplication to you in the land of them that carried them captive, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;

48 And so return to you with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and pray to you toward their land, which you gave to their fathers, the city which you have chosen, and the house which I have built for your name:

49 Then hear their prayer and their supplication in heaven your dwelling-place, and maintain their cause,

50 And forgive your people that have sinned against you, and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against you, and give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:

51 For they be your people, and your inheritance, which you brought forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron:

52 That your eyes may be open to the supplication of your servant, and to the supplication of your people Israel, to listen to them in all that they ask for from you.

53 For you did separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be your inheritance, as you spoke by the hand of Moses your servant, when you brought our fathers out of Egypt, O LORD God.

56 Blessed be the LORD, that has given rest to His people Israel, according to all that He promised: there has 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 to 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, with which I have made supplication before the LORD, be near to the LORD our God day and night, that He remember 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 no other.

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.

CHAPTER 9

3 And the LORD said to him, I have heard your prayer and your supplication, that you have made before me: I have hallowed this house, which you have built, to put my name there forever; and my eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually.

4 And if you will walk before me, as David your father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded you, and will keep my laws and my judgments:

5 Then I will establish the throne of your kingdom upon Israel forever, as I promised to David your father, saying, There shall not fail to be a man upon the throne of Israel.

6 But if you shall at all turn from following me, you 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 fable and an object of scorn among all people:

8 And at this house, which is high, every one that passes by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, Why has the LORD done thus unto this land, and to this house?

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 has the LORD brought upon them all this evil.

CHAPTER 12
19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.
CHAPTER 1
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 brothers, and all that generation.
7 And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and grew exceedingly in might; 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 to his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we:
10 Come, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it comes to pass that when we are at war, they join also with 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 Rameses.
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 mortar, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service,
wherein they made them serve, was with hard labour.

And the king of Egypt spoke to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:

And he said, When you do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the stools; if it be a son, then you shall kill him: but if it be a daughter, then she shall live.

But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the male children alive.

And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said to them, Why have you done this thing, and have saved the male children alive?

And the midwives said to Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are delivered before the midwives come in to them.

Therefore God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and grew very mighty.

And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that He made them houses.

And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born, you shall cast into the river, and every daughter, you shall save alive.

CHAPTER 2

And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took for a wife a daughter of Levi.

And the woman conceived, and bore a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months.

And when she could no longer hide him, she made 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 rushes by the river’s bank.

And his sister stood afar off, to witness what would be done to him.

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 rushes, 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.

7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to you a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for you?

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 to her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.

10 And the child grew, and she brought him to 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 to his brothers, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian striking an Hebrew, one of his brothers.

12 And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he killed the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

13 And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the Hebrews fighting together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Why do you beat your fellow Hebrew?

14 And he said, Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you intend to kill me, as you killed the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.

15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to kill 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 you have returned so soon today?
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 to his daughters, And where is he? Why is it that you have left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread.
21 And Moses was content to stay and live with the man: and he gave to Moses Zipporah his daughter.
22 And she bore 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 groaned 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 was concerned for them.

CHAPTER 3
1 Now Moses kept the flock of Reuel his father in law, known as Jethro, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the back side of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.
2 And the angel of the LORD appeared to 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 to him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.
5 And He said, Do not come any closer: take the shoes from off your feet, for the place on which
you are standing is holy ground.

Moreover He said, I am the God of your 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.

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;

And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey; to the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come to me: and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.

Come now therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh, that you may bring forth my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.

And Moses said to God, Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

And He said, Certainly I will be with you; and this shall be a token to you, that I have sent you: When you have brought forth the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God upon this mountain.

And Moses said to God, Behold, when I come to the children of Israel, and shall say to them, The God of your fathers has sent me to you; and they shall say to me, What is His name? What shall I say to them?

And God said to Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and He said, Thus shall you say to the children of Israel, I AM has sent me to you.

And God said moreover to Moses, Thus shall you say to the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial to all generations.
Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say to them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared to me, saying, I have surely visited you, and seen that which is done to you in Egypt:

And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, to a land flowing with milk and honey.

And they shall listen to your voice: and you shall come, you and the elders of Israel, to the king of Egypt, and you shall say to him, The LORD God of the Hebrews has met with us: and now let us go, we pray you, three days’ journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.

And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not unless he is compelled to.

And I will stretch out my hand, and strike Egypt with all my wonders, which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.

And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when you leave, you shall not leave empty handed:

But every woman shall borrow from her neighbour, and from her that stays in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and clothing: and you shall put them upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and you shall raid the Egyptians.

CHAPTER 4

And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor listen to my voice: for they will say, The LORD has not appeared to you.

And the LORD said to him, What is that in your hand? And he said, A rod.

And He said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a snake; and Moses fled from before it.

And the LORD said to Moses, Put out your hand, and take it by the tail. And he put out his hand, and
caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:

That they may believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you.

And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now your hand into your vestment. And he put his hand into his vestment: and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous as snow.

And He said, Put your hand into your cloak again. And he put his hand into his cloak; and took it out of his cloak again, and behold, his hand was restored.

And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe you, neither listen to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.

And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither listen to your voice, that you shall take from the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land: and the water which you take out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land.

And Moses said to the LORD, O my LORD, I am not eloquent, neither was I before, nor since you have spoken to your servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

And the LORD said to him, Who has made man’s mouth? Or who makes the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? Have not I, the LORD?

Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth, and teach you what you shall say.

And he said, O my LORD, send, I pray you, by the hand of another, whom you will send.

And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and He said, Is not Aaron the Levite your brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he comes forth to meet you: and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart.

And you shall speak to him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with your mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do.

And he shall be your spokesman to the people: and he shall be, even he shall be to you instead of
a mouth, and you shall be to him instead of God.

17 And you shall take this rod in your hand, with which you shall do signs.

18 And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father-in-law, and said to him, Let me go, I pray you, and return to my brothers which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace.

19 And the LORD said to Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought your life.

20 And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon a donkey, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand.

21 And the LORD said to Moses, When you go to return into Egypt, see that you do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have put in your hand: but I will harden his heart, that he shall not let the people go.

22 And you shall say to Pharaoh, Thus says the LORD, Israel is my son, even my firstborn:

23 And I say to you, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if you refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay your son, even your firstborn.

24 And it came to pass by the roadway, 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 are you to me.

26 So He let him go: then she said, A bloody husband you are, 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 spoke all the words which the LORD had spoken to Moses, and did the signs in the
sight of the people.

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.

CHAPTER 5

1 And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus says the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast to 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 has met with us: let us go, we pray you, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice to the LORD our God; lest He falls upon us with pestilence, or with the sword.

4 And the king of Egypt said to them, Why do you, Moses and Aaron, stop the people working? Get you to your burdens.

5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and you make them rest from their burdens.

6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying,

7 You shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as previously: let them go and gather straw for themselves.

8 And the number of the bricks, which they did make before, you shall lay upon them; you shall not reduce any of that number: for they are idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God.

9 Let there be more work laid upon the men, that they may work harder; and let them not listen to vain words.

10 And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spoke to the people, saying, Thus says Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.
Go yourselves, get straw where you can find it: yet none of your work shall be diminished.

So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

And the taskmasters rushed them, saying, Fulfil your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw.

And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, Why have you not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and today, as previously?

Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried to Pharaoh, saying, Why do you deal this way with your servants?

And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the path, as they came away from Pharaoh:

And they said to them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because you have made our presence to be hated in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

And Moses returned to the LORD, and said, LORD, why have you allowed such evil treatment upon this people? Why is it that you have sent me?

For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done evil to this people; neither have you delivered your people at all.
CHAPTER 6
1 Then the LORD said to Moses, Now shall you 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 spoke to Moses, and said to him, I am the LORD:
3 And I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to 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, in which 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 Therefore say to 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 you shall know that I am the LORD your God, which brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.
8 And I will bring you into the land, concerning which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it to you for an heritage: I am the LORD.
9 And Moses spoke this to the children of Israel: but they did not listen to Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.
10 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
11 Go in and speak to Pharaoh king of Egypt, requesting that he let the children of Israel go out of his land.
12 And Moses spoke before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not listened to me; why then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncontrolled lips?
13 And the LORD spoke to Moses and to Aaron, and gave them a charge to the children of Israel, and to
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 Canaanite 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 a hundred and thirty 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 bore him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were a hundred and thirty seven years.

21 And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.

22 And the sons of Uziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.

23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to wife; and she bore 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 bore him Phinehas: these are the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families.

26 These are the ones 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 Moses and Aaron which spoke to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt:

28 And it came to pass on the day when the LORD spoke to Moses in the land of Egypt,

29 That the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, I am the LORD: speak to Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say to you.

30 And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, I am of uncontrolled lips, and how shall Pharaoh listen to me?

CHAPTER 7

1 And the LORD said to Moses, See, I have made you a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron your brother shall be your prophet.

2 You shall speak all that I command you: and Aaron your brother shall speak to Pharaoh, that he shall 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 listen to you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth my 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 my hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.

6 And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them.

7 And Moses was fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore and three years old, when they spoke to Pharaoh.

8 And the LORD spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,

9 When Pharaoh shall speak to you, saying, You show me a miracle: then you shall say to Aaron, Take your rod, and cast it before Pharaoh, and it shall become a serpent.

10 And Moses and Aaron went in to Pharaoh, and they did 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 listened not to them; as the LORD had said.

14 And the LORD said to Moses, Pharaoh’s heart is hardened, he refuses to let the people go.

15 Go to Pharaoh in the morning; see, he goes out to the water; and you shall stand by the river’s bank where he is; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shall you take in your hand.

16 And you shall say to him, The LORD God of the Hebrews has sent me to you, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, until now you would not hear.

17 Thus says the LORD, In this you shall know that I am the LORD: behold, I will strike with the rod that is in my hand, upon the waters which are in the river and they shall be turned to blood.

18 And the fish that are in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians will not want to drink the water of the river.

19 And the LORD spoke to Moses, Say to Aaron, Take your rod, and stretch out your 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 as the LORD commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and struck 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 were in the river died; and the
And the magicians of Egypt did the same with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he listen unto them; as the LORD had said.

And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he soften his heart to this either.

And all the Egyptians dug round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river.

And seven days had passed since the LORD had struck the river.

CHAPTER 8
1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, Go to Pharaoh, and say to him, Thus says the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.
2 And if you refuse to let them go, behold, I will cover all your borders with frogs:

3 And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into your house, and into your bedchamber, and upon your bed, and into the house of your servants, and upon your people, and into your ovens, and into your kneadingtroughs:

4 And the frogs shall come up, both on you and upon your people, and upon all your servants.

5 And the LORD spoke to Moses, Say to Aaron, Stretch forth your hand with your 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, Entreat 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 sacrifice
And Moses said to Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I entreat for you, and for your servants, and for your people, to destroy the frogs from you and your houses, that they may remain in the river only?

And he said, Tomorrow. And he said, Be it according to your word: that you may know that there is none like the LORD our God.

And the frogs shall depart from you, and from your houses, and from your servants, and from your people; they shall remain in the river only.

And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried to the LORD because of the frogs which He had brought against Pharaoh.

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.

And they gathered them together in heaps: and the land stank.

But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and listened not to them; as the LORD had said.

And the LORD said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Stretch out your rod, and strike the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and struck 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.

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.

Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh’s heart was hardened, and he listened not to them; as the LORD had said.

And the LORD said to Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; behold, he comes forth to the water; and say to him, Thus says the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

Otherwise, if you will not let my people go, behold,
I will send swarms of flies upon you, and upon your servants, and upon your people, and into your 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 separate in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; for the reason that you may know that I am the LORD in the midst of the earth.

23 And I will put a division between my people and your people: tomorrow 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 contaminated by reason of the swarm of flies.

25 And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go, sacrifice to your God in the land.

26 And Moses said, It is not proper to do so; for we shall 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 you may sacrifice to the LORD your God in the wilderness; only you shall not go very far away: entreat for me.

29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from you, and I will entreat the LORD that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow: but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully anymore in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the LORD.

30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and entreated 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.

CHAPTER 9
1 Then the LORD said to Moses, Go in to Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus says the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.
2 For if you refuse to let them go, and will continue to hold them;
3 Behold, the hand of the LORD is upon your cattle which is in the field, upon the horses, upon the donkeys, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: there shall be a very grievous plague.
4 And the LORD shall distinguish between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and nothing that belongs to the children of Israel shall die.
5 And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, Tomorrow the LORD shall do this thing in the land.
6 And the LORD did that thing the following day, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but the cattle of the children of Israel did not die.
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 to Moses and to Aaron, Take handfuls of ash from the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it towards 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 sores 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 towards 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 listened not to them; as the LORD had spoken to
And the LORD said to Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say to him, Thus says the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

For I will at this time send all my plagues upon your head, and upon your servants, and upon your people; that you may know that there is none like me in all the earth.

For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may strike you and your people with pestilence; and you shall be cut off from the earth.

And in very deed for this cause have I raised you up, for to show in you my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.

Do you still exalt yourself against my people, that you will not let them go?

Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as has not been in Egypt since its foundations were laid, even until now.

Send therefore now, and gather your cattle, and all that you have 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.

He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

And he that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

And the LORD said to Moses, Stretch forth your hand towards 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.

And Moses stretched forth his rod towards 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.

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 struck throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail struck every herb of the field, and broke 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 to them, I have sinned this time: the LORD is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.

28 Entreat the LORD (for it is enough) that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer.

29 And Moses said to him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will lift my hands to the LORD; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that you may know how that the earth is the LORD’s.

30 But as for you and your servants, I know that you will not yet fear the LORD God.

31 And the flax and the barley was struck: for the barley and the flax was ripe.

32 But the wheat and the rye were not struck: for they had not yet grown.

33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and lifted up his hands to 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.

CHAPTER 10

1 And the LORD said to Moses, Go in to Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might show these my signs before him:

2 And that you may tell in the hearing of your son, and of your grandson, what things I have worked
in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that you may know how, that I am the LORD.

3 And Moses and Aaron came in to Pharaoh, and said to him, Thus says the LORD God of the Hebrews, How long will you refuse to humble yourself before me? Let my people go, that they may serve me.

4 Otherwise, if you refuse to let my people go, behold, tomorrow will I bring the locusts into your coast:

5 And they shall cover the face of the earth, so that one will not be able to see the earth: and they shall eat the remains of that which escaped the hail, and shall eat every tree which grows for you out of the field:

6 And they shall fill your houses, and the houses of all your servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither your fathers, nor your fathers’ fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth to this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

7 And Pharaoh’s servants said to him, How long shall this man be a snare to us? Let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: Do you not yet realise that Egypt is destroyed?

8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again to Pharaoh: and he said to 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 to the LORD.

10 And he said to 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 you that are men, and serve the LORD; for that you did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh’s presence.

12 And the LORD said to Moses, Stretch out your 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 has
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.

And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; there were never such locusts as they, neither before nor since.

For they covered the face of the 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.

Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.

Now therefore forgive, I pray you, my sin only this once, and entreat the LORD your God, that He may take away from me this death only.

And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated the LORD.

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.

But the LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart, so that He would not let the children of Israel go.

And the LORD said to Moses, Stretch out your hand towards heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt.

And Moses stretched forth his hand towards heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt, three days:

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.

And Pharaoh called to Moses, and said, Go, serve the LORD; only leave your flocks and your herds behind: let your little ones also go with you.
25 And Moses said, You must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.

26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not a hoof be left behind; for them must we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with what we must serve the LORD, until we arrive.

27 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart, and he would not let them go.

28 And Pharaoh said to him, Leave me, take care that you see my face no more; for in that day you see my face, you shall die.

29 And Moses said, You have spoken well, I will see your face again no more.

CHAPTER 11

1 And the LORD said to Moses, Yet will I bring one plague more upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go from here: when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out from here 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 says 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 sits upon his throne, even to 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, man or beast, a dog shall not even growl: so that you may know how the LORD does put a division between the Egyptians and Israel.
8 And all these your servants shall come down to me, and bow themselves down to me, saying, Get out, and all the people that follow you: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger.

9 And the LORD said to Moses, Pharaoh shall not listen to 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.

CHAPTER 12

1 And the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

2 This month shall be to you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you.

3 Speak to 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 is too small for the lamb, let him and his next door neighbour take it according to the number of the people; every man according to his appetite, shall make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: you shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

6 And you 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 some of the blood, and paint it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, in which 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 all the remaining meats.
And you shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remains of it until the morning you shall burn with fire.

And thus shall you eat it; fully dressed, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD’s passover.

For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will strike 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.

And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where you 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 strike the land of Egypt.

And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and you shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; you shall keep it a feast by an ordinance forever.

Seven days shall you eat unleavened bread; even the first day you shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

And in the first day there shall be an holy and large assembly, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy and large assembly to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, except that which every man must eat, only that may be done by you.

And you 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 you observe this day in your generations by an ordinance forever.

In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread, until the first and twentieth day of the month at evening.

Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eats 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 You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall you eat unleavened bread.

21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said to them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill it for the passover.

22 And you shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and paint the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that is in the basin; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.

23 For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when He sees 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 to your houses to strike you.

24 And you shall observe this thing for an ordinance to you and to your sons forever.

25 And it shall come to pass, when you are come to the land which the LORD will give you, according as He has promised, that you shall keep this memorial.

26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say to you, What does this memorial mean?

27 That you 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 struck 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 struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne, to 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.
And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both you and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as you have said.

Also take your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone; and bless me also.

And the Egyptians urgently besought the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We will be all dead men.

And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed from the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and clothing:

And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent to them such things as they required. And thus they raided the Egyptians.

And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.

And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, and very much cattle.

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 food.

Now the temporary dwelling of the children of Israel in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.

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 peoples of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

It is a night to be much commemorated to the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the LORD to be observed by all the children of Israel in their generations.

And the LORD said to 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 you have 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; you shall not carry any of the flesh outside the house; neither shall you break a bone thereof.

47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.

48 And when a stranger shall visit with you, 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 to the stranger that visits 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.

CHAPTER 13

1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

2 Sanctify to me all the firstborn, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and of beast: it is mine.

3 And Moses said to the people, Remember this day, in which you 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 you out, in the month Abib.

5 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring you into the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which He swore to your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey; that you shall keep this memorial in this month.

6 Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, and in
the seventh day there shall be a feast to the LORD.  
7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with you, neither shall there be leaven seen with you in all your quarters.  
8 And you shall show your son in that day, saying, This is done because of that which the LORD did to me, when I came forth out of Egypt.  
9 And it shall be for a sign to you upon your hand, and for a memorial between your eyes, that the LORD's law may be in your mouth: for with a strong hand, has the LORD brought you out of Egypt.  
10 You shall therefore keep this ordinance in this season from year to year.  
11 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring you into the land of the Canaanites, as He swore to you and to your fathers, and shall give it to you,  
12 That you shall set apart to the LORD all that opens the womb, and every firstborn that comes from a beast which you have; the males shall belong to the LORD.  
13 And every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb; and if you will not redeem it, then you shall break it's neck: and all the firstborn of man among your children shall you redeem.  
14 And it shall be, when your son asks you in time to come, saying, What is this? that you shall say to 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 killed 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 opens the womb, being males; but all the firstborn of my children I redeem.  
16 And it shall be for a token upon your hand, and for a phylactery between your 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 did not lead them through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that
was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people change their minds when they see war, and 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, and laden, out of the land of Egypt.

19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had sworn an oath to the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and you shall carry up my bones away 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 cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to lead them by day and by night:

22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.

CHAPTER 14

1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

2 Speak to the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall you encamp by the sea.

3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They are entangled in the land, the wilderness has shut them in.

4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured because of Pharaoh, and because of all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I am the LORD. And they did so.

5 And it was told the king of Egypt that the people had 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:
And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

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 confidence.

But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and he caught up with them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.

And when Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were very afraid: and the children of Israel cried out to the LORD.

And they said to Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, have you taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have you dealt in this way with us? Is not this the word that we did tell you in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

And Moses said to the people, Fear not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will show to you today: for the Egyptians whom you have seen today, you shall see them again no more, for ever.

The LORD shall fight for you, and you shall hold your peace.

And the LORD said to Moses, Why do you cry to me? Speak to the children of Israel, that they go forward:

But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour because of Pharaoh, and because of all
his host, because of his chariots, and because of his horsemen.

And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten me honour, because of Pharaoh, because of his chariots, and because of his horsemen.

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:

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 one did not come near the other all the night.

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.

And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand, and on their left.

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.

And it came to pass, that in the morning watch, the LORD looked at the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and terrified the host of the Egyptians with a terrible storm of thunder and lightning, which put them into great disorder and terror,

And took off their chariot wheels, that they drove them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians.

And the LORD said to Moses, Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal place when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled from 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.

29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall to 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.

CHAPTER 15

22 ...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 to the LORD; and the LORD showed 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 instructed them,

26 And said, If you will diligently listen to the voice of the LORD your God, and will do that which is right in His sight, and will give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that heals you.

27 And they came to Elim where, were twelve wells of water, and seventy palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters.
CHAPTER 16
1 And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came to 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 to them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the stewing pots, and when we ate bread to the full; for you have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

4 Then said the LORD to Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain amount 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 to all the children of Israel, At evening, then you shall know that the LORD has brought you out from the land of Egypt:

7 And in the morning, then you shall see the glory of the LORD; for He hears your murmurings against the LORD: and what are we, that you 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 the the LORD hears your murmurings which you murmur against Him: and what are we? Your murmurings are not against us, but against the LORD.

9 And Moses spoke to Aaron, Say to all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before the LORD: for He has heard your murmurings.

10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spoke to 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 spoke to Moses, saying,

12 I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak to them, saying, At evening you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread; and you shall know that I am the LORD your God.

13 And it came to pass, that at evening the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the host.

14 And when the dew had evaporated, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as thick as the heavy frost on the ground.

15 And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna: for they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, This is the bread which the LORD has given you to eat.

16 This is the thing which the LORD has commanded, Gather from it every man according to his eating, an omer (approximately two litres) for every man, according to the number of your family; every man should take for those who are in his tents.

17 And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less.

18 And when they measured it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no shortage; they gathered every man according to his eating.

19 And Moses said, Let no man leave any of it until the morning.

20 Nevertheless they listened not to Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was angry with them.

21 And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun grew hot, the bread 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.

23 And he said to them, This is what the LORD has
said, Tomorrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath, unto the LORD: bake that which you will bake today, and boil that which you will boil; and that which remains over, put aside to be kept until the morning.

24 And they laid it up until the morning, as Moses instructed: and it did not stink, neither was there any worm in it.

25 And Moses said, Eat that today; for today is a Sabbath unto the LORD: today you shall not find it in the field.

26 Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is the Sabbath, in it there shall be none to gather.

27 And it came to pass, that there went out some of the people on the seventh day to gather, and they found none.

28 And the LORD said to Moses, How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and my laws?

29 Behold, for the LORD has given you the Sabbath, therefore He gives you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide 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 commands, 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 to Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and lay it up before the Testimony, to be kept.

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 to the borders of the land of Canaan.
(Approximately 20 litres).

CHAPTER 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 Because of this the people reproached Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said to them, Why do you reproach me? Why do you provoke the LORD?
3 And the people were thirsty there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said, Why is it that you have brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst?
4 And Moses cried to the LORD, saying, What shall I do to this people? They are almost ready to stone me.
5 And the LORD said to Moses, Go ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel; and your rod, with which you struck the river, take in your hand, and go.
6 Behold, I will stand before thee, there upon the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike 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 strife 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 to Joshua, Select some men, and go out, fight with Amalek: tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in my 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 rock, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur supported 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 defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

14 And the LORD said to Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and relate it to 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 has sworn that the LORD will have war with Amalek, from generation to generation.

CHAPTER 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 my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:

5 And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, came with his sons and his wife to Moses, into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God:

6 And he said to Moses, I, your father-in-law Jethro, am come to you, and your wife, and her two sons with her.

7 And Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, and honoured him, 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 to Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel’s sake, and all the trouble 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 has delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who has delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

11 Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: for in their proud refusal to release the Israelites He proved Himself 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 to the evening.

14 And when Moses’ father-in-law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What is this thing that you do to the people? Why do you seat yourself alone, and all the people stand by you from morning to evening?

15 And Moses said to his father-in-law, Because the people come to me to enquire of God:

16 When they have a matter, they come to 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 to him, The thing that you do is not wise.

18 You will surely wear yourself out, and this people with you: for this work is too much for you; you are not able to perform it yourself alone.

19 Listen now to my voice, I will give you counsel, and God shall be with you: Be to the people a representative for God, that you may bring the
causes unto God:
20 And you shall teach them ordinances and laws, and shall show them the way in which they must walk, and the work that they must do.
21 Furthermore you shall provide out of all the people, able men, who fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place them over the people, 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 times: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring to you, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for you, and they shall bear the burden with you.
23 If you will do this thing, and God commands you to do so, then you shall be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their homes in peace.
24 So Moses listened 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 to 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.

CHAPTER 19
1 In the third month, when the children of Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, on that same day they came 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 mountain.
3 And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shall you say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;
4 You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and
how I carried you on eagles' wings, and brought you to myself.

5 Now therefore, if you will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then you shall be a precious treasure to me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

6 And you shall be to me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which you will speak to the children of Israel.

7 And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and told them face to face all these words which the LORD had commanded him.

8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD has spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people to the LORD.

9 And the LORD said to Moses, Behold, I come to you in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever. And Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.

10 And the LORD said to Moses, Go to the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, 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 you shall set boundaries for the people round about, saying, Take warning to yourselves, that you do not go up into the mountain, or touch the border of it: whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death:

13 There shall not be a hand touch it, or he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain.

14 And Moses went down from the mountain to the people, and sanctified them; and they washed their clothes.

15 And he said to the people, Be ready against the third day: do not touch 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 was exceedingly loud; so that all the people that were in the camp trembled.

17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the furthest part of the mountain.

18 And mount Sinai was altogether covered in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly.

19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him with an audible voice.

20 And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mountain; and Moses went up.

21 And the LORD said to Moses, Go down, instruct the people, or they break through to 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 to the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for you instructed us, saying, Set boundaries about the mountain, and sanctify it.

24 And the LORD said to him, Away, go down, and you shall come up, you, and Aaron with you: but do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the LORD, lest He break forth upon them.

25 So Moses went down to the people, and spoke to them.

CHAPTER 20

1 And God spoke all these words, saying,

2 I am the LORD your God, which have brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

3 You shall have no other gods before me.
4 You shall not make for yourselves any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in the heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:
5 You shall not bow yourselves down to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, to the third and fourth generation, of them that hate me;
6 And showing mercy to thousands of those that love me, and keep my commandments.
7 You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that takes His name in vain.
8 Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
9 Six days shall you labour, and do all your work:
10 But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God: in it you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your cattle, nor the stranger that is within your 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: in this way the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.
12 Honour your father and your mother: that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God gives you.
13 You shall not kill.
14 You shall not commit adultery.
15 You shall not steal.
16 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
17 You shall not covet your neighbour’s house, you shall not covet your neighbour’s wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor any thing that is your neighbour’s.
18 And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the smoking mountain: and when the people saw it, they withdrew, and stood afar off.
19 And they said to Moses, Speak with us, and we will
hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.

20 And Moses said to the people, Fear not: for God has come for you to prove yourselves, and that His fear may be before your faces, so that you do not sin.

21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was.

22 And the LORD said to Moses, Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, You have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.

23 You shall not make to stand alongside me gods of silver, neither shall you make for yourselves gods of gold.

24 An altar of earth you shall make to me, and you shall sacrifice upon it your burnt offerings, and your peace offerings, your sheep, and your oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto you, and I will bless you.

25 And if you will make me an altar of stone, you shall not build it of shaped stone: for if you lift up your tool upon it, you have polluted it.

26 Neither shall you go up by steps to my altar, that your nakedness will not be observed by all.

CHAPTER 21

1 Now these are the judgments which you shall set before them.

2 If you buy a Hebrew servant, for six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go free.

3 If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go free with him.

4 If his master have given him a wife, and she have borne him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master’s, and he shall go free by himself.

5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not take my freedom:

6 Then his master shall bring him to the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or to the door-post; and his master shall bore his ear through with
a pointed tool; and he shall serve him for ever.

7 And if a man sells his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not be set free as the menservants are.

8 If she does not please her master, who has betrothed her to himself, then he shall let her be redeemed: he shall have no power to sell her to a strange nation, seeing he has dealt deceitfully with her.

9 And if he has betrothed her to his son, he shall treat her with the rights of a daughter.

10 If he takes for himself another wife; her food, her clothing, and her duty of marriage, he shall not diminish.

11 And if he does not do these three things for her, then she shall be set free unconditionally.

12 He that strikes a man, so that he dies, shall be surely put to death.

13 And if it is not premeditated, but God delivers him to His hand; then I will appoint you a place where he shall flee.

14 But if a man comes forcefully upon his neighbour, to kill him with cunning; you shall take him from my altar, that he may die.

15 And he that strikes either of his parents, shall be surely put to death.

16 And he that steals a man, and sells him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

17 And he that curses either of his parents, shall surely be put to death.

18 And if men fight together, and one strikes another with a stone, or with his fist, and he does not die, but takes to his bed:

19 If he rises again, and uses a walking stick, then shall he that struck him be required to pay for the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed.

20 And if a man strikes his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he dies under his hand; he shall be surely punished.

21 Nevertheless, if he recovers in a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he is his money.
If men fight, and hurt a woman with child, so that she miscarries, and yet no other injury occurs: he shall be surely punished, according to what the woman’s husband will choose; and he shall pay as the judges determine.

And if any problems follow, then you shall give life for life,

Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,

Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

And if a man strikes 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.

And if he knocks out his manservant’s tooth, or his maidservant’s tooth; he shall let him go free for his tooth’s sake.

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 not be held responsible.

But if the ox has been known to gore previously, and the owner has been notified, and he has not kept him in, but that he has killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.

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.

Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment shall it be done to him.

If the ox shall gore a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give to their master thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or a donkey falls therein;

The owner of the pit shall make it good, and give money to the owner of them; and the dead beast shall be his.

And if one man’s ox hurts another, that he dies;
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 has used to gore in time past, and his owner has not kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own.

CHAPTER 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 in, and be struck so that he dies, 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 donkey, 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 with them; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

7 If a man shall deliver to 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 to the judges, to see whether he have put his hand to his neighbour’s goods.

9 For all manner of trespass, whether it be for ox, for donkey, for sheep, for clothing, or for any manner of lost thing, which another challenges to be his, the cause of both parties shall come before the judges; and whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double to his neighbour.

10 If a man deliver to his neighbour a donkey, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it dies, or
be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing it:

11 Then shall an oath of the LORD be between them both, that he has not put his hand to 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 to 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 a beast from his neighbour, and it be hurt, or dies, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it good.

15 But if the owner of it is with it, he shall not make it good: if it be a hired beast, it is already paid for.

16 And if a man should entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely promise her to be his wife.

17 If her father utterly refuses to give her to him, he shall pay money according to the dowry of virgins.

18 You shall not suffer a witch to live.

19 Whosoever lies with a beast shall surely be put to death.

20 He that sacrifices to any god, save to the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

21 You shall neither agitate a stranger, nor oppress him: for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

22 You shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.

23 If you afflict them in any way, and they cry at all to me, I will surely hear their cry;

24 And my anger shall grow hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

25 If you lend money to any of my people who are poorer than you, you shall not be to him as a money lender, neither shall you lay upon him interest.

26 If you at all take your neighbour's coat as deposit, you shall deliver it to him by the time the sun goes down:

27 For that is his only covering, it is his coat for his skin: in what shall he sleep? And it shall come to
pass, when he cries to me, that I will hear; for I am gracious.

28 You shall not revile the gods, nor curse the ruler of your people.

29 You shall not delay to offer the first of your ripe fruits, and of your liquors: the firstborn of your sons shall you give to me.

30 Likewise shall you do with your oxen, and with your sheep: seven days it shall be with his mother; on the eighth day you shall give it to me.

31 And you shall be holy men to me: neither shall you eat any flesh that is torn by beasts in the field; you shall cast it to the dogs.

CHAPTER 23
1 You shall not raise a false report: put not your hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.

2 You shall not follow a multitude to do evil; neither will you support a cause which will stop others from being just:

3 Neither shall you look upon a poor man in his distress.

4 If you meet your enemy’s ox or his donkey going astray, you shall surely bring it back to him again.

5 If you see the donkey of him that hates you, lying under his burden, and would resist helping, you shall surely help with him.

6 You shall not force payment in judgment of the poor in his sufferings.

7 Keep far from a false matter; and do not kill the innocent and righteous: for I will not justify the wicked.

8 And you shall take no bribes: for the gift blinds the wise, and perverts the words of the righteous.

9 Also you shall not oppress a stranger: for you know the heart of a stranger, seeing you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

10 And six years you shall sow your land, and you shall gather in the fruits thereof:

11 But the seventh year you shall let it rest and lie still; that the poor of your people may eat: and what they leave, the beasts of the field shall eat. In like
manner you shall deal with your vineyard, and with your olivegrove.

12 Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest: that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

13 And in all things that I have said to you, be discreet: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of your mouth.

14 Three times you shall keep a feast to me in the year.

15 You shall keep the feast of unleavened bread: (you shall eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded you, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it you came out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty):

16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of your labours, which you have sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when you have gathered in your labours out of the field.

17 Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the LORD God.

18 You shall 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 your land, you shall bring into the house of the LORD your God. You shall not boil a kid in his mother’s milk.

20 Behold, I send an Angel before you, to keep you in the way, and to bring you 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 you shall indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy to your enemies, and an adversary to your adversaries.

23 For my Angel shall go before you, and bring you to the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:
and I will cut them off.

24 You shall not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor follow their works: but you shall utterly overthrow them, and thoroughly break down their images.

25 And you shall serve the LORD your God, and He shall bless your bread, and your water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of you.

26 There shall be nothing that miscarries their young, nor be barren, in your land: the number of your days I will fulfil.

27 I will send my fear before you, and will destroy all the people to whom you shall come, and I will make all your enemies turn their backs to you.

28 And I will send hornets before you, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before you.

29 I will not drive them out from before you in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beasts of the field multiply against you.

30 And little by little I will drive them out from before you, until you be increased, and inherit the land.

31 And I will set your boundaries from the Red sea even to the sea of the Philistines, and from the desert to the river: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and you shall drive them out before you.

32 You shall make no agreements with them, nor with their gods.

33 They shall not dwell in your land, lest they make you sin against me: for if you serve their gods, it will surely be a snare to you.

CHAPTER 24

1 And He said to Moses, Come up to the LORD, you, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship from afar.

2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come near; 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 has said will we do.

4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and built 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 to the LORD.

6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basins; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the hearing of the people: and they said, All that the LORD has 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 has 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 a pavement made of 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 to Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give you tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that you may teach them.

13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mountain of God.

14 And he said to the elders, Wait here for us, until we return: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come to 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 to 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 mountain, in the eyes of the children of Israel.
18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and took himself up into the mountain: and Moses was in the mountain forty days and forty nights.

CHAPTER 25
1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
2 Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: from every man that gives it willingly with his heart, you shall receive the offering.
3 And this is the offering which you shall take from 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 wood from Shittim,
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 show you, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall you 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 you shall overlay it with pure gold, within and without shall you overlay it, and shall make upon it a crown of gold round about.
12 And you shall 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 you shall make staves of Shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.
14 And you shall put the staves into the rings by the
sides of the ark, that the ark may be carried with them.
15 The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it.
16 And you shall put into the ark, the testimony which I shall give you.
17 And you shall 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 you shall make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shall you 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 you 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 you shall put the mercy seat on the top of the ark; and in the ark you shall put the testimony that I shall give you.
22 And there I will meet with you, and I will commune with you 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 you in commandment to the children of Israel.
23 You shall 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 you shall overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round about.
25 And you shall make to it a border of a handbreadth round about, and you shall make a golden crown to the border thereof round about.
26 And you shall 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 carry the table.
28 And you shall make the staves of Shittim wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be carried with them.

29 And you shall make the dishes for them, and spoons for them, and covers for them, and bowls for them, to pour out from: of pure gold you shall make them.

30 And you shall set upon the table shewbread before me always.

31 And you shall make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his buds, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

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 almonds, with a bud and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, with a bud 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 almonds, with their buds and their flowers.

35 And there shall be a bud under two branches of the same, and a bud under two branches of the same, and a bud under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the candlestick.

36 Their buds and their branches shall be of the same: all of it shall be one beaten work of pure gold.

37 And you shall make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall light the lamps thereof, that they may give light over against the face of it.

38 And the tongs thereof, and the snuffer thereof, shall be of pure gold.

39 Of a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.

40 And be sure that you make them after their pattern, which was shown you on the mountain.
CHAPTER 26

1  Moreover you shall make the tabernacle with ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims, by skilled work shall you 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 the other five curtains shall be coupled one to another.

4  And you shall make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shall you make in the uttermost edge of another curtain, in the coupling of the second.

5  Fifty loops shall you make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shall you 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 you shall make fifty gold attachments, and couple the curtains together with the attachments: and it shall be one tabernacle.

7  And you shall make curtains of goats' hair to be a covering upon the tabernacle: eleven curtains shall you 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 you shall couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shall double the sixth curtain in the forefront of the tabernacle.

10  And you shall make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain that is outermost in the coupling, and fifty loops in the edge of the curtain which couples the second.

11  And you shall make fifty attachments of brass, and put the attachments into the loops, and couple the tent together, that it may be one.

12  And the remnant that remains of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that remains, 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 remains 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 you shall make a covering for the tent of rams’ skins dyed red, and a covering above of badgers’ skins.
15 And you shall 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 tenon joints shall there be in one board, set in order one against another: thus shall you make for all the boards of the tabernacle.
18 And you shall make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards on the south side southward.
19 And you shall make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenon joints, and two sockets under another board for his two tenon joints.
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 you shall make six boards.
23 And two boards shall you 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 to 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 you shall 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
And you shall overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings of gold for places for the bars: and you shall overlay the bars with gold.

And you shall raise up the tabernacle according to the fashion thereof, which was showed to you in the mountain.

And you shall make a veil of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of skilled work: with cherubims shall it be made:

And you shall hang it upon four pillars of Shittim wood overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four sockets of silver. And you shall hang up the veil under the attachments, that you may bring in there within the veil the Ark of the Testimony: and the veil shall divide to you between the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place.

And you shall put the mercy seat upon the Ark of the Testimony in the Most Holy Place.

And you shall set the table without the veil, and the candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south: and you shall put the table on the north side.

And you shall make an hanging for the door of the tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework.

And you shall make for the hanging five pillars of Shittim wood, and overlay them with gold, and their hooks shall be of gold: and you shall cast five sockets of brass for them.

CHAPTER 27

And you shall 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.

And you shall make the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and you shall overlay it with brass.

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And you shall make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels, and his basins, and his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels thereof you shall
And you shall make for it a grate of a network of brass; and upon the net shall you make four brass rings in the four corners thereof.

And you shall put it under the compass of the altar beneath, that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.

And you shall make staves for the altar, staves of Shittim wood, and overlay them with brass.

And the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two sides of the altar, to bear it.

A framework with boards shall you make it: as it was showed you in the mount, so shall they make it.

And you shall 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:

And the twenty pillars thereof and their twenty sockets shall be of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fluted decorations shall be of silver.

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 fluted decorations of silver.

And for the breadth of the court on the west side shall be hangings of fifty cubits: their pillars ten, and their sockets ten.

And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward shall be fifty cubits.

The hangings of one side of the gate shall be fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

And on the other side shall be hangings of fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

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 fluted decorations 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 everywhere, 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 you shall command the children of Israel, that they bring you pure olive oil, beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always.

21 In the tabernacle of the congregation without the veil, which is before the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall serve from evening to morning before the LORD: it shall be a statute forever to their generations, on the behalf of the children of Israel.

CHAPTER 28
1 And take your brother Aaron, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister to me in the office of a priest, even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron’s sons.

2 And you shall make holy garments for Aaron, your brother, for glory and for beauty.

3 And you shall speak to 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 to 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 an embroidered coat, a mitre, and a girdle: and they shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, and his sons, that he may minister to 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
skilled work.
7 It shall have the two shoulder pieces 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 you shall take two onyx stones, and engrave 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, shall you engrave the two stones with the names of the children of Israel: you shall make them to be filigree settings of gold.
12 And you shall 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 you shall make filigree settings of gold;
14 And two chains of pure gold at the ends; of wreathen work shall you make them, and fasten the wreathen chains to the filigree settings.
15 And you shall make the breastplate of judgment with skilled work; after the work of the ephod you shall make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shall you make it.
16 Foursquare it shall be being doubled; a span shall be the length thereof, and a span shall be the breadth thereof.
17 And you shall set in it settings of stones, even four rows of stones: the first row shall be a ruby, a topaz, and a carbuncle (which is a sparkling stone): 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 jacinth, 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 settings.

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 you shall make upon the breastplate, chains at the ends of wreathen work of pure gold.

23 And you shall make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shall put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate.

24 And you shall 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 you shall fasten in the two filigree settings, and put them on the shoulder pieces of the ephod before it.

26 And you shall make two rings of gold, and you shall 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 you shall make, and shall put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, towards the front of it, over against the other coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.

28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof, to 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 goes in to the Holy Place, for a memorial before the LORD continually.

30 And you shall put in the breastplate of judgment, the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goes in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.

31 And you shall make the robe of the ephod all of
blue.
32 And there shall be a hole in the top of it, in the middle: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, so that it cannot be torn.
33 And underneath upon the hem of it you shall make pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, round about the hem of it; 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 goes into the Holy Place before the LORD, and when he comes out, so that he does not die.
36 And you shall make a plate of pure gold, and write upon it, like the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.
37 And you shall put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon the headwear; upon the forefront of the headwear 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 you shall embroder the coat of fine linen, and you shall make the headwear of fine linen, and you shall make the girdle of needlework.
40 And for Aaron’s sons you shall make coats, and you shall make for them girdles, and bonnets shall you make for them, for glory and for beauty.
41 And you shall put them upon Aaron your brother, and his sons with him; and shall anoint them, and consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister to me in the office of a priest.
42 And you shall make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even to the thighs they shall reach:
43 And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they come into the tabernacle of the
congregation, or when they come near into the altar to minister in the Holy Place; that they bear not iniquity, and die: it shall be a statute forever to him and his seed after him.

CHAPTER 29
1 And this is the thing that you shall do to them to hallow them, to minister to 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 unleavened, anointed with oil: of wheaten flour shall you make them.
3 And you shall put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullock and the two rams.
4 And Aaron and his sons you shall bring to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall wash them with water.
5 And you shall 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 you shall put the headwear upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the headwear.
7 Then shall you take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him.
8 And you shall bring his sons, and put coats upon them.
9 And you shall 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 you shall consecrate Aaron and his sons.
10 And you shall 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 you shall kill the bullock before the LORD, by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
12 And you shall take of the blood of the bullock, and put it upon the horns of the altar with your finger,
and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar.

13 And you shall take all the fat that covers the innards, and the fluid sac 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, shall you burn with fire outside the camp: it is a sin offering.

15 You shall also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

16 And you shall slay the ram, and you shall take his blood, and sprinkle it round about upon the altar.

17 And you shall cut the ram in pieces, and wash the innards of him, and his legs, and put them with his pieces, and with his head.

18 And you shall 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 to the LORD.

19 And you shall take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

20 Then shall you 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 you shall take from the blood that is upon the altar, and from 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 you shall take from the ram the fat and the rump, and the fat that covers the innards, and the fluid sac 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:
24 And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shall wave them for a wave offering before the LORD.
25 And you shall receive them from 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 you shall take the breast of the ram of Aaron's consecration, and wave it for a wave offering before the LORD: and it shall be your share.
27 And you shall sanctify the breast of the wave offering, and the shoulder and thigh of the heave offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, from the ram of the consecration, even from that which is for Aaron, and from 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 from 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 comes into the tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the Holy Place.
31 And you shall take the ram of the consecration, and sear 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 from it, because they are holy.
34 And if any of the flesh of the consecrations, or of the bread, remain until the morning, then you shall burn the remainder with fire: it shall not be eaten,
because it is holy.

35 And thus shall you do to Aaron, and to his sons, according to all things which I have commanded you: seven days shall you consecrate them.

36 And you shall offer every day a bullock for a sin offering for atonement: and you shall cleanse the altar, when you have made an atonement for it, and you shall anoint it, to sanctify it.

37 Seven days you shall make an atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most holy: whatever touches the altar shall be holy.

38 Now this is that which you shall offer upon the altar; two lambs of the first year, day by day, continually.

39 The one lamb you shall offer in the morning; and the other lamb you shall offer at evening:

40 And with the one lamb a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of a hin of beaten oil; and the fourth part of a hin of wine for a drink offering.

41 And the other lamb you shall offer at evening, and shall 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 to you.

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.
CHAPTER 30
1 And you shall make an altar to burn incense upon: with wood from Shittim shall you make it.
2 A cubit shall be the length of it, and a cubit the breadth of it; foursquare shall it be: and two cubits shall be the height of it: the horns from it shall be the same.
3 And you shall overlay it with pure gold, the top of it, and the walls of it round about, and the horns of it; and you shall make unto it a crown of gold round about.
4 And two golden rings shall you make to it under the crown of it, by the two corners thereof, upon the two walls of it shall you make it; and they shall be for places for the staves to carry it.
5 And you shall make the staves from Shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.
6 And you shall put it in front of the veil that is by the Ark of the Testimony, in front of the mercy seat that is over the testimony, where I will meet with you.
7 And Aaron shall burn sweet incense upon it every morning: when he dresses the lamps, he shall burn incense upon it.
8 And when Aaron lights the lamps at evening, he shall burn incense upon it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations.
9 You shall offer no strange incense upon it, nor burnt sacrifice, nor meat offering; neither shall you pour drink offering upon it.
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 spoke to Moses, saying,
12 When you count the number of the children of Israel, then shall they give every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when you number them; so that there be no plague among them, when you number them.
13 This they shall give, every one that passes among
those 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 passes among those 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 you shall take the atonement money of the children of Israel, and shall appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be a memorial to the children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

17 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

18 You shall also make a washbowl of brass, and his foot also of brass, to wash withal: and you shall put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and you shall 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, so 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, so 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 spoke to Moses, saying,

23 Take also 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 olive oil, a hin:

25 And you shall make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be a holy anointing oil.
And you shall anoint the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the Ark of the Testimony,
And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of incense,
And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the washbowl and his foot.
And you shall sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatever touches them shall be holy.
And you shall anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that they may minister to me in the priest’s office.
And you shall speak to the children of Israel, saying, This shall be a holy anointing oil to me throughout your generations.
Upon man’s flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall you make any other like it, after the composition of it: it is holy, and it shall be holy to you.
Whoever mixes any like it, or whoever puts any of it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people.

And the LORD said to Moses, Take to yourself sweet spices, stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; these sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like weight:
And you shall make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary, tempered together, pure and holy:
And you shall beat some of it very small, and put some of it before the testimony in the tabernacle of the congregation, where I will meet with you: it shall be to you most holy.
And as for the perfume which you shall make, you shall not make for yourselves according to the composition thereof: it shall be to you holy for the LORD.
Whoever shall make like to that, to smell of it, shall even be cut off from his people.

CHAPTER 31

1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
2 Behold, 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 skilful 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 you;
7 The tabernacle of the congregation, and the Ark of the Testimony, and the mercy seat that is thereupon, and all the furnishings of the tabernacle,
8 And the table and his furnishings, and the pure candlestick with all his furnishings, and the altar of incense,
9 And the altar of burnt offering with all his furnishings, and the washbowl and his foot,
10 And the clothes 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 you, shall they do.
12 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
13 Speak also to the children of Israel, saying, Truly, my Sabbaths you shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that you may know that I am the LORD that sanctifies you.
14 You shall keep the Sabbath therefore; for it is holy to you: every one that defiles it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever does 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
does 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 forever: for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day He rested, and was refreshed.

18 And He gave to 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.

CHAPTER 32
1 And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron, and said unto him, Get 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 do not know what has become of him.

2 And Aaron said to them, Break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them to me.

3 And all the people took off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them to Aaron.

4 And he received them from their hands, and fashioned it with an engraving tool, after he had made it into a molten calf. And they said, These are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

5 And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made a proclamation, and said, Tomorrow is a feast to the LORD.

6 And they rose up early on the next morning, 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 to Moses, Go, get you down;
for your people, which you brought 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 to it, and said, These are your gods, O Israel, which have brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

9 And the LORD said to Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people:

10 Now therefore leave me alone, that my anger may grow hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make you a great nation.

11 And Moses pleaded with the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why does your anger grow hot against your people, which you have brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

12 Why 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 your fierce anger, and repent of this evil against your people.

13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give to your seed, and they shall inherit it forever.

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 mountain, 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 to Moses, There is a noise of war in the camp.
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.

And it came to pass, as soon as he came near to the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses’ anger grew hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and broke them at the foot of the mountain.

And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it in the fire, and ground it to powder, and cast it upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink of it.

And Moses said to Aaron, What did this people do to you, that you have brought so great a sin upon them?

And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord grow hot: you know the people, that they are set on rebellious ways.

For they said to 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 do not know what has become of him.

And I said to them, Whoever has any gold, let them take it off. So they gave it me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf.

And when Moses saw that the people were naked; (for Aaron had made them naked unto their shame among their enemies):

Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on the LORD’s side? Let him come to me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him.

And he said to them, Thus says 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.

And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves today
to the LORD, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that He may bestow upon you a blessing this day.

30 And it came to pass on the next day, that Moses said to the people, You have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up to the LORD; perhaps I shall make an atonement for your sin.

31 And Moses returned to the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold.

32 Yet now, if you will forgive their sin; and if not, blot me, I pray you, out of your book which you have written.

33 And the LORD said to Moses, Whoever has sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.

34 Therefore now go, lead the people to the place of which I have spoken to you: behold, my Angel shall go before you: nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them.

35 And the LORD tormented the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made.

CHAPTER 33

1 And the LORD said to Moses, Depart, and go up, you and the people which you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, into the land which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, To your seed will I give it:

2 And I will send an Angel before you; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite:

3 To a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of you; for you are a stiffnecked people: lest I consume you 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 to Moses, Say to the children of Israel, You are a stiffnecked people: In a moment I could come up into the midst of you, and consume you: therefore now put off your ornaments from you, that I may know what to do with you.
6 And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by the mountain Horeb.
7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it outside the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And it came to pass, that everyone which sought the LORD went out to the Tabernacle of the Congregation, which was outside the camp.
8 And it came to pass, when Moses went out to the tabernacle, that all the people rose up, and stood every man at his tent door, and watched 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 spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to 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 to the LORD, Behold, you say to me, Bring up this people: and you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, I know you by name, and you have also found grace in my sight.
13 Now therefore, I pray you, if I have found grace in your sight, show me now your way, that I may know you, that I may find grace in your sight: and consider that this nation is your people.
14 And He said, My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest.
15 And he said to Him, If your presence does not go with me, do not carry us up there.
16 For how shall it be known here that I and your people have found grace in your sight? Is it not in that you go with us? So shall we be separated, I and your people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.
17 And the LORD said to Moses, I will do this thing
also that you have spoken: for you have found grace in my sight, and I know you by name.

18 And he said, I beg you, show me your glory.

19 And He said, I will make all my goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy.

20 And He said, You cannot 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 you shall stand upon a rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passes by, that I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and will cover you with my hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back: but my face shall not be seen.

CHAPTER 34

1 And the LORD said to Moses, Cut these two tables of stone like the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which you broke.

2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me in the top of the mount.

3 And no man shall come up with you, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mountain.

4 And he cut two tables of stone like to 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, to the third and to the fourth generation.

8 And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

9 And he said, If now I have found grace in your sight, O LORD, let my LORD, I pray you, go amongst us; for it is a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance.

10 And He said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all your people I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people round about shall see the work of the LORD: for it is a marvellous thing that I will do with you.

11 Observe that which I command you this day: behold, I drive out before you the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

12 Take heed to yourself, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land where you go, lest it be for a snare in the midst of you:

13 But you shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves:

14 For you shall worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:

15 Lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice to their gods, and one calls you, and you eat of his sacrifice;

16 And you take of their daughters to your sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make your sons go a whoring after their gods.

17 You shall make no molten gods.

18 The feast of unleavened bread shall you keep. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, in the time of the month Abib: for in the month Abib you came out from Egypt.

19 All that opens the womb is mine; and every firstborn among your cattle, whether ox or sheep, that is male.
But the firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb: and if you redeem him not, then shall you break his neck. All the firstborn of your sons you shall redeem. And none shall appear before me empty.

Six days you shall work, but on the seventh day you shall rest: in earing time and in harvest you shall rest.

And you shall observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.

Three times in the year shall all your male children appear before the LORD God, the God of Israel.

For I will cast out the nations before you, and enlarge your borders: neither shall any man desire your land, when you shall go up to appear before the LORD your God three times in the year.

You shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left to the morning.

The first of the firstfruits of your land you shall bring to the house of the LORD your God. You shall not boil a kid in his mother's milk.

And the LORD said to Moses, Write you these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel.

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.

And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the two tables of testimony in his hand, when he came down from the mountain, that Moses did not realise that the skin of his face shone while he talked with the LORD.

And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come close to him.

And Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him: and Moses talked with them.

And afterward all the children of Israel came close:
and he gave them as commandments, all that the LORD had spoken with him on mount Sinai.

33 And until Moses had done speaking with them, he put a veil on his face.

34 But when Moses went in before the LORD to speak with Him, he took the veil off, until he came out. And he came out, and spoke to the children of Israel that which he was commanded.

35 And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of his face shone: and Moses put the veil upon his face again, until he went in to speak with the LORD.

CHAPTER 35

1 And Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said to them, These are the words which the LORD has commanded, that you should do them.

2 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you a holy day, a Sabbath of rest to the LORD: whoever does work therein shall be put to death.

3 You shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the Sabbath day.

4 And Moses spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

5 Take from among you an offering to the LORD: whoever 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 has commanded;

11 The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his attachments, and his boards, his bars, his pillars,
and his sockets,

12 The ark, and the staves thereof, with the mercy seat, and the veil 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 brass grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the washbowl 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 pegs of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

19 The clothes 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, 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 bought an offering, 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.
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.

And all the women whose heart stirred them in wisdom spun goats’ hair.

And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate; And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

The children of Israel brought a willing offering to 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.

And Moses said to the children of Israel, See, the LORD has called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; And He has filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship; And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, And in the cutting of stones, to set them, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of skilled work.

These has He filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of works; of the engraver, and of the skilled workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver; all of those that do any work, and of those that devise skillful work.

CHAPTER 36

Then worked Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the LORD put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of works for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the LORD had commanded.
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 to come to the work to do it:

And they received from Moses all the offerings, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, with which to make it. And they brought to him yet more free offerings every morning.

And all the wise men, that carried out all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his work which they made;

And they spoke to Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make.

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.

For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

And every wise hearted man among them that carried out the work of the tabernacle made ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims of fine work he made them.

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.

And he coupled the five curtains one to another: and the other five curtains he coupled one to another.

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.

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.

And he made fifty attachments of gold, and
coupled the curtains one to another with the attachments: 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 couples the second.

18 And he made fifty attachments 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 tenon joints, 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 tenon joints, and two sockets under another board for his two tenon joints.

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 veil of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: with cherubims made he it of fine 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 pillars and their fluted decorations with gold: but their five sockets were of brass.

CHAPTER 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 band 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.
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.
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.

And he made two cherubims of gold, beaten out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat;

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.

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-seat-ward were the faces of the cherubims.

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:

And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a band of gold round about.

Also he made thereunto a border of an handbreadth round about; and made a crown of gold for the border thereof round about.

And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon the four corners that were in the four feet thereof.

Over against the border were the rings, the places for the staves to bear the table.

And he made the staves of Shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold, to bear the table.

And he made the vessels which were upon the table, his dishes, and his spoons, and his bowls, and his covers, to cover all of it of pure gold.

And he made the candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work made he the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his buds, and his flowers, were of the same:

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:

Three bowls made after the fashion of almonds in one branch, a bud and a flower; and three bowls
made like almonds in another branch, a bud 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 buds, and his flowers:

21 And a bud under two branches of the same, and a bud under two branches of the same, and a bud under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it.

22 Their buds 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 to it a band 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 carry it with.

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.

CHAPTER 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 basins, and the fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the vessels thereof made he of brass.

4 And he made for the altar a brass grate network under the compass of it, 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.

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, with which to carry it; he made the altar hollow with boards.

8 And he made the washbowl of brass, and the foot of it of brass, and the looking-glasses 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 brass sockets twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fluted decorations 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 fluted decorations 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 fluted decorations 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 fluted decorations of silver; and the overlaying of their pillars of silver;
and all the pillars of the court had fluted decorations of 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, corresponding 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 pillars and their fluted decorations 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 skilled 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 veil; an hundred sockets of the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.
And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five shekels he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their pillars with fluted decorations.

And the brass of the offering was seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels.

And therewith he made the sockets to the door of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the brass altar, and the brass grate for it, and all the vessels of the altar,

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.

CHAPTER 39

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.

And he made the ephod of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

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 skilled work.

They made shoulderpieces for it, to couple it together by its two edges.

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.

And they worked onyx stones enclosed in filigree settings of gold, engraven as signatures are graven, with the names of the children of Israel.

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.

And he made the breastplate of skilled work, like the work of the ephod; of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

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 ruby, a topaz, and a carbuncle (which is a sparkling stone): this was the first row.

11 And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.

12 And the third row, a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst.

13 And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: they were enclosed in filigree settings of gold in their enclosings.

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 woven work of pure gold.

16 And they made two filigree settings of gold, and two gold rings; and put the two rings in the two ends of the breastplate.

17 And they put the two woven chains of gold in the two rings on the ends of the breastplate.

18 And the two ends of the two woven chains they fastened in the two filigree settings, 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 inside of the ephod.

20 And they made two other golden rings, and put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, towards 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 to 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 a binding of woven work round about the hole of
it, that it should not tear.
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 headwear of fine linen, and well made hats of fine linen, and linen undergarments 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 headwear of pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing, like to the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.
31 And they tied to it a lace of blue, to fasten it on high upon the headwear; 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.
33 And they brought the tabernacle to Moses, the tent, and all his furniture, his attachments, 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 veil 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 brass altar, and his grate of brass, his staves,
and all his vessels, the washbowl and his foot,
40 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and his
sockets, and the hangings for the court gate, his
cords, and his pegs, and all the vessels of the
service of the tabernacle, for the tent of the
congregation,
41 The clothes 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.

CHAPTER 40
1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
2 On the first day of the first month shall you set up
the Tabernacle of the Tent of the Congregation.
3 And you shall put therein the Ark of the Testimony,
and cover the Ark with the veil.
4 And you shall bring in the table, and set in order
the things that are to be set in order upon it; and
you shall bring in the candlestick, and light the
lamps thereof.
5 And you shall 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 you shall set up the court round about, and
hang up the hanging at the court-gate.
9 And you shall take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle, and all that is therein, and shall hallow it, and all the vessels thereof: and it shall be holy.

10 And you shall 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 you shall anoint the washbowl and his foot, and sanctify it.

12 And you shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and wash them with water.

13 And you shall put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him, and sanctify him; that he may minister to me in the office of a priest.

14 And you shall bring his sons, and clothe them with coats:

15 And you shall anoint them, as you did anoint their father, that they may minister to me in the office of a priest: 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 erected.

18 And Moses erected the tabernacle, and fastened his sockets, and set up the boards thereof, and put in the bars thereof, and erected 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:

21 And he brought the Ark into the tabernacle, and set up the veil 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 veil.

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 veil:

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 washbowl between the Tent of the Congregation and the altar, and put water there, to wash in.

31 And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet there:

32 When they went into the Tent of the Congregation, and when they came near to the altar, they washed; as the LORD commanded Moses.

33 And he erected 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 continued in all their journeys:

37 But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not journey until 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.
CHAPTER 1

5 On this side of Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying,
6 The LORD our God spoke to us in Horeb, saying, You have dwelt long enough in this mountain:
7 Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mountain of the Amorites, and to all the places nearby, 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 to Lebanon, to the great river, the river Euphrates.
8 Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give to them and to their seed after them.
9 And I spoke to you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone:
10 The LORD your God has multiplied you, and, behold, you are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.
11 (The LORD God of your fathers increase you a thousand times, and bless you, as He has promised you!)
12 How can I myself alone bear your responsibility, and your burden, and your strife?
13 Take wise men who are understanding and known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you.
14 And you answered me, and said, The thing which you have 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 instructed 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 You shall not respect persons in judgment; but you shall hear the small as well as the great; you 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 you should do.
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. 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.