

EZEKIEL

CHAPTER 1

Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, in the fifth day of the month, that I was in the midst of the captivity by the river of Chebar; and the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. ²In the fifth day of the month: this was the fifth year of king Jehoiakim's captivity. And the word of the Lord came unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river of Chebar; ³and the hand of the Lord came upon me. ⁴And I looked, and, behold, a rising wind was out of the north, and a great cloud thereon, and brightness round about it, and flashing fire, and in the midst thereof as it were the appearance of amber in the midst of the fire, and brightness therein. ⁵Also in the midst there was as it were the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; the likeness of a man was upon them. ⁶And each one had four faces, and each one had four wings. ⁷And their legs were straight; and their feet were winged, and *there were* sparks like gleaming brass, and their wings were light. ⁸And the hand of a man was under their wings on their four sides; and the faces of them four ⁹turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward. ¹⁰And the likeness of their faces was the face of a man, and the face of a lion on the right to the four; and the face of a calf to the left to the four; and the face of an eagle to the four. ¹¹And the four had their wings spread out above; each one *had* two joined to one another, and two over their bodies. ¹²And each one went straight forward: wherever the Spirit went they went, and turned not back. ¹³And in the midst of the living creatures *there was* an appearance as of burning coals of fire, as an appearance of lamps turning among the living creatures; and the brightness of fire, and out of the fire came forth lightning. *(no verse ¹⁴)* ¹⁵And I looked, and, behold, the four had each one wheel upon the earth near the living creatures. ¹⁶And the appearance of the wheels was as the appearance of beryl: and the four had one likeness: and their work was as it were a wheel in a wheel. ¹⁷They went upon their four sides: they turned not as they went; ¹⁸neither did their backs *turn*; and they were high: and I beheld them, and the backs of them four were full of eyes round about. ¹⁹And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures lifted them off the earth, the wheels were lifted off. ²⁰Wheresoever the clouds were, there was the Spirit ready to go: the wheels went, and were lifted up with them; because the Spirit of life was in the wheels. ²¹When those went, these went; and when those stood, these stood; and when those lifted them off the earth, they were lifted off with them: for the Spirit of life was in the wheels. ²²And the likeness over the heads of the living creatures was as a firmament, as the appearance of crystal, spread out over their wings above. ²³And their wings were spread out under the firmament, reaching one to the other; two wings to each, covering their bodies. ²⁴And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of much water; and when they

stood, their wings ceased. ²⁵And lo! a voice from above the firmament that was over their head, as the appearance of a sapphire stone, and the likeness of a throne upon it: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as an appearance of a man above. ²⁷And I saw as it were the likeness of amber from the appearance of the loins even upward, and from the appearance of the loins even under I saw an appearance of fire, and the brightness thereof round about. ²⁸As the appearance of the bow when it is in the cloud in the days of rain, so was the standing of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. And I saw, and fell upon my face, and I heard the voice of One speaking.

CHAPTER 2

And He said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee. ²And the Spirit came upon me, and took me up, and raised me, and set me on my feet: and I heard Him speaking unto me. ³And He said unto me, Son of man, I send thee forth to the house of Israel, *even* them that provoke Me; which have provoked Me, they and their fathers even unto this very day. ⁴And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord. ⁵Whether then indeed they shall hear or fear, (for it is a provoking house,) yet shall they know that thou art a prophet in the midst of them. ⁶And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be dismayed at their face; (for they will sting and rise up against thee round about, and thou dwellest in the midst of scorpions;) be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their countenance: for it is a provoking house. ⁷And thou shalt speak My words unto them, whether they will hear, or fear: for it is a provoking house. ⁸And thou, son of man, hear Him that speaketh unto thee; be not thou provoking like the provoking house: open thy mouth, and eat what I give thee. ⁹And I looked, and, behold, an hand stretched out to me, and in it a volume of a book. ¹⁰And He unrolled it before me: and the front and the back were written in it: and there was written therein Lamentation, and mournful song, and woe.

CHAPTER 3

And He said unto me, Eat this volume, and go speak unto the house of Israel. ²So He opened my mouth, and caused me to eat the volume. ³And He said unto me, Son of man, thy mouth shall eat, and thy belly shall be filled with this volume that is given unto thee. So I did eat it; and it was in my mouth like sweet honey. ⁴And He said unto me, Son of man, go thy way, and get thee into the house of Israel, and speak My words unto them. ⁵For thou art not sent to a people of deep tongue, but to the house of Israel; ⁶neither to many nations of other speech and other tongues, nor of harsh language, whose words thou wouldest not understand: although if I had sent thee to

such, they would have hearkened unto thee. ⁷But the house of Israel will not be willing to hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto Me: for all the house of Israel are stubborn and hard of heart. ⁸And, behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and I will strengthen thy victory against their power. ⁹And it shall be continually stronger than a rock: be not afraid of them, neither be dismayed at their faces, because it is a provoking house. ¹⁰And he said unto me, Son of man, all the words that I have spoken unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears. ¹¹And go thy way, get thee to the captivity, to the children of thy people, and thou shalt speak unto them, and say to them, Thus saith the Lord; whether they will hear, or whether will forbear. ¹²Then the Spirit took me up, and I heard behind me the voice of a great earthquake, saying, Blessed be the glory of the Lord from His place. ¹³I perceived also the noise of the wings of the living creatures clapping one to the other, and the noise of the wheels was near them, and the noise of the earthquake. ¹⁴And the Spirit lifted me, and took me up, and I went in the impulse of my spirit; and the hand of the Lord was mighty upon me. ¹⁵Then I passed through the air, and came to the captivity, and went round them that dwelt by the river of Chebar who were there; and I sat there seven days, conversant in the midst of them.

¹⁶And after the seven days the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; and thou shalt hear a word of My mouth, and shalt threaten them from me. ¹⁸When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou hast not warned him, to give warning unto the wicked, to turn from his ways, that he should live; that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. ¹⁹Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, and from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; and thou shalt deliver thy soul. ²⁰And when the righteous doth turn away from his righteousness, and committeth a trespass, and I bring torment before him, he shall die, because thou hast not given him warning: he shall even die in his sins, because his righteousness shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand. ²¹Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man not to sin, and he doth not sin, the righteous shall surely live, because thou hast warned him; also thou shalt deliver thine own soul.

²²And the hand of the Lord came upon me; and He said unto me, Arise, and go forth into the plain, and there shalt thou be spoken to. ²³Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the Lord stood there, according to the vision, and according to the glory of the Lord which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face. ²⁴Then the Spirit came upon me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go in, and shut thyself within thine house. ²⁵And thou, O son of man, behold, bands are prepared for thee, and they shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not come out of the midst of them: ²⁶and I will bind thy tongue, and thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them a reprover: for it is a provoking house. ²⁷But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them,

Thus saith the Lord; he that heareth, let him hear; and he that is disobedient, let him be disobedient: for it is a provoking house.

CHAPTER 4

Thou also, son of man, take thee a brick: and thou shalt set it before thy face, and portray upon it the city, *even* Jerusalem. ²And thou shalt lay siege against it, and build works against it, and throw up a mound round about it, and pitch camps against it, and set up engines of war round about. ³Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and thou shalt set it for an iron wall between thee and the city: and thou shalt set thy face against it, and it shall be in a siege, and thou shalt besiege it. This is a sign to the sons of Israel. ⁴Thou shalt also lie upon thy left side, and lay the iniquities of the house of Israel upon it, in number of an hundred and fifty days, during which thou shalt lie upon it: and thou shalt bear their iniquities. ⁵For I have appointed thee their iniquities for a number of days, for an hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquities of the house of Israel. ⁶And thou shalt accomplish these things, and shalt lie on thy right side, and shalt bear the iniquities of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee a day for a year. ⁷So thou shalt set thy face to the siege of Jerusalem, and shalt strengthen thine arm, and shalt prophesy against it. ⁸And, behold, I have prepared bands for thee, and thou shalt not turn from thy one side to the other, until the days of thy siege be accomplished. ⁹Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and fitches; and thou shalt cast them into one earthen vessel, and make them into loaves for thee; and thou shalt eat them an hundred and ninety days, according to the number of the days which thou sleepest on thy side. ¹⁰And thou shalt eat thy food by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat them. ¹¹And thou shalt drink water by measure, even from time to time shalt thou drink the sixth part of an hin. ¹²And thou shalt eat them as a barley cake: thou shalt bake them before their eyes in man's dung. ¹³And thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel; Thus shall the sons of Israel eat unclean things among the Gentiles. ¹⁴Then said I, Not so, Lord God of Israel: surely my soul hath not been polluted with uncleanness; neither have I eaten that which died of itself, or was torn of beasts, from my birth until now; neither hath any corrupt flesh entered into my mouth. ¹⁵And He said unto me, Behold, I have given thee dung of oxen instead of man's dung; and thou shalt prepare thy bread upon it. ¹⁶Moreover He said unto me, Son of man, behold, I do break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and in want; and they shall drink water by measure, and in ruin: ¹⁷that they may want bread and water; and a man and his brother shall be brought to ruin, and consume away in their iniquities.

CHAPTER 5

Thou also, son of man, take thee a sharp sword; even as a barber's razor thou shalt procure it for thee, and bring it upon thine head and upon thy beard: and thou shalt take a balance of weights, and separate *them*.²Thou shalt burn in the fire a fourth part in the midst of the city, at the fulfilment of the days of the siege: and thou shalt take a fourth part, and burn it up in the midst of it: and a fourth part thou shalt cut with a sword round about it: and a fourth part thou shalt scatter to the wind; and I will draw out a sword after them. ³Thou also shalt take from thence a few in number, and wrap them in the fold of thy garment. ⁴And thou take of these again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them up with fire: from thence shall a fire come forth; and thou shalt say unto all the house of Israel, ⁵Thus saith the Lord; This is Jerusalem: I have set her and the countries that are round about her in the midst of the nations. ⁶And thou shalt declare Mine ordinances unto the transgressor from out of the nations, and My statutes to the sinful out of the countries that are round about her: for they have rejected Mine ordinances, and have not walked in My statutes. ⁷Therefore thus saith the Lord; Because your opportunity *for transgression* was from the nations round about you, and ye have not walked in My statutes, nor kept Mine ordinances; nay, ye have not even done according to the ordinances of the nations that are round about you; ⁸therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, I am against thee, and will execute judgment in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations. ⁹And I will do in thee things which I have not done, and the like of which I will not do again, according to all thine abominations. ¹⁰Therefore the fathers shall eat their children in the midst of thee, and children shall eat their fathers: and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter to every wind. ¹¹Wherefore *as I live*, saith the Lord; surely, because thou hast defiled My holy things with all thine abominations, I also will reject thee; Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have any pity. ¹²A fourth part of thee shall be cut off by pestilence, and a fourth part of thee shall be consumed with famine in the midst of thee; and a fourth part of thee, I will scatter them to every wind; and a fourth part of thee shall fall by the sword round about thee, and I will draw out a sword after them. ¹³And My wrath and Mine anger shall be accomplished upon them: and thou shalt know that I the Lord have spoken in My jealousy, when I have accomplished Mine anger upon them. ¹⁴And I will make thee a wilderness, and thy daughters round about thee, in the sight of every one that passeth through. ¹⁵And thou shalt be mourned and miserable among the nations that are round about thee, when I shall have executed judgments in thee in the vengeance of My wrath. I the Lord have spoken. ¹⁶And when I have sent against them arrows of famine, then shall they be consumed, and I will break the strength of thy bread. ¹⁷So will I send against thee famine and evil beasts, and I will take vengeance upon thee; and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and I will bring a sword upon thee round about. I the Lord have spoken.

CHAPTER 6

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, set thy face upon the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them; ³and thou shalt say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord; Thus saith the Lord to the mountains, and to the hills, to the valleys, and to the forests; Behold, I do bring a sword upon you, and your high places shall be utterly destroyed. ⁴And your altars shall be broken to pieces, and your consecrated plats; and I will cast down your slain *men* before your idols. ⁵And I will scatter your bones round about your altars, ⁶and in all your habitations: the cities shall be made desolate, and the high places utterly laid waste; that your altars may be destroyed, and your idols broken to pieces, and your consecrated plats abolished. ⁷And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ⁸When there be of you some that escape from the sword among the nations, and when ye be scattered in the countries; ⁹then they that escape of you among the nations whither they were carried captive shall remember Me; (I have sworn an oath against their heart that goeth a whoring from me, and their eyes that go a whoring after their practices;) and they shall mourn over themselves for all their abominations. ¹⁰And they shall know that I the Lord have spoken. ¹¹Thus saith the Lord; Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say, Aha, aha! For all the abominations of the house of Israel! they shall fall by the sword, and by pestilence, and by famine. ¹²He that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that is afar off shall die by the pestilence; and he that is in the siege shall be consumed by the famine: and I will accomplish Mine anger upon them. ¹³Then shall ye know that I am the Lord, when your slain are in the midst of your idols round about your altars, on every high hill, and under *every* shady tree, where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols. ¹⁴And I will stretch out My hand upon them, and make the land desolate and ruined from the wilderness of Diblah, in all their habitations: ye shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 7

Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Also, thou son of man, say, Thus saith the Lord; An end is come unto the land of Israel, the end is come upon the four corners of the land. ³The end is come ⁴upon thee, the inhabitant of the land: the time is come, the day is drawn nigh, not with tumults, neither with pangs. ⁵Now will I pour out Mine anger upon thee near at hand, and I will accomplish My wrath upon thee: and I will judge thee for thy ways, and recompense all thine abominations upon thee. ⁶Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have any mercy: for I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that I am the Lord that smiteth thee. ⁷Now is the end come upon thee, and I will send it upon thee, and I will judge thee for thy ways, and will give

against thee all thine abominations. ⁸Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity; for I will give thy ways against thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ⁹For thus saith the Lord; Behold, the end is come. ¹⁰Behold, the day of the Lord! although the rod hath blossomed, ¹¹pride is sprung up, and will break the staff of the wicked one, and that not with tumult, nor with haste. ¹²The time is come, behold the day: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn. ¹³For the buyer shall never again return to the seller, neither shall a man cleave with the eye to his life. ¹⁴Sound ye the trumpet, and pass sentence upon all together. ¹⁵War with the sword is without, and pestilence and famine within: he that is in the field shall die by the sword; and famine and pestilence shall destroy them that are in the city. ¹⁶But they that escape of them shall be delivered, and shall be upon the mountains: and I will slay all, every one for his iniquities. ¹⁷All hands shall be utterly weakened, and all thighs shall be defiled with moisture. ¹⁸They also shall gird themselves with sackcloth, and amazement shall cover them; and shame shall be upon them, even upon every face, and baldness upon every head. ¹⁹Their silver shall be cast forth in the streets, and their gold shall be despised: their souls shall not be satisfied, and their bellies shall not be filled: for it was the torment of their iniquities. ²⁰As for their choice ornaments, they employed them for pride, and made of them images of their abominations: therefore have I made them uncleanness unto them. ²¹And I will deliver them into the hands of strangers to make them a prey, and to the pests of the earth for a spoil; and they shall profane them. ²²My face also will I turn from them, and they shall defile My charge, and go into them unguardedly, and profane them. ²³And they shall work uncleanness: because the land is full of strange nations, and the city is full of iniquity. ²⁴And I will turn back the raging of their strength; and their holy things shall be defiled. ²⁵And propitiation shall come, and shall seek peace; yet there is none. ²⁶There shall be woe upon woe, and there shall be message upon message; and a vision shall be sought of a prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the elders. ²⁷The prince shall clothe himself with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be made feeble: I will do unto them according to their ways, and according to their judgments will I punish them; and they shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 8

And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the fifth month, in the fifth day of the month, that I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me. ²Then I looked, and, lo the likeness of a man, from his loins and downward *there was* fire, and from his loins above him *there was* as the appearance of amber. ³And he put forth the likeness of an hand, and took me up by the crown of mine head; and the Spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in a vision of God to Jerusalem, to the porch of the gate that looketh toward the north, where was the pillar of the buyer. ⁴And,

behold, the glory of the Lord God of Israel was there, according to the vision that I saw in the plain. ⁵Then said He unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes toward the north, and, behold, *I looked* from the north toward the eastern gate. ⁶And He said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what these do? They commit great abominations here, that I should keep far off from My sanctuary; and thou shalt see yet greater iniquities. ⁷And He brought me to the porch of the court. ⁸And He said unto me, Son of man, dig: so I digged, and, behold a door. ⁹And He said unto me, Go in, and behold the iniquities that they do there. ¹⁰So I went in and looked; and beheld vain abominations, and all the idols of the house of Israel, portrayed upon them round about. ¹¹And seventy men of the elders of the house of Israel, and Jechoniah the son of Shaphan stood in their presence in the midst of them, and each one held his censer in his hand; and the smoke of the censer went up. ¹²Then said He unto me, Son of man, thou hast seen what the elders of the house of Israel do, each one of them in their secret chamber: for they have said, The Lord seeth not; the Lord hath forsaken the earth. ¹³He said also unto me, Thou shalt see yet greater iniquities that these do. ¹⁴Then He brought me to the porch of the house of the Lord that looketh toward the north; and, behold, there sat women lamenting for Tammuz. ¹⁵And He said unto me, Son of man, thou hast seen; but thou shalt yet see *evil* doings greater than these. ¹⁶And he brought me into the inner court of the house of the Lord, and at the entering in of the temple of the Lord, between the porch and the altar, were about twenty men, with their back parts toward the temple of the Lord, and their faces the opposite way; and these worshipped the sun. ¹⁷And He said unto me, Thou hast seen this O son of man. Is it a little thing to the house of Judah to practise the iniquities which they have practised here? for they have filled the land with iniquity; and, behold these are as the scornful. Therefore will I deal with them in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have any mercy.

CHAPTER 9

He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, The judgment is the city is drawn nigh; and each had the weapons of destruction in his hand. ²And, behold, six men came from the way of the high gate, which looketh toward the north, and each one's axe was in his hand; and there was one man among them clothed with a long robe down to his feet, and a sapphire girdle was on his loins: and they came in, and stood near the brasen altar. ³And the glory of the God of Israel, that was upon them, went up from the cherubims to the porch of the house. And He called the man that was clothed with the long robe, who had the girdle on his loins; ⁴and said unto him, Go through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that groan and that sorrow for all the iniquities that be done in the midst of them. ⁵And to the first He said in mine hearing, Go ye after him into the city, and smite: and let not your eyes spare, neither have ye mercy. ⁶Slay

utterly old man and youth, and virgin, and infants, and women: but go ye not near any upon whom is the mark: begin at My sanctuary. So they began with the elder men which were within the house. ⁷And He said unto them, Defile the house, and go out, and fill the ways with dead bodies, and smite. ⁸And it came to pass, while they smote, that I fell upon my face, and cried out, and said, Alas, O Lord! dost Thou destroy the remnant of Israel, in pouring out Thy wrath upon Jerusalem? ⁹Then said He unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is become very exceeding great: for the land is filled with many nations, and the city is full of iniquity and uncleanness: for they have said, The Lord hath forsaken the earth, The Lord looketh not upon it. ¹⁰Therefore Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have any mercy: I have recompensed their ways upon their heads. ¹¹And, behold, the man clothed with the long robe, and girt with the girdle about his loins, answered and said, I have done as Thou hast commanded me.

CHAPTER 10

Then I looked, and, behold, over the firmament that was above the cherubims *there was* a likeness of a throne over them, as a sapphire stone. ²And He said unto the man clothed with the robe, Go in between the wheels that are under the cherub, and fill thine hands with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and scatter them over the city. And He went in in my sight. ³Now the cherubims stood on the right hand of the house, as the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court. ⁴Then the glory of the Lord departed from the cherubims unto the porch of the house; and the cloud filled the house, and the court was filled with the brightness of the Lord's glory. ⁵And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when He speaketh. ⁶And it came to pass, that when He had given a charge to the man clothed with the sacred robe, saying, Take fire from between the wheels, from between the cherubims, that he went in, and stood near the wheels. ⁷And He stretched forth His hand into the midst of the fire that was between the cherubims, and took *thereof*, and put it into the hands of the man *that was* clothed with the sacred robe: and he took it, and went out. ⁸And I saw the cherubims *having* the likeness of men's hands under their wings. ⁹And I saw, and, behold, four wheels stood by the cherubims, one wheel by each cherub: and the appearance of the wheels was as the colour of a carbuncle stone. ¹⁰And *as for* their appearance, *there was* one likeness to the four, as if there should be a wheel in the midst of a wheel. ¹¹When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not when they went, for whichever way the first head looked, they went; and they turned not as they went. ¹²And their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about the four wheels. ¹³And these wheels were called Gelgel in my hearing. (¹⁴And every one had four faces: the first face was the face of a cherub, and the second face was the face

of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.)
¹⁵And the cherubims were the same living creature that I saw by the river Chebar. ¹⁶And when the cherubims went, the wheels went, and they were close to them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, their wheels turned not. ¹⁷When they stood, *the wheels* stood; and when they mounted up, *the wheels* mounted up with them: for the spirit of life was in them. ¹⁸Then the glory of the Lord departed from the house, and went up upon the cherubims. ¹⁹And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also were beside them, and they stood at the entering in of the opposite gate of the house of the Lord; and the glory of the God of Israel was upon them above. ²⁰This is the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they were the cherubims. ²¹Each one *had* four faces, and each one *had* eight wings; and the likeness of men's hands was under their wings. ²²And *as for* the likeness of their faces, these are the same faces that I saw under the glory of the God of Israel by the river of Chebar: and they went each straight forward.

CHAPTER 11

Moreover the Spirit took me up, and brought me unto the front gate of the house of the Lord, which looketh eastward: and behold at the entering in of the gate were about five and twenty men; and I saw in the midst of them Jaazaniah the son of Azzur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, the leaders of the people. ²Then said the Lord unto me, Son of man, these are the men that devise vanities, and take evil counsel in this city: ³which say, Are not the houses newly builded? this is the caldron, and we be the flesh. ⁴Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, son of man. ⁵And the Spirit of the Lord fell upon me, and said unto me, Say, Thus saith the Lord; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: and I know the devices of your spirit. ⁶Ye have multiplied your dead in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain. ⁷Therefore thus saith the Lord; Your dead whom ye have smitten in the midst of it, these are the flesh, and the city is the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it. ⁸Ye fear the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord. ⁹And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you. ¹⁰Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you on the mountains of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ¹¹This shall not be for you as a caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof; but I will judge you in the borders of Israel, ¹²and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ¹³And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Alas, alas, O Lord! wilt thou utterly destroy the remnant of Israel?

¹⁴And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁵Son of man, thy brethren, and the men of thy captivity, and all the house of Israel are come to the full; unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the Lord: unto us is this land given for an inheritance. ¹⁶Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord; I will cast them off among the nations, and disperse them into every land, yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries wherein they shall enter. ¹⁷Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord; I will also take them from the heathen and assemble them out of the lands wherein I have scattered them, and I will give them the land of Israel. ¹⁸And they shall enter in thither, and they shall take away all the abominations thereof and all the iniquities thereof from it. ¹⁹And I will give them another heart, and I will put a new spirit within them; and I will take the heart of stone out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: ²⁰that they may walk in My commandments, and keep Mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be to Me a people, and I shall be to them a God. ²¹But as for the heart *that is set upon* their abominations and their iniquities, as their heart went, I have recompensed their ways upon their own heads, saith the Lord. ²²Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above. ²³And the glory of the Lord went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which was before the city. ²⁴And the Spirit took me up, and brought me into the land of the Chaldeans, unto the captivity, in a vision by the Spirit of God: and I went up after the vision that I had seen. ²⁵Then I spake unto the captivity all the words of the Lord that He had shewed me.

CHAPTER 12

The word of the Lord also came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of the iniquities of those which have eyes to see, and see not; and have ears to hear, and hear not: for it is a provoking house. ³Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee stuff of captivity by day in their sight; and thou shalt be led into captivity from thy place into another place in their sight; that they may see that it is a provoking house. ⁴Thou shalt also carry forth thy stuff, stuff for captivity, by day in their sight: and thou shalt go forth at even, as a captive goeth forth, in their sight. ⁵Dig thou through the wall in their sight; and thou shalt pass through it. ⁶In their sight shalt thou be lifted up upon *men's* shoulders, and go forth hid: thou shalt cover thy face, and shalt not see the ground: for I have made thee a sign unto the house of Israel. ⁷And I did so according to all that He had commanded me; and I carried forth my stuff for captivity by day, and in the even I digged through the wall for myself, and went out secretly; I was taken up upon men's shoulders in their sight. ⁸And in the morning came the word of the Lord unto me, saying, ⁹Son of man, have not the house of Israel, the provoking house, said unto thee, What doest thou? ¹⁰Say thou unto them, Thus saith LORD, the Lord, the Prince and the Ruler in Israel, even to all the house of Israel

that are among them, ¹¹Say, I do perform signs: as I have done, so shall it be unto him: they shall go into banishment and captivity. ¹²And the prince that is among them shall be borne upon shoulders, and shall go forth in secret through the wall, and shall dig that he may go forth thereby: he shall cover his face that he may not be seen by *any* eye, and he himself shall not see the ground. ¹³And I will spread out My net upon him, and he shall be taken in My toils: and I will bring him to Babylon to the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there. ¹⁴And I will scatter unto every wind all that are about to help him, and all that assist him. ¹⁵And they shall know that I am the Lord, when I have scattered them among the nations; and I will disperse them in the countries. ¹⁶And I will leave a few men of them in number from the sword, and from famine, and from pestilence; that they may declare all their iniquities among the nations whither they be gone; and they shall know that I am the Lord. ¹⁷And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁸Son of man, eat thy bread with sorrow, and drink thy water with torment and affliction. ¹⁹And thou shalt say unto the people of the land, Thus saith the Lord to the inhabitants of Jerusalem in the land of Israel; They shall eat their bread in scarceness, and drink their water in desolation, that the land may be desolate with all that it containeth: for all that dwell therein are in ungodliness. ²⁰And their cities that are inhabited shall be utterly laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye shall know that I am the Lord.

²¹And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²²Son of man, what is your parable in the land of Israel, that ye say, The days are long, the vision is perished? ²³Say unto them therefore, Thus saith the Lord; I will even set aside this parable, and the house of Israel shall no more at all use this parable: for thou shalt say unto them, The days are at hand, and the import of every vision. ²⁴For there shall no more be any false vision, nor any prophesying flatteries in the midst of the sons of Israel. ²⁵For I, the Lord, will speak My words; I will speak and perform, and will no more delay, for in your days, O provoking house, will I speak the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord. ²⁶Moreover the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ²⁷Son of man, behold, the provoking house of Israel boldly say, The vision that this man seeth is for many days, and he prophesieth of the times that are afar off. ²⁸Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Henceforth there shall none of My words linger which I shall speak: I will speak and do, saith the Lord.

CHAPTER 13

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy; and thou shalt prophesy, and say unto them, Hear ye the word of the Lord; ³Thus saith the Lord; Woe unto them that prophesy out of their own heart, and that see nothing at all. ⁴O Israel, thy prophets are like foxes in the deserts. ⁵They did not continue stedfast, and they gathered not flocks unto the house of Israel, they that say, In the day of the Lord, did not stand, ⁶they that see false *visions*, prophesying

vanities; which say, The Lord saith: and the Lord hath not sent them; and they began to confirm the word. ⁷Have ye not seen a false vision, and have ye not spoken vain prophecies? ⁸Wherefore also say, Thus saith the Lord; Because your words are false, and your prophecies are vain, therefore, behold, I am against you, saith the Lord. ⁹And I will stretch forth Mine hand against the prophets that see false visions, and them that utter vanities: they shall not partake in the instruction of My people, neither shall they be written in the roll of the house of Israel, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel; and they shall know that I am the Lord. ¹⁰Because they have caused My people to err, saying, Peace; and there is no peace; and one buildeth up a wall, and they plaister it, and it shall fall. ¹¹Say unto them which plaister it, It shall fall; and there shall be a flooding rain; and I will send great stone upon their joinings; and there shall be a sweeping wind, and it shall be broken. ¹²And, lo, the wall is fallen; and will not they say unto you, What is become of your plaister wherewith ye did plaster it? ¹³Wherefore thus saith the Lord; I will even cause to burst forth a sweeping blast with fury, and there shall be a flooding rain in My wrath; and in fury will I bring on great stones for utter destruction. ¹⁴And I will break down the wall which ye have plaistered, and it shall fall; and I will lay it down upon the ground, and the foundations thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall; and ye shall be consumed with rebukes: and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ¹⁵And I will accomplish My wrath upon you, and upon them that plaister it; it shall fall: and I said unto you, The wall is not, neither they that plaister it, ¹⁶even the prophets of Israel, which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see peace for her, and there is no peace, saith the Lord. ¹⁷And thou, son of man, set thy face firmly against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy against them. ¹⁸And thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord; Woe to the women that sew pillows under every elbow, and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to pervert souls! The souls of My people are perverted, and they have saved souls alive. ¹⁹And they have profaned Me before My people for an handful of barley, and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not live, while ye speak to a people that hear vain speeches. ²⁰Wherefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I am against your pillows, whereon ye gather souls, and I will tear them away from your arms, and set at liberty their souls which ye pervert to scatter them. ²¹Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and rescue My people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be confounded; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ²²Because ye have perverted the heart of the righteous, whereas I perverted him not, even to strengthen the hands of the transgressor, that he might not turn back at all out of his wicked way, and live; ²³therefore shall ye not behold falsehoods and perform divinations any more, and I will deliver My people out of your hand; and ye shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 14

There came also men of the elders of the people of Israel unto me, and sat before me. ²And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ³Son of man, these men have conceived their devices in their hearts, and have set the punishment of their iniquities before their faces: shall I indeed answer them? ⁴Therefore speak unto them, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Any man of the house of Israel, that shall conceive his devices in his heart, and shall set the punishment of his iniquity before his face, and shall come to the prophet; I the Lord, will answer him according to the things wherein his mind is snared, ⁵that he turn aside the house of Israel, according to their own hearts that are estranged from me through their devices. ⁶Therefore say unto the house of Israel; Thus saith the Lord God; Be converted, and turn from your practices, and from all your sins, and turn your faces back again. ⁷For any man of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, which hath been estranged from Me, and which conceiveth his imaginations in his heart, and setteth the punishment of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet to inquire of him concerning Me; I the Lord, will answer him by those things wherein he is entangled. ⁸And I will set My face against that man, and make him desolate and ruined, and I will cut him off from the midst of My people; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ⁹And if a prophet cause to err and speak, I the Lord have caused that prophet to err, and will stretch out Mine hand upon him, and will utterly destroy him from the midst of My people Israel. ¹⁰And they shall bear their iniquity according to the trespass of him that asketh; and it shall be in like manner to the prophet according to the trespass: ¹¹that the house of Israel may go no more astray from Me, and that they may no more pollute themselves with any of their transgressions: so shall they be My people, and I will be their God, saith the Lord.

¹²And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹³Son of man, if a land sin against me by committing a trespass, then will I stretch out Mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of bread thereof, and will send forth famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it. ¹⁴And though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, be in the midst of it, they *alone* should be delivered by their own righteousness, saith the Lord. ¹⁵If again I bring evil beasts upon the land, and take vengeance upon it, and it be ruined, and there be none to pass through for fear of the wild beasts: ¹⁶and if these three men be in the midst of it, as I live, saith the Lord, neither sons nor daughters shall be saved, but these only shall be saved, and the land shall be destroyed. ¹⁷Or again, if I bring a sword upon this land, and say, Let the sword go through the land; an I cut off from them man and beast: ¹⁸though these three men were in the midst of it, as I live, saith the Lord, they shall not deliver sons or daughters, but they shall only be saved themselves. ¹⁹Or again I send death upon that land, and pour out My wrath upon it in blood, to destroy from off it man and beast: ²⁰and should Noah, Daniel, and Job, be in the midst of it, as I live, saith the Lord, there shall be left neither sons nor

daughters; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness. ²¹Thus saith the Lord; And if I even send My four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, sword, and famine, and evil beasts, and pestilence, to destroy from out of it man and beast; ²²yet, behold, there shall be men left therein, the escaped thereof, that shall lead forth of it sons and daughters: behold, they shall go forth unto you, and ye shall see their ways and their thoughts: and ye shall repent over the evils which I have brought upon Jerusalem, *even* all the evils which I have brought upon it. ²³And they shall comfort you, because ye shall see their ways and their thoughts: and ye shall know that I have not done in vain all that I have done in it, saith the Lord.

CHAPTER 15

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²And thou, son of man, of all the wood of the branches that are among the trees of the forest, what shall be made of the wood of the vine? ³Will they take wood of it to make it *fit* for work? will they take of it a peg to hang any vessel upon it? ⁴It is only given to the fire to be consumed; the fire consumeth that which is yearly pruned of it, and it is utterly gone. Will it be useful for *any* work? ⁵Not even while it is yet whole will it be *useful* for *any* work: if the fire have utterly consumed it, will it still be fit for work? ⁶Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord; As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given up to the fire to be consumed, so have I given up the inhabitants of Jerusalem. ⁷And I will set My face against them; they shall go forth of the fire, and fire shall devour them; and they shall know that I am the Lord, when I have set My face against them. ⁸And I will give up the land to ruin, because they have utterly transgressed, saith the Lord.

CHAPTER 16

Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, testify unto Jerusalem of her iniquities; ³and thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord unto Jerusalem; Thy roots and thy birth are of the land of Canaan; thy father was an Amorite, and thy mother a Hittite. ⁴And as for thy nativity in the day wherein thou wast born, thou didst not bind thy breasts, and thou wast not washed in water, neither wast thou salted with salt, neither wast thou swathed in swaddling bands. ⁵Nor did Mine eye pity thee, to do for thee one of all these things, to feel at all for thee; but thou wast cast out on the face of the field, because of the deformity of thy person, in the day wherein thou wast born. ⁶And I passed by to thee, and saw thee polluted in thy blood; and I said unto thee, *Let there be* life out of thy blood: ⁷increase; I have made thee as the springing grass of the field. So thou didst increase and grow, and didst enter into great cities: thy breasts were set, and thy hair grew, seeing

thou wast naked and bare. ⁸And I passed by thee, and saw thee, and, behold, it was thy time and a time of resting; and I spread My wings over thee, and covered thy shame, and sware unto thee: and I entered into covenant with thee, saith the Lord. ⁹And I washed thee in water, and washed thy blood from thee, and anointed thee with oil. ¹⁰And I clothed thee with brodered works, and shod thee beneath with purple, and girded thee with fine linen, and clothed thee with silk, ¹¹and decked thee also with ornaments, and put bracelets upon thy hands, and a necklace upon thy neck. ¹²And I put an earring in thy nostril, and rings in thine ears, and a crown of glory upon thine head. ¹³So thou wast adorned with gold and silver; and thy raiment was of fine linen, and silk, and variegated work; thou didst eat fine flour, and oil, and honey: and thou didst become exceeding beautiful. ¹⁴And thy name went forth among the nations for thy beauty: for it was perfected with elegance, in the comeliness which I had put upon thee, saith the Lord. ¹⁵And thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornication on every one that passed by. ¹⁶And of thy garments thou didst take, and madest to thyself idols of needlework, and went a whoring after them; wherefore shalt thou never come in, neither shall it be so. ¹⁷Thou hast also taken the ornaments of thy boasting of My gold and of My silver, of which I had given thee, and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them. ¹⁸And thou tookest thy variegated apparel, and coveredst them: and thou hast set Mine oil and Mine incense before them. ¹⁹My bread also which I gave thee, (yea, I fed thee with fine flour, and oil, and honey,) thou hast even set them before them for a sweet smelling savour: yea, it was so, saith the Lord. ²⁰Moreover thou didst take thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hadst borne, and these didst thou sacrifice unto them to be destroyed. Thou didst go a whoring as if that were a little thing, ²¹and didst slay thy children, and gavest them up in offering them unto them for an expiation. ²²This is beyond all thy fornication, and thine infancy thou didst not remember, when thou wast naked and bare, *and* didst live *though* defiled in thy blood. ²³And it came to pass after all thy wickednesses, saith the Lord, ²⁴that thou didst built unto thee an house of fornication, and didst make thee a public place in every street.; ²⁵and thou didst set up thy fornications on the head of every way, and didst defile thy beauty, and didst open thy gate to every one that passed by, and multipliedst thy whoredoms. ²⁶Thou didst also go a whoring after the children of Egypt thy neighbours, great of flesh; and didst go a whoring often to provoke Me to anger. ²⁷And if I stretch out My hand against thee, then will I take away thy precepts, and deliver thee unto the souls of them that hate thee, *even* to the daughters of the Philistines that turned thee aside from the way wherein thou sinnedst. ²⁸Thou hast played the whore also with the daughters of Assur, and not even thus wast thou satisfied; yea, thou didst go a whoring, and wast not satisfied. ²⁹Thou hast moreover multiplied thy covenants with the land of the Chaldeans; and not even with these wast thou satisfied. ³⁰Why should I make a covenant with thy daughter, saith the Lord, while thou doest all these things, the works of an harlot? and thou hast gone

a whoring in a threefold degree with thy daughters. ³¹Thou hast builded an house of harlotry in every top of a way, and hast set up thine high places in every street; and thou hast become as an harlot gathering hires. ³²An adulterous wife is like unto thee, taking rewards of her husband. ³³She hath even given rewards unto all that went a whoring after her, and thou hast given rewards to all thy lovers, yea, thou didst load them with rewards, that they should come unto thee from every side for thy fornication. ³⁴And there hath been something perverse beyond other women in thy fornication, and they have committed whoredom with thee, in that thou givest hires over and above, and hires were not given unto thee; and there were in thee things that were perverse. ³⁵Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the Lord: ³⁶Thus saith the Lord; Because thou hast poured out thy brass, therefore shall thy shame be discovered in thine harlotry with thy lovers, and with regard to all the imaginations of thine iniquities, and for the blood of thy children which thou didst give unto them. ³⁷Wherefore, behold, I will gather all thy lovers with whom thou hast consorted, and all whom thou hast loved, with all whom thou didst hate; and I will gather them against thee round about, and will discover thy wickedness to them, and they shall see all thy shame. ³⁸And I will be avenged on thee with the vengeance of an adulteress, and will lay thee in blood of wrath and jealousy. ³⁹And I will deliver thee into their hands, and they shall break down thine house of harlotry, and destroy thine high place; and they shall strip thee of thy garments, and take the vessels of thy glory, and leave thee naked and bare. ⁴⁰And they shall bring multitudes upon thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and pierce thee with their swords. ⁴¹And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute vengeance upon thee in the sight of many women: and I will turn thee back from harlotry, and I will not more give thee rewards. ⁴²So will I abate My fury against thee, and My jealousy shall be removed from thee; and I will rest, and be no more careful. ⁴³For thou rememberedst not thine infancy, and thou grievedst Me in all these things; wherefore, behold, I have recompensed thy ways upon thine head, saith the Lord: for thus hast thou wrought ungodliness over all thine iniquities. ⁴⁴These be the things they have spoken against thee in a proverb, saying, As is the mother, ⁴⁵even so is thy mother's daughter: thou art she that hath rejected her husband and her children; and the sisters of thy sisters have rejected their husbands and their children: your mother was a Hittite, and your father was an Amorite. ⁴⁶Your elder sister which dwelleth upon thy left hand is Samaria, she and her daughters; and thy younger sister, that dwelleth upon thy right hand, is Sodom and her daughters. ⁴⁷Yet notwithstanding thou hast not walked in their ways, neither hast thou done according to their iniquities within a little, but thou hast exceeded them in all thy ways. ⁴⁸As I live, saith the Lord, this Sodom and her daughters have not done as thou and thy daughters have done. ⁴⁹Moreover this was the sin of thy sister Sodom, pride: she and her daughters lived in pleasure, in fullness of bread, and in abundance: this pertained unto her and her daughters, and they helped not the hand of the poor and needy. ⁵⁰And they boasted, and committed iniquities before Me: so I cut them off, as I did see. ⁵¹Also Samaria

hath not sinned according to the half of thy sins; but thou hast multiplied thine iniquities more than they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine iniquities which thou hast committed. ⁵²Thou, therefore, bear thine own punishment, for that thou hast corrupted thy sisters by thy sins which thou hast committed more than they; and thou hast made them more righteous than thyself: thou therefore be ashamed, and bear thy dishonour, in that thou hast justified thy sisters. ⁵³And I will turn their captivity, the turning of Sodom and her daughters, and I will turn the turning of Samaria and her daughters, and I will turn your turning in the midst of them, ⁵⁴that thou mayest bear thine own punishment, and mayest be dishonoured for all that thou hast done in provoking Me to anger. ⁵⁵And thy sister Sodom and her daughters shall be restored as they were at the beginning; and thou and thy daughters shall be restored as ye were at the beginning. ⁵⁶And surely thy sister Sodom was not mentioned by thy mouth in the days of thy pride: ⁵⁷before thy wickedness was discovered, even now art thou the reproach of the daughters of Syria, and of all that are round about her, even of the daughters of the Philistines that compass thee round about. ⁵⁸Thine ungodliness and thine iniquities, thou hast borne them, saith the Lord. ⁵⁹Thus saith the Lord; I will even do unto thee as thou hast done, as thou hast dealt shamefully in these things to transgress My covenant. ⁶⁰And I will remember My covenant made with thee in the days of thine infancy, and I will raise up to thee an everlasting covenant. ⁶¹Then shalt thou remember thy way, and be utterly dishonoured when thou receivest thine elder sisters with thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for building up, but not by thy covenant. ⁶²And I will stablish My covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I am the Lord: ⁶³that thou mayest remember, and be ashamed, and mayest no more be able to open thy mouth for thy shame, when I am reconciled to thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord.

CHAPTER 17

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, put forth a tale, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel; ³and thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord; The great eagle with large wings, spreading them out very far, with many talons, which hath the design of entering into Lebanon: and he took the choice *branches* of the cedar: ⁴he cropped off the ends of the tender twigs, and brought them into the land of Canaan; he laid them up in a walled city. ⁵He took also of the seed of the land, and sowed it in a field, a plant by great water; he set it as a thing that is gazed upon. ⁶And it sprang up, and became a weak and little vine, small in size for it to appear; the branches thereof were upon it, and its roots were under it: and it became a vine, and put forth shoots, and sent forth its tendrils. ⁷There was also another great eagle with great wings and many talons: and, behold, this vine did bend itself round toward him, and her shoots toward him; and she sent forth her branches toward him, that he might water her, together with the

growth of her plantation. ⁸She thriveth in a fair field by great water, to bring forth shoots, and bear fruit, that she might become a great vine. ⁹Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord; Shall it prosper? shall not the roots of her tender stem and her fruit be blighted? yea, all her early shoots shall be dried up, and that not by a mighty arm, nor by many people, to tear her up from her roots. ¹⁰And, behold, it thriveth: shall it prosper? shall it not wither as soon as the east wind toucheth it? it shall be withered together with the growth of the shoots thereof.

¹¹Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹²Son of man, say now to the provoking house, Know ye not what these things were? say *unto them*, Whensoever the king of Babylon shall come against Jerusalem, then he shall take her king and her princes, and shall take them to Babylon. ¹³And he shall take of the seed royal, and make a covenant with him, and bind him with an oath: he shall also take the princes of the land: ¹⁴that it may become a weak kingdom, that it might never lift itself up, that he may keep his covenant, and establish it. ¹⁵And if he revolt from him, to send his messengers into Egypt, that they may give him horses and much people; shall he prosper? shall he doeth perversely be preserved? and shall he that transgresseth the covenant be preserved? ¹⁶As I live, saith the Lord, surely in the place where the king is that made him king, which dishonoured Mine oath, and that brake My covenant, even with him in the midst of Babylon shall he die. ¹⁷And Pharaoh shall make war upon him not with a large force or a great multitude, in throwing up a mount, and in building of forts, to cut off souls. ¹⁸Whereas he hath dishonoured the oath so as to break the covenant, when, behold, I engaged his hand, and he hath done all these things unto him, he shall not escape. ¹⁹Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord; As I live, surely Mine oath that he hath dishonoured, and My covenant that he hath transgressed, I will even recompense it upon his own head. ²⁰And I will spread a net upon him, and he shall be caught in the snare thereof. ²¹In every battle of his shall they fall by the sword, and I will scatter his remnant to every wind: and ye shall know that I the Lord have spoken it. ²²For thus saith the Lord; I will even take the top of the choice branches of the cedar from the top thereof, I will crop off their hearts, and I will plant it upon an high mountain: ²³and will hang it upon a lofty mountain of Israel: yea, I will plant it, and it shall put forth shoots, and bear fruit, and be a great cedar: and under it shall rest every bird, under the shadow thereof shall every fowl rest: the branches thereof shall be restored. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord that bring low the high tree, and exalt the low tree, and wither the green tree, and cause the dry tree to flourish: I the Lord have spoken, and will do *it*.

CHAPTER 18

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, what mean ye by this parable among the sons of Israel, saying, The fathers have

eaten unripe grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? ³As I live, saith the Lord, surely this parable shall no more be spoken in Israel. ⁴For all souls are Mine: as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son, they are Mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die. ⁵But the man that shall be just, that executeth judgment and righteousness, ⁶that shall not eat upon the mountains, and shall not at all lift up his eyes to the devices of the house of Israel, and shall not defile his neighbour's wife, and shall not draw nigh to a menstruous woman, ⁷and shall not oppress any man, but shall return the pledge of the debtor, and shall be guilty of no spoil, and shall give his bread to the hungry, and clothe the naked; ⁸and shall not lend his money upon usury, and shall not receive usurious increase, and shall turn back his hand from injustice, shall execute righteous increase judgment between a man and his neighbour, ⁹and hath walked in My commandments, and kept Mine ordinances, to do them; he is righteous, he shall surely live, saith the Lord. ¹⁰And if he beget a mischievous son, shedding of blood and committing sins, ¹¹that hath not walked in the way of his righteous father, but hath even eaten upon the mountains, and hath defiled his neighbour's wife, ¹²and hath oppressed the poor and needy, and hath committed robbery, and not restored a pledge, and hath set his eyes upon idols; hath wrought iniquities; ¹³hath lent upon usury, and taken usurious increase; he shall by no means live: he hath wrought all these iniquities; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him. ¹⁴And if he beget a son, and *the son* see all his father's sins which he hath wrought, and fear, and do not according to them; ¹⁵and if he hath not eaten upon the mountains, and hath set his eyes upon the devices of the house of Israel, and hath not defiled his neighbour's wife, ¹⁶and hath not oppressed a man, and hath not retained the pledge, nor committed robbery, and hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath clothed the naked, ¹⁷and hath turned back his hand from unrighteousness; hath not received interest or usurious increase; hath wrought righteousness, and walked in Mine ordinances; he shall not die for the iniquities of his father. He shall surely live. ¹⁸But if his father grievously afflict, or spoil, he hath wrought transgression in the midst of My people, and shall die in his iniquity. ¹⁹Yet ye will say, Why hath not the son borne the iniquity of the father? Because the son hath wrought judgment and mercy, hath kept all My statutes, and done them; he shall surely live. ²⁰But the soul that sinneth shall die: and the son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the transgressor shall be upon him. ²¹And if the transgressor turn from all his iniquities that he hath committed, and keep all My commandments, and do justice and mercy, he shall surely live, and shall by no means die. ²²None of his trespasses that he hath committed shall be remembered: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live. ²³Shall I at all desire the death of a sinner, saith the Lord, as that he should turn from his evil way, and live? ²⁴But when the righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, according to all the transgressions that the transgressor hath wrought, none of his righteousness that he hath

wrought shall be at all remembered: in his trespass wherein he hath trespassed, and in his sins wherein he hath sinned, in them shall he die. ²⁵Yet ye have said, The way of the Lord is not straight. Hear now, all the house of Israel; Will not My way be straight? Is your way straight? ²⁶When the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth a trespass, and dieth in the trespass that he hath committed, he shall die in it. ²⁷And when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth justice, he hath kept his soul, ²⁸and hath turned away from all his ungodliness that he hath committed: he shall surely live, he shall not die. ²⁹Yet say the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not right. Is not My way right, O house of Israel? is not your way wrong? ³⁰I will judge you, O house of Israel, saith the Lord, each one according to his way: be converted, and turn from all your ungodliness wherein ye have sinned against Me; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel? ³²For I desire not the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord.

CHAPTER 19

Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the prince of Israel, ²and say, Why is thy mother become a whelp in the midst of lions? She hath multiplied her whelps in the midst of lions. ³And one of her whelps sprang forth: he became a lion, and learned to catch prey, he devoured men. ⁴The nations also heard a report against him; he was taken in their destruction, and they brought him into the land of Egypt in chains. ⁵And she saw that he was driven away from her, and her hope perished, and she took another of her whelps; she made him a lion. ⁶And he went up and down in the midst of lions; he became a lion, and learned to take prey; he devoured men. ⁷And prowled in his boldness, and laid waste their cities, and made the land desolate, and the fullness thereof, by the voice of his roaring. ⁸Then the nations set upon him from the countries round about, and they spread their nets upon him: he was taken in their pit. ⁹And they put him in chains and in a cage, and he came to the king of Babylon; and he cast him into ward, that his voice should not be heard upon the mountains of Israel. ¹⁰Thy mother was as a vine, and as a blossom on a pomegranate tree, planted by water: her fruit and her shoots abounded by reason of much water. ¹¹And she became a rod of strength for a tribe of princes, and was exalted in her bulk in the midst of trees, and she saw her bulk in the multitude of her branches. ¹²But she was broken down in wrath, she was cast upon the ground, and the east wind dried up her choice *branches*: vengeance came upon them, and the rod of her strength was withered; fire consumed it. ¹³And now have they planted her in the wilderness, in a dry land. ¹⁴And fire is gone out of a rod of her choice boughs, and hath devoured her; and there was no rod of strength in her. Her race is become a parable of lamentation, and it shall be for a lamentation.

CHAPTER 20

And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth month, the tenth day of the month, that men of the elders of the house of Israel came to inquire of the Lord, and sat before me. ²And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ³Son of man, speak unto the elders of the sons of Israel; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Are ye come to inquire of me? As I live, I will not be enquired of by you, saith the Lord. ⁴Shall I utterly take vengeance upon them, son of man? testify unto them of the iniquities of their fathers: ⁵and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; From the day that I chose the house of Israel, and was made known to the seed of the house of Jacob, and was made known unto them in the land of Egypt, and helped them with Mine hand, saying, I am the Lord your God; ⁶in that day I helped them with Mine hand, to bring them forth of the land of Egypt into the land that I had prepared for them, a land flowing with milk and honey; it is an honeycomb beyond every land. ⁷Then said I unto them, Let every one cast away the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the devices of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. ⁸But they revolted from Me, and would not hearken unto me: they cast not away the abominations of their eyes, and forsook not the devices of Egypt: then said that I would pour out My wrath upon them, to accomplish My wrath upon them in the midst of Egypt. ⁹But I wrought that My name should not be at all profaned in the sight of the nations, in the midst of whom they are, among whom I was made known unto them in their sight, to bring them out of the land of Egypt. ¹⁰And I brought them into the wilderness. ¹¹And I gave them My commandments, and made known to them Mine ordinances, which *if* a man shall do, he shall even live in them. ¹²Moreover also I gave them My sabbaths, that they should be for a sign between Me and them, that they might know that I am the Lord that sanctify them. ¹³And I said to the house of Israel in the wilderness, Walk ye in My commandments: but they walked not in them, and they rejected Mine ordinances, all which, if a man do, he shall even live in them; and My sabbaths they grievously profaned: and I said that I would pour out My fury upon them in the wilderness, to consume them. ¹⁴But I wrought that My name should not be at all profaned before the nations, in whose sight I brought them out. ¹⁵Yet I lifted up mine hand against them in the wilderness once for all, that I would not bring them into the land which I gave them, a land flowing with milk and honey; it is an honeycomb beyond every land: ¹⁶because they rejected Mine ordinances, and walked not in My commandments, but profaned My sabbaths, and went after the imaginations of their hearts. ¹⁷Yet Mine eyes spared them, not to destroy them utterly, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness. ¹⁸But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the customs of your fathers, and keep not their ordinances, and have no fellowship with their practices, nor defile yourselves. ¹⁹I am the Lord your God; walk in My commandments, and keep Mine ordinances, and do them; ²⁰and hallow My sabbaths, and let them be a sign between Me and you, that ye may know that I am the Lord your

God. ²¹Notwithstanding they provoked Me, and their children walked not in My commandments, neither took they heed unto Mine ordinances to do them, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them, and they profaned My sabbaths: then said I that I would pour out My wrath upon them in the wilderness, to accomplish Mine anger upon them. ²²But I wrought that My name might not be at all profaned in the sight of the nations; and I brought them out in their sight. ²³I lifted up Mine hand against them in the wilderness, that I would scatter them among the Gentiles, *and* disperse them through the countries; ²⁴because they kept not Mine ordinances, and rejected My commandments, and profaned My sabbaths; and their eyes went after the imaginations of their fathers. ²⁵Wherefore I gave them also commandments *that were* not good, and ordinances wherein they should not live. ²⁶And I will pollute them by their own gifts, when I pass through upon every one that openeth the womb, that I may destroy them.

²⁷Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Hitherto have your fathers provoked Me in their trespasses wherein they transgressed against Me. ²⁸Whereas I brought them into the land, for the which I lifted up Mine hand to give it to them; and they looked upon every high hill, and every shady tree, and they sacrificed there unto their gods, and offered there a sweet smelling savour, and they poured out there their drink offerings. ²⁹Then said I unto them, What is Bamah, that ye go in thither? And they called the name thereof Bamah unto this day. ³⁰Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord; Do ye pollute yourselves with the iniquities of your fathers? and do ye go a whoring after their abominations? ³¹and *do ye pollute yourselves* with the first fruits of your gifts, in the offerings wherewith ye pollute yourselves in all your imaginations, even unto this day; and shall I answer you, O house of Israel? As I live, saith the Lord, I will not answer you, neither shall this thing come upon your spirit. ³²And it shall not be as ye say, We will be as the heathen, and as the tribes of the earth, to worship stocks and stones. ³³Therefore as I live, saith the Lord, I will reign over you with a strong hand, and with an high arm, and with wrath poured out: ³⁴I will bring you out from the nations, and will take you out of the lands wherein ye were dispersed, with a strong hand, and with an high arm, and with wrath poured out. ³⁵And I will bring you into the wilderness of the nations, and there will I plead with you face to face. ³⁶Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I judge you, saith the Lord. ³⁷And I will cause you to pass under My rod, and I will bring you in by number. ³⁸And I will choose out from among you the ungodly and the rebellious; for I will lead them forth out of their place of sojourning, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am LORD, even the Lord. ³⁹And unto you, O house of Israel, thus saith LORD, even the Lord; Put away, each one, his practices, and hereafter if ye hearken unto Me, then shall ye no more profane My holy name by your gifts and by devices. ⁴⁰For in Mine holy mountain, in the high mountain, saith the Lord, shall all the house of Israel serve Me for ever: and there will I accept you, and there will I have respect unto your

firstfruits, and the firstfruits of your offerings, in all your holy things. ⁴¹I will accept you with a sweet smelling savour, when I bring you out from the nations, and take you out of the countries wherein ye have been dispersed; and I will be sanctified among you in the sight of the nations. ⁴²And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have brought you into the land of Israel, into the land for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers. ⁴³And there ye shall remember your ways, and your devices wherewith ye defiled yourselves; and ye shall beat your faces for all your wickedness. ⁴⁴And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have wrought thus with you, that My name may not be profaned in your evil ways, and in your corrupt imaginations, saith the Lord. **(Mas 21)** ⁴⁵Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ⁴⁶Son of man, set thy face against Teman, and look toward Darom, and prophesy against the chief forest of Nageb; ⁴⁷and thou shalt say to the forest of Nageb, Hear the word of the Lord; Thus saith the Lord, even the Lord; Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flame that is kindled shall not be quenched, and every face from the south to the north shall be scorched therewith. ⁴⁸And all flesh shall know that I the Lord have kindled it: it shall not be quenched. ⁴⁹Then said I, Not so, LORD, O Lord! They say unto me, Is not this that is spoken a parable?

CHAPTER 21

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Therefore prophesy, son of man; set thy face stedfastly toward Jerusalem, and look toward their holy places; and thou shalt prophesy against the land of Israel, ³and thou shalt say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I am against thee, and will draw forth My sword out of his sheath, and will destroy out of thee the transgressor and the unrighteous. ⁴Seeing then that I will destroy out of thee the unrighteous and the transgressor, therefore shall My sword come forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north; ⁵and all flesh shall know that I the Lord have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it shall not return any more. ⁶Groan therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of thy loins; thou shalt even groan heavily before their eyes. ⁷And it shall be, if they say unto thee, Wherefore groanest thou? that thou shalt say, For the tidings; because it cometh; and every heart shall break, and all hands shall be feeble, and all flesh and every spirit shall faint, and the thighs shall be defiled with moisture: behold, it cometh, saith the Lord. ⁸And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ⁹Son of man, prophesy; and thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord; Say, O Sword, sword, be sharpened, and rage, ¹⁰that thou mayest slay victims; be sharpened, that thou mayest be bright, ready for weakening, slay, set at nought, despise every tree. ¹¹And he made it ready for his hand to hold: the sword is sharpened, it is ready to put into the hand of the slayer. ¹²Cry out and howl, son of man: for this is come upon my people, this is come upon all the princes of Israel: they shall sojourn: *judgment* with

the sword is come upon my people: therefore clap thine hands, for it is justified; ¹³and what if even the tribe be rejected? it shall not be, saith the Lord God. ¹⁴Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, and smite thine hands together, and take a second sword: the third sword is of the slain, the great sword of the slain: and thou shalt strike them with amazement, lest their heart faint ¹⁵and the weak be multiplied at every gate: they are given up to the slaughter of the sword: it is well fitted for slaughter; it is well fitted for glittering. ¹⁶And do thou go on, sharpen thyself on the right and on the left whithersoever thy face may stir itself up. ¹⁷And I also will smite Mine hands together, and let loose My fury: I the Lord have spoken it.

¹⁸The word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁹Also, thou son of man, appoint thee two ways, ²⁰that the sword of the king of Babylon may enter in: the twain shall go forth of one country: and *there shall be* a force at the head of the way of the city; thou shalt set it at the head of the way, that the sword may enter in upon Rabbath of the children of Ammon, and upon Judah, and upon Jerusalem in the midst thereof. ²¹For the king of Babylon shall stand on the old way, at the head of the two ways, to use divination, to make bright the arrow, and to inquire of the graven images, and to examine *the victims*. ²²At his right hand was the divination against Jerusalem, to cast a mount, to open the voice with shouting, to lift up the voice with crying, to cast a mount against her gates, to cast up an heap, and to build forts. ²³And he was to them as one using divination in their sight, and he himself recounting his iniquities. ²⁴Therefore thus saith the Lord; Because ye have caused your iniquities to be remembered, in the discovery of your wickedness, so that your sins be seen, in all your wickednesses and in your practices; because ye have caused remembrance *of them*, in these shall ye be taken. ²⁵And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day, *even* at an end, is come in a season of iniquity, thus saith the Lord; ²⁶Thou hast not removed the mitre and put on the crown; it shall not have such *another* after it: thou hast based that which was high, and exalted that which was low. ²⁷Injustice, injustice, injustice, will I make it: woe unto it: such shall it be until he come unto whom it belongeth; and I will deliver *it* to him. ²⁸And thou, son of man, prophesy; and thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord concerning the children of Ammon, and concerning their reproach; and thou shalt say, O sword, sword, drawn for victims, and drawn for destruction, awake, that thou mayest gleam. ²⁹In thy vain vision, and whiles thou dost prophesy falsehoods, to bring thyself upon the necks of ungodly transgressors, the day is come, *even* an end, in a season of iniquity. ³⁰Turn, rest not in this place wherein thou wast begotten: in thine own land will I judge thee. ³¹And I will pour out My wrath upon thee, I will blow upon thee with the fire of My wrath, and I will deliver thee into the hands of barbarians *that are* skilled in working destruction. ³²Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire; thy blood shall be in the midst of thy land; there shall be no remembrance at all of thee: for I the Lord have spoken *it*.

CHAPTER 22

Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²And thou son of man, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, shew her all her iniquities. ³And thou shalt say, Thus saith the Lord, LORD; Alas for the city that sheddeth blood in the midst of her, that her time should come, and that maketh devices against herself to defile herself; ⁴in their blood which thou hast shed, thou hast transgressed; and in thy devices which thou hast made, thou hast polluted thyself: and thou hast brought near thy days, and hast brought on the time of thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the Gentiles, and a mockery to all the countries, ⁵to them that be near, and them that be far distant from thee; and they shall mock thee, which art notoriously unclean, and abundant in iniquities. ⁶Behold, the princes of the house of Israel have taken counsel in thee each one with his kindred, that they might shed blood. ⁷In thee have they reviled father and mother; and in thee have they behaved unjustly toward the stranger: they have oppressed the fatherless and widow. ⁸And they have set at nought all Mine holy things, and in thee have they profaned My sabbaths. ⁹In thee men are robbers, to shed blood in thee; and in thee have they eaten upon the mountains: they have wrought ungodliness in the midst of thee. ¹⁰In thee have they discovered their father's shame; and in thee have they humbled her that was set apart for uncleanness. ¹¹They have dealt unlawfully each one with his neighbour's wife; and each one in ungodliness hath defiled his daughter in law: and in thee have they humbled each one his sister, his father's daughter. ¹²In thee have they received gifts to shed blood; in thee have they received interest and usurious increase; and by oppression hast thou brought thy wickedness to the full, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord. ¹³And if I smite Mine hand at that which thou hast accomplished, which thou hast wrought, and at thy blood that hath been shed in the midst of thee, ¹⁴shalt thine heart endure? shall thine hands be strong in the days that I shall bring upon thee? I the Lord have spoken, and will do it. ¹⁵And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries, and thine uncleanness shall be removed out of thee. ¹⁶And I will give inheritances in thee in the sight of the nations, and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ¹⁷And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁸Son of man, behold, the house of Israel are to Me become mixed with brass, and iron, and tin, and lead; they are even mixed up in the midst of silver. ¹⁹Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord; Because ye are all become one mixture, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem. ²⁰As silver, and brass, and iron, and tin, and lead, are gathered into the midst of the furnace, to blow fire into it, that they may be melted: so will I take you in My wrath, and I will gather and melt you. ²¹Yea, I will blow upon you in the fire of My wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof. ²²As silver is melted in the midst of a furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the Lord have poured out My fury upon you. ²³And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²⁴Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not rained upon, neither hath rain come upon thee in the day

of wrath: ²⁵whose princes in the midst thereof are as roaring lions seizing prey, devouring souls by oppression, and taking bribes; and thy widows are multiplied in the midst of thee. ²⁶Her priests also have set at nought My law, and profaned Mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and the profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I was profaned in the midst of them. ²⁷Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening to shed blood, that they may get dishonest gain. ²⁸And her prophets that daub them shall fall, that see vanities, that prophesy falsehoods, saying, Thus saith the Lord, when the Lord hath not spoken: ²⁹that sore oppress the people of the land with injustice, and exercise robbery, oppressing the poor and needy, and not dealing justly with the stranger. ³⁰And I sought from among them a man that should behave uprightly, and stand before me perfectly in the time of wrath, that I should not utterly destroy her: but I found *him* not. ³¹Therefore have I poured My wrath upon her in the fury of Mine anger, to accomplish *it*. Their own ways have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 23

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, there were two women, daughters of one mother: ³and they went a whoring in Egypt in their youth: there did their breasts fall, there did they lose their virginity. ⁴And the names of them were Oholah the elder, and Oholibah her sister: and they were Mine, and they bare sons and daughters: and *as for* their names, Samaria was Oholah, and Jerusalem was Oholibah. ⁵And Oholah went a whoring from Me; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians that were her neighbours, ⁶clothed with purple, princes and captains, all horsemen riding upon horses. ⁷And she bestowed her whoredom upon them; all were choice sons of the Assyrians: and on whomsoever she doted, with them in all *their* devices she defiled herself. ⁸Neither forsook she her fornications with the Egyptians: for in her youth they committed whoredom with her, and they deflowered her, and poured out their whoredom upon her. ⁹Wherefore I have delivered her into the hands of her lovers, into the hands of the children of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted. ¹⁰They uncovered her shame: they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became a byword among women; and they wrought vengeance in her for the sake of her daughters. ¹¹And her sister Oholibah saw it, and she was more corrupt in her fondness than she, and in her whoredom more than the whoredom of her sister. ¹²She doted upon the sons of the Assyrians, princes and captains, her neighbours, clothed with fine linen, horsemen riding upon horse; all choice young men. ¹³Then I saw that they were defiled, *that* the two *had* one way. ¹⁴And she increased her fornication, and saw men painted upon the wall, likenesses of the Chaldeans

painted with a pencil, ¹⁵having variegated girdles upon their loins, having richly dyed attire upon their heads: all had a princely appearance, the likeness of the children of the Chaldeans, of their native land. ¹⁶And she doted upon them as soon as she saw them with her eyes, and sent messengers unto them into the land of the Chaldeans. ¹⁷And the sons of the Babylonians came to her into the bed of rest, and they defiled her in her whoredom, and she was defiled by them, and her soul was alienated from them. ¹⁸And she discovered her whoredom, and discovered her shame: and My soul was alienated from her, like as My soul was alienated from her sister. ¹⁹Yet thou didst multiply thy whoredoms, to call to remembrance the days of thy youth, wherein thou hadst committed whoredom in Egypt; ²⁰and thou didst dote upon the Chaldeans, whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and their privy members as the privy members of horses. ²¹And thou didst look upon the iniquity of thy youth, which thou wroughtest in Egypt in thy lodging, where were the breasts of thy youth. ²²Therefore, O Oholibah, thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will stir up thy lovers against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them upon thee round about, ²³the sons of Babylon, and all the Chaldeans, Pekod, and Shoa, and Koa, and all the sons of the Assyrians with them; choice young men, governors, and captains, all princes and renowned, riding upon horses. ²⁴And they shall all come upon thee from the north, chariots, and wheels, with a multitude of nations, shields, and targets; and they shall set a watch against thee round about: and I will set judgment before them, and they shall take vengeance upon thee with their judgments. ²⁵And I will bring My jealousy upon thee, and they shall deal with thee in great wrath: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and shall cast down thy remnant with the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters; and fire shall devour thy remnant. ²⁶They shall also strip thee out of thy raiment, and take away the vessels of thy glory. ²⁷Thus will I turn back thine ungodliness from thee, and thy whoredom from the land of Egypt: and thou shalt not lift up thine eyes upon them, and shalt no more remember Egypt. ²⁸Wherefore thus saith LORD, the Lord; Behold, I will deliver thee into the hands of them whom thou hatest, from whom thy soul is alienated: ²⁹and they shall deal with thee in hatred, and shall take away all thy labours and thy toils; and thou shalt be naked and bare: and the shame of thy whoredoms shall be discovered: and thine ungodliness and thy whoredom ³⁰brought this upon thee, in that thou wentest a whoring after the nations, and didst defile thyself with their devices. ³¹Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; and I will put her cup into thine hands. ³²Thus saith the Lord; Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup, deep and large and full, to complete the drunkenness. ³³And thou shalt be filled with faintness: and the cup of destruction is the cup of thy sister Samaria, ³⁴and thou shalt drink of it, and I will take away her feasts and her new moons: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord. ³⁵Therefore thus saith the Lord; Because thou hast forgotten Me, and cast Me behind thy back, therefore receive thou thine ungodliness and thy whoredom. ³⁶And the Lord said unto me, Son of man, wilt thou not judge Oholah and Oholibah? And thou shalt declare unto them their iniquities.

³⁷For they have committed adultery, and blood was in their hands, they committed adultery with their devices, and they passed their children that they bare unto Me through the fire to them. ³⁸While they did these things unto me, they defiled My sanctuary, and profaned My sabbaths. ³⁹And when they slew their children unto their idols, they also entered into My sanctuary to profane it; and thus have they done in the midst of Mine house. ⁴⁰And it was that, for the men that came from afar, unto whom they sent messengers; and as soon as they came, at once thou didst wash thyself, and paintedst thine eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments, ⁴¹and satest upon a prepared bed, and before it there was a table set out, and as for Mine incense and Mine oil, they rejoiced in them, ⁴²and raised a sound of music; and unto men coming from the wilderness out of a multitude of men, they gave also bracelets upon their hands, and a crown of boasting upon their heads. ⁴³Therefore said I, Do they commit not adultery with these? and is she also gone a whoring after the manner of an harlot? ⁴⁴And they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot; so they went in unto Oholah and Oholibah to work iniquity. ⁴⁵And righteous men themselves shall judge them with the judgment of an adulteress, and with the judgment of blood: because they are adulteresses, and blood is in their hands. ⁴⁶For thus saith the Lord; Bring up a multitude upon them, and send trouble and spoil into the midst of them. ⁴⁷And stone them with the stones of a multitude, and pierce them with their swords: they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire. ⁴⁸And I will turn away ungodliness out of the land, and all the women shall be taught, and shall not do according to their ungodliness. ⁴⁹And your ungodliness shall be recompensed upon you, and ye shall bear the guilt of your devices: and ye shall know that I am the Lord God.

CHAPTER 24

And in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, write thee daily from this day, wherein the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem *even* from this day. ³And utter a parable unto the provoking house, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Set on the caldron, and pour water into it: ⁴and put the pieces into it, even every good piece, the leg and shoulder taken off from the bones, ⁵which are taken from choice cattle, and burn the bones under them: her bones are boiled and cooked in the midst of her. ⁶Wherefore thus saith the Lord; O bloody city, the caldron wherein there is scum, and the scum is not gone out of it; she hath brought it forth piece by piece; no lot is fallen upon it. ⁷For her blood is in the midst of her; I have set it upon a smooth rock; I have not poured it out upon the ground, that the earth should cover it; ⁸that My wrath should come up for utter vengeance to be taken: I set her blood upon a smooth rock, not to cover it. ⁹Therefore thus saith the Lord; I will also make the firebrand great,

¹⁰and I will multiply the wood, and kindle the fire, that the flesh may be consumed, and the liquor boiled away; ¹¹and that it may stand upon the coals, that her brass may be burned and heated, and molten in the midst of her filthiness, and the scum of her may be consumed, ¹²and her abundant scum may not come forth of her. ¹³Her scum shall become shameful, because thou didst defile thyself: and what if thou shalt be purged no more until I have accomplished My wrath? ¹⁴I the Lord have spoken; and it shall come, and I will do it; I will not delay, neither will I have any mercy: according to thy ways, and according to thy devices, will I judge thee, saith the Lord: therefore will I judge thee, thou unclean, notorious, and abundantly provoking one.

¹⁵Also the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁶Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes in battle: thou shalt not lament, neither shalt thou weep. ¹⁷Thou shalt groan for blood, and have mourning upon thy loins; thy hair shall not be braided upon thee, nor thy sandals upon thy feet; thou shalt in no wise be comforted by their lips, and thou shalt not eat the bread of men. ¹⁸And I spake unto the people in the morning, as He commanded me in the evening, and I did in the morning as it was commanded me. ¹⁹And the people said unto me, Wilt thou not tell us what these things are that thou doest? ²⁰Then said I unto them, The word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²¹Say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will profane My sanctuary, the boast of your strength, the desire of your eyes, and for which your souls are concerned; and your sons and your daughters, whom ye have left, shall fall by the sword. ²²And ye shall do as I have done: ye shall not be comforted at their mouth, and ye shall not eat the bread of men. ²³And your hair shall be upon your head, and your shoes upon your feet: neither shall ye at all lament or weep; but ye shall pine away in your iniquities, and shall comfort every one his brother. ²⁴Then Ezekiel shall be unto you for a sign: according to all that I have done shall ye do, when these things come, ye shall know that I am the Lord. ²⁵And thou, son of man, shall it not be in the day when I take from them their strength, the pride of their boasting, the desires of their eyes, and the pride of their soul, their sons and their daughters, ²⁶that he that escapeth in that day shall come unto thee, to tell it thee in thine ears? ²⁷In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped; thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be for a sign unto them, and they shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 25

The word of the Lord came also unto me, saying, ²Son of man, set thy face stedfastly against the sons of Ammon, and prophesy against them; ³and thou shalt say unto the children of Ammon, Hear the word of the Lord; Thus saith the Lord; Forasmuch as ye have rejoiced against My sanctuary, because it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, because it was laid waste; and

against the house of Judah, because they went into captivity; ⁴behold, therefore I will deliver you to the children of Kedem for an inheritance, and they shall pitch their tents in thee: they shall eat thy fruits, and they shall drink thy milk. ⁵And I will give the city of Ammon for pastures for camels, and the children of Ammon for a pasture for sheep; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ⁶Therefore thus saith the Lord; Because thou hast clapped thine hands, and stamped with the feet, and rejoiced from thy soul over the land of Israel; ⁷Behold, therefore I will stretch out Mine hand against thee, and will give thee for a spoil among the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the peoples, and will utterly destroy thee from the countries; and thou shalt know that I am the Lord. ⁸Thus saith the Lord; Because that Moab hath said, Behold, are not the house of Israel and Judah are like unto all the nations? ⁹therefore, behold, I will loose the shoulder of Moab from the cities of his frontiers, even the choice land, the house of Bethjeshimoth above the fountain of the city, by the sea side. ¹⁰I have give him the children of Kedem with the children of Ammon for an inheritance, that there may be no remembrance of the children of Ammon. ¹¹And I will execute vengeance upon Moab; and they shall know that I am the Lord. ¹²Thus saith the Lord; Because of that which Edom hath done in taking vengeance upon the house of Judah, and they have remembered injuries, and have exacted full recompense; ¹³therefore thus saith the Lord; I will also stretch out Mine hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate; and they that are pursued out of Teman shall fall by the sword. ¹⁴And I will execute My vengeance upon Edom by the hand of My people Israel: and they shall do in Edom according to My fury; and they shall know My vengeance, saith the Lord. ¹⁵Therefore thus saith the Lord: Because the Philistines have wrought in vengeance, and have raised up vengeance rejoice to destroy it for ever; ¹⁶therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will stretch out mine hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cretans, and destroy the remnant that dwell by the sea coast. ¹⁷And I will execute great vengeance upon them; and they shall know that I am the Lord, when I have brought My vengeance upon them.

CHAPTER 26

And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first day of the month, that the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, because that Tyre hath said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is crushed: the nations are destroyed: she is turned unto me: she that was full is made desolate: ³therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, I am against thee, O Tyre, and I will bring up many nations against thee, as the sea cometh up with the waves thereof. ⁴And they shall overthrow the walls of Tyre, and cast down thy towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like a bare rock. ⁵She shall be a place for the drying of nets in the midst of the sea: for I have spoken, saith the Lord: and it shall be for a spoil to the nations. ⁶And her

daughters which are in the field shall be slain with the sword; and they shall know that I am the Lord. ⁷For thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will bring up against thee, O Tyre, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, from the north, with horses and chariots, and horsemen, and a gathering of very many nations. ⁸He shall slay with the sword thy daughters that are in the field, and he shall set a watch against thee, and build forts around thee, and carry a rampart round against thee, and set up warlike works, and array his spears against thee. ⁹With his swords shall he cast down thy walls and thy towers. ¹⁰By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee, and by reason of the noise of his horsemen, and the wheels of his chariots, thy walls shall be shaken, when he shall enter into thy gates, as one that entereth into a city from the plain. ¹¹With the hoofs of his horses shall they tread down all thy streets: he shall slay thy people by the sword, and the support of thy strength shall he bring down to the ground. ¹²And he shall prey upon thy power, and spoil thy substance, and cast down thy walls, and break down thy pleasant houses: and he shall cast thy stones and thy timber and thy dust into the midst of the sea. ¹³And he shall destroy the multitude of thy musicians, and the sound of thy psalteries shall be heard no more. ¹⁴And I will make thee a bare rock: thou shalt be a place to spread nets upon; thou shalt be built no more: for I the Lord have spoken it, saith the Lord. ¹⁵For thus saith the Lord God unto Tyre; Shall not the isles shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded groan, when they have drawn a sword in the midst of thee? ¹⁶And all the princes of the nations of the sea shall come from their thrones, and shall take off their crown from their heads, and put off their brodered apparel: they shall be utterly amazed; they shall sit upon the ground, and shall fear their own destruction, and shall groan over thee. ¹⁷And they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and say to thee, How art thou destroyed from out of the sea, the renowned city, that brought terror upon all her inhabitants. ¹⁸And the isles shall be alarmed from the day of thy fall. ¹⁹For thus saith the Lord God; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I have brought up the deep upon thee, ²⁰and great waters shall cover thee; and I shall bring thee down unto them that go down into the pit, to the people of old time, and shall cause thee to dwell in the low parts of the earth, as in everlasting desolation, with them that go down into the pit, that thou be not inhabited, nor stand upon the land of life; ²¹I will make thee a destruction, and thou shalt be no more for ever, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 27

The word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²And thou, son of man, take up a lamentation against Tyre; ³and thou shalt say unto Tyre that dwelleth at the entry of the sea, unto the mart of the nations coming from many isles, Thus saith the Lord unto Tyre; Thou hast said, I have clothed myself with my beauty. ⁴In the heart of the sea have thy sons put beauty

upon thee for Beelim. ⁵Cedar in Senir was employed for thee in building: boards of cypress were taken out of Lebanon, and wood to make thee masts of fir. ⁶Out of the land of Bashan have they made thine oars; thy made thy holy things of ivory, thy shady houses of wood out of the isles of Chettim. ⁷Fine linen with broidered work from Egypt supplied thy couch, to put honour upon thee, and to clothe thee with blue and purple from the isles of Elishah; and they became thy coverings. ⁸And thy princes were the dwellers in Sidon, and the Aradians were thy rowers: thy wise men, O Tyre, who were in thee, these were thy pilots. ⁹The elders of the Biblians, and their wise men, which were in thee, these helped thy counsel: and all the ships of the sea and their rowers traded for thee to the uttermost west. ¹⁰Persians and Lydians and Libyans were in thine army: thy warriors hanged shields and helmets in thee; these gave thee their glory. ¹¹The sons of the Aradians and thine army were upon thy walls; there were guards in thy towers: they hanged their quivers upon thy battlements round about; these completed thy comeliness. ¹²The Carthaginians were thy merchants by reason of the multitude of all thy strength; they furnished thy market with silver, and gold, and iron, and tin, and lead. ¹³Greece, and the whole world, and the neighbouring coasts, these traded with thee in the persons of men, and they gave vessels of brass as thy merchandise. ¹⁴Out of the house of Togarmah horses and horsemen furnished thy market. ¹⁵The sons of the Rodians were thy merchants; from the isles they multiplied thy merchandise, even elephants' teeth: and unto them that did come in thou dist return thy prices, ¹⁶even men as thy merchandise, from the multitude of thy mixed people, myrrh and broidered work from Tarshish: Ramoth also and Chorchor furnished thy market. ¹⁷Judah and the sons of Israel, these were thy merchants; in the sale of corn and ointments and cassia: and they gave the best honey, and oil, and resin, to thy mixed people. ¹⁸The people of Damascus were thy merchants by reason of the abundance of all thy power; wine out of Helbon, and wood from Miletos; and they brought wine into thy market. ¹⁹Out of Asel came wrought iron, and there is the sound of wheels among thy mixed people. ²⁰The people of Dedan were thy merchants, with choice cattle for chariots. ²¹Arabia and all the princes of Kedar, these were thy traders with thee, bringing camels, and lambs, and rams, wherein they trade with thee. ²²The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, these were thy merchants, with choice spices, and precious stones: and they brought gold unto thy market. ²³Harran, and Canneh, these were thy merchants: Assyria, and Chilmad, these were thy merchants: ²⁴bringing for merchandise blue, and choice stores bound with cords, and cypress wood. ²⁵Ships were thy merchants, with thy mixed people: and thou wast filled and very heavy laden in the heart of the sea. ²⁶Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: the south wind hath broken thee in the heart of the sea. ²⁷Thy forces, and thy gain, and that of thy traders, and thy rowers, and thy pilots, and thy counsellors, and they that traffick with thee, and all thy warriors that are in thee: and all thy company in the midst of thee shall perish in the heart of the sea, in the day of thy fall. ²⁸At the cry of thy voice shall be greatly terrified. ²⁹And all the rowers and the mariners shall

come down from the ships, and the pilots of the sea shall stand upon the land. ³⁰And they shall wail over thee with their voice, and cry bitterly, and put earth upon their heads, and spread ashes under them. (*no v.31*) ³²And their sons shall take up a lament for thee, even a lamentation for Tyre, saying, ³³How great a reward hast thou gained from the sea? thou hast filled nations out of thine abundance; and out of thy mixed merchandise hast thou enriched all the kings of the earth. ³⁴Now art thou broken in the sea, thy mixed people are in the deep water, and all thy company in the midst of thee: all thy rowers are fallen. ³⁵All the dwellers in the isles have mourned over thee, and their kings have been sore astonished, and their countenance hath wept. ³⁶Merchants from the nations have hissed at thee; thou art utterly destroyed, and shalt not be any more for ever.

CHAPTER 28

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²And thou, son of man, say unto the prince of Tyre, 'Thus saith the Lord; Because thine heart hath been exalted, and thou hast said, I am a God, I have inhabited the dwelling of God, in the heart of the sea; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God: ³art thou wiser than Daniel? or have the wise instructed thee with their knowledge? ⁴Hast thou gotten thee power by thine own knowledge, or thine own prudence, and *gotten* gold and silver in thy treasures? ⁵By thine abundant knowledge and thy traffick hast thou multiplied thy power; thine heart is lifted up by thy power. ⁶Therefore thus saith the Lord; Since thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God; ⁷because of this, behold, I will bring upon thee strange plagues out of the nations; and they shall draw their swords against thee, and against the beauty of thy knowledge, ⁸and they shall bring down thy beauty to destruction. And they shall bring thee down, and thou shalt die the death of them that are slain in the heart of the sea. ⁹Wilt thou indeed say before them that slay thee, I am God? seeing thou art a man, and not God. ¹⁰Thou shalt perish by the hands of strangers among the multitude of the uncircumcised: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord. ¹¹And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹²Son of man, take up a lamentation for the prince of Tyre, and say unto him, 'Thus saith the Lord God; Thou art a seal in likeness, and a crown of beauty. ¹³Thou wast born in the delight of the paradise of God; thou hast bound upon thee every precious stone, the sardius, and topaz, and emerald, and carbuncle, and sapphire, and jasper, and silver, and gold, and ligure, and agate, and amethyst, and chrysolite, and beryl, and onyx: and thou hast filled thy treasures and thy stores in thee with gold. ¹⁴From the day that thou wast created thou wast with the cherub: I set thee upon the holy mount of God; thou wast in the midst of the stones of fire. ¹⁵Thou wast perfect in thy days from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. ¹⁶Of the multitude of thy merchandise thou hast filled thy storehouses with iniquity, and hast sinned: therefore hast thou been cast down wounded from the

mount of God, and the cherub hath brought thee out the midst of the stones of fire. ¹⁷Thine heart hath been lifted up because of thy beauty; thy knowledge hath been corrupted with thy beauty: because of the multitude of thy sins have I cast thee to the ground, I have caused thee to be put to open shame before kings. ¹⁸Because of the multitude of thy sins, and the iniquities of thy merchandise, I have profaned thy holy things; and I will bring fire out of the midst of thee, this shall devour thee; and I will make thee ashes upon thy land before all that see thee. ¹⁹And all they that know thee among the nations shall groan over thee: thou art gone unto destruction, and thou shalt not be any more.

²⁰And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²¹Son of man, set thy face against Sidon, and prophesy against it, ²²and say, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I am against thee, O Sidon; and I will be glorified in thee; and thou shalt know that I am the Lord, when I have wrought judgments in thee, and I will be sanctified in thee. ²³Blood and death *shall be* in thy streets; and them that are wounded with swords shall fall in thee, and on every side of thee; and they shall know that I am the Lord. ²⁴And there shall no more be a thorn of bitterness and a pricking briar in the house of Israel proceeding from them that are round about them, which dishonoured them; and they shall know that I am the Lord. ²⁵Thus saith the Lord God; I will also gather Israel from the nations among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified among them in the sight of the peoples and nations: ²⁶and they shall dwell upon their land that I have given to My servant Jacob. And they shall dwell therein in hope, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards, and dwell securely, when I shall execute judgment upon all those that have dishonoured them, upon those round about them; and they shall know that I am the Lord their God, and the God of their fathers.

CHAPTER 29

In the twelfth year, in the tenth month, in the first day of the month, the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt; ³and say, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I am against Pharaoh, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, that saith, The rivers are mine own, and I made them. ⁴And I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy wings, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy river: ⁵and I will speedily cast thee down, and all the fish of thy river: thou shalt fall upon the face of the plain, and shalt by no means be gathered, nor brought together: I have given thee for meat to the wild beasts of the earth, and to the fowls of the heaven. ⁶And all the dwellers in Egypt shall know that I am the Lord, because thou hast been a staff of reed to the house of Israel. ⁷When they took hold of thee with their hand, thou didst break: and when every hand was clapped against them, and when they leaned upon thee, thou wast utterly broken, and didst crush the loins of them all. ⁸Therefore thus

saith the Lord; Behold, I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee; ⁹and the land of Egypt shall be ruined and desert; and they shall know that I am the Lord: because thou sayest, The rivers are mine, and I made them. ¹⁰Behold, therefore, I am against thee, and against all thy rivers, and I will give up the land of Egypt unto desolation, and the sword, and destruction, from Migdol and Syene even unto the borders of the Ethiopians. ¹¹No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years. ¹²And I will make her land to be utterly destroyed in the midst of a land that is desolate, and her cities shall be among the cities that are desolate forty years: and I will scatter Egypt among the nations, and will disperse them like chaff among the countries. ¹³Thus saith the Lord; After forty years I will gather the Egyptians from the nations among whom they were scattered: ¹⁴and I will turn the captivity of the Egyptians, and will cause them to dwell in the land of Pathros, in the land whence they were taken; ¹⁵and it shall be a base kingdom beyond all kingdoms; it shall not exalt itself any more above the nations; and I will make them few in number, that they may not be *great* among the nations. ¹⁶And they shall be no more a confidence unto the house of Israel bringing iniquity to remembrance, when they shall follow after them; and they shall know that I am LORD. ¹⁷And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first *day* of the first month, the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁸Son of man, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service against Tyre: every head was bald, and every shoulder was peeled: yet was there no reward to him, nor to his army, against Tyre, nor for the service wherewith they served against it. ¹⁹Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I do give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and he shall take the spoil thereof, and seize the spoils thereof; and it shall be a reward for his army. ²⁰In return for his service wherewith he served against Tyre, I have given him the land of Egypt; thus saith the Lord God. ²¹In that day shall an horn spring forth for all the house of Israel, and I will give thee an opened mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 30

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord; Woe, woe worth the day! ³For the day of the Lord is near, a day of cloud; it shall be the end of the nations. ⁴And a sword shall come upon the Egyptians, and there shall be tumult in Ethiopia, and in Egypt men shall fall down together, and her foundations shall fall. ⁵Persians, and Cretans, and Lydians, and Libyans, and all the mixed multitude, and they of the children of My covenant, shall fall by the sword therein. ⁶And the supports of Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her strength shall come down from Migdol to Syene: they shall fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord. ⁷And it shall be made desolate in the midst of the countries that are desolate, and

their cities shall be in the midst of the cities that are desolate: ⁸and they shall know that I am the Lord when I shall send a fire upon Egypt, and when all her helpers shall be broken. ⁹In that day shall messengers go forth hasting to destroy Ethiopia utterly, and there shall be tumult among them in the day of Egypt: for, lo, it cometh. ¹⁰Thus saith the Lord God; I will also destroy the multitude of the Egyptians by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, ¹¹his and his people's; they are plagues sent forth from the nations to destroy the land: and they shall all unsheath their swords against Egypt, and the land shall be filled with the slain. ¹²And I will make their rivers desolate, and destroy the land and the fullness thereof by the hands of strangers: I the Lord have spoken. ¹³For thus saith the Lord God; I will also destroy the noble men from Memphis, and the princes of Memphis out of the land of Egypt; and they shall be no more. ¹⁴And I will destroy the land of Pathros, and will send fire upon Tanis, and will execute vengeance upon Diospolis. ¹⁵And I will pour out My wrath upon Sais the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude of Memphis. ¹⁶And I will set fire upon Egypt; and Syene shall be sore troubled; and there shall be a breaking in Diospolis, and waters shall be poured out. ¹⁷The young men of Heliopolis and Bubastum shall fall by the sword, and the women shall go into captivity. ¹⁸And the day shall be darkened in Taphnae, when I have broken there the sceptres of Egypt: and the pride of her strength shall perish there: and a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall be taken prisoner. ¹⁹And I will execute judgment upon Egypt; and they shall know that I am the Lord.

²⁰And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first month, in the seventh day of the month, the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²¹Son of man, I have broken the arms of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it is not bound up to be healed, to have a plaister put upon it, to be strengthened to lay hold upon the sword. ²²Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and I will break his strong and outstretched arms, and will smite down his sword out of his hand. ²³And I will disperse the Egyptians among the nations, and will utterly scatter them among the countries. ²⁴And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put My sword into his hand: and he shall bring it upon Egypt, and shall take her spoil, and seize her spoils. ²⁵Yea, I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fail: and they shall know that I am the Lord, when I have put My sword into the hands of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out over the land of Egypt. ²⁶And I will disperse the Egyptians among the nations, and utterly scatter them among the countries; and they shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 31

And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, say unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Unto whom hast

thou compared thyself in thy haughtiness? ³Behold, the Assyrian was a cypress in Lebanon, and was fair in shoots, and high in stature: his top reached unto the midst of the clouds. ⁴The water nourished him, the deep made him grow tall; she led her rivers round about his plants, and sent out her streams unto all the trees of the field. ⁵Therefore was his stature exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs spread far by the help of much water. ⁶All the fowl of the heaven made their nests in his boughs, and under his branches did all the wild beasts of the field bring forth their young: under his shadow dwelt all the multitude of nations. ⁷And he was fair in his height by reason of the multitude of his branches: for his roots were amidst much water. ⁸And such cypresses were in the paradise of God; and there were no pines like his branches: no tree in the paradise of God was like unto him in his beauty, ⁹because of the multitude of his branches; and the trees of God's paradise of delight envied him. ¹⁰Therefore thus saith the Lord; Because thou art grown great, and hast set thy top in the midst of the clouds, (and I saw when he was exalted;) ¹¹I have therefore delivered him in the hands of the prince of the nations; and he wrought his destruction. ¹²And ravaging strangers of the nations have cut him off, and have cast him down upon the mountains: his branches fell in all the valleys, and his boughs were broken in every field of the land; and all the people of the nations are gone down from their shelter, and have laid him low. ¹³Upon his fall have all the fowls of the heaven settled, and all the wild beasts of the field are come upon his boughs: ¹⁴to the end that none of the trees by the water exalt themselves by reason of their size: seeing they set their top in the midst of the clouds, yet they continued not in their high state in their place, all that drank water: all were consigned unto death, to the nether part of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit. ¹⁵Thus saith the Lord God; In the day wherein he went down to Hades, the deep mourned for him: and I stayed her floods, and restrained her abundance of water: and Lebanon waxed dark over him; all the trees of the field fainted for him. ¹⁶The nations did shake at the sound of his fall, when I brought him down to Hades with them that go down to the pit; and all the trees of Delight, even the choice ones of Lebanon, all that drink water, comforted him in the earth. ¹⁷For they went down to Hades with him among them that be slain with the sword; and his seed, even they that dwelt under his shadow, did perish in the midst of their life. ¹⁸To whom art thou likened? Descend, and be thou brought down with the trees of paradise into the nether part of the earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that be slain with the sword. Thus is Pharaoh and all the multitude of his strength, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 32

And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the twelfth month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and thou shalt say

unto him, Thou art become like a lion of the nations, and like the serpent that is in the sea: and thou didst lift up the horn against thy rivers, and troubledst the water with thy feet, and treadedst thy rivers. ³Thus saith the Lord; I will also cast over thee the nets of many nations, and I will bring thee up with my hook: ⁴and I will stretch thee upon the earth; the fields shall be filled with thee, and I will cause all the fowls of the heaven to settle upon thee, and I will fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee. ⁵I will also cast thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill all the earth with thy blood. ⁶And the land shall be given to drink from thine excrement, because of thy multitude upon the mountains: I will fill the valleys with thee. ⁷And when thou art put out, I will cover the heavens, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light. ⁸All that give light in the heaven shall be darkened over thee, and I will bring darkness upon the earth, saith the Lord God. ⁹I also will provoke to anger the hearts of many people, when I shall take thy captivity among the nations, into a land which thou hast not known. ¹⁰And many nations shall scowl at thee, and their kings shall be utterly amazed, when my sword flieth in their face, as they accept their own fall after the day of thy fall. ¹¹For thus saith the Lord God; The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee, ¹²with the swords of the mighty, and I will cast down thy strength; all are the pestilent of the nations: and they shall destroy the pride of Egypt, and all her strength shall be crushed. ¹³I will destroy also all the cattle thereof beside the great water; neither shall the foot of man trouble it any more, nor the print of cattle tread it down. ¹⁴Thus shall their waters be at rest, and their rivers shall flow like oil, saith the Lord, ¹⁵when I give up Egypt unto destruction, and the land is made desolate with the fullness thereof, when I scatter all that dwell therein, then shall they know that I am the Lord. ¹⁶This is a lamentation, and thou shalt lament it: and the daughters of the nations shall lament it, even for Egypt: and they shall lament for it over all the strength thereof, saith the Lord God. ¹⁷It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the first month, in the fifteenth *day* of the month, that the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁸Son of man, wail for the strength of Egypt, and the nations shall bring down her daughters dead unto the nether part of the earth, unto them that go down to the pit. ¹⁹They shall fall with him in the midst of them that are slain with the sword, ²⁰and all his strength shall perish. ²¹The giants also shall say unto thee, Be thou in the nether part of the pit: thou art greater than whom? yea, go down, and lie with the uncircumcised, in the midst of them that are slain with sword. ²²Assyria is there, and all his company: all his slain are laid there; and their burial is in the nether part of the pit, and his company are set round about his grave, all the slain that fell by the sword, ²³which caused their terror in the land of the living. ²⁴There is Elam and all his host round about his grave, all the slain which fell by the sword, and the uncircumcised that go down into the nether part of the earth, which caused their fear to be upon the land of the living: and they have received their punishment with them that go down into the pit, ²⁵in the midst of the slain. ²⁶There were laid Meshech and Tubal, and all his strength round about his grave: all his slain

men, all the uncircumcised, slain with the sword, which caused their fear to be in the land of the living. ²⁷And they are laid with the giants of old, that went to Hades with weapons of war: and they laid their swords under their heads, but their iniquities were upon their bones, because they terrified all men during their life. ²⁸And thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised, with them that have been slain with the sword. ²⁹There be laid the princes of Assyria, which yielded their strength to a wound of the sword: these are laid with the slain, with them that go down to the pit. ³⁰There be the princes of the north, all the captains of Assyria, which go down slain: they lie uncircumcised among the slain with the sword, together with their terror and their strength; and they have received their punishment with them that go down to the pit. ³¹King Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be comforted over all their force, saith the Lord God. ³²For I have caused his fear to be upon the land of the living: yet shall he lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that are slain with the sword, *even* Pharaoh and all his multitude with him, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 33

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, speak to the children of My people, and thou shalt say unto them, If I bring a sword upon a land, if the people of the land take one man of them, and set him for their watchman: ³and he seeth the sword coming upon the land, and blow the trumpet, and sound an alarm unto the people; ⁴and if he that heareth the sound of the trumpet shall hear, and not take heed, and the sword come upon him, and overtake him, his blood shall be upon his own head. ⁵Because he heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not heed, his blood shall be upon him: but the other, because he took heed, hath delivered his soul. ⁶But if the watchman see the sword coming, and sound not the trumpet, and the people watch not; and the sword come, and take a soul from among them, that soul is taken because of his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand. ⁷And thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; and thou shalt hear a word at My mouth. ⁸When I say unto the sinner, Thou shalt surely die; if thou speak not to warn the wicked from his way, the wicked man himself shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. ⁹Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it, and he turn not from his way, he shall die in his ungodliness; but thou hast delivered thine own soul. ¹⁰And thou, O son of man, say unto the house of Israel; Thus have ye spoken, saying, Our errors, and our transgressions be upon us, and we pine away in them; and how then shall we live? ¹¹Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; As I live, I desire not the death of the ungodly, as that the ungodly turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your way; for why do ye die, O house of Israel? ¹²Say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in whatsoever day he shall err: and the and the iniquity of the ungodly

shall not harm him in the day wherein he turneth from his iniquity; but the righteous shall not be able to be delivered. ¹³When I say unto the righteous, He trusteth in his righteousness, and he committeth iniquity, none of his righteousness shall be remembered in his unrighteousness that he hath wrought; he shall die in it. ¹⁴And when I say unto the ungodly, Thou shalt surely die; and he turn from his sin, and do judgment and justice, ¹⁵and return the pledge, and repay that which he hath robbed, walk in the statutes of life, to do no wrong; he shall surely live, and shall not die. ¹⁶None of his sins that he hath committed shall be remembered; because he hath wrought judgment and righteousness; by them he shall live. ¹⁷Yet the children of thy people shall say, The way of the Lord is not straight: seeing this their way is not straight. ¹⁸When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquities, then he shall even die in them. ¹⁹But when the sinner turneth from his iniquity, and doeth judgment and righteousness, he shall live by them. ²⁰And this is that which ye have said, The way of the Lord is not straight. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways.

²¹And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the twelfth month, in the fifth day of the month, *that* one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying, The city is taken. ²²Now the hand of the Lord was upon me in the evening, afore he came; and He opened my mouth, when he came to see me in the morning: and my mouth was opened, it was constrained no more. ²³And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²⁴Son of man, they that inhabit the desolate *places* upon the land of Israel say, Abraham was one, and he possessed the land: and we are more; the land is given us for a possession. ²⁵Wherefore say unto them, ²⁷Thus saith the Lord God; As I live, surely they that are in the desolate *places* shall fall by swords, and they that be in the open plain shall be given for meat unto the wild beasts of the field; and they that be in the forts and in the caves will I slay with pestilence. ²⁸And I will make the land desert, and the pride of her strength shall perish; and the mountains of Israel shall be made desolate, so as not to be passed through. ²⁹Then shall they know that I am the Lord; and I will make their land desert; and it shall be made desolate because of all their abominations which they have wrought. ³⁰Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people are they that speak concerning thee by the walls, and in the porches of the houses; and they talk, a man to his brother, saying, Let us come together, and hear the *words* that proceed from the Lord. ³¹They come unto thee as a people cometh together, and they sit before thee, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for falsehood is in their mouth, and their heart goeth after their pollutions. ³²And thou art unto them as the sound of a sweet, well tuned psaltery; and they will hear thy words, but they will not do them. ³³But whensoever it cometh to pass, they will say, Lo, it is come; and they shall know that there was a prophet in the midst of them.

CHAPTER 34

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto the shepherds, Thus saith the Lord God; O shepherds of Israel, do shepherds feed themselves? do not the shepherds feed the sheep? ³Behold, ye feed upon the milk, and ye clothe you with the wool, and kill the fat: but ye feed not My sheep. ⁴The weak have ye not strengthened, neither have ye cherished the sick, neither have ye bound up the bruised, neither have ye turned back the stray, neither have ye sought the lost; but with labour have ye wearied the strong. ⁵And My sheep were scattered, because there were no shepherds: and they became meat to all the wild beasts of the field. ⁶And My sheep were scattered upon every mountain, and upon every high hill: yea, they were scattered upon the face of the earth, and there was none to seek them out, nor to bring them back. ⁷Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the Lord; ⁸As I live, saith the Lord God, surely because My sheep became a prey, and My sheep became meat to all the wild beasts of the field, because there were no shepherds, and the shepherds fed themselves, but fed not My sheep. ⁹For this cause, O shepherds, ¹⁰thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require My sheep at their hands, and will turn them back, that they will not feed My sheep, neither shall the shepherds feed them any more; and I will deliver My sheep from their mouth, and they shall be meat for them no more. ¹¹For thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I will seek out My sheep, and visit them. ¹²As the shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day when there is darkness and cloud, in the midst of the sheep that are separated; so will I seek out My sheep, and will bring them back out of every place where they have been scattered in the day of cloud and darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the nations, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel, and in the valleys, and in every inhabited place of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them in a good pasture, upon an high mountain of Israel; and their folds shall be there, and they shall lie down, and there shall they rest in perfect prosperity, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I will feed My sheep, and I will cause them to rest; and they shall know that I am the Lord: thus saith the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek that which is lost, and recover the stray, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen the fainting, and will guard the strong, and feed them with judgment. ¹⁷And *as for* you, ye sheep, thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will distinguish between sheep and sheep, and *between* rams and he goats. ¹⁸And *is it* not enough for you that ye fed on good pasture, that ye trod down with your feet the residue of your pasture? and that ye drank the standing water, that ye disturbed the residue with your feet? ¹⁹So My sheep fed upon that which ye had trodden with your feet; and they drank the water that had been disturbed by your feet. ²⁰Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I will separate between the strong sheep and the weak sheep. ²¹Ye have thrust with your sides and shoulders, and pushed with your horns, and despitefully treated the fainting.

²²Therefore will I save My sheep, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between ram and ram. ²³And I will raise up one shepherd over them, and he shall tend them, even My servant David; and he shall be their shepherd; ²⁴and I the Lord will be to them a God, and David a prince in the midst of them: I the Lord have spoken it. ²⁵And I will make with David a covenant of peace, and will utterly destroy evil beasts from off the land; and they shall dwell in the wilderness, and sleep in the forests. ²⁶And I will settle them round about My mountain; and I will give you the rain, the rain of blessing. ²⁷And the trees that are in the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield her strength, and they shall dwell in the confidence of peace upon their land; and they shall know that I am the Lord when I have broken their yoke; and I will deliver them out of the hand of those that enslaved them. ²⁸And they shall no more be a spoil to the nations, neither shall the wild beasts of the land at all devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and there shall be none to make them afraid. ²⁹And I will raise up for them a plant of peace, and they shall perish no more with hunger upon the land, neither bear the reproach of the nations any more. ³⁰And they shall know that I am the Lord their God, and that they are My people. O house of Israel, saith the Lord God, ³¹ye are My sheep, even the sheep of My flock, and I am the Lord your God, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 35

Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it, ³and say unto it, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, O mount Seir, I am against thee, and I will stretch out Mine hand against thee, and will make thee a waste, and thou shalt be made desolate. ⁴And I will cause desolation in thy cities, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt know that I am the Lord. ⁵Because thou hast been a perpetual enemy, and hast laid wait craftily for the house of Israel, with the hand of enemies with a sword in the time of injustice at the last: ⁶Therefore, as I live, saith the Lord God, verily thou hast sinned even unto blood; therefore blood shall pursue thee. ⁷And I will make mount Seir waste and desolate, and cut off from it men and cattle: ⁸and I will fill thy valleys with slain men, and in all thy plains shall there fall in thee men that are slain with the sword. ⁹I will make thee a perpetual desolation, and thy cities shall not be inhabited any more: and thou shalt know that I am the Lord. ¹⁰Because thou saidst, The two nations and the two countries shall be mine, and I shall inherit them; seeing the Lord is there: ¹¹therefore, as I live, saith the Lord, I will even do with thee according to thine enmity, and I will be made known to thee when I shall judge thee: ¹²and thou shalt know that I am the Lord. I have heard the voice of thy blasphemies, whereas thou hast said, The desert mountains of Israel are given us for meat; ¹³and thou hast spoken swelling words against Me with thy mouth: I have heard them. ¹⁴Thus saith the Lord; When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee a desert. ¹⁵Thou

shalt be desert, O mount Seir, and all Edom; and it shall be utterly consumed: and thou shall know that I am the Lord their God.

CHAPTER 36

Also, thou son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say unto the mountains of Israel, Hear ye the word of the Lord: ²Thus saith the Lord; Because the enemy hat said against you, Aha, the ancient waste places are become ours in possession: ³therefore prophesy, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Because ye have been dishonoured, and hated by them that are round about you, that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the nations, and ye became a byword and a reproach unto the nations: ⁴therefore, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord: Thus saith the Lord to the mountains, and to the hills, and to the streams, and to the valleys, and to the places that are made desolate and destroyed, and to the cities that are deserted, and are become a spoil and a treading to the nations that were round about; ⁵therefore thus saith the Lord God; Verily in the fire of My wrath have I spoken against the rest of the nations, and against all Edom, because they have given My land unto themselves for a possession with joy, dishonouring souls to destroy in spoil: ⁶prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, and to the valleys, and to the forests, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I have spoken in My jealousy and in My wrath, because ye have borne the reproaches of the nations: ⁷therefore will I lift up Mine hand against the nations that are about you; they shall bear their reproach. ⁸But your grapes and your fruits, O mountains of Israel, shall My people eat; for they hope to come. ⁹For, behold, I am toward you, and I will have respect unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown: ¹⁰and I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel unto the end: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the desolate land shall be builded. ¹¹And I will multiply men and cattle upon you; and I will settle you as at your beginning, and I will treat you well, as in your former *state*: and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ¹²Yea, I will increase men upon you, even My people Israel; and they shall inherit you, and ye shall be to them for a possession; and ye shall be no more bereaved of them. ¹³Thus saith the Lord God; Because they said unto thee, Thou devourest men, and hast been bereaved of thy nation; ¹⁴therefore thou shalt devour men no more, neither bereave thy nation any more, saith the Lord God. ¹⁵And there shall no more be heard against you the reproach of the nations, and ye shall no more bear the revilings of the peoples, saith the Lord God.

¹⁶And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁷Son of man, the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, and defiled it by their own way, and with their idols, and with their uncleannesses; and their uncleanness was before me like the uncleanness of a removed woman. ¹⁸Wherefore I poured My wrath upon them, ¹⁹and I dispersed them among the nations, and utterly scattered them through the countries: according to their way and according

to their sin I judged them. ²⁰And they went in among the nations, there whither they went, and they profaned My holy name, while it was said of them, These the people of the Lord, and they came forth out of His land. ²¹But I spared them for Mine holy name's sake, which the house of Israel profaned among the nations, there whither they went. ²²Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for Mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the nations, among whom ye went. ²³And I will sanctify My great name, which was profaned among the nations, which ye profaned in the midst of them; and the nations shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall be sanctified among you before their eyes. ²⁴And I will take you from among the nations, and gather you out of all the lands, and will bring you into your own land: ²⁵and I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be purged from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols, and I will cleanse you. ²⁶A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the heart of stone out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in Mine ordinances, and to keep My judgments, and do *them*. ²⁸And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be to Me a people, and I will be your God. ²⁹I will save you also from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will multiply it, and will bring no famine upon you. ³⁰And I will multiply the fruit of the trees, and the increase of the field, that ye shall bear no more the reproach of famine among the nations. ³¹Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and ye shall be hateful in your own sight for your transgressions and for your abominations. ³²Not for your sakes do I this, saith Adonai the Lord, it shall be known unto you: be ye ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel. ³³Thus saith the Lord God; In the day wherein I shall cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will also cause the cities to be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded: ³⁴and the desolate land shall be tilled, seeing it was desolate in the sight of every one that passed by. ³⁵And they shall say, The desolate land is become like a garden of delight; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are inhabited. ³⁶Then the nations, as many as are left round about you, shall know that I the Lord have builded the ruined places, and planted that that was waste: I the Lord have spoken, and will do it. ³⁷Thus saith the Lord; God; I will yet for this be sought by the house of Israel, to establish them; I will multiply them, even men like sheep; ³⁸as holy sheep, as the sheep of Jerusalem in her feasts; so shall the desert cities be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 37

And the hand of the Lord came upon me, and the Lord brought me out in Spirit, and set me down in the midst of the plain, and this was full of human bones. ²And He brought me round about them in a circle: and,

behold, *there were* very many upon the face of the plain, very dry. ³And He said unto me, Son of man, shall these bones live? And I said, O LORD, LORD, Thou knowest these things. ⁴And He said unto me, Prophecy upon these bones, and thou shalt say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵Thus saith the Lord unto these bones: Behold, I will bring the spirit of life upon you; ⁶and I will lay sinews upon you, and bring flesh upon you, and put My Spirit into you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. ⁷So I prophesied as He commanded me: and it came to pass while I was prophesying, that, behold, *there was* a shaking, and the bones approached one another, each one to his joint. ⁸And I looked, and, lo, sinews and flesh grew upon them, and skin came up upon them: but there was no spirit in them. ⁹And He said unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord; Come from the four winds, and breathe upon these dead, and let them live. ¹⁰So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceeding great gathering. ¹¹And the Lord spake unto me, saying, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel; and they say, Our bones are become dry, our hope is perished, we are quite lost. ¹²Therefore prophecy, and say, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I do open your graves, and will bring you up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And ye shall know that I am the Lord when I have opened your graves, that I may bring up My people from *their* graves. ¹⁴And I shall put My Spirit within you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you upon your own land; and ye shall know that I am the Lord: I have spoken, and will do it, saith the Lord.

¹⁵And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ¹⁶Son of man, take thee a rod, and write upon it, Judah, and the sons of Israel that are joined unto him; and thou shalt take thee another rod, and thou shalt inscribe it, For Joseph, a rod of Ephraim, and all the sons of Israel that are added unto him. ¹⁷And thou shalt join them one to another into one stick; and they shall be in thine hand. ¹⁸And it shall come to pass, when the children of thy people shall say unto thee, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these things? ¹⁹then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will take the tribe of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel that are joined unto him, and will add them to the tribe of Judah, and they shall become one rod in the hand of Judah. ²⁰And the rods whereon thou didst write shall be in thine hand before their eyes. ²¹And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I will take the whole house of Israel out of the midst of the nations, among whom they be gone, and will gather them from all that are round about them, and bring them into the land of Israel. ²²And I will make them a nation in My land, even upon the mountains of Israel; and there shall be one prince of them all: and they shall no more be two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all: ²³that they may defile themselves no more with their idols; and I will deliver them from all their transgressions whereby they have sinned, and will cleanse them: and they shall be to me a people, and I the Lord will be to

them a God. ²⁴And David My servant shall be a prince in the midst of them: there shall be one shepherd of them all; for they shall walk in Mine ordinances, and keep My judgments, and do them. ²⁵And they shall dwell in their land that I have given unto Jacob My servant, wherein their fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell upon it: and David My servant *shall be their* prince for ever. ²⁶And I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them; and I will establish My sanctuary in the midst of them for ever. ²⁷My tabernacle also shall be among them; and I will be to them a God, and they shall be My people. ²⁸And the nations shall know that I am the Lord that sanctifieth them, when My sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

CHAPTER 38

And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, ²Son of man, set thy face against Gog, and the land of Magog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, ³and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal: ⁴and I will gather thee, and all thine host, horses and horsemen, all of them wearing brigadines, even a great gathering, shield, and helmet, and sword: ⁵Persians, and Ethiopians, and Libyans: all with helmet and shield, ⁶Gomer also, and all them that are round about him; and many nations with thee. ⁷Be thou prepared, prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy gathering that is assembled unto thee, and thou shalt be for a guard unto Me. ⁸After many days shall he be prepared, and shall come at the end of years, and shall come unto a land that is brought back from the sword, when the people are gathered from many nations against the land of Israel, which was entirely desolate: and he is come forth out of the nations, and they shall all dwell securely. ⁹And thou shalt ascend as rain and arrive like a cloud to cover the land, and there shalt thou be, and all that are round about Thee, and many nations with thee. ¹⁰Thus saith the Lord God; It shall also come to pass in that day, that things shall come up into thine heart, and thou shalt imagine evil devices. ¹¹And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land which is rejected; I will come upon them that are at ease in tranquillity, and dwelling in peace, all inhabiting a land wherein there is no wall nor bars, neither have they doors; ¹²to seize spoil, and to take their spoil; to turn my hands against the desolate land that is now inhabited, and against a nation that is gathered out of many nations, which have gotten goods, dwelling in the midst of the land. ¹³Sheba, and Dedan, and merchants of Carthage, and all their villages shall say unto thee, Thou art come for spoil to take a prey, and to get spoil: thou hast gathered thy multitude to take silver and gold, to carry off goods, and to take spoil. ¹⁴Therefore, son of man, prophesy, and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord; In that day when My people Israel dwell securely, shalt thou not arise, ¹⁵and come out of thy place from the farthest north, and many nations with thee? all of them mounted upon horses, a great gathering, and a large force? ¹⁶And

thou shalt come up upon My people Israel as a cloud to cover the land; it shall come to pass in the latter days, that I will bring thee up upon My land, that all the nations may know Me, when I am sanctified in thee before them. ¹⁷Thus saith the Lord God, unto Gog; Thou art he of whom I have spoken before the former days, by the hand of My servants the prophets of Israel, in those days and years, that I would bring thee up against them. ¹⁸And it shall come to pass in that day, in the day wherein Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord God, that my wrath ¹⁹and My jealousy shall arise, (in the fire of Mine anger have I spoken,) surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; ²⁰and the fishes of the sea shall shake at the presence of the Lord, and the fowls of the heaven, and the wild beasts of the field, and all the creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth; and the mountains shall be rent, and the valleys shall fall, and every wall upon the land shall fall. ²¹And I will summon even every fear against it, saith the Lord: the sword of man shall be against his brother. ²²And I will judge him with pestilence, and blood, and sweeping rain, and hailstones; and I will rain upon him fire and brimstone, and upon all that are with him, and upon many nations with him. ²³And I will be magnified, and sanctified, and glorified; and I will be known in the presence of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord.

CHAPTER 39

And thou, son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal: ²and I will gather thee, and guide thee, and guide thee, and bring thee up from the extremity of the north parts, and will bring thee up upon the mountains of Israel. ³And I will destroy thy bow out of thy left hand, and thine arrows out of thy right hand, and will cast thee down ⁴upon the mountains of Israel; and thou shalt fall, thou, and all that are round about thee, and the nations that are with thee shall be given unto the multitudes of birds, even to every fowl, and I have given thee to all the wild beasts of the field to be devoured. ⁵Thou shalt fall upon the face of the field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord. ⁶And I will send a fire upon Gog, and the isles shall be inhabited in peace: and they shall know that I am the Lord. ⁷And My holy name shall be known in the midst of My people Israel; and My holy name shall be profaned no more: and the nations shall know that I am the Lord, the Holy One in Israel. ⁸Behold, it is come, and thou shalt know that it shall be, saith the Lord God; this is the day whereof I have spoken. ⁹And they that inhabit the cities of Israel shall come forth, and shall make a fire with the weapons, the shields and the spears, and the bows and arrows, and the handstaves, and the lances, and they shall keep fire burning with them for seven years: ¹⁰and they shall take no wood out of the field, neither shall they cut any out of the forests, but they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil them that plundered them, and spoil them that spoiled them, saith

the Lord. ¹¹And it shall come to pass that in that day I will give unto Gog a place of renown, a grave in Israel, the buryingplace of them that approach the sea: and they shall build round about the outlet of the valley, ¹²and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and it shall then be called The Ai, the common buryingplace of Gog. ¹³And the house of Israel shall bury them, that the land may be cleansed in the space of seven months. ¹³Yea, all the people of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown in the day wherein it shall be glorified, saith the Lord. ¹⁴And they shall appoint men continually to go over the land, to bury those that have been left on the face of the earth, to cleanse it after the space of seven months, and they shall search. ¹⁵And every one that passeth through the land, and seeth a man's bone, shall set up a mark by it, till the buriers have buried it in The Ai, the common buryingplace of Gog, ¹⁶for even the name of the city shall be, Common Buryingplace: thus shall the land be cleansed. ¹⁷And thou, son of man, say, Thus saith the Lord; Say unto every winged fowl, and to all the wild beasts of the field, Gather yourselves, and come; gather yourselves from all *places* round about to My sacrifice that I have sacrificed, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, and ye shall eat flesh, and drink blood. ¹⁸Ye shall eat of the flesh of giants, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, rams, and calves, and goats; and all of the calves fattened. ¹⁹And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken of My sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you. ²⁰And ye shall be filled at My table: horse, and rider, and giant, and every man of war, saith the Lord. ²¹And I will set my glory among you, and all the nations shall see My judgment that I have executed, and My hand that I have brought upon them. ²²And the house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God from that and forward. ²³And all the nations shall know that the house of Israel were led captive because of their sins, because they dealt treacherously with Me, and I turned away My face from them, and gave them into the hands of their enemies; and they fell by the sword. ²⁴According to their uncleanness and according their transgression have I done unto them, and turned My face away from them. ²⁵Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Now will I turn back the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the house of Israel, and will be jealous for My holy name. ²⁶And they shall bear their reproach, and the iniquity that they committed when they dwelt upon their land in peace: yet shall there be none to make them afraid. ²⁷When I have turned them back from the nations, and gathered them out of the countries of their enemies, I will also be sanctified among them in the presence of the nations. ²⁸And they shall know that I am the Lord their God, when I appear unto them among the nations. ²⁹And I will no more turn away My face from them, because I have poured out My wrath upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 40

And it came to pass in the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the first month, in the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was taken, in that day the hand of the Lord was upon me, and brought me ²in a vision of God into the land of Israel, and set me upon a very high mountain, and upon it *there was* as it were the frame of a city before me. ³And He brought me in thither, and, behold, there was a man, and the appearance of him was as the appearance of shining brass, and in his hand was a builder's line, and a measuring reed; and he stood at the gate. ⁴And the man said unto me, Hast thou seen, son of man? behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and lay up in thine heart all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew thee art thou come in hither, and thou shalt shew all things that thou seest to the house of Israel.

⁵And, behold, a wall on the outside of the house round about, and in the man's hand a reed, the measure six cubits by the cubit, and a span: and he measured across the outer wall; the breadth was equal to the reed, and the length thereof equal to the reed. ⁶And he entered in by seven steps into the gate which looketh toward the east, and measured across the porch of the gate equal to the reed. ⁷And the chamber was equal in length to the reed, and equal in breadth to the reed; and the porch between the chambers six cubits; and the second chamber equal in breadth to the reed, and equal in length to the reed, and the porch five cubits. And the third chamber equal in length to the reed, and equal in breadth to the reed. And the porch of the gate, near the porch of the gate, ⁸eight cubits; ⁹and the porch of the gate was inward: ¹⁰and the chambers of the gate of the chamber without three on the one side, and three on the other, and one measure to the three, one measure to the porches on this side and on that. ¹¹And he measured the breadth of the door of the gate ten cubits; and the breadth of the gate thirteen cubits. ¹²And the space before the chambers was narrowed down to a cubit before the chambers on this side, and on that side; and the chamber was six cubits this way, and six cubits that way. ¹³He measured then the gate from the roof of one little chamber to the roof of the other; and the breadth was five and twenty cubits, the one gate over against the other gate. ¹⁴And the open space of the porch of the gate without was twenty cubits to the chambers round about the gate. ¹⁵And the open space of the gate without to the open space of the porch of the gate was fifty cubits. ¹⁶And there were secret windows to the chamber, and to the gate of the court round about within: and on the porch palm trees on this side and on the other. ¹⁷Then brought He me into the inward court, and, lo, there were shrine chambers, and peristyles round about the court; thirty chambers in the peristyles. ¹⁸And the porches were behind the gates; according to the length of the gates was the lower peristyle. ¹⁹Then measured He the breadth of the court, from the open space of the outward gate unto the inner; unto the open space of the inward gate looking outward; an hundred cubits of the gate looking according to the east: and he brought me to the north; ²⁰and, behold, a gate looking northward unto the

outward court; and He measured it, the length of it, and the breadth; ²¹and the chambers, three on this side, and three on that; and the posts, and the porches, and the palm trees thereof: and they were according to the measure of the gate that looketh eastward: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof five and twenty cubits. ²²And the windows thereof, and the porches thereof, and the palm trees thereof, were according to the gate that looketh eastward; and they went up to it by seven steps; and the porches were within. ²³And there was a gate unto the inward court looking toward the north gate, after the manner of the gate looking toward the east; and He measured the court from gate to gate, an hundred cubits. ²⁴And He led me to the south side, and, behold, a gate looking to the south; and he measured it, and the chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the porches thereof, according to these measures. ²⁵And the windows thereof, and the porches thereof round about were according to the windows of the court: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof was five and twenty cubits. ²⁶And it had seven steps, and porches within: and it had palm trees on the posts, one on this side, and on the other side. ²⁷And there was a gate in the inner court toward the south: and He measured the court from gate to gate, an hundred cubits in breadth, toward the south.

²⁸And He brought me into the inner court of the south gate: and He measured the south gate according to these measures; ²⁹and the chambers, and the posts, and the porches thereof, according to these measures: and the porches had windows round about, fifty cubits the length thereof; and five and twenty cubits the breadth thereof. ³¹And there was a porch into the outer court, and the post had palm trees: and the going up to it had eight steps. ³²And He brought me into the gate that looketh toward the east: and he measured it according to these measures: ³³and the chambers, and the posts, and the porches according to these measures; and there were windows to it, and porches round about: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof five and twenty cubits. ³⁴And the porches were toward the outer court, and there were palm trees to the posts on this side and on that side: and it had eight steps. ³⁵And He brought me into the north gate, and measured it according to these measures, ³⁶and the chambers, and the posts, and the porches; and it had windows round about, and porches thereof: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof five and twenty cubits. ³⁷And the porches thereof were toward the inner court; and there were palm trees to the posts on this side and on that side: and it had eight steps. ³⁸The chambers thereof and the entries thereof were at the gate thereof, ³⁸and a drain for the second gate, ³⁹that they might slay therein the sin offerings and the trespass offerings, ⁴⁰and behind the drain for the whole burnt offerings that looketh toward the north were two tables toward the east behind the second gate; and behind the porch of the gate two tables looking toward the east; ⁴¹four on the one side, and four on the other side behind the gate: whereupon they slew the sacrifices, before the eight tables of sacrifices. ⁴²And four tables were of hewn stone for the whole burnt offerings, of a cubit and an half in breadth, and two cubits and an half long: whereupon they

shall put the instruments wherewith they slay the whole burnt offerings and the sacrifices. ⁴³And they shall have within a cornice of hewn stone an hand broad round, and over the tables above screens for covering them from the wet, and from the heat. ⁴⁴And He brought me into the inner court, , and lo, two chambers in the inner court, one behind the gate that looketh toward the north, bearing to the south; and one behind the gate to the south, but looking toward the north. ⁴⁵And he said unto me, This chamber, that looketh toward the south, is for the priests that keep the charge of the house: ⁴⁶and the chamber that looketh toward the north is for the priests that keep the charge of the altar; they are the sons of Zadok, those of the tribe of Levi, which come near to the Lord, to minister unto Him. ⁴⁷And He measured the court, the length thereof one hundred cubits, and the breadth thereof one hundred cubits, on the four sides thereof; and the altar that was before the house. ⁴⁸And He brought me to the porch of the house. And He measured the post of the porch, the breadth thereof five cubits on one side, and five cubits on the other side; and the breadth of the door was fourteen cubits, and the sills of the door of the porch were three cubits on the one side, and three cubits on the other side. ⁴⁹And the length of the porch was twenty cubits, and the breadth twelve cubits; and they went up to it by ten steps; and there were pillars to this porch, one on this side, and one on the other side.

CHAPTER 41

And He brought me into the temple, the porch whereof He measured, six cubits the breadth on the one side, ²and six cubits the breadth of the porch on the other side; and the breadth of the gate was ten cubits, and sills of the gate were five cubits on the one side, and five cubits on the other side: and He measured the length of the doors, forty cubits, and the breadth twenty cubits. ³And He went into the inner court, and measured the post of the door, two cubits; and the door, six cubits; and the sills of the door, seven cubits on the one side, and seven cubits on the other side. ⁴And He measured the length of the doors, forty cubits; and the breadth, twenty cubits, before the temple: and He said, This is the holy of holies. ⁵And he measured the wall of the house, six cubits; and the breadth of each side, four cubits round about. ⁶And the sides were twice ninety, side against side; and there was a space in the wall at the sides round about, that they should be for them that have hold upon them for to see, that they should not at all have hold of the walls of the house. ⁷And the breadth of the upper side was as the addition from the wall unto the upper one round about the house, that it might be enlarged above, and that they might go up from the lower chambers to the upper chambers, and from the middle chamber to the third story. ⁸And the height of the house round about, each space between the sides was equal to a reed of six cubits; ⁹and the breadth of the wall of each side without was five cubits; and the spaces that were left between the sides of the house, ¹⁰and between the chambers, were a wideness of twenty cubits, the periphery

of the house all around. ¹¹And the doors of the chambers were toward the space left by the one door that looked to the north, and one door to the south; and the breadth of the remaining light was five cubits, the breadth thereof round about. ¹²And the divider before the area left open like the one to the sea was seventy cubits in breadth; the breadth of the divider was five cubits round about, and the length thereof ninety cubits. ¹³And He measured the length of an hundred cubits over against the house, and the remaining spaces and dividers; and the walls thereof were an hundred cubits in length. ¹⁴And the breadth before the house, and the areas left open over against it were an hundred cubits. ¹⁵And He measured the length of the divider over against the separate space left open of the rear parts of that house, and the areas left open on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits. And the temple, and the corners, and the outer porch, were ceiled. ¹⁶And the windows were latticed, giving light round about to the three stories, to look through: and the house and the parts adjoining were panelled with wood, and the floor, and from the floor up to the windows, and the window folded back in three parts for looking out. ¹⁷And unto the inner, and close to the outer side, and upon all the wall round about within and without, ¹⁸were carved cherubs, and palm trees between cherub and cherub; *and each* cherub had two faces, ¹⁹the face of a man toward a palm tree on the one side, and the face of a lion toward a palm tree on the other side: the whole house was engraved round about; ²⁰from the pavement up to the coffering was the whole house engraved. ²¹And the holy place and the temple opened on four sides; and before the face of the holy places was the appearance as the look of ^{22a} wooden altar, the height thereof three cubits, and the length two cubits, and the breadth two cubits; and it had horns, and the base thereof, and the sides thereof, were of wood: and He said unto me, This is the table that is before the Lord. ²³And the temple had two doors, and the sanctuary had two doors, with two turning leaves; ²⁴two leaves to the one, and two leaves to the other door. ²⁵And there were carvings on them, cherubims and palm trees, like as the carving of the sanctuaries; and there were excellent kinds of wood, as before the entry without, together with secret windows. ²⁶And He measured on the one side, and on the other side unto the ceilings of the porch; and unto the planked sides of the house.

CHAPTER 42

Then He brought me forth into the inner court, over against the east: and He brought me in, and, lo, five chambers near the place left open, and next to the divider toward the north, ²the length of an hundred cubits toward the north, and in breadth fifty cubits, ³engraved according unto the gates of the inner court, and according to the peristyles of the outer court, with triple porches fronting one another. ⁴And before the chambers was a walk ten cubits breadth, the length to an hundred cubits; and their doors were toward the north. ⁵And the upper walks were in like manner; for the peristyle

projected from it, from the colonnade below, and a space between: so there were a peristyle and a space between, ⁶and so were the two porches: for they were triple, and had not pillars like the pillars of the outer ones: therefore they projected from the lower parts, and beyond the middle parts, from the ground. ⁷And there was light without, like unto the chambers of the outer court looking toward the chambers to the north, the length thereof fifty cubits; ⁸for the length of the chambers that look toward the outer court was fifty cubits, they also faced those; the whole was an hundred cubits. ⁹And these chambers of the entrance toward the east had doors for an entering through them from the outer court, ¹⁰as the light at the head of the passage. And the parts toward the south, over against the south, over against the place left open and the divider, were chambers; ¹¹and the passage over against them was according to the measures of the chambers to the north, both according to the length of them, and according to the breadth of them, and according to all their openings, and according to all their turnings, and according to their lights, and according to their doors ¹²of the chambers toward the south, and according to the doors at the entering of the walk, as it were the distance of a reed for light, and on the east, are for entering in through them. ¹³Then said He unto me, The chambers toward the north, and the chambers toward the south, before the spaces, these are the chambers of the holy place, wherein the priests the sons of Zadok, which draw nigh unto the Lord, shall eat the most holy things: and there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat offering, and the sin offerings, and the trespass offerings; for the place is holy. ¹⁴They shall not enter there, except the priests; they shall not go out of the holy place into the outer court; that they that draw nigh unto Me may be continually holy, and may not touch their garments wherein they minister; for they are holy; and shall put on other garments when they touch the people. ¹⁵And the measuring of the house within was ended: and He brought me forth by way of the gate that looketh toward the east, and He measured the plan of the house round about in order. ¹⁶And He stood behind the gate that looketh toward the east side, and measured five hundred by the measuring reed, ¹⁷and He turned to the north side, and measured the part that faceth the north side, five hundred cubits with the measuring reed. ¹⁹And He turned to the south side, and measured the part that faceth the south side, five hundred by the measuring reed. ²⁰The four were parts of the same reed. And He laid it out in order, even an enclosing wall for it round about of five hundred to the east side, and a breadth of five hundred cubits to make a separation between the sanctuary and between the outer wall, which is the design of the house.

CHAPTER 43

And He brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh toward the east, and brought me forth; ²and, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from by the way of the gate that looketh toward the east, and there was a

voice of an army, as the sound of many redoubling, and the earth shined like light from the glory round about. ³And the appearance that I saw was like the appearance that I saw when I went in to anoint the city, and the appearance of the chariot that I saw was like the appearance that I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face. ⁴And the glory of the Lord went into the house by the way of the gate that looketh toward the east. ⁵And the Spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the house of the Lord was filled with glory. ⁶And I stood, and, behold, a voice of One speaking unto me out of the house; and a Man stood by me. ⁷And He said unto me, Son of man, thou hast seen the place of My throne, and the place of the print of My feet, wherein My name shall dwell in the midst of the house of Israel for ever; and My holy name shall the house of Israel no more defile, they and their princes, by their whoredom, and by the murders of their princes in the midst of them, ⁸when they set My entering by their entering, and My thresholds by their thresholds: and they made My wall as it were joining Mine and theirs, and they have even defiled My holy name by their transgressions that they have wrought: and I destroyed them in My wrath and with slaughter. ⁹And now let them put away from Me their whoredom, and the murders of their princes, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever. ¹⁰And thou, son of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, and they shall grow weary of their iniquities, and the appearance and the pattern of it. ¹¹And they shall bear their punishment for all that they have done. And thou shalt describe the house, and the goings out thereof, and the pattern thereof, and all the ordinances and the precepts thereof shalt thou make known unto them; and thou shalt describe it before them, and they shall keep all My statutes and all Mine ordinances, and do them. ¹²And the description of the house: Upon the top of the mountain; all the borders thereof round about; the holies of holies.

¹³And these are the measurements of the altar after the cubit (of the cubit and an hand breadth); the cavity a cubit deep, and a cubit shall be the breadth, and the border thereof by the edge thereof round about shall be a span. And this shall be the height of the altar: ¹⁴from the bottom of the beginning of the cavity thereof even to this great mercy seat, two cubits, and the breadth thereof a cubit, and from the small mercy seat unto the great mercy seat shall be four cubits, and the width thereof a cubit; ¹⁵and the ariel shall be four cubits; and from the ariel and above the horns a cubit. ¹⁶And the ariel shall be of the length of twelve cubits, by twelve cubits in breadth, square upon the four sides thereof; ¹⁷and the propitiatory shall be fourteen cubits in length by fourteen cubits in breadth upon the four sides thereof; and there shall be a border to it carried round about it of half a cubit, and the rim thereof shall be a cubit round about, and the steps thereof looking toward the east. ¹⁸And He said unto me, Son of man, thus saith the Lord God of Israel; These are the ordinances of the altar in the day of the making thereof, to offer whole burnt offerings thereon, and to pour blood thereon. ¹⁹And thou shalt give to the priests the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which approach unto Me, saith the Lord God, to minister unto Me, a calf of the herd

for a sin offering, ²⁰and they shall take of the blood thereof, and put it on the four horns of the altar, and on the four corners of the propitiatory, and upon the base round about, and they shall make atonement for it, ²¹and they shall take the calf that is for a sin offering, and it shall be consumed by fire in the separated place of the house, without the sanctuary ²²And on the second day they shall take two kids of the goats without blemish for a sin offering; and they shall make atonement for the altar, as they made atonement with the calf: ²³and after they have made an end of the atonement, they shall offer a calf without blemish of the herd, and a ram of the flock without blemish, ²⁴and thou shalt offer them before the Lord, and the priests shall cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up for whole burnt offerings unto the Lord. ²⁵Seven days shalt thou offer every day a kid for a sin offering, and a calf of the herd, and a ram out of the flock: they shall sacrifice them without blemish ²⁶seven days, and they shall make atonement for the altar, and purge it; and they shall fill their hands. ²⁷And it shall come to pass from the eighth day and onward, that the priests shall offer your whole burnt offerings upon the altar, and your peace offerings; and I will accept you, saith the Lord.

CHAPTER 44

Then He brought me back by the way of the outward gate of the sanctuary that looketh toward the east; and it was shut. ²And the Lord said unto me, This gate shall be shut; it shall not be opened, and no man shall pass through it; because the Lord, the God of Israel, shall enter in by it, and it shall be shut. ³For the prince shall sit in it to eat bread before the Lord; he shall enter in by the way of the porch of the gate, and shall go out by the way of the same. ⁴And He brought me by the way of the gate that looketh toward the north, over against the house: and I looked, and, behold, the house of the Lord was filled with glory; and I fell upon my face. ⁵And the Lord said unto me, Son of man, mark well with thine heart, and behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of the Lord, and all the laws thereof; and thou shalt mark well the entering in of the house, by all the goings forth thereof in all the holy things. ⁶And thou shalt say to the embittering house, even to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God; O ye house of Israel, ⁷let it suffice you of all your transgressions to bring into My sanctuary strangers, uncircumcised in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in My sanctuary, and they profaned it when ye offered bread, and flesh, and blood; and ye transgressed My covenant in all your transgressions, ⁸and appointed *others* to keep the charges in My sanctuary. ⁹Therefore thus saith the Lord God; No son of strangers, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into My sanctuary, of all the sons of strangers that are in the midst of the house of Israel: ¹⁰but the Levites that departed far from me, when Israel went astray after their imaginations, they shall even bear their iniquity; ¹¹and they shall minister in My sanctuary, having charge at the gates of the house, and

ministering to the house: they shall slay the whole burnt offerings and the sacrifices for the people, and they shall stand before the people to minister unto them. ¹²Because they ministered unto them before their idols, and it became to the house of Israel a punishment of iniquity; therefore have I lifted up Mine hand against them, saith the Lord God, ¹³and they shall not near unto me, to do the office of priests unto Me, nor to come near to the sanctuary of the house of Israel, nor to My holy of holies, and they shall receive their reproach for the error wherein they erred. ¹⁴And they shall appoint them to keep the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that they shall do. ¹⁵The priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of My sanctuary when the house of Israel went astray from Me, they shall come near to minister unto Me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto Me sacrifice, the fat and the blood, saith the Lord God. ¹⁶They shall enter into My sanctuary, and they shall come forward to My table, to minister unto Me, and to keep My charge. ¹⁷And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall put on linen garments, and they shall not put on wool, whiles they minister from the gate of the inner court; ¹⁸and they shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have hard linens upon their loins, and they shall not gird themselves with any thing that causeth sweat. ¹⁹And when they go forth into the outer court unto the people, they shall put off their garments, those wherein they minister, and lay them in the chambers of the sanctuary, and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the people in their garments. ²⁰And they shall not shave their heads, nor shall they pluck off their hair; covering, they shall cover their heads. ²¹And no priest shall drink wine, when they enter into the inner court. ²²neither shall they take them to wife a widow, nor her that is put away, but a virgin of the seed of Israel; but a widow, if she be of a priest, shall they marry. ²³And they shall teach My people to *distinguish* between holy and profane, and make known unto them between clean and unclean. ²⁴And they shall preside in a case of blood to decide it; they shall rightly Mine ordinances, and judge My judgments, and keep My statutes and My commandments in all My feasts; and they shall hallow My sabbaths. ²⁵And they shall enter in over no dead person to be defiled: but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, or for brother, or for sister that hath had no husband, he may be defiled. ²⁶And after he is cleansed, he shall reckon unto him seven days, ²⁷and in whatsoever day that he goeth into the inner court, to minister in the sanctuary, they shall offer an atonement, saith the Lord God. ²⁸And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: I am their inheritance, and no possession shall be given them among the sons of Israel: for I am their possession. ²⁹And they shall eat the offerings, and the sin offerings, and the trespass offerings; and every dedicated thing in Israel shall be theirs. ³⁰The firstfruits of all things, and the firstborn of all things, and all offerings of all your firstfruits, shall be for the priests; and your firstlings shall ye give unto the priest, to set your blessings upon your houses. ³¹And the priests shall not of no thing that is dead of itself, nor is taken of wild beasts, of the fowls, nor of the cattle.

CHAPTER 45

And when ye measure out the land for inheritance, ye shall set apart firstfruits unto the Lord, an holy thing of the land; the length thereof shall be five and twenty thousand, and the breadth thereof twenty thousand; it shall be holy in all the borders thereof round about. ²And of this there shall be a sanctuary, five hundred by five hundred square round about. ³And of this measure shalt thou measure the length five and twenty thousand, and the breadth twenty thousand: and in it shall be the holy of holies. ⁴Of the land shall be *a portion* for the priests that minister in the holy place, and it shall be for them that draw nigh to minister unto the Lord, and it shall be to them a place for houses set apart for their sanctification. ⁵Five and twenty thousand the length thereof, and twenty thousand of breadth, shall the Levites that minister in the house have for themselves for a possession, cities to dwell in. ⁶And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand in breadth, and five and twenty thousand in length: after the manner of the firstfruits of the holy portions, they shall be for the whole house of Israel. ⁷And a portion shall be for the prince on the one side and on the other side, for the firstfruits of the holy portions, as a possession of the city before the firstfruits of the of the holy portions, and before the possession of the holy city the parts toward the sea, and from the parts toward the sea eastward: and the length after one of the portions from the borders toward the sea, and the length on the borders toward the east of the land. ⁸And it shall be unto him for a possession in Israel, and the princes of Israel shall no more oppress My people; and the house of Israel shall give the land according to their tribes. ⁹Thus saith the Lord God; Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove from you injustice and abuse, and execute judgment and justice; take away oppression from My people, saith the Lord God. ¹⁰Ye shall have a just balance, and a just measure, and a just choenix. ¹¹And there shall be one measure and one choenix to receive in like manner; the choenix shall be the tenth part of the homer, and the measure shall be the tenth part of the homer; the measure shall be after the homer. ¹²And the stathmion shall be twenty obols; five shekels shall be five, and ten shekels shall be ten, and fifty shekels shall be your min. ¹³And this is the firstfruit that ye shall offer; a sixth part of the measure of the homer of wheat, and the sixth part of the ephah of the kor of barley. ¹⁴And the ordinance for oil; one bath of oil out of ten baths; for ten baths are a homer. ¹⁵And one sheep out of ten sheep, as an oblation of all the tribes of Israel, for sacrifices, and for whole burnt offerings, and for peace offerings, to make atonement for you, saith the Lord God. ¹⁶And all the people shall give these firstfruits to the prince of Israel. ¹⁷And through the prince shall be the whole burnt offerings, and the meat offerings, and the drink offerings, and the peace offerings, to make atonement for the house of Israel.

¹⁸Thus saith the Lord God; In the first month, in the first day of the month, thou shalt take a calf without blemish from the herd to make atonement for the holy place. ¹⁹And the priest shall take of the blood of the

atonement, and put it upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the temple, and upon the altar, and upon the posts of the gates of the gate of the inner court. ²⁰And so thou shalt do in the seventh month, in the first day of the month; thou shalt take a portion from each one, and make atonement for the house. ²¹And in the first month, in the fourteenth day of the month, the passover shall be a feast for you; seven days ye shall eat unleavened bread. ²²And in that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for the house, and for all the people of the land. ²³And seven days of the feast he shall make whole burnt offerings to the Lord, seven calves and seven rams without blemish daily for seven days, and a kid of the goats daily for a sin offering. ²⁴And thou shalt make an offering, a cake with the calf, and cakes with the ram, and an hin of oil for the cake. ²⁵And in the seventh month, in the fifteenth day of the month, shalt thou do the like in the feast for seven days, according to the sin offering, and according to the whole burnt offerings, and according to the freewill offerings, and according to the oil.

CHAPTER 46

Thus saith the Lord God; The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the day of the sabbaths it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened. ²And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of outer gate, and shall stand by entering in of the gate, and the priests shall prepare his whole burnt offering and his peace offerings: ³and he shall worship at the entering of the gate, and shall go forth; and the gate shall not be shut until the evening. And the people of the land shall worship at the entering in of the gate in the Sabbaths and in the new moons before the Lord. ⁴And the prince shall offer the whole burnt offerings unto the Lord in the sabbath day, six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish, ⁵and a freewill offering, a meat offering for the ram, and a meat offering for the lambs, the gift of his hand, and the hin of oil for the cake: ⁶and in the day of the new moon a calf without blemish, and six lambs, and there shall be a ram without blemish; ⁷and a meat offering for the ram, and there shall be a meat offering for the calf as a freewill offering, and for the lambs, according as his hand shall furnish, and an hin of oil for the cake. ⁸And when the priest shall enter, he shall come in by the way of the porch of the gate, and he shall go forth by the way of the gate. ⁹And when the people of the land shall enter before the Lord in the feasts, he that entereth in by the way of the gate to the north to worship shall go out by the way of the gate to the south, and he that entereth in by the way of the gate to the south shall go out by the way of the gate to the north: he shall not return by the way whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it. ¹⁰And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in with them; and when they go forth, shall go forth. ¹¹And in the feasts and in the solemn assemblies there shall be a freewill offering shall be a meat offering for the calf, and a meat offering for the ram, and for the

lambs, as his hand shall furnish, and an hin of oil for the meat offering. ¹²And if the prince prepare as a thanksgiving an whole burnt peace offering unto the Lord, and open him the gate that looketh toward the east, and he shall offer his whole burnt offering, and his peace offerings, as he doth on the sabbath day; then shall he go forth, and shall shut the doors after he goeth forth. ¹³And he shall daily prepare as an whole burnt offering unto the Lord a lamb of the first year without blemish; he shall prepare it every morning. ¹⁴And he shall prepare a freewill offering for it in the morning, a sixth part of a measure, and a third part of an hin of oil, to temper the fine flour, as a freewill offering unto the Lord, a perpetual ordinance. ¹⁵Thou shalt prepare the lamb, and the freewill offering, and the oil, in the morning, for a perpetual whole burnt offering.

¹⁶Thus saith the Lord God; If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons out of his inheritance, this shall be his sons' possession by inheritance. ¹⁷But if he give a gift to one of his servants, then it shall be his to the year of release; and he shall repay it to the prince; but for the inheritance of his sons, it shall be theirs. ¹⁸And the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance to oppress them; he shall give his sons inheritance out of his own possession, that My people be not scattered each from his possession. ¹⁹And he brought me to the entry behind the gate into the chamber of the holies of the priests, the chamber which looketh toward the north; and, behold, a place set apart. ²⁰Then said He unto me, This is the place where the priests shall boil the trespass offerings, and the sin offerings, and there shall they bake the meat offering always; so as not to bear them out into the outer court, to sanctify the people. ²¹And He brought me forth into the outer court, and brought me round upon the four sides of the court; and, behold, a court by the side of the court, on every side a court: ²²on the four sides of the court was a little court, the length thereof forty cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits. ²³And there were chambers in them round about, round about them four, and cooking places situate under the chambers round about. ²⁴Then said He unto me, These are the houses of them that cook, where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifices of the people.

CHAPTER 47

And He brought me in by the entering in of the house; and, behold, water issued out from under the porch eastward: for the forefront of the house looked toward the east, and the water came down from the right side, from the south by the altar. ²Then brought He me out by the way of the gate northward, and led me about by the way without unto the gate of the court that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out water on the right side: ³at the same time that a man went forth, there was a measure in his hand, and he measured a thousand with the measure; and He passed through in the water; it was water of release. ⁴And He measured a thousand, and passed through in the water; the water was to his thighs. And He measured a

thousand, and passed through; the water was to his loins. ⁵And He measured a thousand, and could not pass through; for the water rose as of a torrent that men cannot pass over. ⁶And He said unto me, Hast thou seen, son of man? Then He brought me by the brink of the stream. ⁷Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the stream were very many trees on the one side and on the other. ⁸And he said unto me, This is the water that issueth into Galilee, that lieth to the east, and it is gone down to Arabia, and is gone to the sea unto the outlet of the water: and the waters shall heal. ⁹And it shall come to pass, that every soul of the living beings that are in all places, in those where the stream cometh unto, shall live, and there shall be there a very great multitude of fish, because this water is come thither; and it shall heal, and they shall live: every thing shall live whither the stream cometh. ¹⁰And fishers shall stand there from Engedi even unto Eneglaim; it shall be a place to spread forth nets; it shall be by itself; and the fish thereof shall be as the fish of the great sea, a very great multitude. ¹¹And at the outlet thereof and at the turn thereof and at the overflowing thereof, they shall not heal; they have been given to salt. ¹²And by the stream upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow every tree for meat; it shall not wax old thereon, neither shall the fruit thereof fail: it shall bring forth firstfruit of the newness thereof, because their waters they issue out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the ascent thereof for health.

¹³Thus saith the Lord God; These borders of the land ye shall apportion for inheritance. The twelve tribes of the children of shall have an addition of allotment. ¹⁴And ye shall apportion it for an inheritance, each according to his brother's portion, concerning the which I lifted up Mine hand to give it unto their fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance. ¹⁵And these are the borders of the land toward the north side, from the great sea that cometh down and compasseth the entering in of Emath Seddatha, ¹⁶Berothah, Sebraim, Eliam, between the borders of Damascus and the borders of Hamath, a court of Saunan, which are above the borders of Auranitis. ¹⁷These are the borders of the sea: from the court of Enan, borders of Damascus, and those northward. ¹⁸And those eastward: between Auran and between Damascus, and between Gilead and between the land of Israel, the Jordan divideth to the sea that is eastward of the city of palm trees: these are those eastward. ¹⁹And those southward, from Teman and the city of palm trees, unto the water of Meribah Kadesh, reaching even to the great sea. ²⁰This part is south and south west. This is the part of the great sea; it divideth over against the entering in of Hamath, unto the entering in thereof; these are those seaward of Hamath. ²¹So shall ye divide this land unto them, even the tribes of Israel. ²²Ye shall cast the lot upon it, unto you, and to the strangers that sojourn among you, which have begotten children among you: and they shall be unto you as native among the sons of Israel: they shall eat with you by inheritance among the tribes of Israel. ²³And they shall be in the tribe of proselytes among the proselytes that are with them; there shall ye give them an inheritance, saith the Lord God.

CHAPTER 48

And these are the names of the tribes: from the beginning toward the north, according to the part of the descent that draweth a line unto the entering in of Hammath, the court of Enan, the border of Damascus to the north according to the part of the court of Hamath: also they shall have the east parts unto the sea, for Dan, one portion. ²And from the borders of Dan, those toward the east side unto the borders toward the sea, Asher, one portion. ³And from the borders of Asher, from those toward the east side unto those toward the sea, of Naphtali, one. ⁴And from the borders of Naphtali, from those toward the east side unto those toward the sea, of Manasseh, one. ⁵And from the borders of Manasseh, from those toward the east side unto those toward the sea, of Ephraim, one. ⁶And from the borders of Ephraim, from those toward the east side unto those toward the sea, of Reuben, one. ⁷And from the borders of Reuben, from those toward the east side unto those toward the sea, of Judah, one. ⁸And from the borders of Judah, from those toward the east side unto those toward the sea, shall be the firstfruit of the offering, five and twenty thousand in breadth, and in length as one of the portions from the east side even unto the sea: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of them: ⁹a firstfruit, which they shall set apart for the Lord, five and twenty thousand in length, and five and twenty thousand in breadth. ¹⁰Of these shall be the firstfruits of the holy things unto the priests, toward the north five and twenty thousand, and toward the sea ten thousand, and toward the south five and twenty thousand; and the mountain of the sanctuary shall be in the midst thereof, ¹¹for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, that keep the charges of the house, which went not astray in the error of the sons of Israel, as the Levites went astray. ¹²And the firstfruits shall be given them out of the firstfruits of the land, a portion most holy by the borders of the Levites. ¹³And unto the Levites shall be the parts next to the borders of the priests, five and twenty thousand in length, and the breadth ten thousand. ¹⁴No part shall be sold of it, nor measured, neither shall the firstfruits of the land be taken away: for they are holy unto the Lord. ¹⁵But the five thousand, that are left in the breadth, in the five and twenty thousand, it shall be an outer wall for the city, for dwelling, and for a space for him, and the city shall be in the midst thereof. ¹⁶And these shall be the measures thereof: from those unto the north side four thousand and five hundred, and from those unto the south side four thousand and five hundred, and from those unto the east side four thousand and five hundred, and from those unto the sea, four thousand and five hundred. ¹⁷And there shall be a space to the city toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the sea two hundred and fifty. ¹⁸And what is in excess of the length, which is over against the firstfruits of the holy portions shall be ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand toward the sea: and they shall be the firstfruits of the sanctuary; and the fruits thereof shall be for bread unto them that labour for the city. ¹⁹And they that

labour for the city shall labour for it out of all the tribes of Israel. ²⁰The whole firstfruit shall be five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall separate again of it, being foursquare, as the firstfruits of the sanctuary, away from the possession of the city. ²¹Now what is in excess shall be for the prince, on the one side and on the other, from the firstfruits of the sanctuary, and to the possession of the city, in length to five and twenty thousand, unto the borders eastward and seaward, to five and twenty thousand unto the borders that are seaward, being next to the portions of the prince. And it shall be the firstfruits of the holy places and the sanctuary of the house in the midst thereof. ²²And there shall be *a portion* of the Levites and of the possession of the city in the midst of the princes. ²³And as for what is in excess of the tribes: from the borders, from the borders eastward unto those seaward: of Benjamin one. ²⁴And from the borders of Benjamin, from those eastward unto those seaward, of Simeon one. ²⁵And from the borders of Simeon, from those eastward unto those seaward, for Issachar one. ²⁶And away from the borders of Issachar, from those eastward unto those seaward, Zebulun one. ²⁷And from the borders of Zebulun, from those eastward unto those seaward, Gad one. ²⁸And from the borders of Gad unto those south side seaward, his borders shall be even from Teman and an inheritance of water of Meribah by Kadesh unto the great sea. ²⁹This is the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel, and these are their portions, saith the Lord God. ³⁰And these are the goings out of the city northward, four thousand and five hundred by measure. ³¹And the gates of the city shall be after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, and one gate of Levi. ³²And to the eastward, four thousand and five hundred: and three gates; one gate of Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan. ³³And to the south side four thousand and five hundred by measure: and three gates; one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, and one gate of Zebulun. ³⁴And those to the sea shall be four thousand and five hundred by measure: and three gates; one gate of Gad, and one gate of Asher, and one gate of Naphtali. ³⁵The encirclement: eighteen thousand measures. And the name of the city, after whatsoever day it shall be finished, that shall be the name thereof.