

Introduction and Preface

The Ekklesia Bible is a derivative of the 1901 American Standard Version and other ancient, reliable Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek sources. This translation seeks to correct longstanding translation errors and restore the original meanings of key biblical concepts. This introduction outlines the distinctive features of the Ekklesia Bible and explains the growing global demand for a printed edition.

Unique Features of the Ekklesia Bible

Restoration of the Hebrew Calendar:

The Ekklesia Bible reintroduces true biblical cosmology—long absent from translations for over 600 years. This translation reawakens Bible students to one of the most critical yet overlooked areas of study: biblical cosmology. By restoring the Hebrew calendar, the Bible regains its power to demonstrate its divine origin through astronomical precision.

Restoration of the Term “Ekklesia”:

The term “Ekklesia,” often mistranslated over time into “church” (from the pagan term “Circe”), has been restored to reflect its original meaning, as seen in Matthew 16:18. The Ekklesia refers to the collective, militant body of Christ engaged in spiritual warfare against the gates of Hades. This emphasizes the communal nature and purpose of God’s people in the early church.

Separation from “Church Bibles”:

The Ekklesia Bible is not affiliated with any “church Bible.” The word “church,” derived from terms like “Circe,” “Chirche,” or “Kirke,” is entirely absent from the original biblical languages. This translation seeks to eliminate these non-biblical influences.

Restoration of Biblical Cosmology and Time Mode:

The Ekklesia Bible adheres to the cosmological framework found in Genesis, rejecting the Gregorian calendar’s artificial “week” based on pagan planetary gods. This shift resolves many contradictions found in mainstream Bible versions and removes the artificial barrier between modern science and the Bible. It is the only Bible whose astronomical data aligns perfectly with both solar and lunar time events, verifiable by scientific software.

Scientific Validation:

The Ekklesia Bible uniquely enables scientists—including astronomers and cosmologists—to verify biblical time data using modern astronomy software. No other translation can make this claim. The Ekklesia Bible will become the go-to translation for scientifically-minded truth seekers.

Global Reach and Pilot Version:

This printed edition serves as a pilot for the future, comprehensive Ekklesia Study Bible. For over 14 years, the PDF version has been available online, revised multiple times, and downloaded in 192 countries. The global demand for a printed version is rapidly increasing.

A Shift from Traditional Bibles:

This translation departs from traditional versions that are compromised by Gregorian timekeeping and mistranslated theological terms. The Ekklesia Bible restores the correct “Time Mode” as laid out in Genesis and the Hebrew calendar, liberating the Bible from pagan time constructs.

Corrections to Chapter and Verse Numbering:

- **Isaiah 52:13–15** has been moved to begin Isaiah 53, aligning the prophetic message properly.
- **Mark 16:1** has been corrected to reflect the purchase of spices after the Passover Sabbath but before the seventh-day Sabbath, aligning with Luke 23:54–55. This corrects the timeline of Christ’s resurrection to the beginning night of Day One of the “solar Sevens” (the true seven-day solar Sabbaton).

Agape Love: A Core Restoration

Agape, a distinct form of love characterized by benevolent care for others, is mistranslated in many Bibles as “love” or “charity,” losing its unique meaning. The Ekklesia Bible preserves the term “Agape” to highlight its special role in Christian life. This form of love, as commanded in Matthew 5:44–45 and Luke 6:35, is required to be considered a true child of God.

Translation Consequences:

The mistranslation of “Agape” in the Latin Vulgate contributed to centuries of persecution and violence among Christians. Without a proper understanding of Agape, false interpretations of love justified hatred and war. The Ekklesia Bible corrects this and insists that love—Agape—is not just an emotion but a divine command to care for the well-being of others, including enemies.

Restoring Historical and Theological Context:

The exclusion of Agape from historical translations distorted theology and enabled Christian-on-Christian violence. The Ekklesia Bible restores this foundation to encourage a more compassionate, authentic Christian practice.

Opposition and the Need for Print:

Despite opposition from institutional religion, there is growing demand for a printed Ekklesia Bible. It challenges traditional doctrines by restoring the original meanings of Ekklesia and Agape, offering a more accurate depiction of the biblical message.

Restoring True Bible Cosmology:

Modern translations often disregard biblical cosmology, replacing the original timekeeping with the Gregorian calendar. The Ekklesia Bible restores the Genesis-based cosmological timeline, aligning biblical events with verifiable astronomical phenomena and removing the “impregnable wall” between science and Scripture.

Future Oversight and Development:

Future revisions will be led by “The Elect of the Ekklesia”—a body of at least 100 scholars proficient in biblical languages—to ensure the translation remains faithful to its restorative mission.

Availability:

The Ekklesia Bible is available online for free in PDF format and now in print. The print edition is compact, under 1,000 pages, and designed for global accessibility and affordability.

Spiritual Warfare and Matthew 16:18–19:

Jesus declared that the gates of Hades would not prevail against His Ekklesia. This militant, spiritual community is empowered to overcome every barrier—including the deeply entrenched errors of false Bible translations. With Agape as its weapon and truth as its shield, the Ekklesia of Christ confronts and dismantles the most fortified deceptions of the enemy.

Metaphorical and Historical Context of the “Impregnable Wall”:

This wall, built over 1,700 years through false translations, stands on four key deceptions:

1. Replacing “Ekklesia of Christ” with “Church of Christ.”
2. Replacing the Hebrew calendar’s seven-day solar Sabbaton with the pagan word week.
3. Reinterpreting baptism as symbolic instead of full immersion.
4. Mistranslating Agape as charity, ignoring its command as a divine emotional state.

Ekklesia as the Instrument of Spiritual Warfare:

The Ekklesia Bible equips the people of God to break through these deceptions with truth, Agape love, and intellectual clarity. Just as historical armies used siege engines to

break down fortresses, the Ekklesia Bible is the spiritual tool to breach modern doctrinal walls.

Conclusion:

In an age of deception, the Ekklesia Bible stands as the instrument of restoration and warfare. It revives the true message of Scripture and empowers the set-apart people of God to evangelize the world with uncompromising truth and divine love. By restoring the original terms, timelines, and theology, this translation serves as the bridge between ancient truth and modern understanding

Another huge task I needed to make the Ekklesia Bible ready to print then all these multitudes of numbers and the braces made for the Electronic version I have removed from the electronic version to leave only chapter and verse numbers made for the ready to print version of the Ekklesia Bible.

We (the Ekklesia of Christ) recommend the speaking software "Text Aloud" made by "Next up Software" for the future Ekklesia Bible translation. We ask this company to make their software more compatible and more users friendly to read and amplify to speak the Ekklesia electronic version of the Bible. The most human-like voices for the Ekklesia are "Mike" and "Mary" voices that are made by AT&T software.

My work and goal for the Ekklesia of Christ is to make this electronic versions of the Ekklesia Bible on human command Bible is now computer coded to be able make this the Ekklesia Bible to be able speak Bible words that can filter out verse numbers and at the same time to illustrate with a projector to project thousands of life like different animations, art work, maps and other illustrations on your computer or on a darkened wall or large screen.

Instructions needed to easy make a computer verse search use this electronic coded Bible in present form. This method can be used until we complete "speak on command" software for this Ekklesia Bible translation. Learn this search method to easy find Bible verses in the Ekklesia Bible. In the computer electronic versions of the Ekklesia Bible is written in the front of each book of The Ekklesia Bible is given a prefix letter and number. The letter "O" is the prefix to run a search in the Old Testament. The Letter "N" is the prefix needed to run a search in the books of the New Testament.

In this Ekklesia Bible it is easy to learn to search the order numbers of the Books in the Ekklesia Bible. In a search if you prefer you can go to the index to get the book and chapter page numbers. Use this example; go to search to find the book of "Exodus" Chapter twelve. O2)12. O is for Old. The First step in the search is to type the letter O as for the Old Testament "old." The Book of Exodus is the second book so type 2. The then type n 12 for the chapter number. The search is to write the prefix number will look like this O2)12 ---- (The "O" is for the Old Testament, the number "2" is the second book of the Bible) for the order number of the book of Exodus and the "12" is for the Chapter number.

When our most powerful electronic computer Ekklesia Bible project is finished for the Ekklesia Bible you will be able to speak to command the Bible on your computer or your phone and your electronic instrument will obey your command and speak chosen verses from the Ekklesia Bible and at the same time project all related Bible verses and at same time project on a screen or a darken wall showing maps, art work and other photos from a computer.

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The boast in the true scientific claim of Ekklesia Bible and the Book of Genesis in the account of creation: is teaching against "The Big Bang" of light particle being first to exist by evolution. Take note in all of Science no one human knows what the dark is so no one can manipulate the dark to remove the last shadow of the dark from their model. Do not let them deceive you. They will make all kind of false claims about their model. To scientifically prove to self the impossibility of Light particle existing before the absolute cold of the dark, go online to Wikipedia and read the laws of thermodynamics. Here is the *first law of thermodynamics* is a version of the law of conservation of energy, adapted for thermodynamic systems. The law of conservation of energy states that the total energy of an isolated system is constant; energy can be transformed from one form to another, but can be neither created nor destroyed. It can also be stated in the following form: The energy gained (or lost) by a system is equal to the energy lost (or gained) by its surroundings.

The *second law of thermodynamics* says that some things can't be undone after they are done. This indicates that entropy is real. It states that, in an isolated system, entropy can increase but cannot decrease. It can be stated as follows: Take careful note here Natural processes tend to go only one way, toward less usable energy and more disorder.

The third law of thermodynamics *can be stated as:* A system's entropy approaches a constant value as its temperature approaches absolute zero.

See how it is totally impossible to have light particles to exist without first the cold of the dark. Proving the Bible Genesis account of creation is true. "The start of the universe theory as a Big Bang is totally false.

The Catholic priest Georges Lemaitre the creator of the "Big Bang" by a cosmologist and mathematician is the first to teach false that he with his eyes is a witness and he is able to see (The Big Bang) through a giant telescope, he with his eyes can see as a witness there was first the hot fiery particle of photon to exist -before the dark exists. The Catholic Priest Lemaitre is making the false claim he is proving the light particles photons was created before the dark and his claim he is proving evolution is true against the Genesis records of creation teaching the dark was created before the light. Georges Lemaitre a Catholic priest and cosmologist is making the false claim he with his eyes as a witness he can see the first partial photon of light to exist before the dark is evolution and not a creation and the Bible teaching false that the dark was created before the light. Georges Lemaitre claims he is proving light exist before the dark and he is proving the Bible to be a fake and a fraud.

The Genesis records of creation is teaching the total opposite of the Theory of the Big Bang as is taught by the Catholic priest Georges Lemaitre. The beginning of creation is expressed as being the cold of the dark or "scientific the creation begins to create in absolute zero Kelvin, technically

known as zero Kelvin, equals -273.15 degrees Celsius, or -459.67 Fahrenheit, and marks the beginning of creation to the spot on the thermometer where a system reaches its lowest possible energy, or thermal motion". Only in the Genesis records prove God is creating first "the dark before the light" as the coldest of all cold".

The Ekklesia Bible records are teaching that the first creation of the dark is possible to be eons of time before the creation of what modern scientist declare to be "the hot Big Bang" particles of photons falsely claimed to be discovered by Georges Lemaitre a Catholic priest in 1932. . Then before there ever was a Big Bang the universe begins with what today is discovered to be dark energy and dark matter in absolute minus temperature.

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Next, Learn how to easy search to operate this electronic Ekklesia Bible. Until the powerful software is made for this Ekklesia Bible to make it easy for the student to simply speak to verse search the electronic Bible, example how to easily find Matthew 16:18. Go to the computer "find "select Home or "search" the Bible, then write this prefix is N1)16 (the letter "N" is for the New Testament, the order number of Matthew in the New Testament is one. N1), the last number "n1)16" is the chapter number of the book. In the index we also add the last numbers in the index reveals how many chapters are in each book.

Take note for future electronic use I have tried to separate all paragraphs to be marked off in five or more spaces instead of "carriage returns". This separation of "paragraphs" does need some final editing in the electronic version of the Ekklesia Bible.

How to search and to operate temporary using number coding for the electronic Ekklesia Bible. Old Testament is "O". New Testament is "N". Then the order of the book numbers.

Book Code Numbers for Old Testament (The Old Covenant)

Book number, name and number of chapters in each book.

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| O1) Genesis (50 Chapters) | O21) Ekklesiastes (12) |
| O2) Exodus (40) | O22) Song of Solomon (8) |
| O3) Leviticus (27) | O23) Isaiah (66) |
| O4) Numbers (36) | O24) Jeremiah (52) |
| O5) Deuteronomy (34) | O25) Lamentations (5) |
| O6) Joshua (24) | O26) Ezekiel (48) |
| O7) Judges (21) | O27) Daniel (12) |
| O8) Ruth (4) | O28) Hosea (14) |
| O9) 2Samuel (31) | O29) Joel (3) |
| O10) 2Samuel (24) | O30) Amos (9) |
| O11) 1Kings (22) | O31) Obadiah (1) |
| O12) 2Kings (25) | O32) Jonah (4) |
| O13) 1Chronicals (29) | O33) Micah (7) |
| O14) 2Chronicals (36) | O34) Nahum (3) |
| O15) Ezra (10) | O35) Habakkuk (3) |
| O16) Nehemiah (13) | O36) Zephaniah (3) |
| O17) Esther (10) | O37) Haggai (2) |
| O18) Job (42) | O38) Zechariah (14) |
| O19) Psalms (150) | O39) Malachi (4) |
| O20) Proverbs (31) | |

Easy To Find And To Learn These The New Testament code numbers (The New Covenant)

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| N1) Matthew (28 Chapters) | N15) 1Timothy (6) |
| N2) Mark (16) | N16) 2Timothy (4) |

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| N3) Luke (24) | N17) Titus (3) |
| N4) John (20) | N18) Philemon (1) |
| N5) Acts (28) | N19) Hebrews (13) |
| N6) Romans (16) | N20) James (5) |
| N7) 1Corinthians (16) | N21) 1Petros (5) |
| N8) 2Corinthians (13) | N22) 2Petros (3) |
| N9) Galatians (6) | N23) 1John (5) |
| N10) Ephesians (6) | N24) 2John (1) |
| N11) Philippians (4) | N25) 3John (1) |
| N12) Colossians (4) | N26) Jude (1) |
| N13) 1Thessalonians (5) | N27) Revelation (22) |
| N14) 2Thessalonians (3) | |

Something you must know about modern Bible warfare in translations.

In the beginning of the creation was what is discovered by modern astrophysicists to be Dark energy and dark matter is to the ears of humans “was the most silent of all creation” (there was no Big Bang) and there exist in the creation the coldest of all cold the scientific absolute minus zero Kelvin. All astrophysicists know these facts tube true that it was not possible to have a loud “Big Bang of hot particle photons” to exist before the creation of the cold of the dark. knowing the laws of thermodynamics is proving it is impossible to have a “Big Bang” beginning of the universe without first the creation of the cold of the dark. For over ninety years the majority of all scientist know that they are teaching false when they teach that in the beginning of the universe was a “Big Bang “of hot particles ‘of photons before the dark exists in what they know that they are teaching false about the beginning of the universe. To teach the evolution of the hot fiery Big Bang of particle photos without the existence of the dark is by all laws of physics is totally impossible. Scientist know it is totally impossible when they make the false claim they have made models to prove there was a “Big Bang” beginning of the universe before the existence of the dark. We challenge what is the name of the scientists that can completely eliminate the existence of any or all the dark shadows from within the area in their model? Who is the modern Scientist that can prove they can now manipulate the awesome power of they believe to be dark energy and dark matter? What scientist can manipulate the Dark energy and dark matter to make a model to prove the Big Bang exists before the light was created? Most All scientists admit they know that dark matter and dark energy does exist and that is all any scientists knows only about the gravity the dark does exist. Any scientist that is making the claim to prove the “Big Bang” of hot particle of photons exist before the creation of the dark or when they make the claim they can eliminate the dark from their model then they are not telling you the truth and do not believe them about the Big Bang existing before the dark.

The Book of Genesis

{O1}1} Genesis Chapter One. {1:1} In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. {1:2} And the earth was empty, formless [as gaseous clouds]; and [the created] darkness was upon the face of the deep: and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. {1:3} And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. {1:4} And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

{1:5} And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was [the beginning dark] the evening and there was [the beginning light of] the morning, Day One.

{1:6} And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. {1:7} And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. {1:8} And

God called the [above] firmament Heaven. And there was [the passing of the beginning dark of] the evening and there was the [the beginning light of] the morning, a second day.

{1:9} And God said, Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so. {1:10} And God called the dry land earth; and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas: and God saw that it was good. {1:11} And God said, Let the earth put forth grass, herbs yielding seed, [and] fruit-trees bearing fruit after their kind, wherein is the seed there, upon the earth: and it was so.

{1:12} And the earth brought forth grass, herbs yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit, wherein is the seed there, after their kind: and God saw that it was good. {1:13} And there was [the beginning dark of the"] evening and there was [the beginning light of the] morning, a third day.

The Ekklesia Bible is making this bold claim the Ekklesia Bible is the only translated Bible in the entire world that can be computer precessed with an astronomy program such as distant sun and prove time events to be true. There is written two side by side "Set Time Records" of The Passion of Christ. The records of the location together of both The Moon and The Sun. Take note -Only written data in the Ekklesia Bible can the GPS of Jerusalem and time data of these two different records can be precessed in a computer astronomical program such as "Distant Suns" to "stay together" to prove the records of Bible set time events to be true. There is no other Bible translation in the entire world that can make this claim. The Set Time events translated only in the Ekklesia Bible of the Sun and the moon can be precessed with your computer to be exact and fall and to stay together just as it is written. As is prophesied in Daniel 9:27 Christ (The Messiah) will be crucified to stop the sacrifice and the oblation in the middle of the seven day solar Sabbaton or the 4th day of creation. The crucifixion of the Christ was on the 14th day of "the resurrection moon" named Abib. The first moon of the year must be adjusted to fall on the moon nearest to vernal equinox as the repetition (year) to be the Abib the resurrection moon of Fruiting, Budding and Sprouting.

Genesis {1:14} And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for [the created] signs, and for seasons, and for days and years: {1:15} and let them be for [the created] lights in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. {1:16} And [on the fourth day] God made the two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: [He made] the stars also [on the fourth day]. {1:17} And God set them in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth, {1:18} and [light] to rule over the day and [dark to rule] over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. {1:19} And there was [the beginning dark of] the evening and there was [the beginning light of] the morning, the fourth day.

The Christ was finished entombment on the beginning night of this the 5th day of creation or the 15th day of the moon Abib. The night of a full moon.(Luke 23:54).

{1:20} And God said, Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. {1:21} And God created the great sea-monsters, and every living creature that moves, by which the waters swarmed, after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind: and God saw that it was good. {1:22} And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth. {1:23} And there was the [beginning dark of] the evening and there was the [the beginning light of] the morning, a fifth day.

{1:24} And God said, Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind, cattle, and creeping things, and beasts of the earth after their kind: and it was so. {1:25} And God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground after its kind: and God saw that it was good.

{1:26} And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. {1:27} And God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. {1:28} And God blessed them: and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

{1:29} And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb yielding seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for food: {1:30} and to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the heavens, and to everything that creeps upon the earth, wherein there is life, [I have given] every green herb for food: and it was so. {1:31} And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And there was the [beginning dark of the] evening and there was the [beginning light of] the morning, the sixth day.

{01}2} Genesis Chapter Two. {2:1} And the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. {2:2} And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. {2:3} And God blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it; because that in it he rested from all his work which God had created and made.

{2:4} These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that The God Yahweh made earth and heaven. {2:5} And no plant of the field was yet in the earth, and no herb of the field had yet sprung up; for The God Yahweh had not caused it to rain upon the earth: and there was not a man to till the ground; {2:6} but there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground. {2:7} And The God Yahweh formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. {2:8} And The God Yahweh planted a garden eastward, in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. {2:9} And out of the ground made The God Yahweh to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. {2:10} And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from there it was parted, and became four heads. {2:11} The name of the first is Pishon: that is it which compasses the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; {2:12} and the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.

{2:13} And the name of the second river is Gihon: the same is it that compasses the entire land of Cush. {2:14} And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which goes in front of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates. {2:15} And The God Yahweh took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. {2:16} And The God Yahweh commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat: {2:17} but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, you shall not eat of it: for in the day that you eat there you shall surely die.

{2:18} And The God Yahweh said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him. {2:19} And out of the ground The God Yahweh formed every beast of the field, and every bird of the heavens; and brought them unto the man to see what he would call them: and whatever the man called every living creature, that was the name there {2:20} And the man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the heavens, and to every beast of the field; but for man there was not found a help meet for him.

2:21} And The God Yahweh caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead there: {2:22} and the rib, which The God Yahweh had taken from the man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. {2:23} And the man said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. {2:24} Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. 2:25} And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

{O1}3} Genesis Chapter Three. {3:1} Now the serpent was more adroit than any creature of the land which The God Yahweh had made. And he said unto the woman, behold, God has said, you shall not eat of any tree of the garden? {3:2} And the woman said unto the serpent, Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat: {3:3} but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, you shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die. {3:4} And the serpent said unto the woman, you shall not surely die: {3:5} for God does know that in the day you eat there, then your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be as God, knowing good and evil. {3:6} And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit there, and did eat; and she gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat. {3:7} And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig-leaves together, and made themselves aprons. {3:8} And they heard the voice of The God Yahweh walking in the garden in the [evening] cool of the day: and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of The God Yahweh amongst the trees of the garden.

{3:9} And The God Yahweh called unto the man, and said unto him, Where are you? {3:10} And he said, I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. {3:11} And he said, Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree, where I commanded you that you should not eat? {3:12} And the man said, The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. {3:13} And The God Yahweh said unto the woman, What is this you have done? And the woman said, The serpent deceived me, and I did eat. {3:14} And The God Yahweh said unto the serpent, Because you have done this, A cursed are you above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon your belly shall you go, and dust shall you eat all the days of your life: {3:15} and I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed: he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel. {3:16} Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply your pain and your conception; in pain you shall bring forth children; and your desire shall be to your husband, and he shall rule over you.

{3:17} And unto Adam he said, Because you have heard unto the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree, of which I commanded you, saying, you shall not eat of it: cursed is the ground for your sake; in toil shall you eat of it all the days of your life; {3:18} thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to you; and you shall eat the herb of the field; {3:19} in the sweat of your face shall you eat bread, till you return unto the ground; for out of it was you taken: for dust you are, and unto dust shall you return. {3:20} And the man called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living. {3:21} And The God Yahweh made [covering] for Adam and for his wife long coats of skins, and clothed them. {3:22} And The God Yahweh said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil; and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever-- {3:23} therefore The God Yahweh sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from where he was taken. {3:24} So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden the Cherubim, and the flame of a sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

{O1}4} Genesis Chapter Four. {4:1} And the man knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man with [the help of] Yahweh. {4:2} And again she bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. {4:3} And in

process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto Yahweh. {4:4} And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat there. And Yahweh had respect unto Abel and to his offering: {4:5} but unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. {4:6} And Yahweh said unto Cain, Why are you angry? and why is your countenance fallen? {4:7} If you do well, shall it not be lifted up? and if you do not well, sin couches at the door: and unto you shall be its desire, but do you rule over it. {4:8} And Cain told Abel his brother. And it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

{4:9} And Yahweh said unto Cain, Where is Abel your brother? And he said, I know not: am I my brother's keeper? {4:10} And he said, What have you done? the voice of your brother's blood cries unto me from the ground. {4:11} And now cursed are you from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand; {4:12} when you till the ground, it shall not from here on yield unto you its strength; a fugitive and a wanderer shall you be in the earth. {4:13} And Cain said unto Yahweh, My punishment is greater than I can bear. {4:14} Behold, you have driven me out this day from the face of the ground; and from your face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer in the earth; and it will come to pass, that anyone who finds me will slay me. {4:15} And Yahweh said unto him, Therefore anyone who slays Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And Yahweh appointed a sign for Cain, lest any finding him should smite him.

{4:16} And Cain went out from the presence of Yahweh, and lived in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. {4:17} And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he build a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. {4:18} And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begot Mehujael: and Mehujael begot Methushael; and Methushael begot Lamech. {4:19} And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other Zillah. {4:20} And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents and [have] cattle. {4:21} And his brother's name was Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and pipe. {4:22} And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-cain, the forger of every cutting instrument of brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain was Naamah. {4:23} And Lamech said unto his wives: Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; you wives of Lamech, hear unto my speech: For I have slain a man for wounding me, And a young man for bruising me: {4:24} If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, Truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold. {4:25} And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth. For, [said she], God has appointed me another seed instead of Abel; for Cain slew him. {4:26} And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enoch. Then began men to call upon the name of Yahweh.

{01}5} Genesis Chapter Five {5:1} This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; {5:2} male and female created he them, and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created. {5:3} And Adam lived a hundred and thirty years, and begot [a son] in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth: {5:4} and the days of Adam after he begot Seth were eight hundred years: and he begot sons and daughters. {5:5} And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

{5:6} And Seth lived a hundred and five years, and begot Enosh: {5:7} and Seth lived after he begot Enosh eight hundred and seven years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:8} and all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died.

{5:9} And Enosh lived ninety years, and begot Kenan. {5:10} and Enosh lived after he begot Kenan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:11} and all the days of Enosh were nine hundred and five years: and he died.

{5:12} And Kenan lived seventy years, and begot Mahalalel: {5:13} and Kenan lived after he begot Mahalalel eight hundred and forty years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:14} and all the days of Kenan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

{5:15} And Mahalalel lived sixty and five years, and begot Jared: {5:16} And Mahalalel lived after he begot Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:17} and all the days of Mahalalel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.

{5:18} And Jared lived a hundred sixty and two years, and begot Enoch: {5:19} and Jared lived after he begot Enoch eight hundred years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:20} And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died. {5:21} And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begot Methuselah: {5:22} and Enoch walked with God after he begot Methuselah three hundred years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:23} and all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: {5:24} and Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

{5:25} And Methuselah lived a hundred eighty and seven years, and begot Lamech: {5:26} and Methuselah lived after he begot Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begot sons and daughters. {5:27} And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

{5:28} And Lamech lived a hundred eighty and two years, and begot a son: {5:29} and he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us in our work and in the toil of our hands, [which comes] because of the ground which Yahweh has cursed. {5:30} And Lamech lived after he begot Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begot sons and daughters: {5:31} And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.

{5:32} And Noah was five hundred years old: And Noah begot Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

{01}6} Genesis Chapter Six. {6:1} And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the ground, and daughters were born unto them, {6:2} that the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all that they chose. {6:3} And Yahweh said, My spirit shall not strive with man forever, for that he also is flesh: yet shall his days be a hundred and twenty years. {6:4} The Nephilim was in the earth in those days, and also after that, when the sons of God came unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them: the same were the mighty men that were of old, the men of renown.

{6:5} And Yahweh saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. {6:6} And it repented Yahweh that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. {6:7} And Yahweh said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the ground; both man, and beast, and creeping things, and birds of the heavens; for it repents me that I have made them. {6:8} But Noah found favor in the eyes of Yahweh.

{6:9} These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, [and] perfect in his generations: Noah walked with God. {6:10} And Noah begot three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. {6:11} And the earth was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. {6:12} And God saw the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth.

{6:13} And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth. {6:14} Make you an ark of gopher wood; rooms shall you make in the ark, and shall pitch it within and outside with pitch. {6:15} And this is how you shall make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. {6:16} A light shall you make to the ark, and to a cubit shall you finish it upward; and the door of the ark shall you set in the side there; with lower, second, and third stories shall you make it. {6:17} And I, behold, I do bring the flood of waters upon this earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is in the earth shall die. {6:18} But I will establish my covenant with you; and you shall come into the ark, you, and your sons, and your wife, and your sons' wives with you. {6:19} And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shall you bring into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. {6:20} Of the birds after their kind,

and of the cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every sort shall come unto you, to keep them alive. {6:21} And take you unto you of all food that is eaten, and gather it to you; and it shall be for food for you, and for them. {6:22} Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

{O1}7} Genesis Chapter Seven. {7:1} And Yahweh said unto Noah, Come you and your entire house into the ark; for you have I seen righteous works before me in this generation. {7:2} Of every clean beast you shall take to you seven and seven, the male and his female; and of the beasts that are not clean two, the male and his female: {7:3} of the birds also of the heavens, seven and seven, male and female, to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. {7:4} For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the ground. {7:5} And Noah did according unto all that Yahweh commanded him.

{7:6} And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth. {7:7} And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood. {7:8} Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of birds, and of everything that creeps upon the ground, {7:9} there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, male and female, as God commanded Noah. {7:10} And it came to pass after the seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. {7:11} In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second moon cycle, on the seventeenth day of the moon, on the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. {7:12} And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

{7:13} In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark; {7:14} they, and every beast after its kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, every bird of every sort. {7:15} And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh wherein is the breath of life. {7:16} And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God commanded him: and Yahweh shut him in. {7:17} And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and raised up the ark, and it was raised up above the earth. {7:18} And the waters prevailed, and increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters. {7:19} And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high mountains that were under the whole heaven were covered. {7:20} Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. {7:21} And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both birds, and cattle, and beasts, and every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth, and every man: {7:22} all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, of all that was on the dry land, died. {7:23} And every living thing was destroyed that was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and creeping things, and birds of the heavens; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only was left, and they that were with him in the ark. {7:24} And the waters prevailed upon the earth a hundred and fifty days.

{O1}8} Genesis Chapter Eight. {8:1} And God remembered Noah, and all the beasts, and all the cattle that were with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters subside; {8:2} the fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; {8:3} and the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of a hundred and fifty days the waters decreased. {8:4} And the ark rested in the seventh moon cycle, on the seventeenth day of the moon, upon the mountains of Ararat. {8:5} And the waters decreased continually until the [cycle of] the tenth moon: in the tenth of the moon cycle, on the first day of the [all] dark [night] of the moon, were the tops of the mountains seen.

{8:6} And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made: {8:7} and he sent forth a raven, and it went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth. {8:8} And he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters

were abated from off the face of the ground; {8:9} but the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him to the ark; for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: and he put forth his hand, and took her, and brought her in unto him into the ark. {8:10} And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; {8:11} and the dove came in to him at eventide; and, lo, in her mouth an olive-leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. {8:12} And he stayed yet other seven days, and sent forth the dove; and she returned not again unto him anymore.

{8:13} And it came to pass in the six hundred and first year, in the first moon cycle ["Abib,"] the Moon of resurrection], the first [all dark night of the] day of the dark of the [resurrection] moon [Abib], the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dried. {8:14} And in the second moon cycle, on the seven and twentieth day of the [second moon], was the earth dry. {8:15} And God spoke unto Noah, saying, {8:16} Go forth from the ark, you, and your wife, and your sons, and your sons' wives with you. {8:17} Bring forth with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh, both birds, and cattle, and every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. {8:18} And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him: {8:19} every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, whatever moves upon the earth, after their families, went forth out of the ark.

{8:20} And Noah built an altar unto Yahweh, and took of every clean beast, and of every clean bird, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar. {8:21} And Yahweh smelled the sweet savor; and Yahweh said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake, for that the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; either will I again smite any more everything living, as I have done. {8:22} While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

{01}9} Genesis Chapter Nine. {9:1} And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. {9:2} And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every bird of the heavens; with all by which the ground teems, and all the fishes of the sea, into your hand are they delivered. {9:3} Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; as the green herb have I given you all. {9:4} But flesh with the life there, [which is] the blood there, shall you not eat. {9:5} And surely your blood, [the blood] of your lives, will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it. And at the hand of man, even at the hand of every man's brother, will I require the life of man. {9:6} Who so sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man. {9:7} And you, be you fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.

{9:8} And God spoke unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, {9:9} And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you; {9:10} and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you. Of all that go out of the ark, even every beast of the earth. {9:11} And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of the flood; neither shall there anymore be a flood to destroy the earth. {9:12} And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: {9:13} I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. {9:14} And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud, {9:15} and I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. {9:16} And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth.

{9:17} And God said unto Noah, This is the token of the covenant which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth. {9:18} And the sons of Noah, that went forth

from the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham is the father of Canaan. {9:19} These three were the sons of Noah: and of these was the whole earth overspread.

{9:20} And Noah began to be a husbandman, and planted a vineyard: {9:21} and he drank of the wine, and was drunk. And he was uncovered within his tent. {9:22} And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren outside. {9:23} And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid it upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father. And their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness. {9:24} And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his youngest son had done unto him. {9:25} And he said, A cursed be Canaan; A slave of slaves shall he be unto his brethren. {9:26} And he said, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Shem; And let Canaan be his slave. {9:27} God enlarge Japheth, And let him dwell in the tents of Shem; And let Canaan be his slave. {9:28} And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years. {9:29} And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

{01}10} Genesis Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, [namely], of Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood. {10:2} The sons of Japheth: Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. {10:3} And the sons of Gomer: Ashkenaz, and Riphaz, and Togarmah. {10:4} And the sons of Javan: Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim. {10:5} Of these were the isles of the nations divided in their lands, everyone after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

{10:6} And the sons of Ham: Cush, and Mizraim, and Put, and Canaan. {10:7} And the sons of Cush: Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabteca; and the sons of Raamah: Sheba, and Dedan. {10:8} And Cush begot Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth. {10:9} He was a mighty hunter before Yahweh: Therefore it is said, Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before Yahweh. {10:10} And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. {10:11} Out of that land he went forth into Assyria, and built Nineveh, and Rehoboth-Ir, and Calah, {10:12} and Resen between Nineveh and Calah (the same is the great city). {10:13} And Mizraim begot Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim, {10:14} and Pathrusim, and Casluhim (where went forth the Philistines), and Caphtorim. {10:15} And Canaan begot Sidon his first-born, and Heth, {10:16} and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite, {10:17} and the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite, {10:18} and the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanite spread abroad. {10:19} And the border of the Canaanite was from Sidon, as you go toward Gerar, unto Gaza; as you go toward Sodom and Gomorrah and Admah and Zeboiim, unto Lasha. {10:20} These are the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, in their nations. {10:21} And unto Shem, the father of all the children of Eber, the elder brother of Japheth, to him also were children born. {10:22} The sons of Shem: Elam, and Asshur, and Arpachshad, and Lud, and Aram. {10:23} And the sons of Aram: Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash. {10:24} And Arphaxad begot Shelah; and Shelah begot Eber. {10:25} And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one was Peleg. For in his days was the earth divided. And his brother's name was Joktan. {10:26} And Joktan begot Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah, {10:27} and Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah, {10:28} and Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba, {10:29} and Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these were the sons of Joktan. {10:30} And their dwelling was from Mesha, as you go toward Spear, the mountain of the east. {10:31} These are the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations. {10:32} These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and of these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

{01}11} Genesis Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And the whole earth was of one language and of one speech. {11:2} And it came to pass, as they journey east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they lived there. {11:3} And they said one to another, Come, let us make brick, and

burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. {11:4} And they said, Come, let us build us a city, and a tower, whose top [may reach] unto heaven, and let us make us a name; lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. {11:5} And Yahweh came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men built. {11:6} And Yahweh said, Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is what they begin to do: and now nothing will be withheld from them, which they purpose to do. {11:7} Come, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. {11:8} So Yahweh scattered them abroad from there upon the face of all the earth: and they left off building the city. {11:9} Therefore was the name of it called Babel; because Yahweh did there confound the language of all the earth: and from there did Yahweh scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth. {11:10} These are the generations of Shem. Shem was a hundred years old, and begot Arphaxad two years after the flood. {11:11} and Shem lived after he begot Arphaxad five hundred years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:12} And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begot Shelah. {11:13} and Arphaxad lived after he begot Shelah four hundred and three years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:14} And Shelah lived thirty years, and begot Eber: {11:15} and Shelah lived after he begot Eber four hundred and three years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:16} And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begot Peleg: {11:17} and Eber lived after he begot Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:18} And Peleg lived thirty years, and begot Reu: {11:19} and Peleg lived after he begot Reu two hundred and nine years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:20} And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begot Serug: {11:21} And Reu lived after he begot Serug two hundred and seven years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:22} And Serug lived thirty years, and begot Nahor: {11:23} and Serug lived after he begot Nahor two hundred years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:24} And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begot Terah: {11:25} and Nahor lived after he begot Terah a hundred and nineteen years, and begot sons and daughters. {11:26} And Terah lived seventy years, and begot Abram [Exalted Father], Nahor, and Haran. {11:27} Now these are the generations of Terah. Terah begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran. And Haran begot Lot. {11:28} And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees. {11:29} And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife was Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah. {11:30} And Sarai was barren; She had no child. {11:31} And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran, his son's son, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and lived there. {11:32} And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

{01}12} Genesis Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Now Yahweh said unto Abram, Get you out of your country, and from your kindred, and from your father's house, unto the land that I will show you: {12:2} and I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and be you a blessing; {12:3} and I will bless them that bless you, and him that curses you will I curse: and in you shall all the families of the earth be blessed. {12:4} So Abram went, as Yahweh had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. {12:5} And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. {12:6} And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Shechem, unto the oak of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land. {12:7} And Yahweh appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto your seed will I give this land: and there built he an altar unto Yahweh, who appeared unto him. {12:8} And he removed from there unto the mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his tent, having Beth-el on the west, and Ai on the east: and there he built an altar unto Yahweh, and called upon the name of Yahweh. {12:9} And Abram journeys, going on still toward the South.

{12:10} And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was sore in the land. {12:11} And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that you are a fair woman to look upon: {12:12} and it will come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see you, that they will say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save you alive. {12:13} Say, I pray you, you are my sister; that it may be well with me for your sake, and that my soul may live because of you. {12:14} And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians watched the woman that she was very fair. {12:15} And the princes of Pharaoh saw her, and praised her to Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. {12:16} And he dealt well with Abram for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and male-donkeys, and men-servants, and maid-servants, and female-donkeys, and camels. {12:17} And Yahweh plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. {12:18} And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What is this that you have done unto me? why did you not tell me that she was your wife? {12:19} why did you say, She is my sister, so that I took her to be my wife? now therefore behold your wife, take her, and go your way. {12:20} And Pharaoh gave men charge concerning him: and they brought him on the way, and his wife, and all that he had.

{01}13} Genesis Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the South. {13:2} And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. {13:3} And he went on his journeys from the South even to Beth-el, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Ai, {13:4} unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of Yahweh. {13:5} And Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents. {13:6} And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together. {13:7} And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's cattle and the herdsmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite lived then in the land. {13:8} And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray you, between me and you, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are brethren. {13:9} Is not the whole land before you? separate yourself, I pray you, from me. If [you will take] the left hand, then I will go to the right. Or if [you take] the right hand, then I will go to the left. {13:10} And Lot lifted up his eyes, and watched all the Plain of the Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere, before Yahweh destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, like the garden of Yahweh, like the land of Egypt, as you go unto Zoar. {13:11} So Lot chose him all the Plain of the Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other. {13:12} Abram lived in the land of Canaan, and Lot lived in the cities of the Plain, and moved his tent as far as Sodom. {13:13} Now the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners against Yahweh exceedingly. {13:14} And Yahweh said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now your eyes, and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward: {13:15} for all the land which you see, to you will I give it, and to your seed forever. {13:16} And I will make your seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then may your seed also be numbered. {13:17} Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for unto you will I give it. {13:18} And Abram moved his tent, and came and lived by the oaks of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built there an altar unto Yahweh.

{01}14} Genesis Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of Goiim, {14:2} that they made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar). {14:3} All these joined together in the vale of Siddim (the same is the Salt Sea). {14:4} Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled. {14:5} And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were with him, and defeated the Rephaim in

Ashteroth-karnaim, and the Zuzim in Ham, and the Emim in Shaveh-kiriathaim, {14:6} and the Horites in their mount Seir, unto Elparan, which is by the wilderness. {14:7} And they returned, and came to En-mishpat (the same is Kadesh), and defeated all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that lived in Hazazon-tamar. {14:8} And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar); and they set the battle in array against them in the vale of Siddim; {14:9} against Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of Goiim, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings against the five. {14:10} Now the vale of Siddim was full of slime pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and they fell there, and they that remained fled to the mountain. {14:11} And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way. {14:12} And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who lived in Sodom, and his goods, and departed. {14:13} And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew: now he lived by the oaks of Mamre, the Amorite, brother of School, and brother of Anger; and these were confederate with Abram. {14:14} And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued as far as Dan. {14:15} And he divided himself against them by night, he and his servants, and defeated them, and pursued them unto Hookah, which is on the left hand of Damascus. {14:16} And he brought back all the goods, and also brought back his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people. {14:17} And the king of Sodom went out to meet him, after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer and the kings that were with him, at the vale of Shave (the same is the King's Vale). {14:18} And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was priest of God Most High. {14:19} And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth: {14:20} and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand. And he gave him a tenth of all. {14:21} And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to yourself. {14:22} And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lifted up my hand unto Yahweh, God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth, {14:23} that I will not take a thread nor a shoe-latchet nor anything that is yours, lest you should say, I have made Abram rich: {14:24} save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men that went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; Let them take their portion.

{01}15} Genesis Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} After these things the word of Yahweh came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am your shield, [and] your exceeding great reward. {15:2} And Abram said, O Lord Yahweh, what will you give me, seeing I go childless, and he that shall be possessor of my house is Eleazar of Damascus? {15:3} And Abram said, Behold, to me you have given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir. {15:4} And, behold, the word of Yahweh came unto him, saying, This man shall not be your heir; But he that shall come forth out of your own bowels shall be your heir. {15:5} And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and number the stars, if you be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall your seed be. {15:6} And he believed in [obedience] Yahweh; and he reckoned it to him for [good] works of the law. {15:7} And he said unto him, I am Yahweh that brought you out of Ur of the Chaldee, to give you this land to inherit it. {15:8} And he said, O Lord Yahweh, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it? {15:9} And he said unto him, Take me a heifer three years old, and a she-goat three years old, and a ram three years old, and a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon. {15:10} And he took him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each half over against the other: but the birds divided he not. {15:11} And the birds of prey came down upon the bodies, and Abram drove them away. {15:12} And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, a horror of great darkness fell upon him. {15:13} And he said unto Abram, Know for a guarantee, that your seed shall be aliens in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; {15:14} and also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance. {15:15} But you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good

old age. {15:16} And in the fourth generation they shall come here again; for the work against law of the Amorite is not yet full. {15:17} And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold, a smoking furnace, and a flaming torch that passed between these pieces. {15:18} In that day Yahweh made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto your seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: {15:19} the Kentia, and the Kunzite, and the Ammonite, {15:20} and the Hittite, and the Parasite, and the Rephaim, {15:21} and the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

{O1}16} Genesis Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Now Sara, Abram's wife, bare him no children: and she had a handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar. {16:2} And Sara said unto Abram, Behold now, Yahweh has restrained me from bearing; go in, I pray you, unto my handmaid; it may be that I shall obtain children by her. And Abram heard the voice of Sara. {16:3} And Sara, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her handmaid, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to Abram her husband to be his wife. {16:4} And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes. {16:5} And Sara said unto Abram, My wrong be upon you: I gave my handmaid into your bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: Yahweh judge between me and you. {16:6} But Abram said unto Sara, Behold, your maid is in your hand; do to her that which is good in your eyes. And Sara dealt hard with her, and she fled from her face. {16:7} And the messenger of Yahweh found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shut. {16:8} And he said, Hagar, Sari's handmaid, where did you come? and where do you go? And she said, I am fleeing from the face of my mistress Sara. {16:9} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto her, Return to your mistress, and submit yourself under her hands. {16:10} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto her, I will greatly multiply your seed, that it shall not be numbered for multitude. {16:11} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto her, Behold, you are with child, and shall bear a son; and you shall call his name Ishmael, because Yahweh has heard your affliction. {16:12} And he shall be [as] a wild donkey among men; his hand [shall be] against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell over against all his brethren. {16:13} And she called the name of Yahweh that spoke unto her, you are a God that sees: for she said, Have I even here looked after him that sees me? {16:14} Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered. {16:15} And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bare, Ishmael. {16:16} And Abram was eighty and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

{O1}17} Genesis Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, Yahweh appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be you perfect. {17:2} And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly. {17:3} And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, {17:4} As for me, behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. {17:5} Neither shall your name any more be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham [Father Of A Multitude]; for the father of a multitude of nations have I made you. {17:6} And I will make you exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come out of you. {17:7} And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your seed after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto you and to your seed after you. {17:8} And I will give unto you, and to your seed after you, the land of your traveling the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God. {17:9} And God said unto Abraham, And as for you, you shall keep my covenant, you, and your seed after you throughout their generations. {17:10} This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your seed after you: every male among you shall be circumcised. {17:11} And you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of a covenant between me and you. {17:12} And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every male throughout your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any foreigner

that is not of your seed. {17:13} He that is born in your house, and he that is bought with your money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. {17:14} And the uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant. {17:15} And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be. {17:16} And I will bless her, and I will give you a son of her: behold, I will bless her, and she shall be [a mother of] nations; kings of peoples shall be of her. {17:17} Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, shall a child be born unto him that is a hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear? {17:18} And Abraham said unto God, Oh that Ishmael might live before you! {17:19} And God said, No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you a son; and you shall call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant for his seed after him. {17:20} And as for Ishmael, I have heard you: behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation. {17:21} But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear unto you at this set time in the next year. {17:22} And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham. {17:23} And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house, and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him. {17:24} And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. {17:25} And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. {17:26} In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son. {17:27} And all the men of his house, those born in the house, and those bought with money of a foreigner, were circumcised with him.

{O1}18} Genesis Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And Yahweh appeared unto him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; {18:2} and he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood over against him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself to the earth, {18:3} and said, My lord, if now I have found favor in your sight, pass not away, I pray you, from your servant: {18:4} let now a little water be gotten, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree: {18:5} and I will get a morsel of bread, and strengthen you your heart; after that you shall pass on: forasmuch as you are come to your servant. And they said, So do, as you have said. {18:6} And Abraham hurried into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes. {18:7} And Abraham ran unto the herd, and gotten a calf tender and good, and gave it unto the servant; and he hurried to dress it. {18:8} And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat. {18:9} And they said unto him, Where is Sarah your wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. {18:10} And he said, I will certainly return unto you when the season comes round; and, lo, Sarah your wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard in the tent door, which was behind him. {18:11} Now Abraham and Sarah were old, [and] well stricken in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. {18:12} And Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? {18:13} And Yahweh said unto Abraham, Therefore did Sarah laugh, saying, shall I of a guarantee bear a child, who am old? {18:14} Is anything too hard for Yahweh? At the set time I will return unto you, when the season comes round, and Sarah shall have a son. {18:15} Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, No; but you did laugh. {18:16} And the men rose up from there, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way. {18:17} And Yahweh said, shall I hide from Abraham that which I do; {18:18} seeing that Abraham had surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? {18:19} For I have known him, to the end that he may command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of Yahweh, to do good works of the law and justice; to the end that Yahweh may bring upon Abraham that which he has spoken of him. {18:20} And Yahweh said, Because the

cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; {18:21} I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. {18:22} And the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before Yahweh. {18:23} And Abraham drew near, and said, Will you consume the righteous workers with the wicked? {18:24} Perhaps there are fifty righteous workers within the city: will you consume and not spare the place for the fifty righteous workers that are therein? {18:25} That be far from you to do after this manner, to slay the righteous worker with the wicked, that so the righteous worker should be as the wicked; that be far from you: shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? {18:26} And Yahweh said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous workers within the city, then I will spare the entire place for their sake. {18:27} And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, who am but dust and ashes: {18:28} perhaps there shall lack five of the fifty righteous workers: will you destroy the entire city for lack of five? And he said, I will not destroy it, if I find there forty and five. {18:29} And he spoke unto him yet again, and said, Perhaps 'there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for the forty's sake. {18:30} And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: what if there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there. {18:31} And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: suppose there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the twenty's sake. {18:32} And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: what if ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the ten's sake. {18:33} And Yahweh went his way, as soon as he had left off communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

{O1}19} Genesis Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And the two messengers came to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot saw them, and rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face to the earth; {19:2} and he said, Behold now, my lords, turn aside, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and you shall rise up early, and go on your way. And they said, No; but we will abide in the street all night. {19:3} And he urged them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat. {19:4} But before they lay down, the men of the city, [even] the men of Sodom, around the house round, both young and old, all the people from every quarter; {19:5} and they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men that came in to you this night? bring them out unto us, that we may have sexual intercourse with them. {19:6} And Lot went out unto them to the door, and shut the door after him. {19:7} And he said, I pray you, my brethren, do not so wickedly. {19:8} Behold now, I have two daughters that have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do you to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing, forasmuch as they are come under the shadow of my roof. {19:9} And they said, Stand back. And they said, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he becomes our judge: now will we deal worse with you, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and drew near to break the door. {19:10} But the men put forth their hand, and brought Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door. {19:11} And they defeated the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they wearied themselves to find the door. {19:12} And the men said unto Lot, Have you here any besides? son-in-law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whom so ever you have in the city, bring them out of the place: {19:13} for we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxed great before Yahweh: and Yahweh has sent us to destroy it. {19:14} And Lot went out, and spoke unto his sons-in-law, who married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for Yahweh will destroy the city. But he seemed unto his sons-in-law as one that mocked. {19:15} And when the morning arose, then the messengers rushed Lot, saying, Arise, take your wife, and your two daughters that are here, lest you be consumed in the works against law of the city. {19:16} But he lingered; and the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters, Yahweh being merciful unto him; and they brought

him forth, and set him outside the city. {19:17} And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for your life; look not behind you, neither stay you in all the Plain; escape to the mountain, lest you be consumed. {19:18} And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my lord: {19:19} behold now, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have magnified your agape loving kindness, which you have showed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest evil overtake me, and I die: {19:20} behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one. Oh let me escape there (is it not a little one?), and my soul shall live. {19:21} And he said unto him, See, I have accepted you concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken. {19:22} You, hurry escape there; for I cannot do anything until you go there. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar. {19:23} The [evening] sun was gone down upon the earth when Lot came unto Zoar. {19:24} Then Yahweh rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from Yahweh out of heaven; {19:25} and he overthrew those cities, and all the Plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground. {19:26} But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt. {19:27} And Abraham got up early in the morning to the place where he had stood before Yahweh: {19:28} and he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the Plain, and watched, and, lo, the smoke of the land went up as the smoke of a furnace. {19:29} And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the Plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in which Lot dwelt. {19:30} And Lot went up out of Zoar, and lived in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he lived in a cave, he and his two daughters. {19:31} And the first-born said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth: {19:32} come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. {19:33} And they made their father drink wine that night: and the first-born went in, and lay with her father; and he knew not when she lay down, nor when she arose. {19:34} And it came to pass on the morrow, that the first-born said unto the younger, Behold, I lay last night with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go you in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. {19:35} And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he knew not when she lay down, nor when she arose. {19:36} Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father. {19:37} And the first-born bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day. {19:38} And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Ben-ammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

{01}20} Genesis Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And Abraham traveled from there toward the land of the South, and lived between Kadesh and Shur. And he sojourned in Gerar. {20:2} And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister. And Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah. {20:3} But God came to Abimelech in a dream of the night, and said to him, Behold, you are but a dead man, because of the woman whom you have taken. For she is a man's wife. {20:4} Now Abimelech had not come near her. And he said, Lord, will you slay even a righteous working nation? {20:5} Said he not himself unto me, She is my sister? And she, even she herself said, He is my brother. In the integrity of my heart and the innocence of my hands have I done this. {20:6} And God said unto him in the dream, behold, I know that in the integrity of your heart you have done this, and I also withheld you from sinning against me. Therefore suffered I you not to touch her. {20:7} Now therefore restore the man's wife. For he is a prophet, and he shall pray for you, and you shall live. And if you restore her not, know you that you shall surely die, you, and all that are yours. {20:8} And Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his saves, and told all these things in their ear. And the men were sore afraid. {20:9} Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What have you done unto us? And wherein have I sinned against you that you have brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? you have done deeds unto me that ought not to be done. {20:10} And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What saw

you, that you have done this thing? {20:11} And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God is not in this place. And they will slay me for my wife's sake. {20:12} And she is indeed my sister, the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife: {20:13} and it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is your kindness which you shall show unto me. At every place where we shall come, say of me, He is my brother. {20:14} And Abimelech took sheep and oxen, and men-slaves and women-slaves, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife. {20:15} And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before you. Dwell where it pleases you. {20:16} And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given your brother a thousand pieces of silver. Behold, it is for you a covering of the eyes to all that are with you. And in respect of all you are righted. {20:17} And Abraham prayed unto God. And God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maid-slaves. And they bare children. {20:18} For Yahweh had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

{01}21} Genesis Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And Yahweh visited Sarah as he had said, and Yahweh did unto Sarah as he had spoken. {21:2} And Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. {21:3} And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac. {21:4} And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. {21:5} And Abraham was a hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him. {21:6} And Sarah said, God has made me to laugh. Everyone that hears will laugh with me. {21:7} And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should give children suck? For I have borne him a son in his old age. {21:8} And the child grew, and was weaned. And Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. {21:9} And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne unto Abraham, mocking. {21:10} Therefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this handmaid and her son. For the son of this handmaid shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac. {21:11} And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight on account of his son. {21:12} And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in your sight because of the young man, and because of your handmaid. In all that Sarah said unto you, hear unto her voice. For in Isaac shall your seed be called. {21:13} And also of the son of the handmaid will I make a nation, because he is your seed. {21:14} And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and [gave her] the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. {21:15} And the water in the bottle was spent, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs. {21:16} And she went, and sat her down over against him a good way off, as it were a bowshot. For she said, Let me not look upon the death of the child. And she sat over against him, and lifted up her voice, and wept. {21:17} And God heard the voice of the young man. And the messenger of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What ails you, Hagar? Fear not. For God has heard the voice of the young man where he is. {21:18} Arise, lift up the young man, and hold him in your hand. For I will make him a great nation. {21:19} And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. And she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the young man drink. {21:20} And God was with the young man, and he grew. And he lived in the wilderness, and became, as he grew up, an archer. {21:21} And he lived in the wilderness of Paran. And his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt. {21:22} And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phicol the captain of his host spoke unto Abraham, saying, God is with you in all that you do. {21:23} Now therefore swear unto me here by God that you will not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son. But according to the kindness that I have done unto you, you shall do unto me, and to the land wherein you have sojourned. {21:24} And Abraham said, I will swear. {21:25} And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of the well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away. {21:26} And Abimelech said, I know not who has done this thing. Neither did you tell me, neither yet heard I of it, but to-day. {21:27} And

Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech. And they two made a covenant. {21:28} And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves. {21:29} And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What mean these seven ewe lambs which you have set by themselves? {21:30} And he said, These seven ewe lambs shall you take of my hand, that it may be a witness unto me, that I have dug this well. {21:31} Therefore he called that place Beer-sheba. Because there they swore both of them. {21:32} So they made a covenant at Beer-sheba. And Abimelech rose up, and Phicol the captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines. {21:33} And [Abraham] planted a tamarisk tree in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of Yahweh, the Everlasting God. {21:34} And Abraham sojourned in the land of the Philistines many days.

{01}22} Genesis Chapter Twenty Two. {22:1} And it came to pass after these things, that God did prove Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham. And he said, Here am I. {22:2} And he said, Take now your son, your only son, whom you agape love, even Isaac, and get you into the land of Moriah. And offer him there for a burnt-offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell you of. {22:3} And Abraham rose early in the morning, and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son. And he clave the wood for the burnt-offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. {22:4} On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. {22:5} And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide you here with the donkey, and I and the young man will go yonder; and we will worship, and come again to you. {22:6} And Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. And they went both of them together. {22:7} And Isaac spoke unto Abraham his father, and said, My father. And he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold, the fire and the wood. But where is the lamb for a burnt-offering? {22:8} And Abraham said, God will provide himself the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son. So they went both of them together. {22:9} And they came to the place which God had told him of. And Abraham built the altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. {22:10} And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. {22:11} And the messenger of Yahweh called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham. And he said, Here I am. {22:12} And he said, Lay not your hand upon the young man, neither do you anything unto him. For now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your agape beloved son, your only son, from me. {22:13} And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold, behind [him] a ram caught in the thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt-offering in the stead of his son. {22:14} And Abraham called the name of that place Yahweh-Yireh [Yahweh Sees]. As it is said to this day, In the mount of Yahweh it shall be provided. {22:15} And the messenger of Yahweh called unto Abraham a second time out of heaven, {22:16} and said, By myself have I sworn, said Yahweh, because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your agape beloved son, your only son, {22:17} that in blessing I will bless you, and in multiplying I will multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens, and as the sand which is upon the seashore. And your seed shall possess the gate of his enemies. {22:18} And in your seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed. Because you have obeyed my voice. {22:19} So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba. And Abraham lived at Beer-sheba. {22:20} And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah, she also has borne children unto your brother Nahor. {22:21} Uz his first-born, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram. {22:22} And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel. {22:23} And Bethuel begot Rebecca. These eight did Milcah bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother. {22:24} And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, she also bare Tebah, and Gaham, and Tahash, and Maacah.

{01}23} Genesis Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} And the life of Sarah was a hundred and twenty seven years. These were the years of the life of Sarah. {23:2} And Sarah died in Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), in the land of Canaan. And Abraham came to grieve for Sarah, and to

weep for her. {23:3} And Abraham rose up from before his dead, and spoke unto the children of Heth, saying, {23:4} I am a stranger and an alien with you. Give me a possession of a burying-place with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight. {23:5} And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him, {23:6} Hear us, my lord. you are a prince of God among us. In the choice of our sepulchers bury your dead. None of us shall withhold from you his sepulcher, but that you may bury your dead. {23:7} And Abraham rose up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, even to the children of Heth. {23:8} And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me, and entreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar, {23:9} that he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he has, which is in the end of his field. For the full price let him give it to me in the midst of you for a possession of a burying-place. {23:10} Now Ephron was sitting in the midst of the children of Heth. And Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, even of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying, {23:11} No, my lord, hear me. The field give I you, and the cave that is therein, I give it you. In the presence of the children of my people give I it you. Bury your dead. {23:12} And Abraham bowed himself down before the people of the land. {23:13} And he spoke unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if you will, I pray you, hear me. I will give the price of the field. Take it of me, and I will bury my dead there. {23:14} And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him, {23:15} My lord, hear unto me. A piece of land worth four hundred shekels of silver, what is that between me and you? Bury therefore your dead. {23:16} And Abraham heard unto Ephron. And Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver which he had named in the audience of the children of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current [money] with the merchant. {23:17} So the field of Ephron, which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, and the cave which was therein, and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all the border of it round about, were made sure {23:18} unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city. {23:19} And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre (the same is Hebron), in the land of Canaan. {23:20} And the field, and the cave that is therein, were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a burying-place by the children of Heth.

{01}24} Genesis Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} And Abraham was old, [and] well stricken in age. And Yahweh had blessed Abraham in all things. {24:2} And Abraham said unto his servant, the elder of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Please I pray you put your hand under my thigh. {24:3} And I will make you swear by Yahweh, the God of heaven and the God of the earth, that you will not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell. {24:4} But you shall go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife for my son Isaac. {24:5} And the servant said unto him, Perhaps the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land. Must I need to bring your son again unto the land from where you came? {24:6} And Abraham said unto him, Beware you that you bring not my son there again. {24:7} Yahweh, the God of heaven, who took me from my father's house, and from the land of my nativity, and who spoke unto me, and who swore unto me, saying, Unto your seed will I give this land. He will send his messenger before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there. {24:8} And if the woman be not willing to follow you, then you shall be clear from this my oath. Only you shall not bring my son there again. {24:9} And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and swore to him concerning this matter. {24:10} And the servant took ten camels, of the camels of his master, and departed, having all goodly things of his master's in his hand. And he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor. {24:11} And he made the camels to kneel down outside the city by the well of water at the time of evening, the time that women go out to draw water. {24:12} And he said, O Yahweh, the God of my master Abraham, send me, I pray you, good speed this day, and show kindness unto my master Abraham. {24:13} Behold, I am standing by the fountain of water. And the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water. {24:14} And let it come to pass, that the maid to whom I shall say, Let

down your pitcher, I pray you, that I may drink. And she shall say, Drink, and I will give your camels drink also. Let the same be she that you have appointed for your servant Isaac. And thereby shall I know that you have showed kindness unto my master. {24:15} And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebecca came out, who was born to Bethuel the son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder. {24:16} And the maid was very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her. And she went down to the fountain, and filled her pitcher, and came up. {24:17} And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Give me to drink, I pray you, a little water from your pitcher. {24:18} And she said, Drink, my lord. And she hurried, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink. {24:19} And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw for your camels also, until they have done drinking. {24:20} And she hurried, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw, and drew for all his camels. {24:21} And the man looked intently at her, holding his peace, to know whether Yahweh had made his journey prosperous or not. {24:22} And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden ring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold, {24:23} and said, Whose daughter are you? Tell me, I pray you. Is there room in your father's house for us to lodge in? {24:24} And she said unto him, I am the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, whom she bare unto Nahor. {24:25} She said unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in. {24:26} And the man bowed his head, and worshipped Yahweh. {24:27} And he said, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken his agape loving kindness and his truth toward my master. As for me, Yahweh has led me in the way to the house of my master's brethren. {24:28} And the maid ran, and told her mother's house according to these words. {24:29} And Rebecca had a brother, and his name was Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the fountain. {24:30} And it came to pass, when he saw the ring, and the bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebecca his sister, saying, Thus spoke the man unto me. That he came unto the man. And, behold, he was standing by the camels at the fountain. {24:31} And he said, Come in, you blessed of Yahweh. Why do you stand outside? For I have prepared the house, and room for the camels. {24:32} And the man came into the house, and he unhitched the camels. And he gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the feet of the men that were with him. {24:33} And there was set food before him to eat. But he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on. {24:34} And he said, I am Abraham's servant. {24:35} And Yahweh has blessed my master greatly. And he is become great. And he has given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and men-servants and maid-servants, and camels and donkeys. {24:36} And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old. And unto him has he given all that he has. {24:37} And my master made me swear, saying, you shall not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell. {24:38} But you shall go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife for my son. {24:39} And I said unto my master, Perhaps the woman will not follow me. {24:40} And he said unto me, Yahweh, before whom I walk, will send his messenger with you, and prosper your way. And you shall take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house. {24:41} Then shall you be clear from my oath, when you come to my kindred. And if they give her not to you, you shall be clear from my oath. {24:42} And I came this day unto the fountain, and said, O Yahweh, the God of my master Abraham, if now you do prosper my way which I go. {24:43} Behold, I am standing by the fountain of water. And let it come to pass, that the maiden that comes forth to draw, to whom I shall say, Give me, I pray you, a little water from your pitcher to drink. {24:44} And she shall say to me, Both drink you, and I will also draw for your camels. Let the same be the woman whom Yahweh has appointed for my master's son. {24:45} And before I had done speaking in my heart, behold, Rebecca came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder. And she went down unto the fountain, and drew. And I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray you. {24:46} And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drink, and I will give your camels drink

also. So I drank, and she made the camels drink also. {24:47} And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter are you? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him. And I put the ring upon her nose, and the bracelets upon her hands. {24:48} And I bowed my head, and worshipped Yahweh, and blessed Yahweh, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter for his son. {24:49} And now if you will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me. And if not, tell me. That I may turn to the right hand, or to the left. {24:50} Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceeds from Yahweh. We cannot speak unto you bad or good. {24:51} Behold, Rebecca is before you, take her, and go, and let her be your master's son's wife, as Yahweh has spoken. {24:52} And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he bowed himself down to the earth unto Yahweh. {24:53} And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave them to Rebecca. He gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things. {24:54} And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night. And they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master. {24:55} And her brother and her mother said, Let the maid abide with us [a few] days, at the least ten. After that she shall go. {24:56} And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing Yahweh has prospered my way. Send me away that I may go to my master. {24:57} And they said, We will call the maid, and inquire at her mouth. {24:58} And they called Rebecca, and said unto her, Will you go with this man? And she said, I will go. {24:59} And they sent away Rebecca their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men. {24:60} And they blessed Rebecca, and said unto her, Our sister, be you [the mother] of thousands of ten thousands, and let your seed possess the gate of those that hate them.

{24:61} And Rebecca arose, and her maids, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man. And the servant took Rebecca, and went his way. {24:62} And Isaac came from the way of Beer-lahai-roi. For he lived in the land of the South. {24:63} And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide. And he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, there were camels coming. {24:64} And Rebecca lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she alighted from the camel. {24:65} And she said unto the servant, What man is this that walks in the field to meet us? And the servant said, It is my master. And she took her veil, and covered herself. {24:66} And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. {24:67} And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebecca, and she became his wife. And he loved her. And Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

{01}25} Genesis Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} And Abraham took another wife, and her name was Keturah. {25:2} And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. {25:3} And Jokshan begot Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim. {25:4} And the sons of Midian: Ephah, and Ephraim, and Hanoth, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah. {25:5} And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac. {25:6} But unto the sons of the concubines, that Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts. And he sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country. {25:7} And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, a hundred seventy five years. {25:8} And Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full [of years], and was gathered to his people. {25:9} And Isaac and Ishmael his sons buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre. {25:10} The field which Abraham purchased of the children of Heth. There was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife. {25:11} And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed Isaac his son. And Isaac lived by Beer-lahai-roi. {25:12} Now these are the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham. {25:13} And these are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: the first-born of Ishmael, Nebaioth, and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam, {25:14} and Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa, {25:15} Hadad, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. {25:16} These are the sons of Ishmael, and these are their names,

by their villages, and by their encampments. Twelve princes according to their nations. {25:17} And these are the years of the life of Ishmael, a hundred and thirty and seven years. And he gave up the ghost and died, and was gathered unto his people. {25:18} And they lived from Havilah unto Shur that is before Egypt, as you go toward Assyria. He abode over against all his brethren. {25:19} And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son. Abraham begot Isaac. {25:20} And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebecca, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the Syrian, to be his wife. {25:21} And Isaac entreated Yahweh for his wife, because she was barren. And Yahweh was entreated of him, and Rebecca his wife conceived. {25:22} And the children struggled together within her. And she said, If it be so, Therefore do I live? And she went to inquire of Yahweh. {25:23} And Yahweh said unto her, Two nations are in your womb, And two peoples shall be separated from your bowels. And the one people shall be stronger than the other people. And the elder shall serve the younger. {25:24} And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. {25:25} And the first came forth red, all over like a hairy garment. And they called his name Esau. {25:26} And after that came forth his brother, and his hand had hold on Esau's heel. And his name was called Jacob. And Isaac was sixty years old when she bare them. {25:27} And the boys grew. And Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field. And Jacob was a quiet man, dwelling in tents. {25:28} Now Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison. And Rebecca loved Jacob. {25:29} And Jacob boiled pottage. And Esau came in from the field, and he was faint. {25:30} And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray you, with that same red [pottage]. For I am faint. Therefore was his name called Edom. {25:31} And Jacob said, Sell me first your birthright. {25:32} And Esau said, Behold, I am about to die. And what profit shall the birthright do to me? {25:33} And Jacob said, Swear to me first. And he swore unto him. And he sold his birthright unto Jacob. {25:34} And Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils. And he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way. So Esau despised his birthright.

{O1}26} Genesis Chapter Twenty Six. {26:1} And there was a famine in the land, besides the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines, unto Gerar. {26:2} And Yahweh appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt. Dwell in the land which I shall tell you of. {26:3} Sojourn in this land, and I will be with you, and will bless you. For unto you, and unto your seed, I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath which I swear unto Abraham your father. {26:4} And I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and will give unto your seed all these lands. And in your seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed. {26:5} Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws. {26:6} And Isaac lived in Gerar. {26:7} And the men of the place asked him of his wife. And he said, She is my sister. For he feared to say, My wife. Lest, [said he], the men of the place should kill me for Rebecca. Because she was fair to look upon. {26:8} And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was embracing with Rebecca his wife. {26:9} And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a guarantee she is your wife. And how said you, She is my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die because of her. {26:10} And Abimelech said, What is this you have done unto us? One of the people might easily have lain with your wife, and you would have brought guilt upon us. {26:11} And Abimelech charged all the people, saying, He that touches this man or his wife shall surely be put to death. {26:12} And Isaac sowed in that land, and found in the same year a hundredfold. And Yahweh blessed him. {26:13} And the man waxed great, and grew more and more until he became very great. {26:14} And he had possessions of flocks, and possessions of herds, and a great household. And the Philistines envied him. {26:15} Now all the wells which his father's servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped, and filled with earth. {26:16} And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us. For you are much mightier than we. {26:17} And Isaac departed there, and encamped in the valley of Gerar, and lived there. {26:18} And Isaac dug again the wells of water, which they

had dug in the days of Abraham his father. For the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham. And he called their names after the names by which his father had called them. {26:19} And Isaac's servants dug in the valley, and found there a well of springing water. {26:20} And the herdsmen of Gerar strove with Isaac's herdsmen, saying, The water is ours. And he called the name of the well Esek, because they contended with him. {26:21} And they dug another well, and they laid claim for that also. And he called the name of it Sitnah. {26:22} And he removed from there, and dug another well. And for that [well] they not strive for. And he called the name of it Rehoboth. And he said, For now Yahweh has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land. {26:23} And he went up from there to Beer-sheba. {26:24} And Yahweh appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham your father. Fear not, for I am with you, and will bless you, and multiply your seed for my servant Abraham's sake. {26:25} And he built an altar there, and called upon the name of Yahweh, and pitched his tent there. And there Isaac's servants dug a well. {26:26} Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath his friend, and Phicol the captain of his host. {26:27} And Isaac said unto them, Therefore are you come unto me, seeing you hate me, and have sent me away from you? {26:28} And they said, We saw plainly that Yahweh was with you. And we said, Let there now be an oath between us, even between us and you, and let us make a covenant with you, {26:29} that you will do us no hurt, as we have not touched you, and as we have done unto you nothing but good, and have sent you away in peace. you are now the blessed of Yahweh. {26:30} And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink. {26:31} And they rose up early in the morning, and swore one to another. And Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace. {26:32} And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had dug, and said unto him, We have found water. {26:33} And he called it Shibah. Therefore the name of the city is Beer-sheba unto this day. {26:34} And when Esau was forty years old he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite. {26:35} And they were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebecca.

{O1}27} Genesis Chapter Twenty Seven. {27:1} And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his elder son, and said unto him, My son. And he said unto him, Here am I. {27:2} And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death. {27:3} Now therefore take, I pray you, your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and take me venison. {27:4} And make me savory food, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat. That my soul may bless you before I die. {27:5} And Rebecca heard when Isaac spoke to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it. {27:6} And Rebecca spoke unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard your father speak unto Esau your brother, saying, {27:7} Bring me venison, and make me savory food, that I may eat, and bless you before Yahweh before my death. {27:8} Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command you. {27:9} Go now to the flock, and get me from there two good kids of the goats. And I will make them savory food for your father, such as he loves. {27:10} And you shall bring it to your father, that he may eat, so that he may bless you before his death. {27:11} And Jacob said to Rebecca his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man. {27:12} My father perhaps will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver. And I shall bring woe upon me, and not a blessing. {27:13} And his mother said unto him, Upon me be your curse, my son. Only obey my voice, and go get me them. {27:14} And he went, and gotten, and brought them to his mother. And his mother made savory food, such as his father loved. {27:15} And Rebecca took the goodly garments of Esau her elder son, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son. {27:16} And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck. {27:17} And she gave the savory food and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob. {27:18} And he came unto his father, and said, My father. And he said, Here am I. Who are you, my son? {27:19} And Jacob said unto his father, I am Esau your first-born; I have done according as you say to me: arise, I pray you, sit and eat of my venison, that your soul

may bless me. {27:20} And Isaac said unto his son, How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son? And he said, Because Yahweh your God sent me good speed. {27:21} And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray you, that I may feel you, my son, whether you be my very son Esau or not. {27:22} And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father. And he felt him, and said, The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau. {27:23} And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands. So he blessed him. {27:24} And he said, are you my very son Esau? And he said, I am. {27:25} And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless you. And he brought it near to him, and he did eat. And he brought him wine, and he drank. {27:26} And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son. {27:27} And he came near, and kissed him. And he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son Is as the smell of a field which Yahweh has blessed. {27:28} And God give you of the dew of heaven, And of the fatness of the earth, And plenty of grain and new wine. {27:29} Let peoples serve you, And nations bow down to you. Be lord over your brethren, And let your mother's sons bow down to you. A curse be everyone that curses you, And blessed be everyone that blesses you. {27:30} And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting. {27:31} And he also made savory food, and brought it unto his father. And he said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that your soul may bless me. {27:32} And Isaac his father said unto him, Who are you? And he said, I am your son, your first-born, Esau. {27:33} And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who then is he that has taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before you came, and have blessed him? behold, [and] he shall be blessed. {27:34} When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with an exceeding great and bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father. {27:35} And he said, your brother came with guile, and has taken away your blessing. {27:36} And he said, is not he rightly named Jacob? for he has supplanted me these two times. He took away my birthright. And, behold, now he has taken away my blessing. And he said, Have you not reserved a blessing for me? {27:37} And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Behold, I have made him your lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants. And with grain and new wine have I sustained him. And what then shall I do for you, my son? {27:38} And Esau said unto his father, Have you but one blessing, my father? Bless me, even me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept. {27:39} And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, of the fatness of the earth shall be your dwelling, And of the dew of heaven from above. {27:40} And by your sword shall you live, and you shall serve your brother. And it shall come to pass, when you shall break loose, That you shall shake his yoke from off your neck. {27:41} And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing by which his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of grieving for my father are at hand. Then will I slay my brother Jacob. {27:42} And the words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebecca. And she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, your brother Esau, as touching you, does comfort himself, [purposing] to kill you. {27:43} Now therefore, my son, obey my voice. And arise, flee you to Laban my brother to Haran. {27:44} And tarry with him a few days, until your brother's fury turn away. {27:45} Until your brother's anger turn away from you, and he forget that which you have done to him. Then I will send, and get you from there. Why should I be bereaved of you both in one day? {27:46} And Rebecca said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth. If Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these, of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

{01}28} Genesis Chapter Twenty Eight {28:1} And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, you shall not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan. {28:2} Arise, go to Paddan-aram, to the house of Bethuel your mother's father. And take you a wife from there of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother. {28:3} And God Almighty bless you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, that you may be a company of peoples. {28:4} And give you

the blessing of Abraham, to you, and to your seed with you. That you may inherit the land of your travels, which God gave unto Abraham. {28:5} And Isaac sent away Jacob. And he went to Paddan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebecca, Jacob's and Esau's mother. {28:6} Now Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob and sent him away to Paddan-aram, to take him a wife from there. And that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, you shall not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan. {28:7} And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Paddan-aram. {28:8} And Esau saw that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father. {28:9} And Esau went unto Ishmael, and took, besides the wives that he had, Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebaioth, to be his wife. {28:10} And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran. {28:11} And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set. And he took one of the stones of the place, and put it under his head, and lay down in that place to sleep. {28:12} And he dreamed. And behold, a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the messengers of God ascending and descending on it. {28:13} And, behold, Yahweh stood above it, and said, I am Yahweh, the God of Abraham your father, and the God of Isaac. The land whereon you lie, to you will I give it, and to your seed. {28:14} And your seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south. And in you and in your seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. {28:15} And, behold, I am with you, and will keep you, where so ever you go, and will bring you again into this land. For I will not leave you, until I have done that which I have spoken to you of. {28:16} And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely Yahweh is in this place. And I knew it not. {28:17} And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. {28:18} And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it. {28:19} And he called the name of that place Beth-el. But the name of the city was Luz at the first. {28:20} And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, {28:21} so that I come again to my father's house in peace, and Yahweh will be my God, {28:22} then this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house. And of all that you shall give me I will surely give the tenth unto you.

{01}29} Genesis Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} Then Jacob went on his journey, and came to the land of the children of the east. {29:2} And he looked, and behold, a well in the field, and, lo, three flocks of sheep lying there by it. For out of that well they watered the flocks. And the stone upon the well's mouth was great. {29:3} And there were all the flocks gathered. And they rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone again upon the well's mouth in its place. {29:4} And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, where are you? And they said, Of Haran are we. {29:5} And he said unto them, Know you Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know him. {29:6} And he said unto them, Is it well with him? And they said, It is well. And, behold, Rachel his daughter comes with the sheep. {29:7} And he said, Lo, it is yet high day, neither is it time that the cattle should be gathered together. Water you the sheep, and go and feed them. {29:8} And they said, We cannot, until all the flocks be gathered together, and they roll the stone from the well's mouth. Then we water the sheep. {29:9} While he was yet speaking with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep. For she kept them. {29:10} And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother. {29:11} And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept. {29:12} And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was Rebecca's son. And she ran and told her father. {29:13} And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things. {29:14} And Laban said to

him, Surely you are my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him the space of a moon cycle. {29:15} And Laban said unto Jacob, Because you are my brother, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be? {29:16} And Laban had two daughters. The name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. {29:17} And Leah's eyes were tender. But Rachel was beautiful and well favored. {29:18} And Jacob greatly desired Rachel. And he said, I will serve you seven years for Rachel your younger daughter. {29:19} And Laban said, It is better that I give her to you, than that I should give her to another man. Abide with me. {29:20} And Jacob served seven years for Rachel. And they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had for her. {29:21} And Jacob said unto Laban, Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her. {29:22} And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast. {29:23} And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him. And he went in unto her. {29:24} And Laban gave Zilpah his handmaid unto his daughter Leah for a handmaid. {29:25} And it came to pass in the morning that, behold, it was Leah. And he said to Laban, What is this you have done unto me? Did not I serve with you for Rachel? Therefore then have you deceived me? {29:26} And Laban said, It is not so done in our place, to give the younger before the first-born. {29:27} Fulfilling the seven solar years this one, and we will give you the other also for the service which you shall serve with me yet seven other years. {29:28} And Jacob did also, and [he] fulfilled her seven year Shebua. And he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife. {29:29} And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her handmaid. {29:30} And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years. {29:31} And Yahweh saw that Leah was loved less, and he opened her womb. But Rachel was barren. {29:32} And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name Reuben. For she said, Because Yahweh has looked upon my affliction. For now my husband will love me. {29:33} And she conceived again, and bare a son: and said, Because Yahweh has heard that I am hated, he has therefore given me this [son] also. And she called his name Simeon. {29:34} And she conceived again, and bare a son. And said, Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have borne him three sons. Therefore was his name called Levi. {29:35} And she conceived again, and bare a son. And she said, This time will I praise Yahweh. Therefore she called his name Judah. And she left off bearing.

{O1}30} Genesis Chapter Thirty. {30:1} And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister; and she said unto Jacob, Give me children, or else I die. {30:2} And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, Am I in God's stead, who has withheld from you the fruit of the womb? {30:3} And she said, Behold, my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; that she may bear upon my knees, and I also may obtain children by her. {30:4} And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in unto her. {30:5} And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son. {30:6} And Rachel said, God has judged me, and has also heard my voice, and has given me a son: therefore called she his name Dan. {30:7} And Bilhah Rachel's handmaid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son. {30:8} And Rachel said, With mighty struggle have I withheld with my sister, and have prevailed: and she called his name Naphtali. {30:9} When Leah saw that she had left off bearing, she took Zilpah her handmaid, and gave her to Jacob to wife. {30:10} And Zilpah Leah's handmaid bare Jacob a son. {30:11} And Leah said, Fortunate! and she called his name Gad. {30:12} And Zilpah Leah's handmaid bare Jacob a second son. {30:13} And Leah said, Happy am I! for the daughters will call me happy: and she called his name Asher. {30:14} And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found [vines of] love-apples in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, Give me, I pray you, of your son's love-apples. {30:15} And she said unto her, Is it a small matter that you have taken away my husband? and would you take away my son's love apples also? And Rachel said, Therefore he shall lie with you to-night for your son's love apples. {30:16} And Jacob came from the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, you must come in unto me; for I have surely hired you with my son's love apples.

And he lay with her that night. {30:17} And God heard unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob a fifth son. {30:18} And Leah said, God has given me my hire, because I gave my handmaid to my husband: and she called his name Issachar. {30:19} And Leah conceived again, and bare a sixth son to Jacob. {30:20} And Leah said, God has endowed me with a good dowry; now will my husband dwell with me, because I have borne him six sons: and she called his name Zebulun. {30:21} And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name Dinah. {30:22} And God remembered Rachel, and God heard her, and opened her womb. {30:23} And she conceived, and bare a son: and said, God has taken away my reproach: {30:24} and she called his name Joseph, saying, Yahweh add to me another son. {30:25} And it came to pass, when Rachel had borne Joseph, that Jacob said unto Laban, Send me away, that I may go unto mine own place, and to my country. {30:26} Give me my wives and my children for whom I have served you, and let me go: for you know my service by which I have served you. {30:27} And Laban said unto him, If now I have found favor in your eyes, [tarry]: [for] I have divined that my god has blessed me for your sake. {30:28} And he said, Appoint me your wages, and I will give it. {30:29} And he said unto him, you know how I have served you, and how your cattle have fared with me. {30:30} For it was little which you had before I came, and it has increased unto a multitude; and Yahweh [your God] has blessed you where so ever I turned: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also? {30:31} And he said, What shall I give you? And Jacob said, you shall not give me anything: if you will do this thing for me, I will again feed your flock and keep it. {30:32} I will pass through all your flock to-day, removing from there every speckled and spotted one, and every black one among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and [of such] shall be my hire. {30:33} So shall my working good works answer for me hereafter, when you shall come concerning my hire that is before you: everyone that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and black among the sheep, that [if found] with me, shall be counted stolen. {30:34} And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be according to your word. {30:35} And he removed that day the he-goats that were ring streaked and spotted, and all the she-goats that were speckled and spotted, everyone that had white in it, and all the black ones among the sheep, and gave them into the hand of his sons; {30:36} and he set three days' journey between himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks. {30:37} And Jacob took him rods of fresh poplar, and of the almond and of the plane-tree. And peeled white streaks in them, and made the white appear which was in the rods. {30:38} And he set the rods which he had peeled over against the flocks in the gutters in the watering-troughs where the flocks came to drink; and they conceived when they came to drink. {30:39} And the flocks conceived before the rods, and the flocks brought forth ring streaked, speckled, and spotted. {30:40} And Jacob separated the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ring streaked and all the black in the flock of Laban: and he put his own droves apart, and put them not unto Laban's flock. {30:41} And it came to pass, whenever the stronger of the flock did conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the flock in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods; {30:42} but when the flock were feeble, he put them not in: so the feeble were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's. {30:43} And the man increased exceedingly, and had large flocks, and maid-servants and men-servants, and camels and donkeys.

{O1}31} Genesis Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob has taken away all that was our father's; and of that which was our father's has he gotten all this glory. {31:2} And Jacob watched the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it was not toward him as before. {31:3} And Yahweh said unto Jacob, Return unto the land of your fathers, and to your kindred; and I will be with you. {31:4} And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his flock, {31:5} and said unto them, I see your father's countenance, that it is not toward me as before; but the God of my father has been with me. {31:6} And you know that with all my power I have served your father. {31:7} And your father has deceived me, and changed my wages ten times; but God suffered him not to hurt me. {31:8} If he said thus, The speckled shall be your wages; then all the flock bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ring streaked shall

be your wages; then bare all the flock ring streaked. {31:9} Thus God has taken away the cattle of your father, and given them to me. {31:10} And it came to pass at the time that the flock conceive, that I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream, and, behold, the he-goats which leaped upon the flock were ring streaked, speckled, and grizzled. {31:11} And the messenger of God said unto me in the dream, Jacob: and I said, Here am I. {31:12} And he said, Lift up now your eyes, and see, all the he-goats which leap upon the flock are ring streaked, speckled, and grizzled: for I have seen all that Laban does unto you. {31:13} I am the God of Beth-el, where you anointed a pillar, where you vowed a vow unto me: now arise, get you out from this land, and return unto the land of your nativity. {31:14} And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him, Is there yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house? {31:15} Are we not accounted by him as foreigners? for he has sold us, and has also quite devoured our money. {31:16} For all the riches which God has taken away from our father, that is ours and our children's: now then, whatever God has said unto you, do. {31:17} Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon the camels; {31:18} and he carried away all his cattle, and all his substance which he had gathered, the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in Paddan-aram, to go to Isaac his father unto the land of Canaan. {31:19} Now Laban was gone to shear his sheep: and Rachel stole the idol images that were her father's. {31:20} And Jacob stole away unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled. {31:21} So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the River, and set his face toward the mountain of Gilead. {31:22} And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled. {31:23} And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and he overtook him in the mountain of Gilead. {31:24} And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream of the night, and said unto him, Take heed to yourself that you speak not to Jacob either good or bad. {31:25} And Laban came up with Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mountain: and Laban with his brethren encamped in the mountain of Gilead. {31:26} And Laban said to Jacob, What have you done, that you have stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters as captives of the sword? {31:27} Therefore did you flee secretly, and steal away from me, and did not tell me, that I might have sent you away with mirth and with songs, with tabret and with harp; {31:28} and did not suffer me to kiss my sons and my daughters? now have you done foolishly. {31:29} It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spoke unto me yesterday night, saying, Take heed to yourself that you speak not to Jacob either good or bad. {31:30} And now, [though] you would need be gone, because you sore longed for your father's house, [yet] why have you stolen my gods? {31:31} And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Lest you should take your daughters from me by force. {31:32} With whom so ever you find your gods, he shall not live: before our brethren discern you what is yours with me, and take it with you. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them. {31:33} And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the tent of the two maid-servants; but he found them not. And he went out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent. {31:34} Now Rachel had taken the idols, and put them in the camel's saddle, and sat upon them. And Laban felt about all the tent, but found them not. {31:35} And she said to her father, Let not my lord be angry that I cannot rise up before you; for the manner of women is upon me. And he searched, but found not the idols. {31:36} And Jacob was angry, and argued with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What is my trespass? what is my sin, that you have hotly pursued after me? {31:37} Whereas you have felt about all my stuff, what have you found of all your household stuff? Set it here before my brethren and your brethren, that they may judge between us two. {31:38} These twenty years have I been with you; your ewes and your she-goats have not cast their young, and the rams of your flocks have I not eaten. {31:39} That which was torn of beasts I brought not unto you; I bare the loss of it; of my hand did you require it, whether stolen by day or stolen by night. {31:40} Thus I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep fled from mine eyes. {31:41} These twenty years have I been in your house; I served you fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for your flock: and you have changed my wages ten times.

{31:42} Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the Fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely now you would have sent me away empty. God has seen mine affliction and the labor of my hands, and rebuked you last night. {31:43} And Laban answered and said unto Jacob, The daughters are my daughters, and the children are my children, and the flocks are my flocks, and all that you see is mine: and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children whom they have borne? {31:44} And now come, let us make a covenant, I and you; and let it be for a witness between me and you. {31:45} And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar. {31:46} And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made a heap: and they did eat there by the heap. {31:47} And Laban called it Jegar-saha-dutha: but Jacob called it Galeed. {31:48} And Laban said, This heap is witness between me and you this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed: {31:49} and Mizpah, for he said, Yahweh watch between me and you, when we are absent one from another. {31:50} If you shall afflict my daughters, and if you shall take wives besides my daughters, no man is with us; see, God is witness between me and you. {31:51} And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold the pillar, which I have set between me and you. {31:52} This heap be witness, and the pillar be witness, that I will not pass over this heap to you, and that you shall not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm. {31:53} The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge between us. And Jacob swore by the Fear of his father Isaac. {31:54} And Jacob offered a sacrifice in the mountain, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mountain. {31:55} And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed and returned unto his place.

{O1}32} Genesis Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} And Jacob went on his way, and the messengers of God met him. {32:2} And Jacob said when he saw them, This is God's host: and he called the name of that place Mahanaim. {32:3} And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the field of Edom. {32:4} And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall you say unto my lord Esau: Thus said your servant Jacob, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed until now: {32:5} and I have oxen, and donkeys, [and] flocks, and men-servants, and maid-servants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find favor in your sight. {32:6} And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to your brother Esau, and he comes to meet you, and four hundred men with him. {32:7} Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was distressed: and he divided the people that were with him, and the flocks, and the herds, and the camels, into two companies; {32:8} and he said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the company which is left shall escape. {32:9} And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, O Yahweh, who said unto me, Return unto your country, and to your kindred, and I will do you good: {32:10} I am not worthy of the least of all the agape loving kindnesses, and of all the truth, which you have showed unto your servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two companies. {32:11} Deliver me, I pray you, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he come and smite me, the mother with the children. {32:12} And you said, I will surely do you good, and make your seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude. {32:13} And he lodged there that night, and took of that which he had with him a present for Esau his brother: {32:14} two hundred she-goats and twenty he-goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, {32:15} thirty milk camels and their colts, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty female-donkeys and ten foals. {32:16} And he delivered them into the hand of his servants, every drove by itself, and said unto his servants, Pass over before me, and put a space between drove and drove. {32:17} And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meets you, and asks you, saying, Whose are you? and where ever you go? and whose are these before you? {32:18} then you shall say [They are] your servant Jacob's; it is a present sent unto my lord Esau: and, behold, he also is behind us. {32:19} And he commanded also the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, On this manner shall you speak unto Esau, when you find him; {32:20} and you

shall say, behold, your servant Jacob is behind us. For he said, I will appease him with the present that goes before me, and afterward I will see his face; perhaps he will accept me. {32:21} So the present passed over before him: and he himself lodged that night in the company. {32:22} And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two handmaids, and his eleven children, and passed over the ford of the Jabbok. {32:23} And he took them, and sent them over the stream, and sent over that which he had. {32:24} And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. {32:25} And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him. {32:26} And he said, Let me go, for the day breaks. And he said, I will not let you go, except you bless me. {32:27} And he said unto him, What is your name? And he said, Jacob. {32:28} And he said, Your name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed. {32:29} And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray you, your name. And he said, Therefore is it that you do ask after my name? And he blessed him there. {32:30} And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for, [said he], I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved. {32:31} And the sun rose upon him as he passed over Peniel, and he limped upon his thigh. {32:32} Therefore the children of Israel eat not the sinew of the hip which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew of the hip.

{01}33} Genesis Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau was coming, and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids. {33:2} And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph in the rear. {33:3} And he himself passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother. {33:4} And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept. {33:5} And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who are these with you? And he said, The children whom God has graciously given your servant. {33:6} Then the handmaids came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves. {33:7} And Leah also and her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves. {33:8} And he said, What meanest you by all this company which I met? And he said, To find favor in the sight of my lord. {33:9} And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; let that which you have be yours. {33:10} And Jacob said, No, I pray you, if now I have found favor in your sight, then receive my present at my hand; forasmuch as I have seen your face, as one sees the face of God, and you was pleased with me. {33:11} Take, I pray you, my gift that is brought to you; because God has dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and he took it. {33:12} And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before you. {33:13} And he said unto him, My lord knows that the children are tender, and that the flocks and herds with me have their young: and if they overdrive them one day, all the flocks will die. {33:14} Let my lord, I pray you, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on gently, according to the pace of the cattle that are before me and according to the pace of the children, until I come unto my lord unto Seir. {33:15} And Esau said, Let me now leave with you some of the folk that are with me. And he said, What needs it? let me find favor in the sight of my lord. {33:16} So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir. {33:17} And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him a house, and made Temporary Shelters for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth. {33:18} And Jacob came in peace to the city of Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, when he came from Paddan-aram; and encamped before the city. {33:19} And he bought the parcel of ground, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for a hundred pieces of money. {33:20} And he erected there an altar, and called it El-Elohe-Israel.

{01}34} Genesis Chapter Thirty Four. {34:1} And Dinah the daughter of Leah, whom she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land. {34:2} And Shechem the son of

Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her; And he took her, and lay with her, and humbled her. {34:3} And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the maid, and spoke kindly unto the maid. {34:4} And Shechem spoke unto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this maid to wife. {34:5} Now Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter; and his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob held his peace until they came. {34:6} And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him. {34:7} And the sons of Jacob came in from the field when they heard it: and the men were grieved, and they were very angry, because he had wrought folly in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter; which thing ought not to be done. {34:8} And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longs for your daughter: I pray you, give her unto him to wife. {34:9} And make you marriages with us; give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you. {34:10} And you shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade you therein, and get you possessions therein. {34:11} And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren, Let me find favor in your eyes, and what you shall say unto me I will give. {34:12} Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I will give according as you shall say unto me: but give me the maid to wife. {34:13} And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father with guile, and spoke, because he had defiled Dinah their sister, {34:14} and said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that were a reproach unto us. {34:15} Only on this condition will we consent unto you: if you will be as we are, that every male of you be circumcised; {34:16} then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people. {34:17} But if you will not hear unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter, and we will be gone.

{34:18} And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son. {34:19} And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob's daughter: and he was honored above all the house of his father. {34:20} And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying, {34:21} These men are peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for, behold, the land is large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our daughters. {34:22} Only on this condition will the men consent unto us to dwell with us, to become one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they are circumcised. {34:23} shall not their cattle and their substance and all their beasts be ours? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us. {34:24} And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son heard all that went out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city. {34:25} And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city unawares, and slew all the males. {34:26} And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went forth. {34:27} The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and plundered the city, because they had defiled their sister. {34:28} They took their flocks and their herds and their donkeys, and that which was in the city, and that which was in the field; {34:29} and all their wealth, and all their little ones and their wives, took they captive and made a prey, even all that was in the house. {34:30} And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, you have troubled me, to make me odious to the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites: and, I being few in number, they will gather themselves together against me and smite me; and I shall be destroyed, I and my house. {34:31} And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with a prostitute?

{O1}35} Genesis Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, who appeared unto you when you fled from the face of Esau your brother. {35:2} Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the foreign gods that are among you, and purify yourselves, and change your garments: {35:3} and let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went.

{35:4} And they gave unto Jacob all the foreign gods which were in their hand, and the rings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem. {35:5} And they journeyed: and a terror of God was upon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob. {35:6} So Jacob came to Luz, which is in the land of Canaan (the same is Beth-el), he and all the people that were with him. {35:7} And he built there an altar, and called the place El-beth-el; because there God was revealed unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother. {35:8} And Deborah Rebecca's nurse died, and she was buried below Beth-el under the oak: and the name of it was called Allon-bacuth. {35:9} And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came from Paddan-aram [the curve], and blessed him. {35:10} And God said unto him, Your name is Jacob [the heel holder]: your name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be your name: and he called his name Israel [God Prevails]. {35:11} And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of you, and kings shall come out of your loins; {35:12} and the land which I gave unto Abraham and Isaac, to you I will give it, and to your seed after you will I give the land. {35:13} And God went up from him in the place where he spoke with him. {35:14} And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he spoke with him, a pillar of stone: and he poured out a drink-offering thereon, and poured oil thereon. {35:15} And Jacob called the name of the place where God spoke with him, Beth-el [the house of God]. {35:16} And they journeyed from Beth-el; and there was still some distance to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labor. {35:17} And it came to pass, when she was in hard labor, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; for now you shall have another son. {35:18} And it came to pass, as her soul was departed (for she died), that she called his name Ben-oni: but his father called him Benjamin. {35:19} And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath (the same is Beth-lehem). {35:20} And Jacob set up a pillar upon her grave: the same is the Pillar of Rachel's grave unto this day. {35:21} And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Eder. {35:22} And it came to pass, while Israel lived in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard of it. Now the sons of Jacob were twelve: {35:23} The sons of Leah: Reuben, Jacob's first-born, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun; {35:24} the sons of Rachel: Joseph and Benjamin; {35:25} and the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid: Dan and Naphtali; {35:26} and the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid: Gad and Asher: these are the sons of Jacob, that were born to him in Paddan-aram. {35:27} And Jacob came unto Isaac his father to Mamre, to Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), where Abraham and Isaac sojourned. {35:28} And the days of Isaac were a hundred and eighty years. {35:29} And Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his people, old and full of days: and Esau and Jacob his sons buried him.

{01}36} Genesis Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} Now these are the generations of Esau (the same is Edom). {36:2} Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan: Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite, {36:3} and Basemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebaioth. {36:4} And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Basemath bare Reuel; {36:5} and bare Jeush, and Jalam, and Korah: these are the sons of Esau, that were born unto him in the land of Canaan. {36:6} And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the souls of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his possessions, which he had gather in the land of Canaan; and went into a land away from his brother Jacob. {36:7} For their substance was too great for them to dwell together; and the land of their moving about could not bear them because of their cattle. {36:8} And Esau lived in mount Seir: Esau is Edom. {36:9} And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir: {36:10} these are the names of Esau's sons: Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Basemath the wife of Esau. {36:11} And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gotam, and Kenaz. {36:12} And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these are the sons of Adah, Esau's wife. {36:13} And these are the sons of Reuel: Nahas, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of

Basemath, Esau's wife. {36:14} And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah, the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jalam, and Korah. {36:15} These are the chiefs of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the first-born of Esau: chief Teman, chief Omar, chief Zepho, chief Kenaz, {36:16} chief Korah, chief Gotam, chief Amalek: these are the chiefs that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Adah. {36:17} And these are the sons of Reuel, Esau's son: chief Nahas, chief Zerah, chief Shammah, and chief Mizzah: these are the chiefs that came of Reuel in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Basemath, Esau's wife. {36:18} And these are the sons of Aholibamah, Esau's wife: chief Jeush, chief Jalam, chief Korah: these are the chiefs that came of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife. {36:19} These are the sons of Esau, and these are their chiefs: the same is Edom. {36:20} These are the sons of Seir the Horite, the inhabitants of the land: Lotan and Shobal and Zibeon and Anah, {36:21} and Dishon and Ezer and Dishan: these are the chiefs that came of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom. {36:22} And the children of Lotan were Hori and Heman. And Lotan's sister was Timna. {36:23} And these are the children of Shobal: Alvan and Manahas and Ebal, Shepho and Onam. {36:24} And these are the children of Zibeon: Aiah and Anah; this is Anah who found the hot springs in the wilderness, as he fed the donkeys of Zibeon his father. {36:25} And these are the children of Anah: Dishon and Oholibamah the daughter of Anah. {36:26} And these are the children of Dishon: Hemdan and Eshban and Ithran and Cheran. {36:27} These are the children of Ezer: Bilhan and Zaavan and Akan. {36:28} These are the children of Dishan: Uz and Aran. {36:29} These are the chiefs that came of the Horites: chief Lotan, chief Shobal, chief Zibeon, chief Anah, {36:30} chief Dishon, chief Ezer, chief Dishan: these are the chiefs that came of the Horites, according to their chiefs in the land of Seir. {36:31} And these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel. {36:32} And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom; and the name of his city was Dinhabah. {36:33} And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead. {36:34} And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead. {36:35} And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who defeated Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Avith. {36:36} And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead. {36:37} And Samlah died, and Shaul of Rehoboth by the River reigned in his stead. {36:38} And Shaul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead. {36:39} And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pau; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Me-zahab. {36:40} And these are the names of the chiefs that came of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names: chief Timna, chief Alvah, chief Jetheth, {36:41} chief Oholibamah, chief Elah, chief Pinon, {36:42} chief Kenaz, chief Teman, chief Mibzar, {36:43} chief Magdiel, chief Iram: these are the chiefs of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession. This is Esau, the father of the Edomites.

{01}37} Genesis Chapter Thirty Seven. {37:1} And Jacob lived in the land of his father's roaming about, in the land of Canaan 37:2} These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and he was a young man with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought the evil report of them unto their father. {37:3} Now Israel agape loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colors. {37:4} And his brethren saw that their father agape loved him more than all his brethren; and they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. {37:5} And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it to his brethren: and they hated him yet the more. {37:6} And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed: {37:7} for, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves came round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf. {37:8} And his brethren said to him, shall you indeed reign over us? Or shall you indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words. {37:9} And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it to his brethren, and said,

Behold, I have dreamed yet a dream: and, behold, the sun and the moon and eleven stars made obeisance to me. {37:10} And he told it to his father, and to his brethren; and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What is this dream that you have dreamed? shall I and your mother and your brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to you to the earth? {37:11} And his brethren envied him; but his father kept the saying in mind. {37:12} And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem. {37:13} And Israel said unto Joseph, Are not your brethren feeding the flock in Shechem? Come, and I will send you unto them. And he said to him, Here am I. {37:14} And he said to him, Go now, see whether it is well with your brethren, and well with the flock; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. {37:15} And a certain man found him, and, behold, he was wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What do you seek? {37:16} And he said, I am seeking my brethren: tell me, I pray you, where they are feeding [the flock]. {37:17} And the man said, They are departed from here; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan. {37:18} And they saw him afar off, and before he came near unto them, they conspired against him to slay him. {37:19} And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer comes. {37:20} Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into one of the pits, and we will say, And evil beast has devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams. {37:21} And Reuben heard it, and delivered him out of their hand, and said, Let us not take his life. {37:22} And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood; cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness, but lay no hand upon him: that he might deliver him out of their hand, to restore him to his father. {37:23} And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stripped Joseph of his coat, the coat of many colors that was on him; {37:24} and they took him, and cast him into the pit: and the pit was empty, there was no water in it. {37:25} And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a caravan of Ishmaelites was coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing spices and balm and myrrh, going to carry it down to Egypt. {37:26} And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit is it if we slay our brother and conceal his blood? {37:27} Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he is our brother, our flesh. And his brethren heard unto him. {37:28} And there passed by Midianites, merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they brought Joseph into Egypt. {37:29} And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph was not in the pit; and he rent his clothes. {37:30} And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child is not; and I, where shall I go? {37:31} And they took Joseph's coat, and killed a he-goat, and dipped the coat in the blood; {37:32} and they sent the coat of many colors, and they brought it to their father, and said, This have we found: know now whether it is your son's coat or not. {37:33} And he knew it, and said, It is my son's coat: an evil beast has devoured him; Joseph is outside doubt torn in pieces. {37:34} And Jacob rent his garments, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and grieved for his son many days. {37:35} And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, For I will go down to Sheol to my son grieving. And his father wept for him. {37:36} And the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, the captain of the guard.

{01}38} Genesis Chapter Thirty Eight. {38:1} And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah. {38:2} And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite whose name was Shua. And he took her, and went in unto her. {38:3} And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er. {38:4} And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan. {38:5} And she yet again bare a son, and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him. {38:6} And Judah took a wife for Er his first-born, and her name was Tamar. {38:7} And Er, Judah's first-born, was wicked in the sight of Yahweh. And Yahweh slew him. {38:8} And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto your brother's wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother unto her, and raise up seed to your brother. {38:9} And Onan knew that the seed would not be his; and

it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest he should give seed to his brother. {38:10} And the thing which he did was evil in the sight of Yahweh: and he slew him also. {38:11} Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter-in-law, Remain a widow in your father's house, till Shelah my son be grown up; for he said, Lest he also die, like his brethren. And Tamar went and lived in her father's house. {38:12} And in process of time Shua's daughter, the wife of Judah, died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheep-shearers to Timnah, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite. {38:13} And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold, your father-in-law goes up to Timnah to shear his sheep. {38:14} And she put off from her the garments of her widowhood, and covered herself with her veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in the gate of Enaim, which is by the way to Timnah; for she saw that Shelah was grown up, and she was not given unto him to wife. {38:15} When Judah saw her, he thought her to be a prostitute; for she had covered her face. {38:16} And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Come, I pray you, let me come in unto you: for he knew not that she was his daughter-in-law. And she said, What will you give me, that you may come in unto me? {38:17} And he said, I will send you a kid of the goats from the flock. And she said, Will you give me a pledge, till you send it? {38:18} And he said, What pledge shall I give you? And she said, Your signet and your cord, and your staff that is in your hand. And he gave them to her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him. {38:19} And she arose, and went away, and put off her veil from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood. {38:20} And Judah sent the kid of the goats by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive the pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not. {38:21} Then he asked the men of her place, saying, Where is the prostitute, that was at Enaim by the wayside? And they said, There has been no prostitute here. {38:22} And he returned to Judah, and said, I have not found her; and also the men of the place said, There has been no prostitute here. {38:23} And Judah said, Let her take it to her, lest we be put to shame: behold, I sent this kid, and you have not found her. {38:24} And it came to pass about three moon cycles after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar your daughter-in-law has played the prostitute; and behold, she is with child by prostitution. And Judah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt. {38:25} When she was brought forth, she sent to her father-in-law, saying, By the man, whose these are, am I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray you, whose are these, the signet, and the cords, and the staff. {38:26} And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She is more righteous worker than I; forasmuch as I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he no more joined together with her [ever] again. {38:27} And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins were in her womb. {38:28} And it came to pass, when she travailed, that one put out a hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first. {38:29} And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, why have you made a breach for yourself? Therefore his name was called Perez. {38:30} And afterward came out his brother that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zerah.

{O1}39} Genesis Chapter Thirty Nine. {39:1} And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hand of the Ishmaelites, that had brought him down there. {39:2} And Yahweh was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. {39:3} And his master saw that Yahweh was with him, and that Yahweh made all that he did to prosper in his hand. {39:4} And Joseph found favor in his sight, and he ministered unto him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand. {39:5} And it came to pass from the time that he made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that Yahweh blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of Yahweh was upon all that he had, in the house and in the field. {39:6} And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he kept not anything [that was] with him, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was handsome, and well-favored. {39:7} And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me. {39:8} But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master knows not what is with me in the house, and he has put all that he has into my

hand: {39:9} he is not greater in this house than I; neither has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? {39:10} And it came to pass, as she spoke to Joseph day by day, that he rejected her, to lie by her, [or] to be with her. {39:11} And it came to pass about this time, that he went into the house to do his work; and there was none of the men of the house there within. {39:12} And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and he got out. {39:13} And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth, {39:14} that she called unto the men of her house, and spoke unto them, saying, See, he has brought in a Hebrew unto us to mock us: he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice: {39:15} and it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment by me, and fled, and he got out. {39:16} And she laid up his garment by her, until his master came home. {39:17} And she spoke unto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, whom you have brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me: {39:18} and it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment by me, and fled out. {39:19} And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spoke unto him, saying, After this manner did your servant to me; that his Anger was kindled. {39:20} And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison. {39:21} But Yahweh was with Joseph, and showed kindness unto him, and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. {39:22} And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatever they did there, he was the doer of it. {39:23} The keeper of the prison looked not to anything that was under his hand, because Yahweh was with him; and that which he did, Yahweh made it prosper.

{O1}40} Genesis Chapter Forty. {40:1} And it came to pass after these things, that the butler of the king of Egypt and his baker offended their lord the king of Egypt. {40:2} And Pharaoh was angry against his two officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers. {40:3} And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound. {40:4} And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he ministered unto them: and they continued a season in ward. {40:5} And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream, in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, who were bound in the prison. {40:6} And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and saw them, and, behold, they were sad. {40:7} And he asked Pharaoh's officers that were with him in ward in his master's house, saying, Therefore look you so sad to-day? {40:8} And they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it. And Joseph said unto them, Do not interpretations belong to God? tell it me, I pray you. {40:9} And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, a vine was before me; {40:10} and in the vine were three branches: and it was as though it budded, [and] its blossoms shot forth; [and] the clusters of it brought forth ripe grapes: {40:11} and Pharaoh's cup was in my hand; and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand. {40:12} And Joseph said unto him, This is the interpretation of it: the three branches are three days; {40:13} within yet three days shall Pharaoh lift up your head, and restore you unto your office: and you shall give Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when you was his butler. {40:14} But have me in your remembrance when it shall be well with you, and show kindness, I pray you, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house: {40:15} for indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon. {40:16} When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, I also was in my dream, and, behold, three baskets of white bread were on my head: {40:17} and in the uppermost basket there was of all manner of baked food for Pharaoh; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head. {40:18} And Joseph answered and said, This is the interpretation there: the three baskets are three days;

{40:19} within yet three days shall Pharaoh lift up your head from off you, and shall hang you on a tree; and the birds shall eat your flesh from off you. {40:20} And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday that he made a feast unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and the head of the chief baker among his servants. {40:21} And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand: {40:22} but he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them. {40:23} yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgot him.

{O1}41} Genesis Chapter Forty One. {41:1} And it came to pass at the end of two full years that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river. {41:2} And, behold, there came up out of the river seven cows, well-favored and fat-fleshed; and they fed in the reed-grass. {41:3} And, behold, seven other cows came up after them out of the river, ill-favored and lean-fleshed, and stood by the other cows upon the brink of the river. {41:4} And the ill-favored and lean-fleshed cows did eat up the seven well-favored and fat cows. So Pharaoh awoke. {41:5} And he slept and dreamed a second time: and, behold, seven ears of grain came up upon one stalk, rank and good. {41:6} And, behold, seven ears, thin and blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them. {41:7} And the thin ears swallowed up the seven rank and full ears. And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream. {41:8} And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men there: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but there was none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh. {41:9} Then spoke the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day: {41:10} Pharaoh was angry with his servants, and put me in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, me and the chief baker: {41:11} and we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream. {41:12} And there was with us there a young man, a Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret. {41:13} And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto mine office, and him he hanged. {41:14} Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved himself, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh. {41:15} And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of you, that when you hear a dream you Can interpret it. {41:16} And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not in me: God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace. {41:17} And Pharaoh spoke unto Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the brink of the river: {41:18} and, behold, there came up out of the river seven cows, fat-fleshed and well-favored: and they fed in the reed-grass: {41:19} and, behold, seven other cows came up after them, poor and very ill-favored and lean-fleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness: {41:20} and the lean and ill-favored cows did eat up the first seven fat cows: {41:21} and when they had eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they were still ill-favored, as at the beginning. So I awoke. {41:22} And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up upon one stalk, full and good: {41:23} and, behold, seven ears, withered, thin, [and] blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them: {41:24} and the thin ears swallowed up the seven good ears: and I told it unto the magicians; but there was none that could declare it to me. {41:25} And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh is one: what God is about to do he has declared unto Pharaoh. {41:26} The seven good cows are seven years; and the seven good ears are seven years: the dream is one. {41:27} And the seven lean and ill-favored cows that came up after them are seven years, and also the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind; they shall be seven years of famine. {41:28} That is the thing which I spoke unto Pharaoh: what God is about to do he has showed unto Pharaoh. {41:29} Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt: {41:30} and there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land; {41:31} and the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine which follows; for it shall be very grievous. {41:32} And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh,

it is because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass. {41:33} Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. {41:34} Let Pharaoh do [this], and let him appoint overseers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years. {41:35} And let them gather all the food of these good years that come, and lay up grain under the hand of Pharaoh for food in the cities, and let them keep it. {41:36} And the food shall be for a store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land perish not through the famine. {41:37} And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants. {41:38} And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom the spirit of God is? {41:39} And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God has showed you all of this, there is none so discreet and wise as you: {41:40} you shall be over my house, and according unto your word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than you. {41:41} And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt. {41:42} And Pharaoh took off his signet ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck; {41:43} and he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he set him over all the land of Egypt. {41:44} And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I am Pharaoh, and outside you shall no man lift up his hand or his foot in all the land of Egypt. {41:45} And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphenath-paneah; and he gave him to wife Asenath, the daughter of Poti-phares priest of On. And Joseph went out over the land of Egypt. {41:46} And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt. {41:47} And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls. {41:48} And he gathered up all the food of the seven years which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the food of the field, which was round about every city, laid he up in the same. {41:49} And Joseph laid up grain as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left off numbering; for it was outside number. {41:50} And unto Joseph were born two sons before the year of famine came, whom Asenath, the daughter of Poti-phares priest of On, bare unto him. {41:51} And Joseph called the name of the first-born Manasseh: For, [said he], God has made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house. {41:52} And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction. {41:53} And the seven years of plenty, that was in the land of Egypt, came to an end. {41:54} And the seven years of famine began to come, according as Joseph had said: and there was famine in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread. {41:55} And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he said to you, do. {41:56} And the famine was over all the face of the earth: and Joseph opened all the store-houses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine was sore in the land of Egypt. {41:57} And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph to buy grain, because the famine was sore in all the earth.

{01}42} Genesis Chapter Forty Two. {42:1} Now Jacob saw that there was grain in Egypt, and Jacob said unto his sons, Why do you look one upon another? {42:2} And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is grain in Egypt: get you down there, and buy for us from there; that we may live, and not die. {42:3} And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy grain from Egypt. {42:4} But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, Lest Perhaps harm befall him. {42:5} And the sons of Israel came to buy among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan. {42:6} And Joseph was the governor over the land; he it was that sold to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves to him with their faces to the earth. {42:7} And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spoke roughly with them; and he said unto them. Where come you? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food. {42:8} And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him. {42:9} And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed

of them, and said unto them, you are spies; to see the nakedness of the land you are come. {42:10} And they said unto him, No, my lord, but to buy food are your servants come. {42:11} We are all one man's sons; we are true men, your servants are no spies. {42:12} And he said unto them, No, but to see the nakedness of the land you are come. {42:13} And they said, We your servants are twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; and, behold, the youngest is this day with our father, and one is not. {42:14} And Joseph said unto them, That is it that I spoke unto you, saying, you are spies: {42:15} hereby you shall be proved: by the life of Pharaoh you shall not go forth from here, except your youngest brother come here. {42:16} Send one of you, and let him get your brother, and you shall be bound, that your words may be proved, whether there be truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely you are spies. {42:17} And he put them all together into ward three days. {42:18} And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live: for I fear God: {42:19} if you be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in your prison-house; but go you, carry grain for the famine of your houses: {42:20} and bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and you shall not die. And they did so. {42:21} And they said one to another, We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul, when he beg us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us. {42:22} And Reuben answered them, saying, Spoke I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and you would not hear? therefore also, behold, his blood is required. {42:23} And they knew not that Joseph understood them; for there was an interpreter between them. {42:24} And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and he returned to them, and spoke to them, and took Simeon from among them, and bound him before their eyes. {42:25} Then Joseph commanded to fill their vessels with grain, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provisions for the way: and thus was it done unto them. {42:26} And they And they loaded their donkeys with their grain, and departed from there. {42:27} And as one of them opened his sack to give his donkey feed in the lodging-place, he saw his money; and, behold, it was in the mouth of his sack. {42:28} And he said unto his brethren, My money is restored; and, lo, it is even in my sack: and their heart failed them, and they turned trembling one to another, saying, What is this that God has done unto us? {42:29} And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and told him all that had happened [to] them, saying, {42:30} The man, the lord of the land, spoke roughly with us, and took us for spies of the country. {42:31} And we said unto him, We are true men; and we are no spies: {42:32} we are twelve brethren, sons of our father; one is not, and the youngest is this day with our father in the land of Canaan. {42:33} And the man, the lord of the land, said unto us, Hereby shall I know that you are true men: leave one of your brethren with me, and take [grain for] the famine of your houses, and go your way; {42:34} and bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that you are no spies, but that you are true men: so will I deliver you your brother, and you shall traffic in the land. {42:35} And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks that behold, every man's bundle of money was in his sack: and when they and their father saw their bundles of money, they were afraid. {42:36} And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have you bereaved of my children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and you will take Benjamin away: all these things are against me. {42:37} And Reuben spoke unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to you: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to you again. {42:38} And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he only is left: if harm befall him by the way in which you go, then will you bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to Sheol.

{01}43} Genesis Chapter Forty Three. {43:1} And the famine was sore in the land. {43:2} And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the grain which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a little food. {43:3} And Judah spoke unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying, you shall not see my face, except your brother be with you. {43:4} If you will send our brother with us, we will go down and buy you food: {43:5} but if you will not send him, we will not go down; for the man said unto us, you shall not see my face, except your brother be with you. {43:6} And Israel said, Therefore dealt

you so ill with me, as to tell the man whether you had yet a brother? {43:7} And they said, The man asked strictly concerning ourselves, and concerning our kindred, saying, Is your father yet alive? have you [another] brother? and we told him according to the tenor of these words: could we in any wise know that he would say, Bring your brother down? {43:8} And Judah said unto Israel his father, Send the young man with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and you, and also our little ones. {43:9} I will be a guarantee for him; of my hand shall you require him: if I bring him not unto you, and set him before you, then let me bear the blame forever: {43:10} for except we had lingered, surely we had now returned a second time. {43:11} And their father Israel said unto them, If it be so now, do this: take of the choice fruits of the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, a little balm, and a little honey, spices and myrrh, nuts, and almonds; {43:12} and take double money in your hand; and the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks carry again in your hand; perhaps it was an oversight: {43:13} take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man: {43:14} and God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may release unto you your other brother and Benjamin. And if I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved. {43:15} And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph. {43:16} And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the steward of his house, Bring the men into the house, and slay, and make ready; for the men shall dine with me at noon. {43:17} And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men to Joseph's house. {43:18} And the men were afraid, because they were brought to Joseph's house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our donkeys. {43:19} And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they spoke unto him at the door of the house, {43:20} and said, Oh, my lord, we came indeed down at the first time to buy food: {43:21} and it came to pass, when we came to the lodging-place, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand. {43:22} And other money have we brought down in our hand to buy food: we know not who put our money in our sacks. {43:23} And he said, Peace be to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, has given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them. {43:24} And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet. And he gave their donkeys provender. {43:25} And they made ready the present against Joseph's coming at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there. {43:26} And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed down themselves to him to the earth. {43:27} And he asked them of their welfare, and said, Is your father well, the old man of whom you spoke? Is he yet alive? {43:28} And they said, Your servant our father is well, he is yet alive. And they bowed the head, and made obeisance. {43:29} And he lifted up his eyes, and saw Benjamin his brother, his mother's son, and said, Is this your youngest brother, of whom you spoke unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto you, my son. {43:30} And Joseph made haste; for his heart yearned over his brother: and he sought where to weep; and he entered into his chamber, and wept there. {43:31} And he washed his face, and came out; and he refrained himself, and said, Set on bread. {43:32} And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, that did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that is an abomination unto the Egyptians. {43:33} And they sat before him, the first-born according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marveled one with another. {43:34} And he took [and sent] messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him.

{01}44} Genesis Chapter Forty Four. {44:1} And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth. {44:2} And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the

youngest, and his grain money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken. {44:3} As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their donkeys. {44:4} [And] when they were gone out of the city, and were not yet far off, Joseph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when you do overtake them, say unto them, Therefore have you rewarded evil for good? {44:5} Is not this that in which my lord drinks, and by which he indeed divines? you have done evil in so doing. {44:6} And he overtook them, and he spoke unto them these words. {44:7} And they said unto him, Therefore speaks my lord such words as these? Far be it from your servants that they should do such a thing. {44:8} Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto you out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal out of your lord's house silver or gold? {44:9} With whom so ever of your servants it be found, let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen. {44:10} And he said, Now also let it be according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my slave; and you shall be blameless. {44:11} Then they hurried, and took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every man his sack. {44:12} And he searched, [and] began at the eldest, and left off at the youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack. {44:13} Then they rent their clothes, and loaded every man his donkey, and returned to the city. {44:14} And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; and he was yet there: and they fell before him on the ground. {44:15} And Joseph said unto them, What deed is this that you have done? know you not that such a man as I can indeed divine? {44:16} And Judah said, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? God has found out the work against law of your servants: behold, we are my lord's bondmen, both we, and he also in whose hand the cup is found. {44:17} And he said, Far be it from me that I should do so: the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my slave; but as for you, get you up in peace unto your father. {44:18} Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh, my lord, let your servant, I pray you, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not your anger burn against your servant; for you are even as Pharaoh. {44:19} My lord asked his servants, saying, Have you a father, or a brother? {44:20} And we said unto my lord, We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother; and his father agape loves him. {44:21} And you said unto your servants, Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him. {44:22} And we said unto my lord, The young man cannot leave his father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die. {44:23} And you said unto your servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you, you shall see my face no more. {44:24} And it came to pass when we came up unto your servant my father, we told him the words of my lord. {44:25} And our father said, Go again, buy us a little food. {44:26} And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, expect our youngest brother be with us. {44:27} And your servant my father said unto us, you know that my wife bare me two sons: {44:28} and the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I have not seen him since: {44:29} and if you take this one also from me, and harm befall him, you will bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to Sheol. {44:30} Now therefore when I come to your servant my father, and the young man is not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the young man's life; {44:31} it will come to pass, when he sees that the young man is not [with us], that he will die: and your servants will bring down the gray hairs of your servant our father with sorrow to Sheol. {44:32} For your servant became A bond for the young man unto my father, saying, If I bring him not unto you, then shall I bear the blame to my father forever. {44:33} Now therefore, let your servant, I pray you, abide instead of the young man a slave to my lord; and let the young man go up with his brethren. {44:34} For how shall I go up to my father, if the young man be not with me? lest I see the evil that shall come on my father.

{01}45} Genesis Chapter Forty Five. {45:1} Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood before him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren. {45:2} And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians heard, and the house of Pharaoh heard. {45:3} And Joseph said unto his

brethren, I am Joseph; does my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence. {45:4} And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. {45:5} And now be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that you sold me here: for God did send me before you to preserve life. {45:6} For these two years has the famine been in the land: and there are yet five years, in which there shall be neither plowing nor harvest. {45:7} And God sent me before you to preserve you a remnant in the earth, and to save you alive by a great deliverance. {45:8} So now it was not you that sent me here, but God: and he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and ruler over all the land of Egypt. {45:9} Haste you, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus said your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not; {45:10} and you shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near unto me, you, and your children, and your children's children, and your flocks, and your herds, and all that you have: {45:11} and there will I nourish you; for there are yet five years of famine; lest you come to poverty, you, and your household, and all that you have. {45:12} And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaks unto you. {45:13} And you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen: and you shall haste and bring down my father here. {45:14} And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck. {45:15} And he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him. {45:16} And the report of it was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants. {45:17} And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto your brethren, This do you: load your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan; {45:18} and take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and you shall eat the fat of the land. {45:19} Now you are commanded, this do you: take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come. {45:20} Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours. {45:21} And the sons of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way. {45:22} To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver, and five changes of raiment. {45:23} And to his father he sent after this manner: ten donkeys loaded with the good things of Egypt, and ten she-donkeys loaded with grain and bread and provision for his father by the way. {45:24} So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, See that you fall not out by the way. {45:25} And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father. {45:26} And they told him, saying, Joseph is yet alive, and he is ruler over all the land of Egypt. And his heart fainted, for he believed them not. {45:27} And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived: {45:28} and Israel said, It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

{01}46} Genesis Chapter Forty Six. {46:1} And Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and offered sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac. {46:2} And God spoke unto Israel in the visions of the night and said, Jacob, and Jacob. And he said, Here am I. {46:3} And he said, I am God, the God of your father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of you a great nation: {46:4} I will go down with you into Egypt; and I will also surely bring you up again: and Joseph shall put his hand upon your eyes. {46:5} And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. {46:6} And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him: {46:7} his sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt. {46:8} And these are the names of the children of Israel, who came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's first-born. {46:9} And the sons of Reuben: Hanoch, and Pallu, and Hezron, and Carmi. {46:10} And

the sons of Simeon: Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman. {46:11} And the sons of Levi: Gershon, Kohas, and Merari. {46:12} And the sons of Judah: Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Perez, and Zerah; but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Perez were Hezron and Hamul. {46:13} And the sons of Issachar: Tola, and Puvah, and Iob, and Shimron. {46:14} And the sons of Zebulun: Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel. {46:15} These are the sons of Leah, whom she bare unto Jacob in Paddan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters were thirty and three. {46:16} And the sons of Gad: Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, and Arodi, and Areli. {46:17} And the sons of Asher: Imnah, and Ishvah, and Ishvi, and Beriah, and Serah their sister; and the sons of Beriah: Heber, and Malchiel. {46:18} These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter; and these she bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls. {46:19} The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife: Joseph and Benjamin. {46:20} And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, whom Asenath, the daughter of Poti-phera priest of On, bare unto him. {46:21} And the sons of Benjamin: Bela, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard. {46:22} These are the sons of Rachel, who were born to Jacob: all the souls were fourteen. {46:23} And the sons of Dan: Hushim. {46:24} And the sons of Naphtali: Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem. {46:25} These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob: all the souls were seven. {46:26} All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, that came out of his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were sixty six; {46:27} and the sons of Joseph, who were born to him in Egypt, were two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, that came into Egypt, were seventy. {46:28} And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to show the way before him unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen. {46:29} And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen; and he presented himself unto him, and fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while. {46:30} And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen your face, that you are yet alive. {46:31} And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and tell Pharaoh, and will say unto him, My brethren, and my father's house, who were in the land of Canaan, are come unto me; {46:32} and the men are shepherds, for they have been keepers of cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have. {46:33} And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, What is your occupation? {46:34} that you shall say, Your servants have been keepers of cattle from our youth even until now, both we, and our fathers: that you may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

{01}47} Genesis Chapter Forty Seven. {47:1} Then Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they are in the land of Goshen. {47:2} And from among his brethren he took five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh. {47:3} And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, What is your occupation? And they said unto Pharaoh, Your servants are shepherds, both we, and our fathers. {47:4} And they said unto Pharaoh, To sojourn in the land are we come; for there is no pasture for your servants' flocks; for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray you, let your servants dwell in the land of Goshen. {47:5} And Pharaoh spoke unto Joseph, saying, Your father and your brethren are come unto you: {47:6} the land of Egypt is before you; in the best of the land make your father and your brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if you know any able men among them, then make them rulers over my cattle. {47:7} And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. {47:8} And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How many are the days of the years of your life? {47:9} And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are a hundred and thirty years: few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage. {47:10} And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from the presence of Pharaoh. {47:11} And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the

best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded. {47:12} And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to their families. {47:13} And there was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very sore, so that the land of Egypt and the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine. {47:14} And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the grain which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house. {47:15} And when the money was all spent in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in your presence? for [our] money fails. {47:16} And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail. {47:17} And they brought their cattle unto Joseph; and Joseph gave them bread in exchange for the horses, and for the flocks, and for the herds, and for the donkeys: and he fed them with bread in exchange for all their cattle for that year. {47:18} And when that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said unto him, We will not hide from my lord, how that our money is all spent; and the herds of cattle are my lord's; there is nothing left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands: {47:19} Therefore should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give us seed, that we may live, and not die, and that the land be not desolate. {47:20} So Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine was sore upon them: and the land became Pharaoh's. {47:21} And as for the people, he removed them to the cities from one end of the border of Egypt even to the other end there. {47:22} Only the land of the priests bought he not: for the priests had a portion from Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them; Therefore they sold not their land. {47:23} Then Joseph said unto the people, Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land. {47:24} And it shall come to pass at the ingathering, that you shall give a fifth unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones. {47:25} And they said, you have saved our lives: let us find favor in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants. {47:26} And Joseph made it a statute concerning the land of Egypt unto this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth; only the land of the priests alone became not Pharaoh's. {47:27} And Israel lived in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen; and they got them possessions therein, and were fruitful, and multiplied exceedingly. {47:28} And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the days of Jacob, the years of his life, were a hundred forty and seven years. {47:29} And the time drew near that Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found favor in your sight, put, I pray you, your hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me: bury me not, I pray you, in Egypt; {47:30} but when I sleep with my fathers, you shall carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their burying-place. And he said, I will do as you have said. {47:31} And he said, Swear unto me: and he swore unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

{01}48} Genesis Chapter Forty Eight. {48:1} And it came to pass after these things, that one said to Joseph, Behold, your father is sick: and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim. {48:2} And one told Jacob, and said, Behold, your son Joseph comes unto you: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed. {48:3} And Jacob said unto Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me, {48:4} and said unto me, Behold, I will make you fruitful, and multiply you, and I will make of you a Ekklesia of peoples, and will give this land to your seed after you for an everlasting possession. {48:5} And now your two sons, who were born unto you in the land of Egypt before I came unto you into Egypt, are mine; Ephraim and Manasseh, even as Reuben and Simeon, shall be mine. {48:6} And your issue, that you beget after them, shall be your; they shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance. {48:7} And as for me, when I came from Paddan, Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when there was still some distance to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way to Ephrath (the same is Beth-lehem). {48:8} And Israel

watched Joseph's sons, and said, Who are these? {48:9} And Joseph said unto his father, They are my sons, whom God has given me here. And he said, Bring them, I pray you, unto me, and I will bless them. {48:10} Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them. {48:11} And Israel said unto Joseph, I had not thought to see your face: and, lo, God has let me see your seed also. {48:12} And Joseph brought them out from between his knees; and he bowed himself with his face to the earth. {48:13} And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought them near unto him. {48:14} And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the first-born. {48:15} And he blessed Joseph, and said, The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God who has fed me all my life long unto this day, {48:16} the messenger who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the young men; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. {48:17} And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head. {48:18} And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father; for this is the first-born; put your right hand upon his head. {48:19} And his father refused, and said, I know [it], my son, I know [it]. He also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: however his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations. {48:20} And he blessed them that day, saying, In you will Israel bless, saying, God make you as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh. {48:21} And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die: but God will be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers. {48:22} Also I have given to you one portion above your brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

{01}49) Genesis Chapter Forty Nine. {49:1} And Jacob called unto his sons, and said: gather yourselves together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the latter days. {49:2} Assemble yourselves, and hear, you sons of Jacob; And hear unto Israel your father. {49:3} Reuben, you are my first-born, my might, and the beginning of my strength; The pre-eminence of dignity, and the pre-eminence of power. {49:4} Boiling over as water, you shall not have the pre-eminence; Because you went up to your father's bed; Then you defiled it: he went up to my couch. {49:5} Simeon and Levi are brethren; Weapons of violence are their swords. {49:6} O my soul, come not you into their council unto their Ekklesia, my glory, you be not united; For in their anger they slew a man, And in their self-will they hocked an ox. {49:7} A curse be their anger, for it was fierce; And their Anger, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, And scatter them in Israel. {49:8} Judah, you shall your brethren praise: Your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies; Your father's sons shall bow down before you. {49:9} Judah is a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, you are gone up: He stooped down, he couched as a lion, And as a lioness; who shall rouse him up? {49:10} The Scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, Until Shiloh come: And unto him shall the obedience of the peoples be. {49:11} Binding his foal unto the vine, And his ass's colt unto the choice vine; He has washed his garments in wine, And his vesture in the blood of grapes: {49:12} His eyes shall be red with wine, And his teeth white with milk. {49:13} Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; And he shall be for a haven of ships; And his border shall be upon Sidon. {49:14} Issachar is a strong donkey, Couching down between the sheepfolds: {49:15} And he saw a resting-place that it was good, And the land that it was pleasant; And he bowed his shoulder to bear, And became a servant under task work. {49:16} Dan shall judge his people, As one of the tribes of Israel. {49:17} Dan shall be a serpent in the way, An adder in the path, That bit the horse's heels, So that his rider falls backward. {49:18} I have waited for your salvation, O Yahweh. {49:19} Gad, a troop shall press upon him; But he shall press upon their heel. {49:20} Out of the Asher his bread

shall be fat, And he shall yield royal dainties. {49:21} Naphtali is a hind let loose: He gives goodly words. {49:22} Joseph is a fruitful bough, A fruitful bough by a fountain; His branches run over the wall. {49:23} The archers have sorely grieved him, And shot at him, and persecute him: {49:24} But his bow abode in strength, And the arms of his hands were made strong, By the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob, (From there is the shepherd, the stone of Israel), {49:25} Even by the God of your father, who shall help you, And by the Almighty, who shall bless you, With blessings of heaven above, Blessings of the deep that couches beneath, Blessings of the breasts, and of the womb. {49:26} The blessings of your father Have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors Unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: They shall be on the head of Joseph, And on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren. {49:27} Benjamin is a wolf that ravens: In the morning she shall devour the prey, And at even he shall divide the spoil. {49:28} All these are the twelve tribes of Israel: and this is it that their father spoke unto them and blessed them; everyone according to his blessing he blessed them. {49:29} And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite, {49:30} in the cave that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field from Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a burying-place. {49:31} there they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebecca his wife; and there I buried Leah: {49:32} the field and the cave that is therein, which was purchased from the children of Heth. {49:33} And when Jacob made an end of charging his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.

{o1}50} Genesis Chapter Fifty. {50:1} And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him. {50:2} And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel. {50:3} And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of embalming: and the Egyptians wept for him seventy. {50:4} And when the days of weeping for him were past, Joseph spoke unto the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found favor in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying, {50:5} My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have dug for me in the land of Canaan, there shall you bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray you, and bury my father, and I will come again. {50:6} And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury your father, according as he made you swear. {50:7} And Joseph went up to bury his father; and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt, {50:8} and all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen. {50:9} And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great company. {50:10} And they came to the threshing-floor of Atad, which is beyond the Jordan, and there they lamented with a very great and sore lamentation: and he made a grieving for his father seven days. {50:11} And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the grieving in the floor of Atad, they said, This is a grievous grieving to the Egyptians: Therefore the name of it was called Abel-mizraim, which is beyond the Jordan. {50:12} And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them: {50:13} for his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field, for a possession of a burying-place, of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre. {50:14} And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father. {50:15} And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, It may be that Joseph will hate us, and will fully repay us all the evil which we did unto him. {50:16} And they sent a message unto Joseph, saying, Your father did command before he died, saying, {50:17} So shall you say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray you now, the transgression of the law of your brethren, and their sin, for that they did unto you evil. And now, we pray you, forgive the transgression of the law of the servants of the God of your father. And Joseph wept when they spoke unto him. {50:18} And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we are your servants. {50:19}

And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God? {50:20} And as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive. {50:21} Now therefore fear you not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spoke kindly unto them. {50:22} And Joseph lived in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived a hundred and ten years. {50:23} And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were born upon Joseph's knees. {50:24} And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die; but God will surely visit you, and bring you up out of this land unto the land which he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. {50:25} And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here. {50:26} So Joseph died, being a hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

The Book of Exodus

{O2}1} Exodus Chapter One. The Book of Exodus The Second Book of The Torah Called The Exodus From Out of Egypt {1:1} Now these are the names of the sons of Israel, who came into Egypt (every man and his household came with Jacob): {1:2} Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, {1:3} Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, {1:4} Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. {1:5} And all the souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were seventy souls: and Joseph was in Egypt already. {1:6} And Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation. {1:7} And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them. {1:8} Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who knew not Joseph. {1:9} And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we: {1:10} come, let us deal wisely with them, lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falls out any war, they also join themselves unto our enemies, and fight against us, and get them up out of the land. {1:11} Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh store-cities, Pithom and Raamses. {1:12} But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And they were grieved because of the children of Israel. {1:13} And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigor: {1:14} and they made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field, all their service, wherein they made them serve with rigor. {1:15} And the king of Egypt spoke to the Hebrew midwives, of whom the name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah: {1:16} and he said, When you do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the birth-stool; if it be a son, then you shall kill him; but if it be a daughter, then she shall live. {1:17} But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the men-children alive. {1:18} And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have you done this thing, and have saved the men-children alive? {1:19} And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are delivered ere the midwife come unto them. {1:20} And God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty. {1:21} And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he made them households. {1:22} And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born you shall cast into the river, and every daughter you shall save alive.

{O2}2} Exodus Chapter Two {2:1} And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi. {2:2} And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three moons. {2:3} And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch; and she put the child therein, and laid it in the flags by the river's brink. {2:4} And his sister stood afar off, to know what would be done to him. {2:5} And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river-side; and she saw the ark among the flags, and

sent her handmaid to get it. {2:6} And she opened it, and saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the Hebrews' children. {2:7} Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, shall I go and call you a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for you? {2:8} And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maiden went and called the child's mother. {2:9} And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it. {2:10} And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses, and said, Because I drew him out of the water. {2:11} And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown up, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he saw an Egyptian smiting a Hebrew, one of his brethren. {2:12} And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he defeated the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand. {2:13} And he went out the second day, and, behold, two men of the Hebrews were striving together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Therefore smite you your fellow? {2:14} And he said, Who made you a prince and a judge over us? You think to kill me, as you killed the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely the thing is known. {2:15} Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and lived in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well. {2:16} Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. {2:17} And the shepherds came and drove them away; but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock. {2:18} And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that you are come so soon to-day? {2:19} And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and he also drew water for us, and watered the flock. {2:20} And he said unto his daughters, And where is he? Why is it that you have left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread. {2:21} And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter. {2:22} And she bare a son, and he called his name Gershom; for he said, I have been a alien in a foreign land. {2:23} And it came to pass in the course of those many days that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. {2:24} And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. {2:25} And God saw the children of Israel, and God took knowledge [of them].

{O2}3} Exodus Chapter Three. {3:1} Now Moses was keeping the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the back of the wilderness, and came to the mountain of God, unto Horeb. {3:2} And the messenger of Yahweh appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. {3:3} And Moses said, I will turn aside now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. {3:4} And when Yahweh saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I. {3:5} And he said, Draw not near here: put off your shoes from off your feet, for the place where on you stands is Holy Ground. {3:6} He also said, I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God. {3:7} And Yahweh said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people that are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; {3:8} and I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. {3:9} And now, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: I also have seen the oppression by which the Egyptians oppress them. {3:10} Come now therefore, and I will send you unto Pharaoh, that you may bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt. {3:11} And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? {3:12} And he said, Certainly I will be with you; and this

shall be the token unto you, that I have sent you: when you have brought forth the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God upon this mountain. {3:13} And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers has sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? What shall I say unto them? {3:14} And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shall you say unto the children of Israel, I AM has sent me unto you. {3:15} And God also said unto Moses, Thus shall you say unto the children of Israel, Yahweh, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me unto you: this is my name forever, and this is my memorial unto all generations. {3:16} Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, Yahweh, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and [seen] that which is done to you in Egypt: {3:17} and I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, unto a land flowing with milk and honey. {3:18} And they shall hear to your voice: and you shall come, you and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and you shall say unto him, Yahweh, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us: and now let us go, we pray you, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to Yahweh our God. {3:19} And I know that the king of Egypt will not give you leave to go, no, not by a mighty hand. {3:20} And I will put forth my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst there: and after that he will let you go. {3:21} And I will give this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when you go, you shall not go empty. {3:22} But every woman shall ask of her neighbor, and of her that sojourns in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and you shall put them upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and you shall despoil the Egyptians.

{O2}4} Exodus Chapter Four. {4:1} And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hear unto my voice; for they will say, Yahweh has not appeared unto you. {4:2} And Yahweh said unto him, What is that in your hand? And he said, A rod. {4:3} And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it. {4:4} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Put forth your hand, and take it by the tail: (and he put forth his hand, and laid hold of it, and it became a rod in his hand:) {4:5} That they may believe that Yahweh, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared unto you. {4:6} And Yahweh said furthermore unto him, Put now your hand into your bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous, as [white as] snow. {4:7} And he said, Put your hand into your bosom again. (And he put his hand into his bosom again; and when he took it out of his bosom, behold, it was turned again as his [other] flesh.) {4:8} And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe you, neither hear to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign. {4:9} And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe even these two signs, neither hear unto your voice, that you shall take of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land: and the water which you takes out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land. {4:10} And Moses said unto Yahweh, Oh, Lord, I am not eloquent, neither herefore, nor since you have spoken unto your servant; for I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. {4:11} And Yahweh said unto him, Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes[a man] dumb, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, Yahweh? {4:12} Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth, and teach you what you shall speak. {4:13} And he said, Oh, Lord, send, I pray you, by the hand of him whom you will send. {4:14} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Moses, and he said, Is there not Aaron your brother the Levite? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he comes forth to meet you: and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. {4:15} And you shall speak unto him, and put the words in his mouth: and I will be with your mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. {4:16} And he [Aaron] shall be your spokesman

unto the people; and it shall come to pass, that he shall be to you a mouth, and you shall be [to] him [from] God. {4:17} And you shall take in your hand this rod, by which you shall do the signs. {4:18} And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father-in-law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray you, and return unto my brethren that are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace. {4:19} And Yahweh said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt; for all the men are dead that sought your life. {4:20} And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an donkey, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand. {4:21} And Yahweh said unto Moses, When you go back into Egypt, see that you do before Pharaoh all the wonders which I have put in your hand: but I will harden his heart and he will not let the people go. {4:22} And you shall say unto Pharaoh, Thus said Yahweh, Israel is my son, my first-born: {4:23} and I have said unto you, Let my son go, that he may serve me; and you have refused to let him go: behold, I will slay your son, your first-born. {4:24} And it came to pass on the way at the lodging-place, that Yahweh met him, and sought to kill him. {4:25} Then Zipporah took a flint, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet; and she said, Surely a bridegroom of blood are you to me. {4:26} So he let him alone. Then she said, A bridegroom of blood [are you], because of the circumcision. {4:27} And Yahweh said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and met him in the mountain of God, and kissed him. {4:28} And Moses told Aaron all the words of Yahweh by which he had sent him, and all the signs by which he had charged him. {4:29} And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel: {4:30} and Aaron spoke all the words which Yahweh had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. {4:31} And the people believed: and when they heard that Yahweh had visited the children of Israel, and that he had seen their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.

{O2}5} Exodus Chapter Five. {5:1} And afterward Moses and Aaron came, and said unto Pharaoh, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness. {5:2} And Pharaoh said Who is Yahweh that I should listen to his voice [or] to let Israel go? I know not Yahweh, and also I will not let Israel go. {5:3} And they said, The God of the Hebrews has met with us: let us go, we pray you, three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice unto Yahweh our God, lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword. {5:4} And the king of Egypt said unto them, Therefore do you, Moses and Aaron, loose the people from their works? get you unto your burdens. {5:5} And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land are now many, and you make them rest from their burdens. {5:6} And the same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying, {5:7} you shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves. {5:8} And the number of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, you shall lay upon them; you shall not diminish anything there: for they are idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God. {5:9} Let heavier work be laid upon the men that they may labor therein; and let them not regard lying words. {5:10} And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spoke to the people, saying, Thus said Pharaoh, I will not give you straw. {5:11} Go yourselves, get you straw where you can find it: for nothing of your work shall be diminished. {5:12} So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw. {5:13} And the taskmasters were urgent saying, Fulfill your works, [your] daily tasks, as when there was straw. {5:14} And the officers of the children of Israel, whom Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, Therefore have you not fulfilled your task both yesterday and to-day, in making brick as heretofore? {5:15} Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Therefore deal you thus with your servants? {5:16} There is no straw given unto your servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, your servants are beaten; but the fault is in your own people. {5:17} But he said, you are idle, you are idle: therefore you say, Let us go and sacrifice to Yahweh. {5:18} Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall you deliver the number

of bricks. {5:19} And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were in evil case, when it was said, you shall not diminish anything from your bricks, [your] daily tasks. {5:20} And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh: {5:21} and they said unto them, Yahweh look upon you, and judge: because you have made our savor to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us. {5:22} And Moses returned unto Yahweh, and said, Lord, Therefore have you dealt ill with this people? why is it that you have sent me? {5:23} For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has dealt ill with this people; neither have you delivered your people at all.

{02}6} Exodus Chapter Six. {6:1} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Now shall you see what I will do to Pharaoh: for by a strong hand shall he let them go, and by a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land. {6:2} And God spoke unto Moses, and said unto him, I am Yahweh: {6:3} and I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, as God Almighty; but by my name Yahweh I was not known to them. {6:4} And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their wonderings, wherein they traveled. {6:5} And I also have heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant. {6:6} Therefore say unto the children of Israel, I am Yahweh, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm, and with great judgments: {6:7} and I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God; and you shall know that I am Yahweh your God, who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. {6:8} And I will bring you in unto the land which I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for a heritage: I am Yahweh. {6:9} And Moses spoke so unto the children of Israel: but they heard not unto Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage. {6:10} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:11} Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land. {6:12} And Moses spoke before Yahweh, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not heard unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncircumcised lips? {6:13} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt. {6:14} These are the heads of their fathers' houses. The sons of Reuben the first-born of Israel: Hanoah, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi; these are the families of Reuben. {6:15} And the sons of Simeon: Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman; these are the families of Simeon. {6:16} And these are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations: Gershon, and Kohas, and Merari; and the years of the life of Levi were a hundred thirty and seven years. {6:17} The sons of Gershon: Libni and Shimei, according to their families. {6:18} And the sons of Kohas: Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel; and the years of the life of Kohas were a hundred thirty and three years. {6:19} And the sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites according to their generations. {6:20} And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were a hundred and thirty and seven years. {6:21} And the sons of Izhar: Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri. {6:22} And the sons of Uzziel: Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Sithri. {6:23} And Aaron took him Elisheba, the daughter of Amminadab, the sister of Nahshon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. {6:24} And the sons of Korah: Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph; these are the families of the Korahites. {6:25} And Eleazar Aaron's son took him one of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare him Phinehas. These are the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the Levites according to their families. {6:26} These are that Aaron and Moses, to whom Yahweh said, Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their hosts. {6:27} These are they that spoke to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron. {6:28} And it came to pass on the day when Yahweh spoke unto Moses in the land of Egypt, {6:29} that Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, I am

Yahweh: speak you unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I speak unto you. {6:30} And Moses said before Yahweh, Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hear unto me?

{O2}7} Exodus Chapter Seven. {7:1} And Yahweh said unto Moses, See, I have made you as God to Pharaoh; and Aaron your brother shall be your prophet. {7:2} you shall speak all that I command you; and Aaron your brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land. {7:3} And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt. {7:4} But Pharaoh will not hear unto you, and I will lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth my hosts, my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments. {7:5} And the Egyptians shall know that I am Yahweh, when I stretch forth my hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them. {7:6} And Moses and Aaron did so; as Yahweh commanded them, so did they. {7:7} And Moses was eighty years old, and Aaron eighty three years old, when they spoke unto Pharaoh. {7:8} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {7:9} When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Show a wonder for you; then you shall say unto Aaron, Take your rod, and cast it down before Pharaoh, that it become a serpent. {7:10} And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so, as Yahweh had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh and before his servants, and it became a serpent. {7:11} Then Pharaoh also called for the wise men and the sorcerers: and they also, the magicians of Egypt, did in like manner with their enchantments. {7:12} For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. {7:13} And Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he heard not unto them; as Yahweh had spoken. {7:14} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is stubborn, he refuses to let the people go. {7:15} Get you unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goes out unto the water; and you shall stand by the river's brink to meet him; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shall you take in your hand. {7:16} And you shall say unto him, Yahweh, the God of the Hebrews, has sent me unto you, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, here you have not heard. {7:17} Thus said Yahweh, In this you shall know that I am Yahweh: behold, I will smite with the rod that is in my hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood. {7:18} And the fish that are in the river shall die, and the river shall become foul; and the Egyptians shall loathe to drink water from the river. {7:19} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take your rod, and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, over their streams, and over their pools, and over all their ponds of water, that they may become blood; and there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone. {7:20} And Moses and Aaron did so, as Yahweh commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and defeated the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood. {7:21} And the fish that were in the river died; and the river became foul, and the Egyptians could not drink water from the river; and the blood was throughout all the land of Egypt. {7:22} And the magicians of Egypt did in like manner with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he heard not unto them; as Yahweh had spoken. {7:23} And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he lay even this to heart. {7:24} And all the Egyptians dug round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river. {7:25} And seven days were fulfilled, after that Yahweh had smitten the river.

{O2}8} Exodus Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Let my people go, that they may serve me. {8:2} And if you refuse to let them go, behold, I will smite all your borders with frogs: {8:3} and the river shall swarm with frogs, which shall go up and come into your house, and into your bedchamber, and upon your bed, and into the house of your servants, and upon your people, and into your ovens, and into your kneading-troughs: {8:4} and the frogs shall come up both upon you, and upon your people, and upon all your servants. {8:5} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth your hand with your rod over the rivers, over the streams, and over the pools,

and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt. {8:6} And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt. {8:7} And the magicians did in like manner with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt. {8:8} Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Entreat Yahweh, that he take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may sacrifice unto Yahweh. {8:9} And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Have you this glory over me: against what time shall I entreat for you, and for your servants, and for your people, that the frogs be destroyed from you and your houses, and remain in the river only? {8:10} And he said, Against to-morrow. And he said, Be it according to your word; that you may know that there is none like unto Yahweh our God. {8:11} And the frogs shall depart from you, and from your houses, and from your servants, and from your people; they shall remain in the river only. {8:12} And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto Yahweh concerning the frogs which he had brought upon Pharaoh. {8:13} And Yahweh did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the courts, and out of the fields. {8:14} And they gathered them together in heaps; and the land stank. {8:15} But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and heard not unto them, as Yahweh had spoken. {8:16} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out your rod, and smite the dust of the earth, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt. {8:17} And they did so; and Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and there were lice upon man, and upon beast; all the dust of the earth became lice throughout all the land of Egypt. {8:18} And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: and there were lice upon man, and upon beast. {8:19} Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he heard not unto them; as Yahweh had spoken. {8:20} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he comes forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Let my people go, that they may serve me. {8:21} Else, if you will not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon you, and upon thy servants, and upon your people, and into your houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are. {8:22} And I will set apart in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end you may know that I am Yahweh in the midst of the earth. {8:23} And I will put a division between my people and your people: by to-morrow shall this sign be. {8:24} And Yahweh did so; and there came grievous swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses: and in all the land of Egypt the land was corrupted by reason of the swarms of flies. {8:25} And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go you, sacrifice to your God in the land. {8:26} And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to Yahweh our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us? {8:27} We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to Yahweh our God, as he shall command us. {8:28} And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that you may sacrifice to Yahweh your God in the wilderness; only you shall not go very far away: entreat for me. {8:29} And Moses said, Behold, I go out from you, and I will entreat Yahweh that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to-morrow: only let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to Yahweh. {8:30} And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and entreated Yahweh. {8:31} And Yahweh did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one. {8:32} And Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also, and he did not let the people go.

{02}9} Exodus Chapter Nine. {9:1} Then Yahweh said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus said Yahweh, the God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. {9:2} For if you refuse to let them go, and will hold them still, {9:3} behold, the hand of Yahweh is upon your cattle which are in the field, upon the horses, upon the donkeys, upon the camels,

upon the herds, and upon the flocks: [there shall be] a very grievous murrain. {9:4} And Yahweh shall make a distinction between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt; and there shall nothing die of all that belongs to the children of Israel. {9:5} And Yahweh appointed a set time, saying, To-morrow Yahweh shall do this thing in the land. {9:6} And Yahweh did that thing on the morrow; and all the cattle of Egypt died; but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one. {9:7} And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not so much as one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. But the heart of Pharaoh was stubborn, and he did not let the people go. {9:8} And Yahweh said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward heaven in the sight of Pharaoh. {9:9} And it shall become small dust over all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth with blains upon man and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt. {9:10} And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth with blains upon man and upon beast. {9:11} And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boils were upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians. {9:12} And Yahweh hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he heard not unto them, as Yahweh had spoken unto Moses. {9:13} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus said Yahweh, the God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. {9:14} For I will this time send all my plagues upon your heart, and upon your servants, and upon your people; that you may know that there is none like me in all the earth. {9:15} For now I had put forth my hand, and smitten you and your people with pestilence, and you had been cut off from the earth: {9:16} but in very deed for this cause have I made you to stand, to show you my power, and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth. {9:17} As yet exalts you yourself against my people that you will not let them go? {9:18} Behold, to-morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as has not been in Egypt since the day it was founded even until now. {9:19} Now therefore send, hurry in your cattle and all that you have in the field; [for] every man and beast that shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die. {9:20} He that feared the word of Yahweh among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses. {9:21} And he that regarded not the word of Yahweh left his servants and his cattle in the field. {9:22} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Stretch forth your hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt. {9:23} And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and Yahweh sent thunder and hail, and fire ran down unto the earth; and Yahweh rained hail upon the land of Egypt. {9:24} So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as had not been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. {9:25} And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field. {9:26} Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail. {9:27} And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: Yahweh is righteous worker, and I and my people are wicked. {9:28} Entreat Yahweh; for there has been enough of [these] mighty thundering and hail; and I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer. {9:29} And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto Yahweh; the thunders shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that you may know that the earth is Yahweh's. {9:30} But as for you and your servants, I know that you will not yet fear The God Yahweh. {9:31} And the flax and the barley were smitten: for the barley was in the ear, and the flax was in bloom. {9:32} But the wheat and the spelt were not smitten: for they were not grown up. {9:33} And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto Yahweh: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth. {9:34} And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants. {9:35} And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the children of Israel go, as Yahweh had spoken by Moses.

{02}10} Exodus Chapter Ten. {10:1} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I may show these my signs in the midst of them, {10:2} and that you may tell in the ears of your son, and of your son's son, what things I have wrought upon Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that you may know that I am Yahweh. {10:3} And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, the God of the Hebrews, How long will you refuse to humble yourself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me. {10:4} Else, if you refuse to let my people go, behold, to-morrow will I bring locusts into your border: {10:5} and they shall cover the face of the earth, so that one shall not be able to see the earth: and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remains unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which grows for you out of the field: {10:6} and your houses shall be filled, and the houses of all your servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; as neither your fathers nor your fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned, and went out from Pharaoh. {10:7} And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve Yahweh their God: know you not yet that Egypt is destroyed? {10:8} And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go, serve Yahweh your God; but who are they that shall go? {10:9} And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old; with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto Yahweh. {10:10} And he said unto them, So be Yahweh with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for evil is before you. {10:11} Not so: go now you that are men, and serve Yahweh; for that is what you desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence. {10:12} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Stretch out your hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail has left. {10:13} And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and Yahweh brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all the night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. {10:14} And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the borders of Egypt; very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. {10:15} For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing, either tree or herb of the field, through all the land of Egypt. {10:16} Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against Yahweh your God, and against you. {10:17} Now therefore forgive, I pray you, my sin only this once, and entreat Yahweh your God, that he may take away from me this death only. {10:18} And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated Yahweh. {10:19} And Yahweh turned an exceeding strong west wind, which took up the locusts, and drove them into the Red Sea; there remained not one locust in all the border of Egypt. {10:20} But Yahweh hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go. {10:21} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt. {10:22} And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days; {10:23} they saw not one another, neither rose any one from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings. {10:24} And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go you, serve Yahweh; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you. {10:25} And Moses said, you must also give into our hand sacrifices and burnt-offerings that we may sacrifice unto Yahweh our God. {10:26} Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not a hoof be left behind: for of it must we take to serve Yahweh our God; and we know not with what we must serve Yahweh, until we come there. {10:27} But Yahweh hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. {10:28} And Pharaoh said unto him, Get you from me, take heed to yourself, see my face no more; for in the day you see my face you shall die. {10:29} And Moses said, you have spoken well. I will see your face again no more.

{O2}11} Exodus Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And Yahweh said unto Moses, yet one plague more will I bring upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go from here: when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out from here altogether. {11:2} Speak now in the ears of the people, and let them ask every man of his neighbor, and every woman of her neighbor, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold. {11:3} And Yahweh gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Also the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people. {11:4} And Moses said, Thus said Yahweh, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt: {11:5} and all the first-born in the land of Egypt shall die, from the first-born of Pharaoh that sits upon his throne, even unto the first-born of the maid-servant that is behind the mill; and all the first-born of cattle. {11:6} And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there has not been, nor shall be any more. {11:7} But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that you may know how that Yahweh does make a distinction between the Egyptians and Israel. {11:8} And all these your servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get you out, and all the people that follow you: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in hot anger. {11:9} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Pharaoh will not hear unto you; that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt. {11:10} And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and Yahweh hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

{O2}12} Exodus Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, {12:2} This moon [of resurrection Abib, determined by the the moon nearest to the vernal equinox] shall be unto you the beginning of moons: it shall be [Abib] the first moon of the repetition to you. {12:3} Speak you unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth [day] of this moon [of resurrection] [Abib] they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household: {12:4} and if the household be too little for a lamb, then shall he and his neighbor next unto his house take one according to the number of the souls; according to every man's eating you shall make your count for the lamb. {12:5} Your lamb shall be outside blemish, a male a year old: you shall take it from the sheep, or from the goats: {12:6} and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same moon [of resurrection] [Abib]; and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it between the [two] evenings. {12:7} And they shall take of the blood, and put it on the two side-posts and on the lintel, upon the houses wherein they shall eat it. {12:8} And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; with bitter herbs they shall eat it. {12:9} Eat not of it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roast with fire; its head with its legs and with the inwards there. {12:10} And you shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; but that which remains of it until the morning you shall burn with fire. {12:11} And thus shall you eat it: with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste: it is Yahweh's Passover. {12:12} For I will go through the land of Egypt in that night, and will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am Yahweh. {12:13} And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where you are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and there shall no plague be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. {12:14} And this day shall be unto you for a memorial, and you shall keep it a feast to Yahweh: throughout your generations you shall keep it a feast by an ordinance forever. {12:15} Seven days shall you eat unleavened bread; even the first day you shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel. {12:16} And in the first day there shall be to you a holy convocation, and in the seventh day a holy convocation; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done by you. {12:17} And you shall observe the [feast of] unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall you observe this day [of

Passover] throughout your generations by an ordinance forever. {12:18} In the first moon [of resurrection, fruiting, budding and sprouting “Abib”], on the fourteenth day of the moon {Abib] at even, you shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the moon at even. {12:19} Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for anyone who eats that which is leavened, that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a alien, or one that is born in the land. {12:20} you shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall you eat unleavened bread. {12:21} Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out, and take you lambs according to your families, and kill the Passover. {12:22} And you shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is on the threshold, and strike the lintel and the two side-posts with the blood that is on the threshold; and none of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. {12:23} For Yahweh will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he sees the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side-posts, Yahweh will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you. {12:24} And you shall observe this instruction for an ordinance to you and to your sons forever. {12:25} And it shall come to pass, when you are come to the land which Yahweh will give you, according as he has promised, that you shall keep this service. {12:26} And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What [do] you mean by this service? {12:27} that you shall say, It is the sacrifice of Yahweh's Passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he defeated the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped. {12:28} And the children of Israel went and did so; as Yahweh had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. {12:29} And it came to pass at midnight, that Yahweh smote all the first-born in the land of Egypt, from the first-born of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the first-born of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the first-born of cattle. {12:30} And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead. {12:31} And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, get you forth from among my people, both you and the children of Israel; and go, serve Yahweh, as you have said. {12:32} Take both your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone; and bless me also. {12:33} And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, to send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We are all dead men. {12:34} And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneading-troughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders. {12:35} And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment. {12:36} And Yahweh gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. And they despoiled the Egyptians. {12:37} And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, besides children. {12:38} And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. {12:39} And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt; for it was not leavened, because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victuals. {12:40} Now the time that the children of Israel lived in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. {12:41} And it came to pass at the end of four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of Yahweh went out from the land of Egypt. {12:42} It is a night to be much observed unto Yahweh for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of Yahweh, to be much observed of all the children of Israel throughout their generations. {12:43} And Yahweh said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the Passover: there shall no foreigner eat there; {12:44} but every man's servant that is bought for money, when you have circumcised him, then shall he eat there. {12:45} A alien and a hired servant shall not eat there. {12:46} In one house shall it be eaten; you shall not carry forth anything of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall you break a bone there. {12:47} All the congregation of Israel shall keep it. {12:48} And when a stranger shall sojourn with you, and will keep the Passover to Yahweh, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come

near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: but no uncircumcised person shall eat there. {12:49} One law shall be to him that is home-born, and unto the stranger that sojourns among you. {12:50} Thus did all the children of Israel; as Yahweh commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. {12:51} And it came to pass the selfsame day, that Yahweh did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their hosts.

{O2}13} Exodus Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {13:2} Sanctify unto me all the first-born, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and of beast: it is mine. {13:3} And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand Yahweh brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten. {13:4} This day you go forth in the moon Abib. {13:5} And it shall be, when Yahweh shall bring you into the land of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, which he swore unto your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, that you shall keep this service in this moon. {13:6} Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to Yahweh. {13:7} Unleavened bread shall be eaten throughout the seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with you, neither shall there be leaven seen with you, in all your borders. {13:8} And you shall tell your son in that day, saying, It is because of that which Yahweh did for me when I came forth out of Egypt. {13:9} And it shall be for a sign unto you upon your hand, and for a memorial between your eyes, that the law of Yahweh may be in your mouth: for with a strong hand has Yahweh brought you out of Egypt. {13:10} you shall therefore keep this ordinance in its season from year to year. {13:11} And it shall be, when Yahweh shall bring you into the land of the Canaanite, as he swore unto you and to your fathers, and shall give it you, {13:12} that you shall set apart unto Yahweh all that opens the womb, and every firstling which you have that comes of a beast; the males shall be Yahweh's. {13:13} And every firstling of an donkey you shall redeem with a lamb; and if you will not redeem it, then you shall break its neck: and all the first-born of man among your sons shall you redeem. {13:14} And it shall be, when your son asks you in time to come, saying, What is this? that you shall say unto him, By strength of hand Yahweh brought us out from Egypt, from the house of bondage: {13:15} and it came to pass, when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that Yahweh slew all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both the first-born of man, and the first-born of beast: therefore I sacrifice to Yahweh all that opens the womb, being males; but all the first-born of my sons I redeem. {13:16} And it shall be for a sign upon your hand, and for frontlets between your eyes: for by strength of hand Yahweh brought us forth out of Egypt. {13:17} And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not by the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, Lest perhaps the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt: {13:18} but God led the people about, by the way of the wilderness by the Red Sea: and the children of Israel went up armed out of the land of Egypt. {13:19} And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straightly sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and you shall carry up my bones away from here with you. {13:20} And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Ethan, in the edge of the wilderness. {13:21} And Yahweh went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them the way, and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light, that they might go by day and by night: {13:22} the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, departed not from before the people.

{O2}14} Exodus Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {14:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn back and encamp before Pihahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, before Baal-zephon: over against it shall you encamp by the sea. {14:3} And Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They are entangled in the land, the wilderness has shut them in. {14:4} And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he shall follow after them; and I will get

me honor upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host: and the Egyptians shall know that I am Yahweh. And they did so. {14:5} And it was told the king of Egypt that the people were fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was changed towards the people, and they said, What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us? {14:6} And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him: {14:7} and he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over all of them. {14:8} And Yahweh hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: for the children of Israel went out with a high hand. {14:9} And the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses [and] chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pihahiroth, before Baal-zephon. {14:10} And when Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians were marching after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto Yahweh. {14:11} And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, have you taken us away to die in the wilderness? Therefore have you dealt thus with us, to bring us forth out of Egypt? {14:12} Is not this the word that we spoke unto you in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it were better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness. {14:13} And Moses said unto the people, Fear you not, standstill, and see the salvation of Yahweh, which he will work for you to-day: for the Egyptians whom you have seen to-day, you shall see them again no more forever. {14:14} Yahweh will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace. {14:15} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Therefore cry you unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward. {14:16} And lift you up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go into the midst of the sea on dry ground. {14:17} And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall go in after them: and I will get me honor upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen. {14:18} And the Egyptians shall know that I am Yahweh, when I have gotten me honor upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen. {14:19} And the messenger of God, who went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud removed from before them, and stood behind them: {14:20} and it came between the camp of Egypt and the camp of Israel; and there was the cloud and the darkness, yet gave it light by night: and the one came not near the other all the night. {14:21} And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and Yahweh caused the sea to go [back] by a strong east wind all the night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. {14:22} And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. {14:23} And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. {14:24} And it came to pass in the morning watch, that Yahweh looked forth upon the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of cloud, and discomfited the host of the Egyptians. {14:25} And he took off their chariot wheels, and they drove them heavily; so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for Yahweh fights for them against the Egyptians. {14:26} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Stretch out your hand over the sea that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen. {14:27} And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and Yahweh overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. {14:28} And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, even all the host of Pharaoh that went in after them into the sea; there remained not so much as one of them. {14:29} But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. {14:30} Thus Yahweh saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea-shore. {14:31} And Israel saw the great work which Yahweh did upon the Egyptians, and the people feared Yahweh: and they believed in Yahweh, and in his servant Moses.

{O2}15} Exodus Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto Yahweh, and spoke, saying, I will sing unto Yahweh, for he has triumphed gloriously: The horse and his rider has he thrown into the sea. {15:2} Yahweh is my strength and song, And he is become my salvation: This is my God, and I will praise him; My father's God, and I will exalt him. {15:3} Yahweh is a man of war: Yahweh is his name. {15:4} Pharaoh's chariots and his host has he cast into the sea; And his chosen captains are sunk in the Red Sea. {15:5} The deeps cover them: They went down into the depths like a stone. {15:6} Your right hand, O Yahweh, is glorious in power, Your right hand, O Yahweh, dashes in pieces the enemy. {15:7} And in the greatness of your Excellency you overthrows them that rise up against you: you sends forth your Anger, it consumes them as stubble. {15:8} And with the blast of your nostrils the waters were piled up, The floods stood upright as a heap; The deeps were congealed in the heart of the sea. {15:9} The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; My desire shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them. {15:10} you did blow with your wind, the sea covered them: They sank as lead in the mighty waters. {15:11} Who is like unto you, O Yahweh, among the gods? Who is like you, glorious in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders? {15:12} you stretched out your right hand, The earth swallowed them. {15:13} you in your agape loving kindness have led the people that you have redeemed: you have guided them in your strength to your holy habitation. {15:14} The peoples have heard, they tremble: Pangs have taken hold on the inhabitants of Philistia. {15:15} Then were the chiefs of Edom dismayed; The mighty men of Moab, trembling takes hold upon them: All the inhabitants of Canaan are melted away. {15:16} Terror and dread falls upon them; By the greatness of your arm they are as still as a stone; Till your people pass over, O Yahweh, Till the people pass over that you have purchased. {15:17} you will bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of your inheritance, The place, O Yahweh, which you have made for you to dwell in, The sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. {15:18} Yahweh shall reign forever and ever. {15:19} For the horses of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and Yahweh brought back the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel walked on dry land in the midst of the sea. {15:20} And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. {15:21} And Miriam answered them, Sing you to Yahweh, for he has triumphed gloriously; The horse and his rider has he thrown into the sea. {15:22} And Moses led Israel onward from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water. {15:23} And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah. {15:24} And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink? {15:25} And he cried unto Yahweh; And Yahweh showed him a tree, and he cast it into the waters, and the waters were made sweet. There he made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there he proved them; {15:26} and he said, If you will diligently hear to the voice of Yahweh your God, and will do that which is right in his eyes, and will give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases upon you, which I have put upon the Egyptians: for I am Yahweh that heals you. {15:27} And they came to Elim, where were twelve springs of water, and seventy palm-trees: and they encamped there by the waters.

{O2}16} Exodus Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second moon after their departing out of the land of Egypt. {16:2} And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron in the wilderness: {16:3} and the children of Israel said unto them, Would that we had died by the hand of Yahweh in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh-pots, when we did eat bread to the full; for you have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger. {16:4} Then said Yahweh unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for

you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or not. {16:5} And it shall come to pass on the sixth day, that they shall prepare that which they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily. {16:6} And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then you shall know that Yahweh has brought you out from the land of Egypt; {16:7} and in the morning, then you shall see the glory of Yahweh; for that he hears your murmurings against Yahweh: and what are we, that you murmur against us? {16:8} And Moses said, [This shall be], when Yahweh shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that Yahweh hears your murmurings which you murmur against him: and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against Yahweh. {16:9} And Moses said unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before Yahweh; for he has heard your murmurings. {16:10} And it came to pass, as Aaron spoke unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of Yahweh appeared in the cloud. {16:11} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {16:12} I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At even you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread: and you shall know that I am Yahweh your God. {16:13} And it came to pass at even, that the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the camp. {16:14} And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness a small round thing, small as the hoar-frost on the ground. {16:15} And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, What is it? For they knew not what it was. And Moses said unto them, It is the bread which Yahweh has given you to eat. {16:16} This is the thing which Yahweh has commanded, Gather you of it every man according to his eating; an omer a head, according to the number of your persons, shall you take it, every man for them that are in his tent. {16:17} And the children of Israel did so, and gathered some more, some less. {16:18} And when they measured it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating. {16:19} And Moses said unto them, Let no man leave of it till the morning. {16:20} Notwithstanding they heard not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and became foul: and Moses was angry with them. {16:21} And they gathered it morning by morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted. {16:22} And it came to pass, that on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. {16:23} And he said unto them, This is that which Yahweh has spoken, Tomorrow is a solemn rest, a holy Sabbath unto Yahweh: bake that which you will bake, and boil that which you will boil; and all that remains over lay up for you to be kept until the morning. {16:24} And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not become foul, neither was there any worm therein. {16:25} And Moses said, Eat that to-day; for to-day is a Sabbath unto Yahweh: to-day you shall not find it in the field. {16:26} Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day is the Sabbath, in it there shall be none. {16:27} And it came to pass on the seventh day, that there went out some of the people to gather, and they found none. {16:28} And Yahweh said unto Moses, How long refuse you to keep my commandments and my laws? {16:29} See, for that Yahweh has given you the Sabbath, therefore he gives you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide you every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day. {16:30} So the people rested on the seventh day. {16:31} And the house of Israel called the name of it Manna: and it was like coriander seed, white; and the taste of it was like wafers [made] with honey. {16:32} And Moses said, This is the thing which Yahweh has commanded, Let an omer full of it be kept throughout your generations, that they may see the bread by which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt. {16:33} And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and lay it up before Yahweh, to be kept throughout your generations. {16:34} As Yahweh commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept. {16:35} And the children of Israel did eat the manna forty years, until they came to a

land inhabited; they did eat the manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan. {16:36} Now an omer is the tenth part of an ephah.

{O2}17} Exodus Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, by their journeys, according to the commandment of Yahweh, and encamped in Rephidim: and there was no water for the people to drink. {17:2} Therefore the people strove with Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, Why strive you with me? Therefore do you tempt Yahweh? {17:3} And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said, Therefore have you brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst? {17:4} And Moses cried unto Yahweh, saying, What shall I do unto this people? They are almost ready to stone me. {17:5} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Pass on before the people, and take with you of the elders of Israel; and your rod, where therewith you smote the river, take in your hand, and go. {17:6} Behold, I will stand before you there upon the rock in Horeb; and you shall smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. {17:7} And he called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, because of the striving of the children of Israel, and because they tempted Yahweh, saying, Is Yahweh among us, or not? {17:8} Then came Amalek, and fought [against] Israel in Rephidim. {17:9} And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to-morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in my hand. {17:10} So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought [against] Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. {17:11} And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. {17:12} But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; And his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. {17:13} And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. {17:14} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. {17:15} And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Yahweh-nissi; {17:16} And he said, Yahweh has sworn: Yahweh will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

{O2}18} Exodus Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} Now Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father-in-law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, how that Yahweh had brought Israel out of Egypt. {18:2} And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her away, {18:3} and her two sons; of whom the name of the one was Gershom; for he said, I have been a alien in a foreign land: {18:4} and the name of the other was Eliezer; for [he said], The God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh. {18:5} And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness where he was encamped, at the mount of God: {18:6} and he said unto Moses, I, your father-in-law Jethro, am come unto you, and your wife, and her two sons with her. {18:7} And Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, and did obeisance, and kissed him: and they asked each other of their welfare; and they came into the tent. {18:8} And Moses told his father-in-law all that Yahweh had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and how Yahweh delivered them. {18:9} And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which Yahweh had done to Israel, in that he had delivered them out of the hand of the Egyptians. {18:10} And Jethro said, Blessed be Yahweh, who has delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh; who has delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians. {18:11} Now I know that Yahweh is greater than all gods; behold, in the thing wherein they dealt proudly against them. {18:12} And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took a burnt-offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father-in-law before God. {18:13} And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people: and the people stood about Moses from the morning unto the evening. {18:14} And when Moses' father-in-law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What

is this thing that you do to the people? Why sits you yourself alone, and all the people stand about you from morning unto even? {18:15} And Moses said unto his father-in-law, Because the people come unto me to inquire of God: {18:16} when they have a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between a man and his neighbor, and I make them know the statutes of God, and his laws. {18:17} And Moses' father-in-law said unto him, The thing that you do is not good. {18:18} you will surely wear away, both you, and this people that is with you: for the thing is too heavy for you; you are not able to perform it yourself alone. {18:19} Hear now unto my voice, I will give you counsel, and God be with you: be you for the people to God-ward, and bring you the causes unto God: {18:20} and you shall teach them the statutes and the laws, and shall show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do. {18:21} Also you shall provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating unjust gain; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens: {18:22} and let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto you, but every small matter they shall judge themselves: so shall it be easier for yourself, and they shall bear [the burden] with you. {18:23} If you shall do this thing, and God command you so, then you shall be able to endure, and all this people also shall go to their place in peace. {18:24} So Moses heard the voice of his father-in-law, and did all that he had said. {18:25} And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. {18:26} And they judged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves. {18:27} And Moses let his father-in-law depart; and he went his way into his own land.

{O2}19} Exodus Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} In the third moon after the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai. {19:2} And when they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the wilderness of Sinai, they encamped in the wilderness; and there Israel encamped before the mount. {19:3} And Moses went up unto God, and Yahweh called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shall you say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: {19:4} you have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. {19:5} Now therefore, if you will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then you shall be mine own possession from among all peoples: for all the earth is mine: {19:6} and you shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which you shall speak unto the children of Israel. {19:7} And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and set before them all these words which Yahweh commanded him. {19:8} And all the people answered together, and said, All that Yahweh has spoken we will do. And Moses reported the words of the people unto Yahweh. {19:9} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto you in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and may also believe you forever. And Moses told the words of the people unto Yahweh. {19:10} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them to-day and to-morrow, and let them wash their garments, {19:11} and be ready against the third day; for the third day Yahweh will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai. {19:12} And you shall set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, that you go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: anyone that touches the mount shall be surely put to death: {19:13} no hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, he shall not live: when the trumpet sounds long, they shall come up to the mount. {19:14} And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their garments. {19:15} And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day: come not near a woman. {19:16} And it came to pass on the third day, when it was morning, that there were thunder and lightning, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of a trumpet exceeding loud; and all the people that were in the camp trembled. {19:17} And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet God;

and they stood at the nether part of the mount. {19:18} And mount Sinai, the whole of it, smoked, because Yahweh descended upon it in fire; and the smoke of it ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. {19:19} And when the voice of the trumpet waxed louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by a voice. {19:20} And Yahweh came down upon mount Sinai, to the top of the mount: and Yahweh called Moses to the top of the mount; and Moses went up. {19:21} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto Yahweh to gaze and many of them perish. {19:22} And let the priests also, that come near to Yahweh, sanctify themselves, lest Yahweh break forth upon them. {19:23} And Moses said unto Yahweh, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for you did charge us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it. {19:24} And Yahweh said unto him, Go, get you down; and you shall come up, you, and Aaron with you: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto Yahweh, lest he break forth upon them. {19:25} So Moses went down unto the people, and told them.

{o2)20} Exodus Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And God spoke all these words, saying, {20:2} I am Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. {20:3} you shall have no other gods before me. {20:4} you shall not make unto you a graven image, nor any likeness [of any thing] that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. {20:5} you shall not bow down yourself unto them, nor serve them, for I Yahweh your God am a jealous God, visiting the works against law of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation of them that hate me, {20:6} and showing agape loving kindness unto thousands of them that agape love me and keep my commandments. {20:7} you shall not take the name of Yahweh your God in vain; for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that takes his name in vain. {20:8} Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. {20:9} Six days shall you labor, and do all your work; {20:10} but the seventh day is a Sabbath unto Yahweh your God: [in it] you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, your man-servant, nor your maid-servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger that is within your gates: {20:11} for in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: Therefore Yahweh blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. {20:12} Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which Yahweh your God gives you. {20:13} you shall not kill. {20:14} you shall not commit adultery. {20:15} you shall not steal. {20:16} you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. {20:17} you shall not covet your neighbor's house, you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's. {20:18} And all the people perceived the thundering, and the lightning, and the voice of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they trembled, and stood afar off. {20:19} And they said unto Moses, Speak you with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die. {20:20} And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that his fear may be before you that you sin not. {20:21} And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God was. {20:22} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Thus you shall say unto the children of Israel, you yourselves have seen that I have talked with you from heaven. {20:23} you shall not make [other gods] with me; gods of silver, or gods of gold, you shall not make unto you. {20:24} An altar of earth you shall make unto me, and shall sacrifice thereon your burnt-offerings, and your peace-offerings, your sheep, and your oxen: in every place where I record my name I will come unto you and I will bless you. {20:25} And if you make me an altar of stone, you shall not build it of hewn stones; for if you lift up your tool upon it, you have polluted it. {20:26} Neither shall you go up by steps unto mine altar, that your nakedness be not uncovered thereon.

{O2)21} Exodus Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} Now these are the ordinances which you shall set before them. {21:2} If you buy a Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh

he shall go out free for nothing. {21:3} If he come in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he be married, then his wife shall go out with him. {21:4} If his master give him a wife and she bear him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself. {21:5} But if the servant shall plainly say, I agape love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free: {21:6} then his master shall bring him unto God, and shall bring him to the door, or unto the door-post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an awl; and he shall serve him forever. {21:7} And if a man sell his daughter to be a maid-servant, she shall not go out as the men-servants do. {21:8} If she please not her master, who has espoused her to himself, then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a foreign people he shall have no power, seeing he has dealt deceitfully with her. {21:9} And if he espouse her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of daughters. {21:10} If he take him another [wife]; her food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish. {21:11} And if he do not these three things unto her, then shall she go out for nothing, outside money. {21:12} He that smites a man, so that he dies, shall surely be put to death. {21:13} And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver [him] into his hand; then I will appoint you a place where he shall flee. {21:14} And if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbor, to slay him with guile; you shall take him from mine altar, that he may die. {21:15} And he that smites his father, or his mother, shall be surely put to death {21:16} And he that steals [a] man, and sells him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death. {21:17} And he that curses his father or his mother, shall surely be put to death. {21:18} And if men contend, and one smite the other with a stone, or with his fist, and he die not, but keep his bed; {21:19} if he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote him be acquitted: only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed. {21:20} And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand; he shall surely be punished. {21:21} Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he is his money. {21:22} And if men strive together, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart, and yet no harm follow; he shall be surely fined, according as the woman's husband shall lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. {21:23} But if any harm follow, then you shall give life for life, {21:24} eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, {21:25} burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe. {21:26} And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his maid, and destroy it; he shall let him go free for his eye's sake. {21:27} And if he smite out his man-servant's tooth, or his maid-servant's tooth, he shall let him go free for his tooth's sake. {21:28} And if an ox gore a man or a woman to death, the ox shall be surely stoned, and its flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox shall be quit. {21:29} But if the ox was wont to gore in time past, and it has been testified to its owner, and he has not kept it in, but it has killed a man or a woman, the ox shall be stoned, and its owner also shall be put to death. {21:30} If there be laid on him a ransom, then he shall give for the redemption of his life whatever is laid upon him. {21:31} Whether it have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment shall it be done unto him. {21:32} If the ox gore a man-servant or a maid-servant, there shall be given unto their master thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned. {21:33} And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit and not cover it, and an ox or an donkey fall therein, {21:34} the owner of the pit shall make it good; he shall give money unto the owner there, and the dead [beast] shall be his. {21:35} And if one man's ox hurt another's, so that it dies, then they shall sell the live ox, and divide the price of it: and the dead also they shall divide. {21:36} Or if it be known that the ox was wont to gore in time past, and its owner has not kept it in, he shall surely pay ox for ox, and the dead [beast] shall be his own.

{O2}22} Exodus Chapter Twenty-two. {22:1} If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall pay five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep. {22:2} If the thief be found breaking in, and be smitten so that he dies, there shall be no blood guiltiness for him. {22:3} If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood guiltiness for him; he shall make restitution: if he

have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft. {22:4} If the theft be found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or donkey, or sheep, he shall pay double. {22:5} If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall let his beast loose, and it feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make restitution. {22:6} If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the shocks of grain, or the standing grain, or the field are consumed; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution. {22:7} If a man shall deliver unto his neighbor money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, he shall pay double. {22:8} If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall come near unto God, [to see] whether he have not put his hand unto his neighbor's goods. {22:9} Forevery matter of trespass, whether it be for ox, for donkey, for sheep, for raiment, [or] for any manner of lost thing, where one said, This is it, the cause of both parties shall come before God; he whom God shall condemn shall pay double unto his neighbor. {22:10} If a man deliver unto his neighbor an donkey, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing it: {22:11} the oath of Yahweh shall be between them both, whether he has not put his hand unto his neighbor's goods; and the owner of it shall accept it, and he shall not make restitution. {22:12} But if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner there. {22:13} If it be torn in pieces, let him bring it for witness: he shall not make good that which was torn. {22:14} And if a man borrow anything of his neighbor, and it be hurt, or die, the owner of it not being with it, he shall surely make restitution. {22:15} If the owner of it be with it, he shall not make it good: if it be a hired thing, it came for its hire. {22:16} And if a man entice a virgin that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely pay a dowry for her to be his wife. {22:17} If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money according to the dowry of virgins. {22:18} you shall not suffer a sorceress to live. {22:19} Anyone who has sexual intercourse with a beast shall surely be put to death. {22:20} He that sacrifices unto any god, save unto Yahweh only, shall be utterly destroyed. {22:21} And an alien shall you not wrong, neither shall you oppress him: for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. {22:22} you shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child. {22:23} If you afflict them at all, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry; {22:24} and my Anger shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless. {22:25} If you lend money to any of my people with you that is poor, you shall not be to him as a creditor; neither shall you lay upon him interest. {22:26} If you at all take your neighbor's garment to pledge, you shall restore it unto him before the sun goes down: {22:27} for that is his only covering, it is his garment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? And it shall come to pass, when he cries unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious. {22:28} you shall not revile God, nor curse a ruler of your people. {22:29} you shall not delay to offer of your harvest, and of the outflow of your presses. The first-born of your sons shall you give unto me. {22:30} Likewise shall you do with your oxen, [and] with your sheep: seven days it shall be with its dam; on the eighth day you shall give it me. {22:31} And you shall be holy men unto me: therefore you shall not eat any flesh that is torn of beasts in the field; you shall cast it to the dogs.

{O2}23} Exodus Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} you shall not take up a false report: put not your hand with the wicked to be an worker against law a working witness. {23:2} you shall not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shall you speak in a cause to turn aside after a multitude to withhold [justice]: {23:3} neither shall you favor a poor man in his cause. {23:4} If you meet your enemy's ox or his donkey going astray, you shall surely bring it back to him again. {23:5} If you see the donkey of him that hates you lying under his burden, you shall forbear to leave him, you shall surely release [it] with him. {23:6} you shall not withhold the justice [due] to your poor in his cause. {23:7} Keep you far from a false matter; and the innocent and the lawful worker slay you not: for I will not make sinless the wicked. {23:8} And you shall take no bribe: for a bribe blinds them that have sight, and perverts the words of the lawful worker. {23:9} And an alien shall you not oppress: for you know the heart of an alien, seeing you were aliens in the land of Egypt.

{23:10} And six years you shall sow your land, and shall gather in the increase there: {23:11} but the seventh year you shall let it rest and lie fallow; that the poor of your people may eat: and what they leave the beast of the field shall eat. In like manner you shall deal with your vineyard, [and] with your olive yard. {23:12} Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest; that your ox and your donkey may have rest, and the son of your handmaid, and the alien, may be refreshed. {23:13} And in all things that I have said unto you take you heed: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of your mouth. {23:14} Three times you shall keep a feast unto me in the year. {23:15} The feast of unleavened bread shall you keep: seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the moon Abib (for in it you came out from Egypt); and none shall appear before me empty: {23:16} and the feast of harvest, the first-fruits of your labors, which you sows in the field: and the feast of ingathering, at the end of the year, when you gathers in your labors out of the field. {23:17} Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the Lord Yahweh. {23:18} you shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my feast remain all night until the morning. {23:19} The first of the first-fruits of your ground you shall bring into the house of Yahweh your God. you shall not boil a kid in its mother's milk. {23:20} Behold, I send an messenger before you, to keep you by the way, and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. {23:21} Take you heed before him, and hear unto his voice; provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgression of the law: for my name is in him. {23:22} But if you shall indeed hear unto his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto your enemies, and an adversary unto your adversaries. {23:23} For mine messenger shall go before you, and bring you in unto the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Canaanite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: and I will cut them off. {23:24} you shall not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works; but you shall utterly overthrow them, and break in pieces their pillars. {23:25} And you shall serve Yahweh your God, and he will bless your bread, and your water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of you. {23:26} There shall none cast her young, nor be barren, in your land: the number of your days I will fulfill. {23:27} I will send my terror before you, and will discomfit all the people to whom you shall come, and I will make all your enemies turn their backs unto you. {23:28} And I will send the hornet before you, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before you. {23:29} I will not drive them out from before you in one year, lest the land become desolate, and the beasts of the field multiply against you. {23:30} By little and little I will drive them out from before you, until you be increased, and inherit the land. {23:31} And I will set your border from the Red Sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness unto the River: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand: and you shall drive them out before you. {23:32} you shall make no covenant with them, nor with their gods. {23:33} They shall not dwell in your land, lest they make you sin against me; for if you serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto you.

{O2}24} Exodus Chapter Twenty-Four. {24:1} And he said unto Moses, Come up unto Yahweh, you, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship you afar off: {24:2} and Moses alone shall come near unto Yahweh; but they shall not come near; neither shall the people go up with him. {24:3} And Moses came and told the people all the words of Yahweh, and all the ordinances: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which Yahweh has spoken will we do. {24:4} And Moses wrote all the words of Yahweh, and rose up early in the morning, and built an altar under the mount, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. {24:5} And he sent young men of the children of Israel, who offered burnt-offerings, and sacrificed peace-offerings of oxen unto Yahweh. {24:6} And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basins; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. {24:7} And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that Yahweh has spoken will we do, and be obedient. {24:8} And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which Yahweh has

made with you concerning all these words. {24:9} Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel. {24:10} And they saw the God of Israel; and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and as it were the very heaven for clearness. {24:11} And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: and they watched God, and did eat and drink. {24:12} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give you the tables of stone, and the law and the commandment, which I have written, that you may teach them. {24:13} And Moses rose up, and Joshua his minister: and Moses went up into the mount of God. {24:14} And he said unto the elders, Tarry you here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: anyone who has a cause, let him come near unto them. {24:15} And Moses went up into the mount, and the cloud covered the mount. {24:16} And the glory of Yahweh abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud. {24:17} And the appearance of the glory of Yahweh was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel. {24:18} And Moses entered into the midst of the cloud, and went up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

{O2}25} Exodus Chapter Twenty-five. {25:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {25:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, that they take for me an offering: of every man whose heart makes him willing you shall take my offering. {25:3} And this is the offering which you shall take of them: gold, and silver, and brass, {25:4} and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' [hair], {25:5} and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, and acacia wood, {25:6} oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense, {25:7} onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate. {25:8} And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. {25:9} According to all that I show you, the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the furniture there, even so shall you make it. {25:10} And they shall make an ark of acacia wood: two cubits and a half shall be the length there, and a cubit and a half the breadth there, and a cubit and a half the height there. {25:11} And you shall overlay it with pure gold, within and outside shall you overlay it, and shall make upon it a crown of gold round about. {25:12} And you shall cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in the four feet there; and two rings shall be on the one side of it, and two rings on the other side of it. {25:13} And you shall make staves of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. {25:14} And you shall put the staves into the rings on the sides of the ark, by which to bear the ark. {25:15} The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it. {25:16} And you shall put into the ark the testimony which I shall give you. {25:17} And you shall make a mercy-seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half [shall be] the length there, and a cubit and a half the breadth there. {25:18} And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of beaten work shall you make them, at the two ends of the mercy-seat. {25:19} And make one cherub at the one end, and one cherub at the other end: of one piece with the mercy-seat shall you make the cherubim on the two ends there. {25:20} And the cherubim shall spread out their wings on high, covering the mercy-seat with their wings, with their faces one to another; toward the mercy-seat shall the faces of the cherubim be. {25:21} And you shall put the mercy-seat above upon the ark; and in the ark you shall put the testimony that I shall give you. {25:22} And there I will meet with you, and I will commune with you from above the mercy-seat, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give you in commandment unto the children of Israel. {25:23} And you shall make a table of acacia wood: two cubits [shall be] the length there, and a cubit the breadth there, and a cubit and a half the height there. {25:24} And you shall overlay it with pure gold, and make there a crown of gold round about. {25:25} And you shall make unto it a border of a handbreadth round about; and you shall make a golden crown to the border of it round about. {25:26} And you shall make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that are on the four feet there. {25:27} Close by the border shall the rings be, for places for the staves to

bear the table. {25:28} And you shall make the staves of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be borne with them. {25:29} And you shall make the dishes there, and the spoons there, and the flagons there, and the bowls there, by which to pour out: of pure gold shall you make them. {25:30} And you shall set upon the table showbread before me always. {25:31} And you shall make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made, even its base, and its shaft; its cups, its buds, and its flowers, shall be of one piece with it. {25:32} And there shall be six branches going out of the sides there; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side there, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side there: {25:33} three cups made like almond-blossoms in one branch, a bud and a flower; and three cups made like almond-blossoms in the other branch, a bud and a flower: so for the six branches going out of the candlestick: {25:34} and in the candlestick four cups made like almond-blossoms, the buds there, and the flowers there; {25:35} and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, for the six branches going out of the candlestick. {25:36} Their buds and their branches shall be of one piece with it; the whole of it one beaten work of pure gold. {25:37} And you shall make the lamps there, seven: and they shall light the lamps there, to give light over against it. {25:38} And the snuffers there, and the snuff dishes there, shall be of pure gold. {25:39} Of a talent of pure gold shall it be made, with all these vessels. {25:40} And see that you make them after their pattern, which has been showed you in the mount.

{02}26} Exodus Chapter Twenty-Six. {26:1} Also you shall make the tabernacle with ten curtains; of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, with cherubim the work of the skilful workman shall you make them. {26:2} The length of each curtain shall be eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of each curtain four cubits: all the curtains shall have one measure. {26:3} Five curtains shall be coupled together one to another; and [the other] five curtains shall be coupled one to another. {26:4} And you shall make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shall you make in the edge of the curtain that is outmost in the second coupling. {26:5} Fifty loops shall you make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shall you make in the edge of the curtain that is in the coupling; the loops shall be opposite one to another. {26:6} And you shall make fifty clasps of gold, and couple the curtains one to another with the clasps: and the tabernacle shall be one [whole]. {26:7} And you shall make curtains of goats' [hair] for a tent over the tabernacle: eleven curtains shall you make them. {26:8} The length of each curtain shall be thirty cubits, and the breadth of each curtain four cubits: the eleven curtains shall have one measure. {26:9} And you shall couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shall double over the sixth curtain in the forefront of the tent. {26:10} And you shall make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain that is outmost in the coupling, and fifty loops upon the edge of the curtain which is [outmost in] the second coupling. {26:11} And you shall make fifty clasps of brass, and put the clasps into the loops, and couple the tent together, that it may be one. {26:12} And the overhanging part that remains of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that remains, shall hang over the back of the tabernacle. {26:13} And the cubit on the one side, and the cubit on the other side, of that which remains in the length of the curtains of the tent, shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it. {26:14} And you shall make a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering of sealskins above. {26:15} And you shall make the boards for the tabernacle of acacia wood, standing up. {26:16} Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a half the breadth of each board. {26:17} Two tenons shall there be in each board, joined one to another: thus shall you make for all the boards of the tabernacle. {26:18} And you shall make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards for the south side southward. {26:19} And you shall make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for its two tenons, and two sockets under another board for its two tenons. {26:20} And for the second side of the tabernacle, on the north side, twenty boards, {26:21} and their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. {26:22} And for the rear part of

the tabernacle westward you shall make six boards. {26:23} And two boards shall you make for the corners of the tabernacle in the rear part. {26:24} And they shall be double beneath, and in like manner they shall be entire unto the top of it unto one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners. {26:25} And there shall be eight boards, and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. {26:26} And you shall make bars of acacia wood: five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle, {26:27} and five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the rear part westward. {26:28} And the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall pass through from end to end. {26:29} And you shall overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings of gold for places for the bars: and you shall overlay the bars with gold. {26:30} And you shall rear up the tabernacle according to the fashion of it which has been showed you in the mount. {26:31} And you shall make a veil of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: with cherubim the work of the skilful workman shall it be made. {26:32} And you shall hang it upon four pillars of acacia overlaid with gold; their hooks [shall be] of gold, upon four sockets of silver. {26:33} And you shall hang up the veil under the clasps, and shall bring in there within the veil the ark of the testimony: and the veil shall separate unto you between the holy place and the most holy. {26:34} And you shall put the mercy-seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy place. {26:35} And you shall set the table outside the veil, and the candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south: and you shall put the table on the north side. {26:36} And you shall make a screen for the door of the Tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the embroiderer. {26:37} And you shall make for the screen five pillars of acacia, and overlay them with gold: their hooks shall be of gold: and you shall cast five sockets of brass for them.

{O2}27} Exodus Chapter Twenty-seven. {27:1} And you shall make the altar of acacia wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height of it shall be three cubits. {27:2} And you shall make the horns of it upon the four corners there; the horns of it shall be of one piece with it: and you shall overlay it with brass. {27:3} And you shall make its pots to take away its ashes, and its shovels, and its basins, and its flesh-hooks, and its fire pans: all the vessels of it you shall make of brass. {27:4} And you shall make for it a grating of network of brass: and upon the net shall you make four brazen rings in the four corners there. {27:5} And you shall put it under the ledge round the altar beneath, that the net may reach halfway up the altar. {27:6} And you shall make staves for the altar, staves of acacia wood, and overlay them with brass. {27:7} And the staves of it shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two sides of the altar, in bearing it. {27:8} Hollow with planks shall you make it: as it has been showed you in the mount, so shall they make it. {27:9} And you shall make the court of the tabernacle: for the south side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen a hundred cubits long for one side: {27:10} and the pillars of it shall be twenty, and their sockets twenty, of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets [shall be] of silver. {27:11} And likewise for the north side in length there shall be hangings a hundred cubits long, and the pillars of it twenty, and their sockets twenty, of brass; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver. {27:12} And for the breadth of the court on the west side shall be hangings of fifty cubits; their pillars ten, and their sockets ten. {27:13} And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward shall be fifty cubits. {27:14} The hangings for the one side [of the gate] shall be fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three. {27:15} And for the other side shall be hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three. {27:16} And for the gate of the court shall be a screen of twenty cubits, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the embroiderer; their pillars four, and their sockets four. {27:17} All the pillars of the court round about shall be filleted with silver; their hooks of silver, and their sockets of brass. {27:18} The length of the court shall be a hundred cubits, and the breadth fifty everywhere, and the height five cubits, of fine twined linen, and their sockets of brass. {27:19} All the instruments of the

tabernacle in all the service there, and all the pins there, and all the pins of the court, shall be of brass. {27:20} And you shall command the children of Israel, that they bring unto you pure olive oil beaten for the light, to cause a lamp to burn continually. {27:21} In the tent of meeting, outside the veil which is before the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall keep it in order from evening to morning before Yahweh: it shall be a statue forever throughout their generations on the behalf of the children of Israel.

{O2}28} Exodus Chapter Twenty-Eight. {28:1} And bring you near unto you Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons. {28:2} And you shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty. {28:3} And you shall speak unto all that are wise-hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they make Aaron's garments to sanctify him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office. {28:4} And these are the garments which they shall make: a breastplate, and an ephod, and a robe, and a coat of checker work, a mitre, and a girdle: and they shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, and his sons, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office. {28:5} And they shall take the gold, and the blue, and the purple, and the scarlet, and the fine linen. {28:6} And they shall make the ephod of gold, of blue, and purple, scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the skilful workman. {28:7} It shall have two shoulder-pieces joined to the two ends there, that it may be joined together. {28:8} And the skillfully woven band, which is upon it, by which to gird it on, shall be like the work there [and] of the same piece; of gold, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen. {28:9} And you shall take two onyx stones, and grave on them the names of the children of Israel: {28:10} six of their names on the one stone, and the names of the six that remain on the other stone, according to their birth. {28:11} With the work of an engraver in stone, like the engravings of a signet, shall you engrave the two stones, according to the names of the children of Israel: you shall make them to be enclosed in settings of gold. {28:12} And you shall put the two stones upon the shoulder-pieces of the ephod, to be stones of memorial for the children of Israel: and Aaron shall bear their names before Yahweh upon his two shoulders for a memorial. {28:13} And you shall make settings of gold, {28:14} and two chains of pure gold; like cords shall you make them, of wreathen work: and you shall put the wreathen chains on the settings. {28:15} And you shall make a breastplate of judgment, the work of the skilful workman; like the work of the ephod you shall make it; of gold, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, shall you make it. {28:16} Foursquare it shall be [and] double; a span shall be the length there, and a span the breadth there. {28:17} And you shall set in it settings of stones, four rows of stones: a row of sardius, topaz, and carbuncle shall be the first row; {28:18} and the second row an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond; {28:19} and the third row a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst; {28:20} and the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be enclosed in gold in their settings. {28:21} And the stones shall be according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names; like the engravings of a signet, everyone according to his name, they shall be for the twelve tribes. {28:22} And you shall make upon the breastplate chains like cords, of wreathen work of pure gold. {28:23} And you shall make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shall put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate. {28:24} And you shall put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings at the ends of the breastplate. {28:25} And the [other] two ends of the two wreathen chains you shall put on the two settings, and put them on the shoulder-pieces of the ephod in the forepart there. {28:26} And you shall make two rings of gold, and you shall put them upon the two ends of the breastplate, upon the edge there, which is toward the side of the ephod inward. {28:27} And you shall make two rings of gold, and shall put them on the two shoulder-pieces of the ephod underneath, in the forepart there, close by the coupling there, above the skillfully woven band of the ephod. {28:28} And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings of it unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it may be upon the skillfully woven band of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod. {28:29} And Aaron shall bear the names of the children

of Israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart, when he goes in unto the holy place, for a memorial before Yahweh continually. {28:30} And you shall put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goes in before Yahweh: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before Yahweh continually. {28:31} And you shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue. {28:32} And it shall have a hole for the head in the midst there: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of a coat of mail, that it be not rent. {28:33} And upon the skirts of it you shall make pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, round about the skirts there; and bells of gold between them round about: {28:34} a golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the skirts of the robe round about. {28:35} And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and the sound there shall be heard when he goes in unto the holy place before Yahweh, and when he comes out, that he die not. {28:36} And you shall make a plate of pure gold, and grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet, HOLY TO YAHWEH. {28:37} And you shall put it on a lace of blue, and it shall be upon the mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be. {28:38} And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, and Aaron shall bear the works against law of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before Yahweh. {28:39} And you shall weave the coat in checker work of fine linen, and you shall make a mitre of fine linen, and you shall make a girdle, the work of the embroiderer. {28:40} And for Aaron's sons you shall make coats, and you shall make for them girdles, and head-tires shall you make for them, for glory and for beauty. {28:41} And you shall put them upon Aaron your brother, and upon his sons with him, and shall anoint them, and consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office. {28:42} And you shall make them linen breeches to cover the flesh of their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach: {28:43} And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they go in unto the tent of meeting, or when they come near unto the altar to minister in the holy place; that they bear not works against law, and die: it shall be a statute forever unto him and unto his seed after him.

{O2}29} Exodus Chapter Twenty-Nine. {29:1} And this is the thing that you shall do unto them to hallow them, to minister unto me in the priest's office: take one young bull and two rams outside blemish, {29:2} and unleavened bread, and cakes unleavened mingled with oil, and wafers unleavened anointed with oil: of fine wheaten flour shall you make them. {29:3} And you shall put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bull and the two rams. {29:4} And Aaron and his sons you shall bring unto the door of the tent of meeting, and shall wash them with water. {29:5} And you shall take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the skillfully woven band of the ephod; {29:6} and you shall set the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre. {29:7} Then shall you take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him. {29:8} And you shall bring his sons, and put coats upon them. {29:9} And you shall gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and bind head-tires on them: and they shall have the priesthood by a perpetual statute: and you shall consecrate Aaron and his sons. {29:10} And you shall bring the bull before the tent of meeting: and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands upon the head of the bull. {29:11} And you shall kill the bull before Yahweh, at the door of the tent of meeting. {29:12} And you shall take of the blood of the bull, and put it upon the horns of the altar with your finger; and you shall pour out all the blood at the base of the altar. {29:13} And you shall take all the fat that covers the inwards, and the caul upon the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, and burn them upon the altar. {29:14} But the flesh of the bull, and its skin, and its dung, shall you burn with fire outside the camp: it is a sin-offering. {29:15} you shall also take the one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands upon the head of the ram. {29:16} And you shall slay the ram, and you shall take its blood, and sprinkle it round about upon the altar. {29:17} And you shall cut the ram into its pieces, and wash its inwards, and its legs, and

put them with its pieces, and with its head. {29:18} And you shall burn the whole ram upon the altar: it is a burnt-offering unto Yahweh; it is a sweet savor, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {29:19} And you shall take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands upon the head of the ram. {29:20} Then shall you kill the ram, and take of its blood, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron, and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about. {29:21} And you shall take of the blood that is upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle it upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and he shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him. {29:22} Also you shall take of the ram the fat, and the fat tail, and the fat that covers the inwards, and the caul of the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, and the right thigh (for it is a ram of consecration), {29:23} and one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, out of the basket of unleavened bread that is before Yahweh. {29:24} And you shall put the whole upon the hands of Aaron, and upon the hands of his sons, and shall wave them for a wave-offering before Yahweh. {29:25} And you shall take them from their hands, and burn them on the altar upon the burnt-offering, for a sweet savor before Yahweh: it is an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {29:26} And you shall take the breast of Aaron's ram of consecration, and wave it for a wave-offering before Yahweh: and it shall be your portion. {29:27} And you shall sanctify the breast of the wave-offering, and the thigh of the heave-offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, of the ram of consecration, even of that which is for Aaron, and of that which is for his sons: {29:28} and it shall be for Aaron and his sons as [their] portion forever from the children of Israel; for it is a heave-offering: and it shall be a heave-offering from the children of Israel of the sacrifices of their peace-offerings, even their heave-offering unto Yahweh. {29:29} And the holy garments of Aaron shall be for his sons after him, to be anointed in them, and to be consecrated in them. {29:30} Seven days shall the son that is priest in his stead put them on, when he comes into the tent of meeting to minister in the holy place. {29:31} And you shall take the ram of consecration, and boil its flesh in a holy place. {29:32} And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram, and the bread that is in the basket, at the door of the tent of meeting. {29:33} And they shall eat those things by which atonement was made, to consecrate [and] to sanctify them: but a stranger shall not eat there, because [what is eaten] they are holy. {29:34} And if anything of the flesh of the consecration, or of the bread, remain unto the morning, then you shall burn the remainder with fire: it shall not be eaten [in the light of day], because it is holy. {29:35} And thus shall you do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all that I have commanded you: seven days shall you consecrate them. {29:36} And every day shall you offer the bull of sin-offering for atonement: and you shall cleanse the altar, when you make atonement for it; and you shall anoint it, to sanctify it. {29:37} Seven days you shall make atonement for the altar, and sanctify it: and the altar shall be most holy; whatever touches the altar shall be holy. {29:38} Now this is that which you shall offer upon the altar: two lambs a year old day by day continually. {29:39} The one lamb you shall offer in the morning; and the other lamb you shall offer at even: {29:40} and with the one lamb a tenth part [of an ephah] of fine flour mingled with the fourth part of a hin of beaten oil, and the fourth part of a hin of wine for a drink-offering. {29:41} And the other lamb you shall offer at even, and shall do there according to the meal-offering of the morning, and according to the drink-offering there, for a sweet savor, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {29:42} It shall be a continual burnt-offering throughout your generations at the door of the tent of meeting before Yahweh, where I will meet with you, to speak there unto you. {29:43} And there I will meet with the children of Israel; and [the Tent] shall be sanctified by my glory. {29:44} And I will sanctify the tent of meeting, and the altar: Aaron also and his sons will I sanctify, to minister to me in the priest's office. {29:45} And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God. {29:46} And they shall know that I am Yahweh their God, that

brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I might dwell among them: I am Yahweh their God.

{O2}30} Exodus Chapter Thirty. {30:1} And you shall make an altar to burn incense upon: of acacia wood shall you make it. {30:2} A cubit shall be the length there, and a cubit the breadth there; foursquare shall it be; and two cubits shall be the height there: the horns of it shall be of one piece with it. {30:3} And you shall overlay it with pure gold, the top there, and the sides of it round about, and the horns there; and you shall make unto it a crown of gold round about. {30:4} And two golden rings shall you make for it under the crown there; upon the two ribs there, upon the two sides of it shall you make them; and they shall be for places for staves by which to bear it. {30:5} And you shall make the staves of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. {30:6} And you shall put it before the veil that is by the ark of the testimony, before the mercy-seat that is over the testimony, where I will meet with you. {30:7} And Aaron shall burn thereon incense of sweet spices: every morning, when he dresses the lamps, he shall burn it. {30:8} And when Aaron lights the lamps at even, he shall burn it, a perpetual incense before Yahweh throughout your generations. {30:9} you shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt-offering, nor meal-offering; and you shall pour no drink-offering thereon. {30:10} And Aaron shall make atonement upon the horns of it once in the year; with the blood of the sin-offering of atonement once in the year shall he make atonement for it throughout your generations: it is most holy unto Yahweh. {30:11} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {30:12} When you take the sum of the children of Israel, according to those that are numbered of them, then shall they give every man a ransom for his soul unto Yahweh, when you number them; that there be no plague among them, when you number them. {30:13} This they shall give, everyone that pass over unto them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary; (the shekel is twenty gerahs;) half a shekel for an offering to Yahweh. {30:14} Everyone that passes over unto them that are numbered, from twenty years old and upward, shall give the offering of Yahweh. {30:15} The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less, than the half shekel, when they give the offering of Yahweh, to make atonement for your souls. {30:16} And you shall take the atonement money from the children of Israel, and shall appoint it for the service of the tent of meeting; that it may be a memorial for the children of Israel before Yahweh, to make atonement for your souls. {30:17} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {30:18} you shall also make a laver of brass, and the base of it of brass, a place to wash. And you shall put it between the tent of meeting and the altar, and you shall put water therein. {30:19} And Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet thereat: {30:20} when they go into the tent of meeting, they shall wash with water, that they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {30:21} So they shall wash their hands and their feet that they die not: and it shall be a statute forever to them, even to him and to his seed throughout their generations. {30:22} Again Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {30:23} Take you also unto you the chief spices: of flowing myrrh five hundred [shekels], and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty, {30:24} and of cassia five hundred, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of olive oil a hin. {30:25} And you shall make it a holy anointing oil, a perfume compounded after the art of the perfumer: it shall be a holy anointing oil. {30:26} And you shall anoint with the tent of meeting, and the ark of the testimony, {30:27} and the table and all the vessels there, and the candlestick and the vessels there, and the altar of incense, {30:28} and the altar of burnt-offering with all the vessels there, and the laver and the base there. {30:29} And you shall sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatever touches them shall be holy. {30:30} And you shall anoint Aaron and his sons, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office. {30:31} And you shall speak unto the Children of Israel, saying, This shall be a holy anointing oil unto me throughout your generations. {30:32} Upon the flesh of man shall it not be poured, neither shall you make any like it, according to the composition there: it is holy, [and] it shall be holy unto you. {30:33} Anyone that compounds any like it, or anyone

who puts any of it upon a stranger, he shall be cut off from his people. {30:34} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Take unto you sweet spices, balsam, and onycha, and galbanum; sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like weight; {30:35} and you shall make of it incense, a perfume after the art of the perfumer, seasoned with salt, pure [and] holy: {30:36} and you shall beat some of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tent of meeting, where I will meet with you: it shall be unto you most holy. {30:37} And the incense which you shall make, according to the composition of it you shall not make for yourselves: it shall be unto you holy for Yahweh. {30:38} Anyone who ever shall make like unto that [a different incense], to smell there, he shall be cut off from his people.

{O2}31} Exodus Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {31:2} See, I have called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah: {31:3} and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, {31:4} to devise skilful works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, {31:5} and in cutting of stones for setting, and in carving of wood, to work in all manner of workmanship. {31:6} And I, behold, I have appointed with him Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan; and in the heart of all that are wise-hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded you: {31:7} the tent of meeting, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy-seat that is thereupon, and all the furniture of the Tent, {31:8} and the table and its vessels, and the pure candlestick with all its vessels, and the altar of incense, {31:9} and the altar of burnt-offering with all its vessels, and the laver and its base, {31:10} and the finely wrought garments, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office, {31:11} and the anointing oil, and the incense of sweet spices for the holy place: according to all that I have commanded you shall they do. {31:12} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {31:13} Speak you also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily you shall keep my Sabbaths: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that you may know that I am Yahweh who sanctifies you. {31:14} you shall keep the Sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you: everyone that profanes it shall surely be put to death; for anyone who does any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people. {31:15} Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, holy to Yahweh: anyone who does any work on the Sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death. {31:16} Therefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant. {31:17} It is a sign between me and the children of Israel forever: for in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed. {31:18} And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, the two tables of the testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

{O2}32} Exodus Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become of him. {32:2} And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden rings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me. {32:3} And all the people brake off the golden rings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. {32:4} And he received it at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made it a molten calf: and they said, These are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt. {32:5} And when Aaron saw [this], he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, To-morrow shall be a feast to Yahweh. {32:6} And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt-offerings, and brought peace-offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play. {32:7} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, Go, get you down; for your people, that you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves: {32:8} they have turned aside quickly out of the way

which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed unto it, and said, These are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt. {32:9} And Yahweh said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiff-necked people: {32:10} now therefore let me alone, that my Anger may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of you a great nation. {32:11} And Moses beg Yahweh his God, and said, Yahweh, why does your Anger wax hot against your people, that you have brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? {32:12} Therefore should the Egyptians speak, saying, For evil did he bring them forth, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from your fierce Anger, and repent of this evil against your people. {32:13} Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swears by your own self, and said unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it forever. {32:14} And Yahweh repented of the evil which he said he would do unto his people. {32:15} And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, with the two tables of the testimony in his hand; tables that were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written. {32:16} And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables. {32:17} And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, There is a noise of war in the camp. {32:18} And he said, It is not the voice of them that shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome; but the noise of them that sing do I hear. {32:19} And it came to pass, as soon as he came near unto the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount. {32:20} And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it with fire, and ground it to powder, and strewed it upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink of it. {32:21} And Moses said unto Aaron, What did this people unto you, that you have brought a great sin upon them? {32:22} And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord wax hot: you know the people, that they are [set] on evil. {32:23} For they said unto me, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become of him. {32:24} And I said unto them, Anyone who has any gold, let them break it off: so they gave it me; and I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf. {32:25} And when Moses saw that the people were broken loose, (for Aaron had let them loose for a derision among their enemies,) {32:26} then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who so is on Yahweh's side, [let him come] unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him. {32:27} And he said unto them, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Put you every man his sword upon his thigh, and go to and fro from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbor. {32:28} And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men. {32:29} And Moses said, Consecrate yourselves to-day to Yahweh, behold, every man against his son, and against his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day. {32:30} And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, you have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto Yahweh; perhaps I shall make atonement for your sin. {32:31} And Moses returned unto Yahweh, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. {32:32} yet now, if you will forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray you, out of your book which you have written. {32:33} And Yahweh said unto Moses, anyone who has sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book. {32:34} And now go, lead the people unto [the place] of which I have spoken unto you: behold, mine messenger shall go before you; nevertheless in the day when I visit, I will visit their sin upon them. {32:35} And Yahweh smote the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made.

{O2}33} Exodus Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, Depart, go up from here, you and the people that you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land of

which I swear unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, Unto your seed will I give it: {33:2} and I will send an messenger before you; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: {33:3} unto a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of you, for you are a stiff-necked people, lest I consume you in the way. {33:4} And when the people heard these evil tidings, they grieved: and no man did put on him his ornaments. {33:5} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, you are a stiff-necked people; if I go up into the midst of you for one moment, I shall consume you: therefore now put off your ornaments from you, that I may know what to do unto you. {33:6} And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments from mount Horeb onward. {33:7} Now Moses used to take the tent and to pitch it outside the camp, afar off from the camp; and he called it, The tent of meeting. And it came to pass, that everyone that sought Yahweh went out unto the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. {33:8} And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the Tent, that all the people rose up, and stood, every man at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the Tent. {33:9} And it came to pass, when Moses entered into the Tent, the pillar of cloud descended, and stood at the door of the Tent: and [Yahweh] spoke with Moses. {33:10} And all the people saw the pillar of cloud stand at the door of the Tent: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man at his tent door. {33:11} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses face to face, as a man speaks unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his minister Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the Tent. {33:12} And Moses said unto Yahweh, See, you say unto me, Bring up this people: and you have not let me know whom you will send with me. yet you have said, I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight. {33:13} Now therefore, I pray you, if I have found favor in your sight, show me now your ways, that I may know you, to the end that I may find favor in your sight: and consider that this nation is your people. {33:14} And he said, My presence shall go [with you], and I will give you rest. {33:15} And he said unto him, If your presence go not [with me], carry us not up from here. {33:16} For wherein now shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? is it not in that you go with us, so that we are separated, I and your people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth? {33:17} And Yahweh said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that you have spoken; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name. {33:18} And he said, Show me, I pray you, your glory. {33:19} And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim the name of Yahweh before you; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. {33:20} And he said, you Cannot see my face; for man shall not see me and live. {33:21} and Yahweh said, Behold, there is a place by me, and you shall stand upon the rock: {33:22} and it shall come to pass, while my glory passes by, that I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and will cover you with my hand until I have passed by: {33:23} and I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.

{o2}34} Exodus Chapter Thirty Four. {34:1} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Hew you two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon the tables the words that were on the first tables, which you broke. {34:2} And be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me on the top of the mount. {34:3} And no man shall come up with you; neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount. {34:4} And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as Yahweh had commanded him, and took in his hand two tables of stone. {34:5} And Yahweh descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of Yahweh. {34:6} And Yahweh passed by before him, and proclaimed, Yahweh, Yahweh, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness and truth, {34:7} keeping agape loving kindness for thousands, forgiving works [made] against law and transgression of the law and sin; and that will by no means clear [the guilty], visiting the works against law of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation. {34:8} And

Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped. {34:9} And he said, If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, let the Lord, I pray you, go in the midst of us; for it is a stiff-necked people; and pardon our works against law and our sin, and take us for your inheritance. {34:10} And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all your people I will do marvels, such as have not been wrought in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people among which you are shall see the work of Yahweh; for it is a terrible thing that I do with you. {34:11} Observe you that which I command you this day: behold, I drive out before you the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. {34:12} Take heed to yourself, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land where you go, lest it be for a snare in the midst of you: {34:13} but you shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their pillars, and you shall cut down their groves; {34:14} for you shall worship no other god: for Yahweh, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God: {34:15} lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they play the prostitute after their gods, and sacrifices unto their gods, and one call you and you eat of his sacrifice; {34:16} and you take of their daughters unto your sons, and their daughters play the prostitute after their gods, and make your sons play the prostitute after their gods. {34:17} you shall make you no molten gods. {34:18} The feast of unleavened bread shall you keep. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month Abib; for in the month Abib you came out from Egypt. {34:19} All that opens the womb is mine; and all your cattle that is male, the firstlings of cow and sheep. {34:20} And the firstling of an donkey you shall redeem with a lamb: and if you will not redeem it, then you shall break its neck. All the first-born of your sons you shall redeem. And none shall appear before me empty. {34:21} Six days you shall work, but on the seventh day you shall rest: in plowing time and in harvest you shall rest. {34:22} And you shall observe the feast of the Solar Sevens [Shebua or the Sabbaton], [even] of the first-fruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end. {34:23} Three times in the year shall all your males appear before the Lord Yahweh, the God of Israel. {34:24} For I will cast out nations before you, and enlarge your borders: neither shall any man desire your land, when you go up to appear before Yahweh your God three times in the year. {34:25} you shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the Passover be left unto the morning. {34:26} The first of the first-fruits of your ground you shall bring unto the house of Yahweh your God. you shall not boil a kid in its mother's milk. {34:27} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Write you these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel. {34:28} And he was there with Yahweh forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments. {34:29} And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the two tables of the testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses knew not that the skin of his face shone by reason of his speaking with him. {34:30} And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come near him. {34:31} And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him: and Moses spoke to them. {34:32} And afterward all the children of Israel came near: and he gave them in commandment all that Yahweh had spoken with him in mount Sinai. {34:33} And when Moses had done speaking with them, he put a veil on his face. {34:34} But when Moses went in before Yahweh to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and he came out, and spoke unto the children of Israel that which he was commanded. {34:35} And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses that the skin of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the veil upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

{o2}35} Exodus Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} And Moses assembled all the congregation of the children of Israel, and said unto them, These are the words which Yahweh has commanded, that you should do them. {35:2} Six days shall work be done; but on the seventh day there shall be to you a holy day, a Sabbath of solemn rest to Yahweh: anyone who does any work therein

shall be put to death. {35:3} you shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the Sabbath day. {35:4} And Moses spoke unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which Yahweh commanded, saying, {35:5} Take you from among you an offering unto Yahweh; anyone who is of a willing heart, let him bring it, Yahweh's offering: gold, and silver, and brass, {35:6} and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' [hair], {35:7} and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, and acacia wood, {35:8} and oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense, {35:9} and onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate. {35:10} And let every wise-hearted man among you come, and make all that Yahweh has commanded: {35:11} the tabernacle, its tent, and its covering, its clasps, and its boards, its bars, its pillars, and its sockets; {35:12} the ark, and the staves there, the mercy-seat, and the veil of the screen; {35:13} the table, and its staves, and all its vessels, and the Showbread; {35:14} the candlestick also for the light, and its vessels, and its lamps, and the oil for the light; {35:15} and the altar of incense, and its staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the screen for the door, at the door of the tabernacle; {35:16} the altar of burnt-offering, with its grating of brass, its staves, and all its vessels, the laver and its base; {35:17} the hangings of the court, the pillars there, and their sockets, and the screen for the gate of the court; {35:18} the pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords; {35:19} the finely wrought garments, for ministering in the holy place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office. {35:20} And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. {35:21} And they came, everyone whose heart stirred him up, and everyone whom his spirit made willing, [and] brought Yahweh's offering, for the work of the tent of meeting, and for all the service there, and for the holy garments. {35:22} And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing-hearted, [and] brought brooches, and ear-rings, and signet-rings, and armlets, all jewels of gold; even every man that offered an offering of gold unto Yahweh. {35:23} And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' [hair], and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, brought them. {35:24} Everyone that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought Yahweh's offering; and every man, with whom was found acacia wood for any work of the service, brought it. {35:25} And all the women that were wise-hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, the blue, and the purple, the scarlet, and the fine linen. {35:26} And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun the goats' [hair]. {35:27} And the rulers brought the onyx stones, and the stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate; {35:28} and the spice, and the oil; for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. {35:29} The children of Israel brought a freewill-offering unto Yahweh; every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all the work, which Yahweh had commanded to be made by Moses. {35:30} And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, Yahweh has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah. {35:31} And he has filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship; {35:32} and to devise skilful works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, {35:33} and in cutting of stones for setting, and in carving of wood, to work in all manner of skilful workmanship. {35:34} And he has put in his heart that he may teach, both he, and Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. {35:35} Them has he filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of workmanship, of the engraver, and of the skilful workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, even of them that do any workmanship, and of those that devise skilful works.

{02}36} Exodus Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} And Bezalel and Oholiab shall work, and every wise-hearted man, in whom Yahweh has put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all the work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that Yahweh has commanded. {36:2} And Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab, and every wise-hearted man, in whose heart Yahweh had put wisdom, even everyone whose heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it; {36:3} and they received of Moses all the offering which the children of Israel had brought for the work of

the service of the sanctuary, by which to make it. And they brought yet unto him freewill-offerings every morning. {36:4} And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his work which they wrought. {36:5} And they spoke unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work which Yahweh commanded to make. {36:6} And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing. {36:7} For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much. {36:8} And all the wise-hearted men among them that wrought the work made the tabernacle with ten curtains; of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, with cherubim, the work of the skilful workman, [Bezalel] made them. {36:9} The length of each curtain was eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of each curtain four cubits: all the curtains had one measure. {36:10} And he coupled five curtains one to another: and [the other] five curtains he coupled one to another. {36:11} And he made loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling: likewise he made in the edge of the curtain that was outmost in the second coupling. {36:12} Fifty loops made he in the one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the edge of the curtain that was in the second coupling: the loops were opposite one to another. {36:13} And he made fifty clasps of gold, and coupled the curtains one to another with the clasps: so the tabernacle was one. {36:14} And he made curtains of goats' [hair] for a tent over the tabernacle: eleven curtains he made them. {36:15} The length of each curtain was thirty cubits, and four cubits the breadth of each curtain: the eleven curtains had one measure. {36:16} And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves. {36:17} And he made fifty loops on the edge of the curtain that was outmost in the coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which was [outmost in] the second coupling. {36:18} And he made fifty clasps of brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one. {36:19} And he made a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering of sealskins above. {36:20} And he made the boards for the tabernacle, of acacia wood, standing up. {36:21} Ten cubits was the length of a board, and a cubit and a half the breadth of each board. {36:22} Each board had two tenons, joined one to another: thus did he make for all the boards of the tabernacle. {36:23} And he made the boards for the tabernacle: twenty boards for the south side southward. {36:24} And he made forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for its two tenons, and two sockets under another board for its two tenons. {36:25} And for the second side of the tabernacle, on the north side, he made twenty boards, {36:26} and their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. {36:27} And for the rear part of the tabernacle westward he made six boards. {36:28} And two boards made he for the corners of the tabernacle in the rear part. {36:29} And they were double beneath; and in like manner they were entire unto the top of it unto one ring: thus he did to both of them in the two corners. {36:30} And there were eight boards, and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets; under every board two sockets. {36:31} And he made bars of acacia wood; five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle, {36:32} and five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the tabernacle for the rear part westward. {36:33} And he made the middle bar to pass through in the midst of the boards from the one end to the other. {36:34} And he overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings of gold for places for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold. {36:35} And he made the veil of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: with cherubim, the work of the skilful workman, made he it. {36:36} And he made thereunto four pillars of acacia, and overlaid them with gold: their hooks were of gold; And he cast for them four sockets of silver. {36:37} And he made a screen for the door of the Tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the embroiderer; {36:38} and the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their capitals and their fillets with gold; and their five sockets were of brass.

{O2}37} Exodus Chapter Thirty Seven. {37:1} And Bezalel made the ark of acacia wood: two cubits and a half was the length of it, and a cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it: {37:2} and he overlaid it with pure gold within and outside, and made a crown of gold to it round about. {37:3} And he cast for it four rings of gold, in the four feet there; even two rings on the one side of it, and two rings on the other side of it. {37:4} And he made staves of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold. {37:5} And he put the staves into the rings on the sides of the ark, to bear the ark. {37:6} And he made a mercy-seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half [was] the length there, and a cubit and a half the breadth there. {37:7} And he made two cherubim of gold; of beaten work made he them, at the two ends of the mercy-seat; {37:8} one cherub at the one end, and one cherub at the other end: of one piece with the mercy-seat made he the cherubim at the two ends there. {37:9} And the cherubim spread out their wings on high, covering the mercy-seat with their wings, with their faces one to another; toward the mercy-seat were the faces of the cherubim. {37:10} And he made the table of acacia wood: two cubits [was] the length there, and a cubit the breadth there, and a cubit and a half the height there: {37:11} and he overlaid it with pure gold, and made there a crown of gold round about. {37:12} And he made unto it a border of a handbreadth round about, and made a golden crown to the border of it round about. {37:13} And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that were on the four feet there. {37:14} Close by the border were the rings, the places for the staves to bear the table. {37:15} And he made the staves of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold, to bear the table. {37:16} And he made the vessels which were upon the table, the dishes there, and the spoons there, and the bowls there, and the flagons there, by which to pour out, of pure gold. {37:17} And he made the candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work made he the candlestick, even its base, and its shaft; its cups, its buds, and its flowers, were of one piece with it: {37:18} and there were six branches going out of the sides there; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side there, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side there: {37:19} three cups made like almond-blossoms in one branch, a bud and a flower, and three cups made like almond-blossoms in the other branch, a bud and a flower: so for the six branches going out of the candlestick. {37:20} And in the candlestick were four cups made like almond-blossoms, the buds there, and the flowers there; {37:21} and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, for the six branches going out of it. {37:22} Their buds and their branches were of one piece with it: the whole of it was one beaten work of pure gold. {37:23} And he made the lamps there, seven, and the snuffers there, and the snuff dishes there, of pure gold. {37:24} Of a talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels there. {37:25} And he made the altar of incense of acacia wood: a cubit was the length there, and a cubit the breadth there, foursquare; and two cubits was the height there; the horns of it were of one piece with it. {37:26} And he overlaid it with pure gold, the top there, and the sides of it round about, and the horns of it: and he made unto it a crown of gold round about. {37:27} And he made for it two golden rings under the crown there, upon the two ribs there, upon the two sides of it, for places for staves by which to bear it. {37:28} And he made the staves of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold. {37:29} And he made the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of sweet spices, after the art of the perfumer.

{O2}38} Exodus Chapter Thirty Eight. {38:1} And he made the altar of burnt-offering of acacia wood: five cubits was the length there, and five cubits the breadth there, foursquare; and three cubits the height there. {38:2} And he made the horns of it upon the four corners of it; the horns of it were of one piece with it: and he overlaid it with brass. {38:3} And he made all the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the shovels, and the basins, the flesh-hooks, and the fire pans: all the vessels of it made he of brass. {38:4} And he made for the altar a grating of network of brass, under the ledge round it beneath, reaching halfway up. {38:5} And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grating of brass, to be places for the staves. {38:6} And he made the staves of acacia

wood, and overlaid them with brass. {38:7} And he put the staves into the rings on the sides of the altar, by which to bear it; he made it hollow with planks. {38:8} And he made the laver of brass, and the base of it of brass, of the mirrors of the ministring women that ministered at the door of the tent of meeting. {38:9} And he made the court: for the south side southward the hangings of the court were of fine twined linen, a hundred cubits; {38:10} their pillars were twenty, and their sockets twenty, of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets were of silver. {38:11} And for the north side a hundred cubits, their pillars twenty, and their sockets twenty, of brass; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver. {38:12} And for the west side were hangings of fifty cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver. {38:13} And for the east side eastward fifty cubits. {38:14} The hangings for the one side [of the gate] were fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three; {38:15} and so for the other side: on this hand and that hand by the gate of the court were hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three. {38:16} All the hangings of the court round about were of fine twined linen. {38:17} And the sockets for the pillars were of brass; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver; and the overlaying of their capitals, of silver; and all the pillars of the court were filleted with silver. {38:18} And the screen for the gate of the court was the work of the embroiderer, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty cubits was the length, and the height in the breadth was five cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court. {38:19} And their pillars were four, and their sockets four, of brass; their hooks of silver, and the overlaying of their capitals, and their fillets, of silver. {38:20} And all the pins of the tabernacle, and of the court round about, were of brass. {38:21} This is the sum of [the things for] the tabernacle, even the tabernacle of the testimony, as they were counted, according to the commandment of Moses, for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, the son of Aaron the priest. {38:22} And Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that Yahweh commanded Moses. {38:23} And with him was Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, and a skilful workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and in fine linen. {38:24} All the gold that was used for the work in all the work of the sanctuary, even the gold of the offering, was twenty and nine talents, and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary. {38:25} And the silver of them that were numbered of the congregation was a hundred talents, and a thousand seven hundred and seventy five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary: {38:26} a beak a head, [that is], half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary, foreveryone that passed over to them that were numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty men. {38:27} And the hundred talents of silver were for casting the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of the veil; a hundred sockets for the hundred talents, a talent for a socket. {38:28} And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five [shekels] he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their capitals, and made fillets for them. {38:29} And the brass of the offering was seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels. {38:30} And with he made the sockets to the door of the tent of meeting, and the brazen altar, and the brazen grating for it, and all the vessels of the altar, {38:31} and the sockets of the court round about, and the sockets of the gate of the court, and all the pins of the tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

{02}39} Exodus Chapter Thirty Nine. {39:1} And of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they made finely wrought garments, for ministering in the holy place, and made the holy garments for Aaron; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:2} And he made the ephod of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen. {39:3} And they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut it into wires, to work it in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in the fine linen, the work of the skilful workman. {39:4} They made shoulder-pieces for it, joined together; at the two ends was it joined together. {39:5} And the skillfully woven band, that was upon it, by which to gird it on, was of the same piece [and] like the work there; of gold, of blue, and purple, and

scarlet, and fine twined linen; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:6} And they wrought the onyx stones, enclosed in settings of gold, graven with the engravings of a signet, according to the names of the children of Israel. {39:7} And he put them on the shoulder-pieces of the ephod, to be stones of memorial for the children of Israel; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:8} And he made the breastplate, the work of the skilful workman, like the work of the ephod; of gold, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen. {39:9} It was foursquare; they made the breastplate double: a span was the length there, and a span the breadth there, being double. {39:10} And they set in it four rows of stones. A row of sardius, topaz, and carbuncle was the first row; {39:11} and the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond; {39:12} and the third row, a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst; {39:13} and the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: they were enclosed in inclosing of gold in their settings. {39:14} And the stones were according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names; like the engravings of a signet, everyone according to his name, for the twelve tribes. {39:15} And they made upon the breastplate chains like cords, of wreathen work of pure gold. {39:16} And they made two settings of gold, and two gold rings, and put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate. {39:17} And they put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings at the ends of the breastplate. {39:18} And the [other] two ends of the two wreathen chains they put on the two settings, and put them on the shoulder-pieces of the ephod, in the forepart there. {39:19} And they made two rings of gold, and put them upon the two ends of the breastplate, upon the edge there, which was toward the side of the ephod inward. {39:20} And they made two rings of gold, and put them on the two shoulder-pieces of the ephod underneath, in the front part there, close by the coupling there, above the skillfully woven band of the ephod. {39:21} And they did bind the breastplate by the rings of it unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be upon the skillfully woven band of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not be loosed from the ephod; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:22} And he made the robe of the ephod of woven work, all of blue. {39:23} And the hole of the robe in the midst there, as the hole of a coat of mail, with a binding round about the hole of it, that it should not be rent. {39:24} And they made upon the skirts of the robe pomegranates of blue, and purple, and scarlet, [and] twined [linen]. {39:25} And they made bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the skirts of the robe round about, between the pomegranates; {39:26} a bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, upon the skirts of the robe round about, to minister in; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:27} And they made the coats of fine linen of woven work for Aaron, and for his sons, {39:28} and the mitre of fine linen, and the goodly head-tires of fine linen, and the linen breeches of fine twined linen, {39:29} and the girdle of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, the work of the embroiderer; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:30} And they made the plate of the holy crown of pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing, like the engravings of a signet, HOLY TO YAHWEH. {39:31} And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten it upon the mitre above; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {39:32} Thus was finished all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting; and the children of Israel did according to all that Yahweh commanded Moses; so did they. {39:33} And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the Tent, and all its furniture, its clasps, its boards, its bars, and its pillars, and its sockets; {39:34} and the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of sealskins, and the veil of the screen; {39:35} the ark of the testimony, and the staves there, and the mercy-seat; {39:36} the table, all the vessels there, and the showbread; {39:37} the pure candlestick, the lamps there, even the lamps to be set in order, and all the vessels there, and the oil for the light; {39:38} and the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the screen for the door of the Tent; {39:39} the brazen altar, and its grating of brass, its staves, and all its Vessels, the laver and its base; {39:40} the hangings of the court, its pillars, and its sockets, and the screen for the gate of the court, the cords there, and the pins there, and all the instruments of the service of the tabernacle, for the tent of meeting; {39:41} the finely wrought garments for ministering in the holy place, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister

in the priest's office. {39:42} According to all that Yahweh commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did all the work. {39:43} And Moses saw all the work, and, behold, they had done it; as Yahweh had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses blessed them.

{O2}40) Exodus Chapter Forty. {40:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {40:2} On the first [All dark night of the solar] day of the first moon [Abib] shall you rear up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. {40:3} And you shall put therein the ark of the testimony, and you shall screen the ark with the veil. {40:4} And you shall bring in the table, and set in order the things that are upon it; and you shall bring in the candlestick, and light the lamps there. {40:5} And you shall set the golden altar for incense before the ark of the testimony, and put the screen of the door to the tabernacle. {40:6} And you shall set the altar of burnt-offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. {40:7} And you shall set the laver between the tent of meeting and the altar, and shall put water therein. {40:8} And you shall set up the court round about, and hang up the screen of the gate of the court. {40:9} And you shall take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle, and all that is therein, and shall hallow it, and all the furniture there: and it shall be holy. {40:10} And you shall anoint the altar of burnt-offering, and all its vessels, and sanctify the altar: and the altar shall be most holy. {40:11} And you shall anoint the laver and its base, and sanctify it. {40:12} And you shall bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the tent of meeting, and shall wash them with water. {40:13} And you shall put upon Aaron the holy garments; and you shall anoint him, and sanctify him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office. {40:14} And you shall bring his sons, and put coats upon them; {40:15} and you shall anoint them, as you did anoint their father, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office: and their anointing shall be to them for an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations. {40:16} Thus did Moses: according to all that Yahweh commanded him, so did he. {40:17} And it came to pass in the [resurrection] moon [named Abib] in the second year, on the first [all dark night of the first solar] day of the moon, that the tabernacle was reared up. {40:18} And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and laid its sockets, and set up the boards there, and put in the bars there, and reared up its pillars. {40:19} And he spread the tent over the tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent above upon it; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:20} And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the mercy-seat above upon the ark: {40:21} and he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the veil of the screen, and screened the ark of the testimony; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:22} And he put the table in the tent of meeting, upon the side of the tabernacle northward, outside the veil. {40:23} And he set the bread in order upon it before Yahweh; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:24} And he put the candlestick in the tent of meeting, over against the table, on the side of the tabernacle southward. {40:25} And he lighted the lamps before Yahweh; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:26} And he put the golden altar in the tent of meeting before the veil: {40:27} and he burnt thereon incense of sweet spices; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:28} And he put the screen of the door to the tabernacle. {40:29} And he set the altar of burnt-offering at the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, and offered upon it the burnt-offering and the meal-offering; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:30} And he set the laver between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water therein, by which to wash. {40:31} And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat; {40:32} when they went into the tent of meeting, and when they came near unto the altar, they washed; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {40:33} And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses finished the work. {40:34} Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of Yahweh filled the tabernacle. {40:35} And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of meeting, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of Yahweh filled the tabernacle. {40:36} And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward, throughout all their journeys: {40:37} but if the cloud was not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up. {40:38} For the cloud of Yahweh was upon the

tabernacle by day, and there was fire therein by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

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{O3}1} Leviticus Chapter One. {1:1} And Yahweh called unto Moses, and spoke unto him out of the tent of meeting, saying, {1:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man of you offers an oblation unto Yahweh, you shall offer your oblation of the cattle, [even] of the herd and of the flock. {1:3} If his oblation be a burnt-offering of the herd, he shall offer it a male outside blemish: he shall offer it at the door of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before Yahweh. {1:4} And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the burnt-offering; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. {1:5} And he shall kill the bull before Yahweh: and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall present the blood, and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that is at the door of the tent of meeting. {1:6} And he shall flay the burnt-offering, and cut it into its pieces. {1:7} And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay wood in order upon the fire; {1:8} and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall lay the pieces, the head, and the fat, in order upon the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar: {1:9} but its inwards and its legs shall he wash with water: and the priest shall burn the whole on the altar, for a burnt-offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {1:10} And if his oblation be of the flock, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a burnt-offering; he shall offer it a male outside blemish. {1:11} And he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before Yahweh: and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall sprinkle its blood upon the altar round about. {1:12} And he shall cut it into its pieces, with its head and its fat; and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar: {1:13} but the inwards and the legs shall he wash with water; and the priest shall offer the whole, and burn it upon the altar: it is a burnt-offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {1:14} And if his oblation to Yahweh be a burnt-offering of birds, then he shall offer his oblation of turtle-doves, or of young pigeons. {1:15} And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and wring off its head, and burn it on the altar; and the blood of it shall be drained out on the side of the altar; {1:16} and he shall take away its crop with the filth there, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, in the place of the ashes: {1:17} and he shall rend it by the wings there, [but] shall not divide it asunder; and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that is upon the fire: it is a burnt-offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh.

{O3}2} Leviticus Chapter two. {2:1} And when any one offers an oblation of a meal-offering unto Yahweh, his oblation shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon: {2:2} and he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests; and he shall take out his handful of the fine flour there, and of the oil there, with all the frankincense there; and the priest shall burn [it as] the memorial of it upon the altar, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh: {2:3} and that which is left of the meal-offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a thing most holy of the offerings of Yahweh made by fire. {2:4} And when you offer an oblation of a meal-offering baked in the oven, it shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil. {2:5} And if your oblation be a meal-offering of the baking-pan, it shall be of fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil. {2:6} you shall part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: it is a meal-offering. {2:7} And if your oblation be a meal-offering of the frying-pan, it shall be made of fine flour with oil. {2:8} And you shall bring the meal-offering that is made of these things unto Yahweh: and it shall be presented unto the priest, and he shall bring it unto the altar. {2:9} And the priest shall take up from the meal-offering the memorial there, and shall burn it upon the altar, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {2:10} And that which is left of the meal-offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a thing most holy of the offerings of Yahweh made by fire. {2:11} No meal-offering, which you shall offer unto Yahweh, shall be made with leaven; for you shall burn no leaven, nor any honey, as an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {2:12} As an oblation of first-[fruits] you shall offer

them unto Yahweh: but they shall not come up for a sweet savor on the altar. {2:13} And every oblation of your meal-offering shall you season with salt; neither shall you suffer the salt of the covenant of your God to be lacking from your meal-offering: with all your oblations you shall offer salt. {2:14} And if you offer a meal-offering of first-fruits unto Yahweh, you shall offer for the meal-offering of your first-fruits grain in the ear parched with fire, bruised grain of the fresh ear. {2:15} And you shall put oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it is a meal-offering. {2:16} And the priest shall burn the memorial of it, part of the crushed grain there, and part of the oil there, with all the frankincense there: it is an offering made by fire unto Yahweh.

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{O3}3} Leviticus Chapter Three. {3:1} And if his oblation be a sacrifice of peace-offerings; if he offer of the herd, whether male or female, he shall offer it outside blemish before Yahweh. {3:2} And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his oblation, and kill it at the door of the tent of meeting: and Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about. {3:3} And he shall offer of the sacrifice of peace-offerings an offering made by fire unto Yahweh; the fat that covers the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, {3:4} and the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver, with the kidneys, shall he take away. {3:5} And Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt-offering, which is upon the wood that is on the fire: it is an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {3:6} And if his oblation for a sacrifice of peace-offerings unto Yahweh be of the flock; male or female, he shall offer it outside blemish. {3:7} If he offer a lamb for his oblation, then shall he offer it before Yahweh; {3:8} and he shall lay his hand upon the head of his oblation, and kill it before the tent of meeting: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood of it upon the altar round about. {3:9} And he shall offer of the sacrifice of peace-offerings an offering made by fire unto Yahweh; the fat there, the fat tail entire, he shall take away hard by the backbone; and the fat that covers the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, {3:10} and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver, with the kidneys, shall he take away. {3:11} And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: it is the food of the offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {3:12} And if his oblation be a goat, then he shall offer it before Yahweh: {3:13} and he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the tent of meeting; and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood of it upon the altar round about. {3:14} And he shall offer of it his oblation, [even] an offering made by fire unto Yahweh; the fat that covers the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, {3:15} and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver, with the kidneys, shall he take away. {3:16} And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: it is the food of the offering made by fire, for a sweet savor; all the fat is Yahweh's. {3:17} It shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations in all your dwellings, that you shall eat neither fat nor blood.

{O3}4} Leviticus Chapter Four. {4:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {4:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any one shall sin unwittingly, in any of the things which Yahweh has commanded not to be done, and shall do any one of them: {4:3} if the anointed priest shall sin so as to bring guilt on the people, then let him offer for his sin, which he has sinned, a young bull outside blemish unto Yahweh for a sin-offering. {4:4} And he shall bring the bull unto the door of the tent of meeting before Yahweh; and he shall lay his hand upon the head of the bull, and kill the bull before Yahweh. {4:5} And the anointed priest shall take of the blood of the bull, and bring it to the tent of meeting: {4:6} and the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times before Yahweh, before the veil of the sanctuary. {4:7} And the priest shall put of the blood upon the horns of the altar of sweet incense before Yahweh, which is in the tent of meeting; and all the blood of the bull shall he pour out at the base of the altar of burnt-offering, which is at the door of the tent of meeting. {4:8} And all the fat of

the bull of the sin-offering he shall take off from it; the fat that covers the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, {4:9} and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver, with the kidneys, shall he take away, {4:10} as it is taken off from the ox of the sacrifice of peace-offerings: and the priest shall burn them upon the altar of burnt-offering. {4:11} And the skin of the bull, and all its flesh, with its head, and with its legs, and its inwards, and its dung, {4:12} even the whole bull shall he carry forth outside the camp unto a clean place, where the ashes are poured out, and burn it on wood with fire: where the ashes are poured out shall it be burnt. {4:13} And if the whole congregation of Israel err, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done any of the things which Yahweh has commanded not to be done, and are guilty; {4:14} when the sin wherein they have sinned is known, then the assembly shall offer a young bull for a sin-offering, and bring it before the tent of meeting. {4:15} And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the head of the bull before Yahweh; and the bull shall be killed before Yahweh. {4:16} And the anointed priest shall bring of the blood of the bull to the tent of meeting: {4:17} and the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle it seven times before Yahweh, before the veil. {4:18} And he shall put of the blood upon the horns of the altar which is before Yahweh, that is in the tent of meeting; and all the blood shall he pour out at the base of the altar of burnt-offering, which is at the door of the tent of meeting. {4:19} And all the fat of it shall he take off from it, and burn it upon the altar. {4:20} Thus shall he do with the bull; as he did with the bull of the sin-offering, so shall he do with this; and the priest shall make atonement for them, and they shall be forgiven. {4:21} And he shall carry forth the bull outside the camp, and burn it as he burned the first bull: it is the sin-offering for the assembly. {4:22} When a ruler sins, and does unwittingly any one of all the things which Yahweh his God has commanded not to be done, and is guilty; {4:23} if his sin, wherein he has sinned, be made known to him, he shall bring for his oblation a goat, a male outside blemish. {4:24} And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt-offering before Yahweh: it is a sin-offering. {4:25} And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin-offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt-offering; and the blood of it shall he pour out at the base of the altar of burnt-offering. {4:26} And all the fat of it shall he burn upon the altar, as the fat of the sacrifice of peace-offerings; and the priest shall make atonement for him as concerning his sin, and he shall be forgiven. {4:27} And if any one of the common people sin unwittingly, in doing any of the things which Yahweh has commanded not to be done, and be guilty; {4:28} if his sin, which he has sinned, be made known to him, then he shall bring for his oblation a goat, a female outside blemish, for his sin which he has sinned. {4:29} And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin-offering, and kill the sin-offering in the place of burnt-offering. {4:30} And the priest shall take of the blood there with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt-offering; and all the blood of it shall he pour out at the base of the altar. {4:31} And all the fat of it shall he take away, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace-offerings; and the priest shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet savor unto Yahweh; and the priest shall make atonement for him, and he shall be forgiven. {4:32} And if he bring a lamb as his oblation for a sin-offering, he shall bring it a female outside blemish. {4:33} And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin-offering, and kill it for a sin-offering in the place where they kill the burnt-offering. {4:34} And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin-offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt-offering; and all the blood of it shall he pour out at the base of the altar: {4:35} and all the fat of it shall he take away, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of peace-offerings; and the priest shall burn them on the altar, upon the offerings of Yahweh made by fire; and the priest shall make atonement for him as touching his sin that he has sinned, and he shall be forgiven.

{O3}5} Leviticus Chapter Five. {5:1} And if any one sin, in that he hears the voice of adjuration, he being a witness, whether he has seen or known, if he do not utter [it], then he shall

bear his works against law. {5:2} Or if any one touch any unclean thing, whether it be the carcass of an unclean beast, or the carcass of unclean cattle, or the carcass of unclean creeping things, and it be hidden from him, and he be unclean, then he shall be guilty. {5:3} Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatever his uncleanness be by which he is unclean, and it be hid from him; when he knows of it, then he shall be guilty. {5:4} Or if any one swear rashly with his lips to do evil, or to do good, whatever it be that a man shall utter rashly with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knows of it, then he shall be guilty in one of these [things]. {5:5} And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these [things], that he shall confess that wherein he has sinned: {5:6} and he shall bring his trespass-offering unto Yahweh for his sin which he has sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a goat, for a sin-offering; and the priest shall make atonement for him as concerning his sin. {5:7} And if he is too poor, for the price of a lamb, then he shall bring his trespass-offering for that wherein he has sinned, two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons, unto Yahweh; one for a sin-offering, and the other for a burnt-offering. {5:8} And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer that which is for the sin-offering first, and wring off its head from its neck, but shall not divide it asunder: {5:9} and he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin-offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be drained out at the base of the altar: it is a sin-offering. {5:10} And he shall offer the second for a burnt-offering, according to the ordinance; and the priest shall make atonement for him as concerning his sin which he has sinned, and he shall be forgiven. {5:11} But if he is too poor for the price of two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons, then he shall bring his oblation for that wherein he has sinned, the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin-offering: he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put any frankincense thereon; for it is a sin-offering. {5:12} And he shall bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it as the memorial there, and burn it on the altar, upon the offerings of Yahweh made by fire: it is a sin-offering. {5:13} And the priest shall make atonement for him as touching his sin that he has sinned in any of these things, and he shall be forgiven: and [the remnant] shall be the priest's, as the meal-offering. {5:14} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {5:15} If any one commit a trespass, and sin unwittingly, in the holy things of Yahweh; then he shall bring his trespass-offering unto Yahweh, a ram outside blemish out of the flock, according to your estimation in silver by shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass-offering: {5:16} and he shall make restitution for that which he has done amiss in the holy thing, and shall add the fifth part there, and give it unto the priest; and the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the trespass-offering, and he shall be forgiven. {5:17} And if any one sin, and do any of the things which Yahweh has commanded not to be done; though he knew it not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his works against law. {5:18} And he shall bring a ram outside blemish out of the flock, according to your estimation, for a trespass-offering, unto the priest; and the priest shall make atonement for him concerning the thing wherein he erred unwittingly and knew it not, and he shall be forgiven. {5:19} It is a trespass-offering: he is certainly guilty before Yahweh.

{O3}6} Leviticus Chapter Six. {6:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:2} If any one sin, and commit a trespass against Yahweh, and deal falsely with his neighbor in a matter of deposit, or of bargain, or of robbery, or have oppressed his neighbor, {6:3} or have found that which was lost, and deal falsely therein, and swear to a lie; in any of all these things that a man does, sinning therein; {6:4} then it shall be, if he has sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which he took by robbery, or the thing which he has gotten by oppression, or the deposit which was committed to him, or the lost thing which he found, {6:5} or any thing about which he has sworn falsely; he shall even restore it in full, and shall add the fifth part more there: unto him to whom it appertains shall he give it, in the day of his being found guilty. {6:6} And he shall bring his trespass-offering unto Yahweh, a ram outside blemish out of the flock, according to your estimation, for a trespass-offering, unto the priest: {6:7} and the priest shall make atonement for him before Yahweh; and he shall be forgiven concerning whatever he does so as to be guilty

thereby. {6:8} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:9} Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This is the law of the burnt-offering: the burnt-offering shall be on the hearth upon the altar all night unto the morning; and the fire of the altar shall be kept burning thereon. {6:10} And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon his flesh; and he shall take up the ashes where the fire has consumed the burnt-offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar. {6:11} And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes outside the camp unto a clean place. {6:12} And the fire upon the altar shall be kept burning thereon, it shall not go out; and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning: and he shall lay the burnt-offering in order upon it, and shall burn thereon the fat of the peace-offerings. {6:13} Fire shall be kept burning upon the altar continually; it shall not go out. {6:14} And this is the law of the meal-offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before Yahweh, before the altar. {6:15} And he shall take up there from his handful, of the fine flour of the meal-offering, and of the oil there, and all the frankincense which is upon the meal-offering, and shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet savor, as the memorial there, unto Yahweh. {6:16} And that which is left of it shall Aaron and his sons eat: it shall be eaten outside leaven in a holy place; in the court of the tent of meeting they shall eat it. {6:17} It shall not be baked with leaven. I have given it as their portion of my offerings made by fire; it is most holy, as the sin-offering, and as the trespass-offering. {6:18} Every male among the children of Aaron shall eat of it, as [his] portion forever throughout your generations, from the offerings of Yahweh made by fire: anyone who touches them shall be holy. {6:19} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:20} This is the oblation of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer unto Yahweh in the day when he is anointed: the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a meal-offering perpetually, half of it in the morning, and half of it in the evening. {6:21} On a baking-pan it shall be made with oil; when it is soaked, you shall bring it in: in baked pieces shall you offer the meal-offering for a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {6:22} And the anointed priest that shall be in his stead from among his sons shall offer it: by a statute forever it shall be wholly burnt unto Yahweh. {6:23} And every meal-offering of the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten. {6:24} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:25} Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, This is the law of the sin-offering: in the place where the burnt-offering is killed shall the sin-offering be killed before Yahweh: it is most holy. {6:26} The priest that offers it for sin shall eat it: in a holy place shall it be eaten, in the court of the tent of meeting. {6:27} Whatever shall touch the flesh of it shall be holy; and when there is sprinkled of the blood there upon any garment, you shall wash that whereon it was sprinkled in a holy place. {6:28} But the earthen vessel wherein it is boiled shall be broken; and if it be boiled in a brazen vessel, it shall be scoured, and rinsed in water. {6:29} Every male among the priests shall eat there: it is most holy. {6:30} And no sin-offering, where any of the blood is brought into the tent of meeting to make atonement in the holy place, shall be eaten: it shall be burnt with fire.

{O3}7} Leviticus Chapter Seven. {7:1} And this is the law of the trespass-offering: it is most holy. {7:2} In the place where they kill the burnt-offering shall they kill the trespass-offering; and the blood of it shall he sprinkle upon the altar round about. {7:3} And he shall offer of it all the fat there: the fat tail, and the fat that covers the inwards, {7:4} and the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver, with the kidneys, shall he take away; {7:5} and the priest shall burn them upon the altar for an offering made by fire unto Yahweh: it is a trespass-offering. {7:6} Every male among the priests shall eat there: it shall be eaten in a holy place: it is most holy. {7:7} As is the sin-offering, so is the trespass-offering; there is one law for them: the priest that makes atonement with, he shall have it. {7:8} And the priest that offers any man's burnt-offering, even the priest shall have to himself the skin of the burnt-offering which he has offered. {7:9} And every meal-offering that is baked in the oven, and all that is dressed in the frying-pan, and on the baking-pan, shall be the priest's that offers it. {7:10} And every meal-offering, mingled with oil, or dry, shall all the sons of Aaron have, one as well as

another. {7:11} And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace-offerings, which one shall offer unto Yahweh. {7:12} If he offer it for a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes mingled with oil, of fine flour soaked. {7:13} With cakes of leavened bread he shall offer his oblation with the sacrifice of his peace-offerings for thanksgiving. {7:14} And of it he shall offer one out of each oblation for a heave-offering unto Yahweh; it shall be the priest's that sprinkles the blood of the peace-offerings. {7:15} And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace-offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten on the day of his oblation; he shall not leave any of it until the morning. {7:16} But if the sacrifice of his oblation be a vow, or a freewill-offering, it shall be eaten on the day that he offers his sacrifice; and on the morrow that which remains of it shall be eaten: {7:17} but that which remains of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire. {7:18} And if any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace-offerings be eaten on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him that offers it: it shall be an abomination, and the soul that eats of it shall bear his works against law. {7:19} And the flesh that touches any unclean thing shall not be eaten; it shall be burnt with fire. And as for the flesh, everyone that is clean shall eat there: {7:20} but the soul that eats of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace-offerings, that pertain unto Yahweh, having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from his people. {7:21} And when any one shall touch any unclean thing, the uncleanness of man, or an unclean beast, or any unclean abomination, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace-offerings, which pertain unto Yahweh, that soul shall be cut off from his people. {7:22} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {7:23} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, you shall eat no fat, of ox, or sheep, or goat. {7:24} And the fat of that which dies of itself, and the fat of that which is torn of beasts, may be used for any other service; but you shall in no wise eat of it. {7:25} For anyone who eats the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh, even the soul that eats it shall be cut off from his people. {7:26} And you shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of bird or of beast, in any of your dwellings. {7:27} Anyone who it be that eats any blood, that soul shall be cut off from his people. {7:28} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {7:29} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, He that offers the sacrifice of his peace-offerings unto Yahweh shall bring his oblation unto Yahweh out of the sacrifice of his peace-offerings: {7:30} his own hands shall bring the offerings of Yahweh made by fire; the fat with the breast shall he bring, that the breast may be waved for a wave-offering before Yahweh. {7:31} And the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar; but the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'. {7:32} And the right thigh shall you give unto the priest for a heave-offering out of the sacrifices of your peace-offerings. {7:33} He among the sons of Aaron that offers the blood of the peace-offerings, and the fat, shall have the right thigh for a portion. {7:34} For the wave-breast and the heave-thigh have I taken of the children of Israel out of the sacrifices of their peace-offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons as [their] portion forever from the children of Israel. {7:35} This is the anointing-portion of Aaron, and the anointing-portion of his sons, out of the offerings of Yahweh made by fire, in the day when he presented them to minister unto Yahweh in the priest's office; {7:36} which Yahweh commanded to be given them of the children of Israel, in the day that he anointed them. It is [their] portion forever throughout their generations. {7:37} This is the law of the burnt-offering, of the meal-offering, and of the sin-offering, and of the trespass-offering, and of the consecration, and of the sacrifice of peace-offerings; {7:38} which Yahweh commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto Yahweh, in the wilderness of Sinai.

{O3}8} Leviticus Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {8:2} Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the garments, and the anointing oil, and the bull of the sin-offering, and the two rams, and the basket of unleavened bread; {8:3} and assemble you all the congregation at the door of the tent of meeting. {8:4} And Moses did as Yahweh commanded

him; and the congregation was assembled at the door of the tent of meeting. {8:5} And Moses said unto the congregation, This is the thing which Yahweh has commanded to be done. {8:6} And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water. {8:7} And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with the girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with the skillfully woven band of the ephod, and bound it unto him with. {8:8} And he placed the breastplate upon him: and in the breastplate he put the Urim and the Thummim. {8:9} And he set the mitre upon his head; and upon the mitre, in front, did he set the golden plate, the holy crown; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {8:10} And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that was therein, and sanctified them. {8:11} And he sprinkled of it upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all its vessels, and the laver and its base, to sanctify them. {8:12} And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him. {8:13} And Moses brought Aaron's sons, and clothed them with coats, and girded them with girdles, and bound head-tires upon them; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {8:14} And he brought the bull of the sin-offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bull of the sin-offering. {8:15} And he slew it; and Moses took the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured out the blood at the base of the altar, and sanctified it, to make atonement for it. {8:16} And he took all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul of the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat; and Moses burned it upon the altar. {8:17} But the bull, and its skin, and its flesh, and its dung, he burnt with fire outside the camp; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {8:18} And he presented the ram of the burnt-offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. {8:19} And he killed it; and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. {8:20} And he cut the ram into its pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat. {8:21} And he washed the inwards and the legs with water; and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it was a burnt-offering for a sweet savor: it was an offering made by fire unto Yahweh; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {8:22} And he presented the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. {8:23} And he slew it; and Moses took of the blood there, and put it upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot. {8:24} And he brought Aaron's sons; and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. {8:25} And he took the fat, and the fat tail, and all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul of the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right thigh: {8:26} and out of the basket of unleavened bread, that was before Yahweh, he took one unleavened cake, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and placed them on the fat, and upon the right thigh: {8:27} and he put the whole upon the hands of Aaron, and upon the hands of his sons, and waved them for a wave-offering before Yahweh. {8:28} And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt them on the altar upon the burnt-offering: they were a consecration for a sweet savor: it was an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {8:29} And Moses took the breast, and waved it for a wave-offering before Yahweh: it was Moses' portion of the ram of consecration; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {8:30} And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Aaron, upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him, and sanctified Aaron, his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him. {8:31} And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, Boil the flesh at the door of the tent of meeting: and there eat it and the bread that is in the basket of consecration, as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it. {8:32} And that which remains of the flesh and of the bread shall you burn with fire. {8:33} And you shall not go out from the door of the tent of meeting seven days, until the days of your consecration be fulfilled: for he shall consecrate you seven days. {8:34} As has been done this day, so Yahweh has commanded to do, to make atonement for you. {8:35} And at the door of the tent of meeting shall you abide day and night

seven days, and keep the charge of Yahweh, that you die not: for so I am commanded. {8:36}
And Aaron and his sons did all the things which Yahweh commanded by Moses.

{03}9} Leviticus Chapter Nine. {9:1} And it came to pass on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel; {9:2} and he said unto Aaron, Take you a calf of the herd for a sin-offering, and a ram for a burnt-offering, outside blemish, and offer them before Yahweh. {9:3} And unto the children of Israel you shall speak, saying, Take you a he-goat for a sin-offering; and a calf and a lamb, both a year old, outside blemish, for a burnt-offering; {9:4} and an ox and a ram for peace-offerings, to sacrifice before Yahweh; and a meal-offering mingled with oil: for to-day Yahweh appears unto you. {9:5} And they brought that which Moses commanded before the tent of meeting; and all the congregation drew near and stood before Yahweh. {9:6} And Moses said, This is the thing which Yahweh commanded that you should do: and the glory of Yahweh shall appear unto you. {9:7} And Moses said unto Aaron, Draw near unto the altar, and offer your sin-offering, and your burnt-offering, and make atonement for yourself, and for the people; and offer the oblation of the people, and make atonement for them; as Yahweh commanded. {9:8} So Aaron drew near unto the altar, and slew the calf of the sin-offering, which was for himself. {9:9} And the sons of Aaron presented the blood unto him; and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the base of the altar: {9:10} but the fat, and the kidneys, and the caul from the liver of the sin-offering, he burnt upon the altar; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {9:11} And the flesh and the skin he burnt with fire outside the camp. {9:12} And he slew the burnt-offering; and Aaron's sons delivered unto him the blood, and he sprinkled it upon the altar round about. {9:13} And they delivered the burnt-offering unto him, piece by piece, and the head: and he burnt them upon the altar. {9:14} And he washed the inwards and the legs, and burnt them upon the burnt-offering on the altar {9:15} And he presented the people's oblation, and took the goat of the sin-offering which was for the people, and slew it, and offered it for sin, as the first. {9:16} And he presented the burnt-offering, and offered it according to the ordinance. {9:17} And he presented the meal-offering, and filled his hand there from, and burnt it upon the altar, besides the burnt-offering of the morning. {9:18} He slew also the ox and the ram, the sacrifice of peace-offerings, which was for the people: and Aaron's sons delivered unto him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the altar round about, {9:19} and the fat of the ox and of the ram, the fat tail, and that which covers[the inwards], and the kidneys, and the caul of the liver: {9:20} and they put the fat upon the breasts, and he burnt the fat upon the altar: {9:21} and the breasts and the right thigh Aaron waved for a wave-offering before Yahweh; as Moses commanded. {9:22} And Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people, and blessed them; and he came down from offering the sin-offering, and the burnt-offering, and the peace-offerings. {9:23} And Moses and Aaron went into the tent of meeting, and came out, and blessed the people: and the glory of Yahweh appeared unto all the people. {9:24} And there came forth fire from before Yahweh, and consumed upon the altar the burnt-offering and the fat: and when all the people saw it, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

{03}10} Leviticus Chapter Ten. {10:1} And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took each of them his censer, and put fire therein, and laid incense thereon, and offered strange fire before Yahweh, which he had not commanded them. {10:2} And there came forth fire from before Yahweh, and devoured them, and they died before Yahweh. {10:3} Then Moses said unto Aaron, This is it that Yahweh spoke, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come near me, and before all the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held his peace. {10:4} And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Draw near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp. {10:5} So they drew near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp, as Moses had said. {10:6} And Moses said unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, Let not the hair of your heads go loose, neither rend your

clothes; that you die not, and that he be not angry with all the congregation: but let your brethren, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which Yahweh has kindled. {10:7} And you shall not go out from the door of the tent of meeting, lest you die; for the anointing oil of Yahweh is upon you. And they did according to the word of Moses. {10:8} And Yahweh spoke unto Aaron, saying, {10:9} Drink no wine nor strong drink, you, nor your sons with you, when you go into the tent of meeting, that you die not: it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations: {10:10} and that you may make a distinction between the holy and the common, and between the unclean and the clean; {10:11} and that you may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which Yahweh has spoken unto them by Moses. {10:12} And Moses spoke unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left, Take the meal-offering that remains of the offerings of Yahweh made by fire, and eat it outside leaven beside the altar; for it is most holy; {10:13} and you shall eat it in a holy place, because it is your portion, and your sons' portion, of the offerings of Yahweh made by fire: for so I am commanded. {10:14} And the wave-breast and the heave-thigh shall you eat in a clean place, you, and your sons, and your daughters with you: for they are given as your portion, and your sons' portion, out of the sacrifices of the peace-offerings of the children of Israel. {10:15} The heave-thigh and the wave-breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave it for a wave-offering before Yahweh: and it shall be your, and your sons' with you, as a portion forever; as Yahweh has commanded. {10:16} And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin-offering, and, behold, it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and with Ithamar, the sons of Aaron that were left, saying, {10:17} Therefore have you not eaten the sin-offering in the place of the sanctuary, seeing it is most holy, and he has given it you to bear the works against law of the congregation, to make atonement for them before Yahweh? {10:18} Behold, the blood of it was not brought into the sanctuary within: you should certainly have eaten it in the sanctuary, as I commanded. {10:19} And Aaron spoke unto Moses, Behold, this day have they offered their sin-offering and their burnt-offering before Yahweh; and there have befallen me such things as these: and if I had eaten the sin-offering to-day, would it have been well-pleasing in the sight of Yahweh? {10:20} And when Moses heard [that], it was well-pleasing in his sight.

{03}11} Leviticus Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them, {11:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These are the living things which you may eat among all the beasts that are on the earth. {11:3} Whatever parts the hoof, and is cloven footed, [and] Chews the cud, among the beasts, that you may eat. {11:4} Nevertheless these you shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that part the hoof: the camel, because he Chews the cud but parts not the hoof, he is unclean unto you. {11:5} And the Coney, because he Chews the cud but parts not the hoof, he is unclean unto you. {11:6} And the hare, because she Chews the cud but parts not the hoof, she is unclean unto you. {11:7} And the swine, because he parts the hoof, and is cloven footed, but Chews not the cud, he is unclean unto you. {11:8} Of their flesh you shall not eat, and their carcasses you shall not touch; they are unclean unto you. {11:9} These may you eat of all that are in the waters: whatever has fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, that may you eat. {11:10} And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of all the living creatures that are in the waters, they are an abomination unto you, {11:11} and they shall be an abomination unto you; you shall not eat of their flesh, and their carcasses you shall have in abomination. {11:12} Whatever has no fins nor scales in the waters, that is an abomination unto you. {11:13} And these you shall have in abomination among the birds; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, and the gier-eagle, and the ospray, {11:14} and the kite, and the falcon after its kind, {11:15} every raven after its kind, {11:16} and the ostrich, and the night-hawk, and the seamew, and the hawk after its kind, {11:17} and the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl, {11:18} and the horned owl, and the pelican, and the vulture, {11:19} and the stork, the heron after its kind, and the hoopoe, and the bat. {11:20} All winged creeping things

that go upon all fours are an abomination unto you. {11:21} yet these may you eat of all winged creeping things that go upon all fours, which have legs above their feet, by which to leap upon the earth. {11:22} Even these of them you may eat: the locust after its kind, and the bald locust after its kind, and the cricket after its kind, and the grasshopper after its kind. {11:23} But all winged creeping things, which have four feet, are an abomination unto you. {11:24} And by these you shall become unclean: anyone who touches the carcass of them shall be unclean until the even; {11:25} And anyone who bears [anything] of the carcass of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even. {11:26} Every beast which parts the hoof, and is not cloven-footed, nor Chews the cud, is unclean unto you: everyone that touches them shall be unclean. {11:27} And whatever goes upon its paws, among all beasts that go on all fours, they are unclean unto you: who so touches their carcass shall be unclean until the even. {11:28} And he that bears the carcass of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you. {11:29} And these are they which are unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth: the weasel, and the mouse, and the great lizard after its kind, {11:30} and the gecko, and the land-crocodile, and the lizard, and the sand-lizard, and the chameleon. {11:31} These are they which are unclean to you among all that creep: anyone who does touch them, when they are dead, shall be unclean until the even. {11:32} And upon whatever any of them, when they are dead, does fall, it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatever vessel it be, by which any work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; then shall it be clean. {11:33} And every earthen vessel, where into any of them fall, whatever is in it shall be unclean, and it you shall break. {11:34} All food [therein] which may be eaten, that on which water comes, shall be unclean; and all drink that may be drunk in every [such] vessel shall be unclean. {11:35} And every thing whereupon [any part] of their carcass falls shall be unclean; whether oven, or range for pots, it shall be broken in pieces: they are unclean, and shall be unclean unto you. {11:36} Nevertheless a fountain or a pit wherein is a gathering of water shall be clean: but that which touches their carcass shall be unclean. {11:37} And if [anything] of their carcass fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it is clean. {11:38} But if water be put upon the seed, and [anything] of their carcass fall thereon, it is unclean unto you. {11:39} And if any beast, of which you may eat, die; he that touches the carcass of it shall be unclean until the even. {11:40} And he that eats of the carcass of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that bears the carcass of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even. {11:41} And every crawling thing that creeps upon the earth is an abomination; it shall not be eaten. {11:42} Whatever goes upon the belly, and whatever goes upon all fours, or whatever has many feet, even all crawling things that creep upon the earth, them you shall not eat; for they are an abomination. {11:43} you shall not make yourselves abominable with any crawling thing that creeps, neither shall you make yourselves unclean with them, that you should be defiled thereby. {11:44} For I am Yahweh your God: sanctify yourselves therefore, and be you holy; for I am holy: neither shall you defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that moves upon the earth. {11:45} For I am Yahweh that brought you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: you shall therefore be holy, for I am holy. {11:46} This is the law of the beast, and of the bird, and of every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps upon the earth; {11:47} to make a distinction between the unclean and the clean, and between the living thing that may be eaten and the living thing that may not be eaten.

{O3}12} Leviticus Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {12:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman conceive seed, and bear a man-child, then she shall be unclean seven days; as in the days of the impurity of her sickness shall she be unclean. {12:3} And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised. {12:4} And she shall continue in the blood of [her] purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled. {12:5}

But if she bear a maid-child, then she shall be unclean two solar sevens [Sabbaton], as in her impurity; and she shall continue in the blood of [her] purifying sixty six days. {12:6} And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb a year old for a burnt-offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtle-dove, for a sin-offering, unto the door of the tent of meeting, unto the priest: {12:7} and he shall offer it before Yahweh, and make atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the fountain of her blood. This is the law for her that bears, whether a male or a female. {12:8} And if her means suffice not for a lamb, then she shall take two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons; the one for a burnt-offering, and the other for a sin-offering; and the priest shall make atonement for her, and she shall be clean.

{O3}13} Leviticus Chapter Thirteen. 1 And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {13:2} When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, or a scab, or a bright spot, and it become in the skin of his flesh the plague of leprosy, then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests: {13:3} and the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of the flesh: and if the hair in the plague be turned white, and the appearance of the plague be deeper than the skin of his flesh, it is the plague of leprosy; and the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him unclean. {13:4} And if the bright spot be white in the skin of his flesh, and the appearance of it be not deeper than the skin, and the hair of it be not turned white, then the priest shall shut up [him that has] the plague seven days: {13:5} and the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold, if in his eyes the plague be at a stay, and the plague be not spread in the skin, then the priest shall shut him up seven days more: {13:6} and the priest shall look on him again the seventh day; and, behold, if the plague be dim, and the plague be not spread in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him clean: it is a scab: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean. {13:7} But if the scab spread abroad in the skin, after that he has showed himself to the priest for his cleansing, he shall show himself to the priest again: {13:8} and the priest shall look; and, behold, if the scab be spread in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is leprosy. {13:9} When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest; {13:10} and the priest shall look; and, behold, if there be a white rising in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and there be quick raw flesh in the rising, {13:11} it is an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean: he shall not shut him up, for he is unclean. {13:12} And if the leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy cover all the skin of [him that has] the plague from his head even to his feet, as far as appears to the priest; {13:13} then the priest shall look; and, behold, if the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce [him] clean [that has] the plague: it is all turned white: he is clean. {13:14} But when so ever raw flesh appears in him, he shall be unclean. {13:15} And the priest shall look on the raw flesh, and pronounce him unclean: the raw flesh is unclean: it is leprosy. {13:16} Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, then he shall come unto the priest; {13:17} and the priest shall look on him; and, behold, if the plague be turned into white, then the priest shall pronounce [him] clean [that has] the plague: he is clean. {13:18} And when the flesh has in the skin of it a boil, and it is healed, {13:19} and in the place of the boil there is a white rising, or a bright spot, reddish-white, then it shall be showed to the priest; {13:20} and the priest shall look; and, behold, if the appearance of it be lower than the skin, and the hair of it be turned white, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is the plague of leprosy, it has broken out in the boil. {13:21} But if the priest look on it, and, behold, there be no white hairs therein, and it be not lower than the skin, but be dim; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: {13:22} And if it spread abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a plague. {13:23} But if the bright spot stay in its place, and be not spread, it is the scar of the boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean. {13:24} Or when the flesh has in the skin of it burning by fire, and the quick [flesh] of the burning become a bright spot, reddish-white, or white; {13:25} then the priest shall look upon it; and, behold, if the hair in the bright spot be turned white, and the appearance of it be deeper than the skin; it is leprosy, it has broken out in the burning: and the priest shall pronounce him

unclean: it is the plague of leprosy. {13:26} But if the priest look on it, and, behold, there be no white hair in the bright spot, and it be no lower than the skin, but be dim; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: {13:27} and the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: if it spread abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is the plague of leprosy. {13:28} And if the bright spot stay in its place, and be not spread in the skin, but be dim; it is the rising of the burning, and the priest shall pronounce him clean: for it is the scar of the burning. {13:29} And when a man or woman has a plague upon the head or upon the beard, {13:30} then the priest shall look on the plague; and, behold, if the appearance of it be deeper than the skin, and there be in it yellow thin hair, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a scale, it is leprosy of the head or of the beard. {13:31} And if the priest look on the plague of the scale, and, behold, the appearance of it be not deeper than the skin, and there be no black hair in it, then the priest shall shut up [him that has] the plague of the scale seven days: {13:32} And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plague; and, behold, if the scale be not spread, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the appearance of the scale be not deeper than the skin, {13:33} then he shall be shaven, but the scale shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up [him that has] the scale seven days more: {13:34} and in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scale; and, behold, if the scale be not spread in the skin, and the appearance of it be not deeper than the skin; then the priest shall pronounce him clean: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean. {13:35} But if the scale spread abroad in the skin after his cleansing, {13:36} then the priest shall look on him; and, behold, if the scale be spread in the skin, the priest shall not seek for the yellow hair; he is unclean. {13:37} But if in his eyes the scale be at a stay, and black hair be grown up therein; the scale is healed, he is clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean. {13:38} And when a man or a woman has in the skin of the flesh bright spots, even white bright spots; {13:39} then the priest shall look; and, behold, if the bright spots in the skin of their flesh be of a dull white, it is a freckled spot, it has broken out in the skin; he is clean. {13:40} And if a man's hair be fallen off his head, he is bald; [yet] is he clean. {13:41} And if his hair be fallen off from the front part of his head, he is forehead bald; [yet] is he clean. {13:42} But if there be in the bald head, or the bald forehead, a reddish-white plague; it is leprosy breaking out in his bald head, or his bald forehead. {13:43} Then the priest shall look upon him; and, behold, if the rising of the plague be reddish-white in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the appearance of leprosy in the skin of the flesh; {13:44} he is a leprous man, he is unclean: the priest shall surely pronounce him unclean; his plague is in his head. {13:45} And the leper in whom the plague is, his clothes shall be rent, and the hair of his head shall go loose, and he shall cover his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean. {13:46} All the days wherein the plague is in him he shall be unclean; he is unclean: he shall dwell alone; outside the camp shall his dwelling be. {13:47} The garment also that the plague of leprosy is in, whether it be a wool garment, or a linen garment; {13:48} whether it be in warp, or woof; of linen, or of wool; whether in a skin, or in anything made of skin; {13:49} if the plague be greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin, or in the warp, or in the woof, or in anything of skin; it is the plague of leprosy, and shall be showed unto the priest. {13:50} And the priest shall look upon the plague, and shut up [that which has] the plague seven days: {13:51} and he shall look on the plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in the skin, whatever service skin is used for; the plague is a contagious leprosy; it is unclean. {13:52} And he shall burn the garment, whether the warp or the woof, in wool or in linen, or anything of skin, wherein the plague is: for it is a contagious leprosy; it shall be burnt in the fire. {13:53} And if the priest shall look, and, behold, the plague be not spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in anything of skin; {13:54} then the priest shall command that they wash the thing wherein the plague is, and he shall shut it up seven days more: {13:55} and the priest shall look, after that the plague is washed; and, behold, if the plague have not changed its color, and the plague be not spread, it is unclean; you shall burn it in the fire: it is a threat, whether the bareness be within or outside. {13:56} And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague be dim after the washing there, then he

shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the warp, or out of the woof: {13:57} and if it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in anything of skin, it is breaking out: you shall burn that wherein the plague is with fire. {13:58} And the garment, either the warp, or the woof, or whatever thing of skin it be, which you shall wash, if the plague be departed from them, then it shall be washed the second time, and shall be clean. {13:59} This is the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of wool or linen, either in the warp, or the woof, or anything of skin, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

{O3}14} Leviticus Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {14:2} This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: he shall be brought unto the priest: {14:3} and the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look; and, behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper, {14:4} then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two living clean birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop: {14:5} And the priest shall command to kill one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water. {14:6} As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the running water: {14:7} And he shall sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let go the living bird into the open field. {14:8} And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and bathe himself in water; and he shall be clean: and after that he shall come into the camp, but shall dwell outside his tent seven days. {14:9} And it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and he shall be clean. {14:10} And on the eighth day he shall take two he-lambs outside blemish, and one ewe-lamb a year old outside blemish, and three tenth parts [of an ephah] of fine flour for a meal-offering, mingled with oil, and one log of oil. {14:11} And the priest that cleans him shall set the man that is to be cleansed, and those things, before Yahweh, at the door of the tent of meeting. {14:12} And the priest shall take one of the he-lambs, and offer him for a trespass-offering, and the log of oil, and wave them for a wave-offering before Yahweh: {14:13} and he shall kill the he-lamb in the place where they kill the sin-offering and the burnt-offering, in the place of the sanctuary: for as the sin-offering is the priest's, so is the trespass-offering: it is most holy: {14:14} and the priest shall take of the blood of the trespass-offering, and the priest shall put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot. {14:15} And the priest shall take of the log of oil, and pour it into the palm of his own left hand; {14:16} and the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that is in his left hand, and shall sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times before Yahweh: {14:17} and of the rest of the oil that is in his hand shall the priest put upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the trespass-offering: {14:18} and the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed: and the priest shall make atonement for him before Yahweh. {14:19} And the priest shall offer the sin-offering, and make atonement for him that is to be cleansed because of his uncleanness: and afterward he shall kill the burnt-offering; {14:20} and the priest shall offer the burnt-offering and the meal-offering upon the altar: and the priest shall make atonement for him, and he shall be clean. {14:21} And if he be poor, and cannot get so much, then he shall take one he-lamb for a trespass-offering to be waved, to make atonement for him, and one tenth part [of an ephah] of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering, and a log of oil; {14:22} and two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall be a sin-offering, and the other a burnt-offering. {14:23} And on the eighth day he shall bring them for his cleansing unto the priest, unto the door of the tent of meeting, before Yahweh: {14:24} and the priest shall take the lamb of the trespass-offering, and the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them for a wave-offering before Yahweh. {14:25} And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass-

offering; and the priest shall take of the blood of the trespass-offering, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot. {14:26} And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand; {14:27} and the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger some of the oil that is in his left hand seven times before Yahweh: {14:28} and the priest shall put of the oil that is in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the trespass-offering: {14:29} and the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make atonement for him before Yahweh. {14:30} And he shall offer one of the turtle-doves, or of the young pigeons, such as he is able to get, {14:31} even such as he is able to get, the one for a sin-offering, and the other for a burnt-offering, with the meal-offering: and the priest shall make atonement for him that is to be cleansed before Yahweh. {14:32} This is the law of him in whom is the plague of leprosy, who is not able to get [that which pertains] to his cleansing. {14:33} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {14:34} When you are come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession; {14:35} then he that owns the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, There seems to me to be as it were a plague in the house. {14:36} And the priest shall command that they empty the house, before the priest goes in to see the plague, that all that is in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house: {14:37} and he shall look on the plague; and, behold, if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow streaks, greenish or reddish, and the appearance of it be lower than the wall; {14:38} then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven days. {14:39} And the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look; and, behold, if the plague be spread in the walls of the house; {14:40} then the priest shall command that they take out the stones in which the plague is, and cast them into an unclean place outside the city: {14:41} and he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour out the mortar, that they scrape off, outside the city into an unclean place: {14:42} and they shall take other stones, and put them in the place of those stones; and he shall take other mortar, and shall plaster the house. {14:43} And if the plague come again, and break out in the house, after that he has taken out the stones, and after he has scraped the house, and after it is plastered; {14:44} then the priest shall come in and look; and, behold, if the plague be spread in the house, it is a contagious leprosy in the house: it is unclean. {14:45} And he shall break down the house, the stones of it, and the timber there, and all the mortar of the house; and he shall carry them forth out of the city into an unclean place. {14:46} Also he that goes into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean until the even. {14:47} And he that lies in the house shall wash his clothes; and he that eats in the house shall wash his clothes. {14:48} And if the priest shall come in, and look, and, behold, the plague has not spread in the house, after the house was plastered; then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, because the plague is healed. {14:49} And he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop: {14:50} and he shall kill one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water: {14:51} and he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird, and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water, and sprinkle the house seven times: {14:52} and he shall cleanse the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet: {14:53} but he shall let go the living bird out of the city into the open field: so shall he make atonement for the house; and it shall be clean. {14:54} This is the law for all manner of plague of leprosy, and for a scale, {14:55} and for the leprosy of a garment, and for a house, {14:56} and for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot; {14:57} to teach when it is unclean, and when it is clean: this is the law of leprosy.

{O3}15} Leviticus Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and to Aaron, saying, {15:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man has an issue out of his flesh, because of his issue he is unclean. {15:3} And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it is his uncleanness. {15:4} Every bed whereon he that has the issue lies shall be unclean; and everything whereon he sits shall be unclean. {15:5} And anyone who touches his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:6} And he that sits on anything whereon he that has the issue sat shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:7} And he that touches the flesh of him that has the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:8} And if he that has the issue spit upon him that is clean, then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:9} And what saddle so ever he that has the issue rides upon shall be unclean. {15:10} And anyone who touches anything that was under him shall be unclean until the even: and he that bears those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:11} And whom so ever he that has the issue touches, outside having rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:12} And the earthen vessel, which he that has the issue touches, shall be broken; and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water. {15:13} And when he that has an issue is cleansed of his issue, then he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes; and he shall bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean. {15:14} And on the eighth day he shall take to him two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons, and come before Yahweh unto the door of the tent of meeting, and give them unto the priest: {15:15} and the priest shall offer them, the one for a sin-offering, and the other for a burnt-offering; and the priest shall make atonement for him before Yahweh for his issue. {15:16} And if any man's seed of copulation go out from him, then he shall bathe all his flesh in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:17} And every garment, and every skin, whereon is the seed of copulation, shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the even. {15:18} The woman also with whom a man shall lie with seed of copulation, they shall both bathe themselves in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:19} And if a woman have an issue, [and] her issue in her flesh be blood, she shall be in her impurity seven days: and anyone who touches her shall be unclean until the even. {15:20} And everything that she lies upon in her impurity shall be unclean: everything also that she sits upon shall be unclean. {15:21} And anyone who touches her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:22} And anyone who touches anything that she sits upon shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:23} And if it be on the bed, or on anything whereon she sits, when he touches it, he shall be unclean until the even. {15:24} And if any man lie with her, and her impurity be upon him, he shall be unclean seven days; and every bed whereon he lies shall be unclean. {15:25} And if a woman have an issue of her blood many days not in the time of her impurity, or if she have an issue beyond the time of her impurity; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness she shall be as in the days of her impurity: she is unclean. {15:26} Every bed whereon she lies all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her impurity: and everything whereon she sits shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her impurity. {15:27} And anyone who touches those things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. {15:28} But if she be cleansed of her issue, then she shall number to herself seven days, and after that she shall be clean. {15:29} And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the door of the tent of meeting. {15:30} And the priest shall offer the one for a sin-offering, and the other for a burnt-offering; and the priest shall make atonement for her before Yahweh for the issue of her uncleanness. {15:31} Thus shall you separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness that they die not in their uncleanness, when they defile my tabernacle that is in the midst of them. {15:32} This is the law of him that has an issue, and of him whose seed of copulation goes from

him, so that he is unclean thereby; {15:33} and of her that is sick with her impurity, and of him that has an issue, of the man, and of the woman, and of him that lies with her that is unclean.

{O3}16} Leviticus Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they drew near before Yahweh, and died; {16:2} and Yahweh said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron your brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place within the veil, before the mercy-seat which is upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy-seat. {16:3} Herewith shall Aaron come into the holy place: with a young bull for a sin-offering, and a ram for a burnt-offering. {16:4} He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with the linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: they are the holy garments; and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and put them on. {16:5} And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two he-goats for a sin-offering, and one ram for a burnt-offering. {16:6} And Aaron shall present the bull of the sin-offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself, and for his house. {16:7} And he shall take the two goats, and set them before Yahweh at the door of the tent of meeting. {16:8} And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for Yahweh, and the other lot for scapegoat. {16:9} And Aaron shall present the goat upon which the lot fell for Yahweh, and offer him for a sin-offering. {16:10} But the goat, on which the lot fell for scapegoat, shall be set alive before Yahweh, to make atonement for him, to send him away for scapegoat into the wilderness. {16:11} And Aaron shall present the bull of the sin-offering, which is for himself, and shall make atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bull of the sin-offering which is for himself: {16:12} and he shall take a censer full of coals of fire from off the altar before Yahweh, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the veil: {16:13} and he shall put the incense upon the fire before Yahweh, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy-seat that is upon the testimony, that he die not: {16:14} and he shall take of the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy-seat on the east; and before the mercy-seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times. {16:15} Then shall he kill the goat of the sin-offering, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the veil, and do with his blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it upon the mercy-seat, and before the mercy-seat: {16:16} and he shall make atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgression of the law, even all their sins: and so shall he do for the tent of meeting, that dwells with them in the midst of their uncleanness. {16:17} And there shall be no man in the tent of meeting when he goes in to make atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel. {16:18} And he shall go out unto the altar that is before Yahweh, and make atonement for it, and shall take of the blood of the bull, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about. {16:19} And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel. {16:20} And when he has made an end of atoning for the holy place, and the tent of meeting, and the altar, he shall present the live goat: {16:21} and Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the works against law of the children of Israel, and all their transgression of the law, even all their sins; and he shall put them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a man that is in readiness into the wilderness: {16:22} and the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a solitary land: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness. {16:23} And Aaron shall come into the tent of meeting, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall leave them there: {16:24} and he shall bathe his flesh in water in a holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt-offering and the burnt-offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people. {16:25} And the fat of the sin-offering shall he burn upon the altar. {16:26} And he that lets go the goat for scapegoat shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

{16:27} And the bull of the sin-offering, and the goat of the sin-offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place, shall be carried forth outside the camp; and they shall burn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung. {16:28} And he that burns them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp. {16:29} And it shall be a statute forever unto you: in the seventh moon, on the tenth day of the moon, you shall afflict your souls, and shall do no manner of work, the home-born, or the stranger that sojourns among you: {16:30} for on this day shall atonement be made for you, to cleanse you; from all your sins shall you be clean before Yahweh. {16:31} It is a Sabbath of solemn rest unto you, and you shall afflict your souls; it is a statute forever. {16:32} And the priest, who shall be anointed and who shall be consecrated to be priest in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen garments, even the holy garments: {16:33} and he shall make atonement for the holy sanctuary; and he shall make atonement for the tent of meeting and for the altar; and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly. {16:34} And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make atonement for the children of Israel because of all their sins once in the year. And he did as Yahweh commanded Moses.

{O3}17} Leviticus Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {17:2} Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them: This is the thing which Yahweh has commanded, saying, {17:3} What man so ever there be of the house of Israel, that kills an ox, or lamb, or goat, in the camp, or that kills it outside the camp, {17:4} and has not brought it unto the door of the tent of meeting, to offer it as an oblation unto Yahweh before the tabernacle of Yahweh: blood shall be imputed unto that man; he has shed blood; and that man shall be cut off from among his people: {17:5} To the end that the children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they sacrifice in the open field, even that they may bring them unto Yahweh, unto the door of the tent of meeting, unto the priest, and sacrifice them for sacrifices of peace-offerings unto Yahweh. {17:6} And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of Yahweh at the door of the tent of meeting, and burn the fat for a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {17:7} And they shall no more sacrifice their sacrifices unto the he-goats, after which they play the prostitute. This shall be a statute forever unto them throughout their generations. {17:8} And you shall say unto them, Whatever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, that offers a burnt-offering or sacrifice, {17:9} and brings it not unto the door of the tent of meeting, to sacrifice it unto Yahweh; that man shall be cut off from his people. {17:10} And whatever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, that eats any manner of blood, I will set my face against that soul that eats blood, and will cut him off from among his people. {17:11} For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that makes atonement by reason of the life. {17:12} Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourns among you eat blood. {17:13} And whatever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, who takes in hunting any beast or bird that may be eaten; he shall pour out the blood there, and cover it with dust. {17:14} For as to the life of all flesh, the blood of it is [all one] with the life there: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, you shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh; for the life of all flesh is the blood there: anyone who eats it shall be cut off. {17:15} And every soul that eats that which dies of itself, or that which is torn of beasts, whether he be home-born or a alien, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean. {17:16} But if he wash them not, nor bathe his flesh, then he shall bear his works against law.

{O3}18} Leviticus Chapter Eighteen (18:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {18:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am Yahweh your God. {18:3} After the

doings of the land of Egypt, wherein you dwelt, shall you not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, where I bring you, shall you not do; neither shall you walk in their statutes. {18:4} Mine ordinances shall you do, and my statutes shall you keep, to walk therein: I am Yahweh your God. {18:5} you shall therefore keep my statutes, and mine ordinances; which if a man do, he shall live in them: I am Yahweh. {18:6} None of you shall approach to any that are near of kin to him, to uncover [their] nakedness: I am Yahweh. {18:7} The nakedness of your father, even the nakedness of your mother, shall you not uncover: she is your mother; you shall not uncover her nakedness. {18:8} The nakedness of your father's wife shall you not uncover: it is your father's nakedness. {18:9} The nakedness of your sister, the daughter of your father, or the daughter of your mother, whether born at home, or born abroad, even their nakedness you shall not uncover. {18:10} The nakedness of your son's daughter, or of your daughter's daughter, even their nakedness you shall not uncover: for theirs is your own nakedness. {18:11} The nakedness of your father's wife's daughter, begotten of your father, she is your sister, you shall not uncover her nakedness. {18:12} you shall not uncover the nakedness of your father's sister: she is your father's near kinswoman. {18:13} you shall not uncover the nakedness of your mother's sister: for she is your mother's near kinswoman. {18:14} you shall not uncover the nakedness of your father's brother, you shall not approach to his wife: she is your aunt. {18:15} you shall not uncover the nakedness of your daughter-in-law: she is your son's wife; you shall not uncover her nakedness. {18:16} you shall not uncover the nakedness of your brother's wife: it is your brother's nakedness. {18:17} you shall not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter; you shall not take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; they are near kinswomen: it is wickedness. {18:18} And you shall not take a wife to her sister, to be a rival [to her], to uncover her nakedness, besides the other in her life-time. {18:19} And you shall not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is impure by her uncleanness. {18:20} And you shall not lie carnally with your neighbor's wife, to defile yourself with her. {18:21} And you shall not give any of your seed to make them pass through [the fire] to Molech; neither shall you profane the name of your God: I am Yahweh. {18:22} you shall not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination. {18:23} And you shall not lie with any beast to defile yourself with; neither shall any woman stand before a beast, to lie down there: it is confusion. {18:24} Defile not you yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out from before you; {18:25} And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the works against law of it upon it, and the land vomits out her inhabitants. {18:26} you therefore shall keep my statutes and mine ordinances, and shall not do any of these abominations; neither the home-born, nor the stranger that sojourns among you; {18:27} (for all these abominations have the men of the land done, that were before you, and the land is defiled); {18:28} that the land vomit not you out also, when you defile it, as it vomited out the nation that was before you. {18:29} For anyone who shall do any of these abominations, even the souls that do them shall be cut off from among their people. {18:30} Therefore shall you keep my charge, that you practice not any of these abominable customs, which were practiced before you, and that you defile not yourselves therein: I am Yahweh your God.

{o3}19} Leviticus Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {19:2} Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, you shall be holy; for I Yahweh your God am holy. {19:3} you shall fear every man his mother, and his father; and you shall keep my Sabbaths: I am Yahweh your God. {19:4} Turn you not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am Yahweh your God. {19:5} And when you offer a sacrifice of peace-offerings unto Yahweh, you shall offer it that you may be accepted. {19:6} It shall be eaten the same day you offer it, and on the morrow: and if anything remain until the third day, it shall be burnt with fire. {19:7} And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it is an abomination; it shall not be accepted: {19:8} but everyone that eats it shall bear his works against law, because he has profaned the holy thing of Yahweh: and that soul shall be cut off from his people. {19:9} And

when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field, neither shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. {19:10} And you shall not glean your vineyard, neither shall you gather the fallen fruit of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and for the alien: I am Yahweh your God. {19:11} you shall not steal; neither shall you deal falsely, nor lie one to another. {19:12} And you shall not swear by my name falsely, and profane the name of your God: I am Yahweh. {19:13} you shall not oppress your neighbor, nor rob him: the wages of a hired servant shall not abide with you all night until the morning. {19:14} you shall not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind; but you shall fear your God: I am Yahweh. {19:15} you shall do no [Illegal] works of outside the law in judgment: you shall not respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty; but in [legal] works of the law shall you judge your neighbor. {19:16} you shall not go up and down as a talebearer among your people: neither shall you stand against the blood of your neighbor: I am Yahweh. {19:17} you shall not hate your brother in your heart: you shall surely rebuke your neighbor, and not bear sin because of him. {19:18} you shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people; but you shall agape love your neighbor as [you agape] yourself: I am Yahweh. {19:19} you shall keep my statutes. you shall not let your cattle gender with a different kind: you shall not sow your field with two kinds of seed: neither shall there come upon you a garment of two kinds of stuff mingled together. {19:20} And anyone who lies carnally with a woman, that is a bondmaid, betrothed to a husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; they shall be punished; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free. {19:21} And he shall bring his trespass-offering unto Yahweh, unto the door of the tent of meeting, even a ram for a trespass-offering. {19:22} And the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the trespass-offering before Yahweh for his sin which he has sinned: and the sin which he has sinned shall be forgiven him. {19:23} And when you shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then you shall count the fruit of its tree uncircumcised: three years shall they be as uncircumcised unto you; it shall not be eaten. {19:24} But in the fourth year all the fruit of it shall be holy, for giving praise unto Yahweh. {19:25} And in the fifth year shall you eat of the fruit there, that it may yield unto you the increase there: I am Yahweh your God. {19:26} you shall not eat anything with the blood: neither shall you use enchantments, nor practice augury. {19:27} you shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shall you mar the corners of your beard. {19:28} you shall make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor tattoo any marks upon you: I am Yahweh. {19:29} Profane not your daughter, to make her a prostitute; lest the land fall to prostitution, and the land become full of wickedness. {19:30} you shall keep my Sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary; I am Yahweh. {19:31} Turn you not unto them that have familiar spirits, nor unto ["The know it All"] wizards; seek them not out, to be defiled by them: I am Yahweh your God. {19:32} you stand up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man, and you shall fear your God: I am Yahweh.

{19:33} And if a stranger sojourn with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. {19:34} The stranger that sojourns with you shall be unto you as the home-born among you, and you shall agape love him as [you agape] yourself; for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am Yahweh your God.

{19:35} you shall do no unlawful works in judgment, in measures of length, of weight, or of quantity. {19:36} Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall you have: I am Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. {19:37} And you shall observe all my statutes, and all mine ordinances, and do them: I am Yahweh.

{o3}20} Leviticus Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {20:2} also, you shall say to the children of Israel, Anyone who be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that gives of his seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones. {20:3} I also will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he has given of his seed unto Molech, to

defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name. {20:4} And if the people at the land do at all hide their eyes from that man, when he gives of his seed unto Molech, and put him not to death; {20:5} then I will set my face against that man, and against his family, and will cut him off, and all that play the prostitute after him, to play the prostitute with Molech, from among their people.

{20:6} And the soul that turns unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto the wizards, to play the prostitute after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people. {20:7} Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be you holy; for I am Yahweh your God. {20:8} And you shall keep my statutes, and do them: I am Yahweh who sanctifies you. {20:9} Foreveryone that curses his father or his mother shall surely be put to death: he has cursed his father or his mother; his blood shall be upon him. {20:10} And the man that commits adultery with another man's wife, even he that commits adultery with his neighbor's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death. {20:11} And the man that lies with his father's wife has uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them. {20:12} And if a man lie with his daughter-in-law, both of them shall surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their blood shall be upon them. {20:13} And if a man lie with mankind, as with womankind, both of them have committed abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them. {20:14} And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you. {20:15} And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and you shall slay the beast. {20:16} And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down there, you shall kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.

{20:17} And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it is a shameful thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of the children of their people: he has uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his works against law. {20:18} And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he has made naked her fountain, and she has uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people. {20:19} And you shall not uncover the nakedness of your mother's sister, nor of your father's sister; for he has made naked his near kin: they shall bear their works against law. {20:20} And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he has uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless. {20:21} And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it is impurity: he has uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.

{20:22} you shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all mine ordinances, and do them; that the land, where I bring you to dwell therein, vomit you not out. {20:23} And you shall not walk in the customs of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they did all these things, and therefore I abhorred them. {20:24} But I have said unto you, you shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land flowing with milk and honey: I am Yahweh your God, who has separated you from the peoples. {20:25} you shall therefore make a distinction between the clean beast and the unclean, and between the unclean fowl and the clean: and you shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by bird, or by anything that moves on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean. {20:26} And you shall be holy unto me: for I, Yahweh, am holy, and have set you apart from the peoples, that you should be mine. {20:27} A man also or a woman that has a familiar spirit, or that is a [know it al] wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones; their blood shall be upon them.

{03}21} Leviticus Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Speak unto the priests, the sons of Aaron, and say unto them, There shall none defile himself for the dead among his people; {21:2} except for his kin, that is near unto him, for his mother, and for his father, and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother, {21:3} and for his sister a virgin, that is near unto him, that has had no husband; for her may he defile himself. {21:4} He shall not

defile himself, [being] a chief man among his people, to profane himself. {21:5} They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh. {21:6} They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God; for the offerings of Yahweh made by fire, the bread of their God, they do offer: therefore they shall be holy. {21:7} They shall not take a woman that is a prostitute, or profane; neither shall they take a woman put away from her husband: for he is holy unto his God. {21:8} you shall sanctify him therefore; for he offers the bread of your God: he shall be holy unto you: for I Yahweh, who sanctify you, am holy. {21:9} And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the prostitute, she profanes her father: she shall be burnt with fire. {21:10} And he that is the high priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil is poured, and that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not let the hair of his head go loose, nor rend his clothes; {21:11} neither shall he go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother; {21:12} neither shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the crown of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am Yahweh. {21:13} And he shall take a wife in her virginity. {21:14} A widow, or one divorced, or a profane woman, a prostitute, these shall he not take: but a virgin of his own people shall he take to wife. {21:15} And he shall not profane his seed among his people: for I am Yahweh who sanctifies him. {21:16} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {21:17} Speak unto Aaron, saying, Anyone who he be of your seed throughout their generations that has a blemish, let him not approach to offer the bread of his God. {21:18} For whatever man he be that has a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that has a flat nose, or anything superfluous, {21:19} or a man that is broken-footed, or broken-handed, {21:20} or crook-backed, or a dwarf, or that has a blemish in his eye, or is scurvy, or scabbed, or has his stones broken; {21:21} no man of the seed of Aaron the priest, that has a blemish, shall come near to offer the offerings of Yahweh made by fire: he has a blemish; he shall not come near to offer the bread of his God. {21:22} He shall eat the bread of his God, both of the most holy, and of the holy: {21:23} only he shall not go in unto the veil, nor come near unto the altar, because he has a blemish; that he profane not my sanctuaries: for I am Yahweh who sanctifies them. {21:24} So Moses spoke unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel.

{03}22} Leviticus Chapter Twenty two. {22:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {22:2} Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel, which they hallow unto me, and that they profane not my holy name: I am Yahweh. {22:3} Say unto them, Anyone who he be of all your seed throughout your generations, that approaches unto the holy things, which the children of Israel hallow unto Yahweh, having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from before me: I am Yahweh. {22:4} What man so ever of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or has an issue; he shall not eat of the holy things, until he be clean. And who so touches anything that is unclean by the dead, or a man whose seed goes from him; {22:5} or anyone who touches any creeping thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a man of whom he may take uncleanness, whatever uncleanness he has; {22:6} the soul that touches any such shall be unclean until the even, and shall not eat of the holy things, unless he bathe his flesh in water. {22:7} And when the sun is down, he shall be clean; and afterward he shall eat of the holy things, because it is his bread. {22:8} That which dies of itself, or is torn of beasts, he shall not eat, to defile himself with: I am Yahweh. {22:9} They shall therefore keep my charge, lest they bear sin for it, and die therein, if they profane it: I am Yahweh who sanctifies them. {22:10} There shall no stranger eat of the holy thing: a alien of the priest's, or a hired servant, shall not eat of the holy thing. {22:11} But if a priest buy any soul, the purchase of his money, he shall eat of it; and such as are born in his house, they shall eat of his bread. {22:12} And if a priest's daughter be married unto a stranger, she shall not eat of the heave-offering of the holy things. {22:13} But if a priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have no child, and be returned unto her father's house, as in her youth, she shall eat of her father's bread: but there shall

no stranger eat there. {22:14} And if a man eat of the holy thing unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth part of it unto it, and shall give unto the priest the holy thing. {22:15} And they shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, which they offer unto Yahweh, {22:16} and [so] cause them to bear the works against law that brings guilt, when they eat their holy things: for I am Yahweh who sanctifies them. {22:17} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {22:18} Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them, Anyone who be of the house of Israel, or of the aliens in Israel, that offers his oblation, whether it be any of their vows, or any of their freewill-offerings, which they offer unto Yahweh for a burnt-offering; {22:19} that you may be accepted, [you shall offer] a male outside blemish, of the bulls, of the sheep, or of the goats. {22:20} But whatever has a blemish, that shall you not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you. {22:21} And anyone who offers a sacrifice of peace-offerings unto Yahweh to accomplish a vow, or for a freewill-offering, of the herd or of the flock, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein. {22:22} Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a running sore, or scurvy, or scabbed, you shall not offer these unto Yahweh, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar unto Yahweh. {22:23} Either a bull or a lamb that has anything superfluous or lacking in his parts, that may you offer for a freewill-offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted. {22:24} That which has its stones bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut, you shall not offer unto Yahweh; neither shall you do [thus] in your land. {22:25} Neither from the hand of a foreigner shall you offer the bread of your God of any of these; because their corruption is in them, there is a blemish in them: they shall not be accepted for you. {22:26} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {22:27} When a bull, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under the dam; and from the eighth day and there on it shall be accepted for the oblation of an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {22:28} And whether it be cow or ewe, you shall not kill it and its young both in one day. {22:29} And when you sacrifice a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto Yahweh, you shall sacrifice it that you may be accepted. {22:30} On the same day it shall be eaten; you shall leave none of it until the morning: I am Yahweh. {22:31} Therefore shall you keep my commandments, and do them: I am Yahweh. {22:32} And you shall not profane my holy name; but I will be hallowed among the children of Israel: I am Yahweh who hallows you, {22:33} who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am Yahweh.

{O3}23} Leviticus Chapter Twenty-Three. {23:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {23:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, The set feasts of Yahweh, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my set feasts. {23:3} Six days shall work be done: but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation; you shall do no manner of work: it is a Sabbath unto Yahweh in all your dwellings. {23:4} These are the set feasts of Yahweh, even holy convocations, which you shall proclaim in their appointed season. {23:5} In the first moon [Abib], on the fourteenth day of the moon at even, is Yahweh's Passover. {23:6} And on the fifteenth day of the same moon is the feast of unleavened bread unto Yahweh: seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. {23:7} In the first day you shall have a holy convocation: you shall do no servile work. {23:8} But you shall offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh seven days: in the seventh day is a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work. {23:9} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {23:10} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you are come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest there, then you shall bring the sheaf of the first-fruits of your harvest unto the priest: {23:11} and he shall wave the sheaf before Yahweh, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it. {23:12} And in the day when you wave the sheaf, you shall offer a he-lamb outside blemish a year old for a burnt-offering unto Yahweh. {23:13} And the meal-offering of it shall be two tenth parts [of an ephah] of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh for a sweet savor; and the drink-offering of it shall be of wine, the fourth part of a hin. {23:14} And you shall eat neither bread, nor parched grain, nor fresh ears,

until this selfsame day, until you have brought the oblation of your God: it is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. {23:15} And you shall count unto you from the morrow after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave-offering; seven Sabbaths shall there be complete: {23:16} even unto the morrow after the seventh Sabbath shall you number fifty days; and you shall offer a new meal-offering unto Yahweh. {23:17} you shall bring out of your habitations two wave-loaves of two tenth parts [of an ephah]: they shall be of fine flour, they shall be baked with leaven, for first-fruits unto Yahweh. {23:18} And you shall present with the bread seven lambs outside blemish a year old, and one young bull, and two rams: they shall be a burnt-offering unto Yahweh, with their meal-offering, and their drink-offerings, even an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {23:19} And you shall offer one he-goat for a sin-offering, and two he-lambs a year old for a sacrifice of peace-offerings. {23:20} And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the first-fruits for a wave-offering before Yahweh, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to Yahweh for the priest. {23:21} And you shall make proclamation on the selfsame day; there shall be a holy convocation unto you; you shall do no servile work: it is a statute forever in all your dwellings throughout your generations. {23:22} And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field, neither shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest: you shall leave them for the poor, and for the alien: I am Yahweh your God. {23:23} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {23:24} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh moon, on the first day of the [seventh] moon, shall be a solemn rest unto you, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. {23:25} you shall do no servile work; and you shall offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {23:26} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {23:27} And [from dusk of the first all dark night count from dusk] on the tenth day of this seventh moon is the day of atonement: it shall be a holy convocation unto you, and you shall afflict your souls; and you shall offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {23:28} And you shall do no manner of work in that same day; for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement for you before Yahweh your God. {23:29} For whatever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day; he shall be cut off from his people. {23:30} And whatever soul it be that does any manner of work in that same day, that soul will I destroy from among his people. {23:31} you shall do no manner of work: it is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. {23:32} It shall be unto you a Sabbaton of solemn rest, and you shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the moon at [dusk of] even, from [dusk of] even unto [dusk of] even, shall you keep all your seven solar days. {23:33} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {23:34} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, On the fifteenth day of this seventh moon is the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto Yahweh. {23:35}[At dusk] On the first solar day of the seventh [dark] of the moon shall be a holy convocation: you shall do no servile work. {23:36} Seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh: on the eighth day shall be a holy convocation unto you; and you shall offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh: it is a solemn assembly; you shall do no servile work. {23:37} These are the set feasts of Yahweh, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh, a burnt-offering, and a meal-offering, a sacrifice, and drink-offerings, each on its own [solar] day [of the moon]; {23:38} besides the Sabbaths of Yahweh, and besides your gifts, and besides all your vows, and besides all your freewill-offerings, which you give unto Yahweh. {23:39} And on the fifteenth day of the seventh moon, when you have gathered in the fruits of the land, you shall keep the feast of Yahweh seven days: on the first [of the fifteenth] day [of the moon] shall be a solemn rest, and on the eighth day [Counting from the first all dark night of the moon] shall be a solemn rest. {23:40} And you shall take you on the first day the fruit of goodly trees, branches of palm-trees, and boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before Yahweh your God seven days. {23:41} And you shall keep it a feast unto Yahweh seven days in the year: it is a statute forever throughout your generations; you shall keep it in the seventh moon. {23:42} you shall dwell in temporary shelters [of trees and bushes] seven days; all that are home-born in Israel shall dwell in

temporary shelters; {23:43} that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in temporary shelters, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am Yahweh your God. {23:44} And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the set feasts of Yahweh.

{O3}24} Leviticus Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {24:2} Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto you pure olive oil beaten for the light, to cause a lamp to burn continually. {24:3} outside the veil of the testimony, in the tent of meeting, shall Aaron keep it in order from evening to morning before Yahweh continually: it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations. {24:4} He shall keep in order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before Yahweh continually. {24:5} And you shall take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes there: two tenth parts [of an ephah] shall be in one cake. {24:6} And you shall set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure table before Yahweh. {24:7} And you shall put pure frankincense upon each row, that it may be to the bread for a memorial, even an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {24:8} Every Sabbath day he shall set it in order before Yahweh continually; it is on the behalf of the children of Israel, an everlasting covenant. {24:9} And it shall be for Aaron and his sons; and they shall eat it in a holy place: for it is most holy unto him of the offerings of Yahweh made by fire by a perpetual statute. {24:10} And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father was an Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel; and the son of the Israelitish woman and a man of Israel strove together in the camp: {24:11} and the son of the Israelitish woman blasphemed the Name, and cursed; and they brought him unto Moses. And his mother's name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan. {24:12} And they put him in Jail, that it might be declared unto them at the mouth of Yahweh. {24:13} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {24:14} Bring forth him that has cursed outside the camp; and let all that heard him lay their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him. {24:15} And you shall speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Anyone who curses his God shall bear his sin. {24:16} And he that blasphemeth the name of Yahweh, he shall surely be put to death; all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the alien, as the home-born, when he blasphemeth the name [of Yahweh], shall be put to death. {24:17} And he that smites any man mortally shall surely be put to death. {24:18} And he that smites a beast mortally shall make it good, life for life. {24:19} And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbor; as he has done, so shall it be done to him: {24:20} breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth; as he has caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be rendered unto him. {24:21} And he that kills a beast shall make it good: and he that kills a man shall be put to death. {24:22} you shall have one manner of law, as well for the alien, as for the home-born: for I am Yahweh your God. {24:23} And Moses spoke to the children of Israel; and they brought forth him that had cursed out of the camp, and stoned him with stones. And the children of Israel did as Yahweh commanded Moses.

{O3}25} Leviticus Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying, {25:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a Sabbath unto Yahweh. {25:3} Six years you shall sow your field, and six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather in the fruits there; {25:4} but in the seventh year shall be a Sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a Sabbath unto Yahweh: you shall neither sow your field, nor prune your vineyard. {25:5} That which grows of itself of your harvest you shall not reap, and the grapes of your undressed vine you shall not gather: it shall be a year of solemn rest for the land. {25:6} And the Sabbath of the land shall be for food for you; for you, and for your servant and for your maid, and for your hired servant and for your stranger, who sojourn with you. {25:7} And for your cattle, and for the beasts that are in your land, shall all the increase of it be for food. {25:8} And you shall number seven Sabbaths of years unto you, seven times seven years; and there shall be unto you the days of seven Sabbaths of years, even forty and nine years. {25:9} Then shall you send abroad the loud trumpet on the tenth day of the seventh moon; in the day of atonement shall you send abroad the trumpet

throughout all your land. {25:10} And you shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants there: it shall be a jubilee unto you; and you shall return every man unto his possession, and you shall return every man unto his family. { 25:11} A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be unto you: you shall not sow, neither reap that which grows of itself in it, nor gather [the grapes] in it of the undressed vines. {25:12} For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy unto you: you shall eat the increase of it out of the field. {25:13} In this year of jubilee you shall return every man unto his possession. {25:14} And if you sell anything unto your neighbor, or buy of your neighbor's hand, you shall not wrong one another. {25:15} According to the number of years after the jubilee you shall buy of your neighbor, [and] according unto the number of years of the crops he shall sell unto you. {25:16} According to the multitude of the years you shall increase the price there, and according to the fewness of the years you shall diminish the price of it; for the number of the crops does he sell unto you. {25:17} And you shall not wrong one another; but you shall fear your God: for I am Yahweh your God. {25:18} Therefore you shall do my statutes, and keep mine ordinances and do them; and you shall dwell in the land in safety. {25:19} And the land shall yield its fruit, and you shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety. {25:20} And if you shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? Behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase; {25:21} then I will command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for the three years. {25:22} And you shall sow the eighth year, and eat of the fruits, the old store; until the ninth year, until its fruits come in, you shall eat the old store. {25:23} And the land shall not be sold in perpetuity; for the land is mine: for you are strangers and aliens with me. {25:24} And in all the land of your possession you shall grant a redemption for the land. {25:25} If your brother be waxed poor, and sell some of his possession, then shall his kinsman that is next unto him come, and shall redeem that which his brother has sold. {25:26} And if a man have no one to redeem it, and he be waxed rich and find sufficient to redeem it; {25:27} then let him reckon the years of the sale there, and restore the over plus unto the man to whom he sold it; and he shall return unto his possession. {25:28} But if he be not able to get it back for himself, then that which he has sold shall remain in the hand of him that has bought it until the year of jubilee: and in the jubilee it shall go out, and he shall return unto his possession. {25:29} And if a man sell a dwelling-house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a whole year after it is sold; for a full year shall he have the right of redemption. {25:30} And if it be not redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that is in the walled city shall be made sure in perpetuity to him that bought it, throughout his generations: it shall not go out in the jubilee. {25:31} But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be reckoned with the fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubilee. {25:32} Nevertheless the cities of the Levites, the houses of the cities of their possession, may the Levites redeem at any time. {25:33} And if one of the Levites redeem, then the house that was sold, and the city of his possession, shall go out in the jubilee; for the houses of the cities of the Levites are their possession among the children of Israel. {25:34} But the field of the suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it is their perpetual possession. {25:35} And if your brother be waxed poor, and his hand fail with you; then you shall uphold him: [as] a stranger and a alien shall he live with you. {25:36} Take you no interest of him or increase, but fear your God; that your brother may live with you. {25:37} you shall not give him your money upon interest, nor give him your victuals for increase. {25:38} I am Yahweh your God, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, [and] to be your God. {25:39} And if your brother be waxed poor with you, and sell himself unto you; you shall not make him to serve as a bond-servant. {25:40} As a hired servant, and as a alien, he shall be with you; he shall serve with you unto the year of jubilee: {25:41} then shall he go out from you, he and his children with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return. {25:42} For they are my servants, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold as bondmen. {25:43} you shall not rule over him with rigor, but shall fear your God. {25:44} And as for your bondmen, and your

bondmaids, whom you shall have; of the nations that are round about you, of them shall you buy bondmen and bondmaids. {25:45} Also of the children of the strangers that sojourn among you, of them shall you buy, and of their families that are with you, which they have begotten in your land: and they shall be your possession. {25:46} And you shall make them an inheritance for your children after you, to hold for a possession; of them shall you take your bondmen forever: but over your brethren the children of Israel you shall not rule, one over another, with rigor. {25:47} And if a stranger or alien with you be waxed rich, and your brother be waxed poor beside him, and sell himself unto the stranger [or] alien with you, or to the stock of the stranger's family; {25:48} after that he is sold he may be redeemed: one of his brethren may redeem him; {25:49} or his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is near of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be waxed rich, he may redeem himself. {25:50} And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he sold himself to him unto the year of jubilee: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years; according to the time of a hired servant shall he be with him. {25:51} If there be yet many years, according unto them he shall give back the price of his redemption out of the money that he was bought for. {25:52} And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubilee, then he shall reckon with him; according unto his years shall he give back the price of his redemption. {25: 53} As a servant hired year by year shall he be with him: he shall not rule with rigor over him in your sight. {25:54} And if he be not redeemed by these means], then he shall go out in the year of jubilee, he, and his children with him. {25:55} For unto me the children of Israel are servants; they are my servants whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: I am Yahweh your God.

{O3}26} Leviticus Chapter Twenty Six. {26:1} you shall make you no idols, neither shall you rear you up a graven image, or a pillar, neither shall you place any figured stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am Yahweh your God. {26:2} you shall keep my Sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am Yahweh. {26:3} If you walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; {26:4} then I will give your rains in their season, and the land shall yield its increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. {26:5} And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time; and you shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely. {26:6} And I will give peace in the land, and you shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid: and I will cause evil beasts to cease out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land. {26:7} And you shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword. {26:8} And five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall chase ten thousand; and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword. {26:9} And I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and will establish my covenant with you. {26:10} And you shall eat old store long kept, and you shall bring forth the old because of the new. {26:11} And I will set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor you. {26:12} And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and you shall be my people. {26:13} I am Yahweh your God, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that you should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bars of your yoke, and made you go upright. {26:14} But if you will not hear unto me, and will not do all these commandments; {26:15} and if you shall reject my statutes, and if your soul abhor mine ordinances, so that you will not do all my commandments, but break my covenant; {26:16} I also will do this unto you: I will appoint terror over you, even consumption and fever, that shall consume the eyes, and make the soul to pine away; and you shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it. {26:17} And I will set my face against you, and you shall be smitten before your enemies: they that hate you shall rule over you; and you shall flee when none pursues you. {26:18} And if you will not yet for these things hear unto me, then I will chastise you seven times more for your sins. {26:19} And I will break the pride of your power: and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass; {26:20} and your strength shall be spent in vain; for your land shall not yield its increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruit. {26:21} And

if you walk contrary unto me, and will not hear unto me, I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins. {26:22} And I will send the beast of the field among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your ways shall become desolate. {26:23} And if by these things you will not be reformed unto me, but will walk contrary unto me; {26:24} then will I also walk contrary unto you; and I will smite you, even I, seven times for your sins. {26:25} And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall execute the vengeance of the covenant; and you shall be gathered together within your cities: and I will send the pestilence among you; and you shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy. {26:26} When I break your staff of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver your bread again by weight: and you shall eat, and not be satisfied. {26:27} And if you will not for all this hear unto me, but walk contrary unto me; {26:28} then I will walk contrary unto you in Anger; and I also will chastise you seven times for your sins. {26:29} And you shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall you eat. {26:30} And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your sun-images, and cast your dead bodies upon the bodies of your idols; and my soul shall abhor you. {26:31} And I will make your cities a waste, and will bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savor of your sweet odors. {26:32} And I will bring the land into desolation; and your enemies that dwell therein shall be astonished at it. {26:33} And you will I scatter among the nations, and I will draw out the sword after you: and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste. {26:34} Then shall the land enjoy its Sabbaths, as long as it lies desolate, and you are in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy its Sabbaths. {26:35} As long as it lies desolate it shall have rest, even the rest which it had not in your Sabbaths, when you lived upon it. {26:36} And as for them that are left of you, I will send a faintness into their heart in the lands of their enemies: and the sound of a driven leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as one flees from the sword; and they shall fall when none pursues. {26:37} And they shall stumble one upon another, as it were before the sword, when none pursues: and you shall have no power to stand before your enemies. {26:38} And you shall perish among the nations, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up. {26:39} And they that are left of you shall pine away in their works against law in your enemies' lands; and also in the works against law of their fathers shall they pine away with them. {26:40} And they shall confess their works against law, and the works against law of their fathers, in their trespass which they trespassed against me, and also that, because they walked contrary unto me, {26:41} I also walked contrary unto them, and brought them into the land of their enemies: if then their uncircumcised heart be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their works against law; {26:42} then will I remember my covenant with Jacob; and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land. {26:43} The land also shall be left by them, and shall enjoy its Sabbaths, while it lies desolate outside them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their works against law; because, even because they rejected mine ordinances, and their soul abhorred my statutes. {26:44} And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them; for I am Yahweh their God; {26:45} but I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God: I am Yahweh. {26:46} These are the statutes and ordinances and laws, which Yahweh made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by Moses.

{O3}27} Leviticus Chapter Twenty-Seven. {27:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {27:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When a man shall accomplish a vow, the persons shall be for Yahweh by your estimation. {27:3} And your estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old even unto sixty years old, even your estimation shall be fifty shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary. {27:4} And if it be a female, then your estimation shall be thirty shekels. {27:5} And if it be from five years old even unto twenty years old, then your

estimation shall be of the temporary shelter) male twenty shekels, and for the female ten shekels. {27:6} And if it be from one moon old even unto five years old, then your estimation shall be of the male five shekels of silver, and for the female your estimation shall be three shekels of silver. {27:7} And if it be from sixty years old and upward; if it be a male, then your estimation shall be fifteen shekels, and for the female ten shekels. {27:8} But if he be poorer than your estimation, then he shall be set before the priest, and the priest shall value him; according to the ability of him that vowed shall the priest value him. {27:9} And if it be a beast, where men offer an oblation unto Yahweh, all that any man gives of such unto Yahweh shall be holy. {27:10} He shall not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then both it and that for which it is changed shall be holy. {27:11} And if it be any unclean beast, of which they do not offer an oblation unto Yahweh, then he shall set the beast before the priest; {27:12} and the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: as you the priest values it, so shall it be. {27:13} But if he will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of it unto your estimation. {27:14} And when a man shall sanctify his house to be holy unto Yahweh, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand. {27:15} And if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of your estimation unto it, and it shall be his. {27:16} And if a man shall sanctify unto Yahweh part of the field of his possession, then your estimation shall be according to the sowing there: the sowing of a homer of barley [shall be valued] at fifty shekels of silver. {27:17} If he sanctify his field from the year of jubilee, according to your estimation it shall stand. {27:18} But if he sanctify his field after the jubilee, then the priest shall reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain unto the year of jubilee; and an abatement shall be made from your estimation. {27:19} And if he that sanctified the field will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of your estimation unto it, and it shall be assured to him. {27:20} And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more: {27:21} but the field, when it goes out in the jubilee, shall be holy unto Yahweh, as a field devoted; the possession there shall be the priest's. {27:22} And if he sanctify unto Yahweh a field which he has bought, which is not of the field of his possession; {27:23} then the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of your estimation unto the year of jubilee: and he shall give your estimation in that day, as a holy thing unto Yahweh. {27:24} In the year of jubilee the field shall return unto him of whom it was bought, even to him to whom the possession of the land belongs. {27:25} And all your estimations shall be according to the shekel of the sanctuary: twenty gerahs shall be the shekel. {27:26} Only the firstling among beasts, which is made a firstling to Yahweh, no man shall sanctify it; whether it be ox or sheep, it is Yahweh's. {27:27} And if it be of an unclean beast, then he shall ransom it according to your estimation, and shall add unto it the fifth part there: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to your estimation. {27:28} Notwithstanding, no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto Yahweh of all that he has, whether of man or beast, or of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: every devoted thing is most holy unto Yahweh. {27:29} No one devoted, that shall be devoted from among men, shall be ransomed; he shall surely be put to death. {27:30} And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is Yahweh's: it is holy unto Yahweh. {27:31} And if a man will redeem anything of his tithe, he shall add unto it the fifth part there. {27:32} And all the tithe of the herd or the flock, whatever passes under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto Yahweh. {27:33} He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and that for which it is changed shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed. {27:34} These are the commandments, which Yahweh commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

The Book of Numbers

{04}1} Numbers Chapter One. {1:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tent of meeting, on the first day of the second Moon, in the second year after they

were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, {1:2} Take you the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, every male, by their polls; {1:3} from twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel, you and Aaron shall number them by their hosts. {1:4} And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; everyone head of his fathers' house. {1:5} And these are the names of the men that shall stand with you. Of Reuben: Elizur the son of Shedeur. {1:6} Of Simeon: Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. {1:7} Of Judah: Nahshon the son of Amminadab. {1:8} Of Issachar: Nethanel the son of Zuar. {1:9} Of Zebulun: Eliab the son of Helon. {1:10} Of the children of Joseph: Of Ephraim: Elishama the son of Ammihud. Of Manasseh: Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. {1:11} Of Benjamin: Abidan the son of Gideon. {1:12} Of Dan: Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. {1:13} Of Asher: Pagiel the son of Ochran. {1:14} Of Gad: Eliasaph the son of Deuel. {1:15} Of Naphtali: Ahira the son of Enan. {1:16} These are they that were called of the congregation, the princes of the tribes of their fathers; they were the heads of the thousands of Israel. {1:17} And Moses and Aaron took these men that are mentioned by name: {1:18} And they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second Moon; and they declared their pedigrees after their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls. {1:19} As Yahweh commanded Moses, so he numbered them in the wilderness of Sinai. {1:20} And the children of Reuben, Israel's first-born, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:21} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Reuben, were forty and six thousand and five hundred. {1:22} Of the children of Simeon, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, those that were numbered there, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:23} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Simeon, were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred. {1:24} Of the children of Gad, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:25} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Gad, were forty and five thousand six hundred and fifty. {1:26} Of the children of Judah, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:27} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Judah, were seventy four thousand and six hundred. {1:28} Of the children of Issachar, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:29} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Issachar, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred. {1:30} Of the children of Zebulun, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:31} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Zebulun, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred. {1:32} Of the children of Joseph, [namely], of the children of Ephraim, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:33} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Ephraim, were forty thousand and five hundred. {1:34} Of the children of Manasseh, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:35} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Manasseh, were thirty and two thousand and two hundred. {1:36} Of the children of Benjamin, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:37} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Benjamin, were thirty and five thousand and four hundred. {1:38} Of the children of Dan, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old

and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:39} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Dan, were sixty two thousand and seven hundred. {1:40} Of the children of Asher, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:41} that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Asher, forty one thousand five hundred. {1:42} Of the children of Naphtali, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; {1:43} those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Naphtali, were fifty and three thousand and four hundred. {1:44} These are they that were numbered, whom Moses and Aaron numbered, and the princes of Israel, being twelve men: they were each one for his fathers' house. {1:45} So all they that were numbered of the children of Israel by their fathers' houses, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war in Israel; {1:46} even all they that were numbered were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty. {1:47} But the Levites after the tribe of their fathers were not numbered among them. {1:48} For Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {1:49} Only the tribe of Levi you shall not number, neither shall you take the sum of them among the children of Israel; {1:50} but appoint you the Levites over the tabernacle of the testimony, and over all the furniture there, and over all that belongs to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and all the furniture there; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp round about the tabernacle. {1:51} And when the tabernacle sets forward, the Levites shall take it down; and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up: and the stranger that comes near shall be put to death. {1:52} And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, according to their hosts. {1:53} But the Levites shall encamp round about the tabernacle of the testimony, that there be no Anger upon the congregation of the children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge of the tabernacle of the testimony. {1:54} Thus did the children of Israel; according to all that Yahweh commanded Moses, so did they.

{04}2} Numbers Chapter Two. {2:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {2:2} The children of Israel shall encamp every man by his own standard, with the ensigns of their fathers' houses: over against the tent of meeting shall they encamp round about. {2:3} And those that encamp on the east side toward the sun rising shall be they of the standard of the camp of Judah, according to their hosts: and the prince of the children of Judah shall be Nahshon the son of Amminadab. {2:4} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were seventy four thousand and six hundred. {2:5} And those that encamp next unto him shall be the tribe of Issachar: and the prince of the children of Issachar shall be Nethanel the son of Zuar. {2:6} And his host, and those that were numbered there, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred. {2:7} [And] the tribe of Zebulun: and the prince of the children of Zebulun shall be Eliab the son of Helon. {2:8} And his host, and those that were numbered there, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred. {2:9} All that were numbered of the camp of Judah were a hundred eighty six thousand and four hundred, according to their hosts. They shall set forth first. {2:10} On the south side shall be the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their hosts: and the prince of the children of Reuben shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur. {2:11} And his host, and those that were numbered there, were forty and six thousand and five hundred. {2:12} And those that encamp next unto him shall be the tribe of Simeon: and the prince of the children of Simeon shall be Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. {2:13} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred. {2:14} And the tribe of Gad: and the prince of the children of Gad shall be Eliasaph the son of Reuel. {2:15} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty. {2:16} All that were numbered of the camp of Reuben were a hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, according to their hosts. And they shall set forth second. {2:17} Then the tent of meeting shall set forward, with the camp of the Levites in the midst of the

camps: as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place, by their standards. {2:18} On the west side shall be the standard of the camp of Ephraim according to their hosts: and the prince of the children of Ephraim shall be Elishama the son of Ammihud. {2:19} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty thousand and five hundred. {2:20} And next unto him shall be the tribe of Manasseh: and the prince of the children of Manasseh shall be Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. {2:21} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty and two thousand and two hundred. {2:22} And the tribe of Benjamin: and the prince of the children of Benjamin shall be Abidan the son of Gideoni. {2:23} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty and five thousand and four hundred. {2:24} All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim were a hundred thousand and eight thousand and a hundred, according to their hosts. And they shall set forth third. {2:25} On the north side shall be the standard of the camp of Dan according to their hosts: and the prince of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. {2:26} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were sixty two thousand and seven hundred. {2:27} And those that encamp next unto him shall be the tribe of Asher: and the prince of the children of Asher shall be Pagiel the son of Ochran. {2:28} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty and one thousand and five hundred. {2:29} And the tribe of Naphtali: and the prince of the children of Naphtali shall be Ahira the son of Enan. {2:30} And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty and three thousand and four hundred. {2:31} All that were numbered of the camp of Dan were a hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall set forth hindmost by their standards. {2:32} These are they that were numbered of the children of Israel by their fathers' houses: all that were numbered of the camps according to their hosts were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty. {2:33} But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {2:34} Thus did the children of Israel; according to all that Yahweh commanded Moses, so they encamped by their standards, and so they set forward, everyone by their families, according to their fathers' houses.

{04}3} Numbers Chapter Three. {3:1} Now these are the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day that Yahweh spoke with Moses in mount Sinai. {3:2} And these are the names of the sons of Aaron: Nadab the first-born, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. {3:3} These are the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests that were anointed, whom he consecrated to minister in the priest's office. {3:4} And Nadab and Abihu died before Yahweh, when they offered strange fire before Yahweh, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children; and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the presence of Aaron their father. {3:5} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {3:6} Bring the tribe of Levi near, and set them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister unto him. {3:7} And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole congregation before the tent of meeting, to do the service of the tabernacle. {3:8} And they shall keep all the furniture of the tent of meeting, and the charge of the children of Israel, to do the service of the tabernacle. {3:9} And you shall give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they are wholly given unto him on the behalf of the children of Israel. {3:10} And you shall appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall keep their priesthood: and the stranger that comes near shall be put to death. {3:11} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {3:12} And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all the first-born that opens the womb among the children of Israel; and the Levites shall be mine: {3:13} for all the first-born are mine; on the day that I smote all the first-born in the land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the first-born in Israel, both man and beast; mine they shall be: I am Yahweh. {3:14} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying, {3:15} Number the children of Levi by their fathers' houses, by their families: every male from a Moon old and upward shall you number them. {3:16} And Moses numbered them according to the word of Yahweh, as he was commanded. {3:17} And these were the sons of Levi by their names: Gershon, and Kohas, and Merari. {3:18} And these are the names of the sons of Gershon by their families: Libni and Shimei. {3:19} And the sons of Kohas by their families: Amram, and Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel.

{3:20} And the sons of Merari by their families: Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites according to their fathers' houses. {3:21} Of Gershon was the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimeites: these are the families of the Gershonites. {3:22} Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a Moon old and upward, even those that were numbered of them were seven thousand and five hundred. {3:23} The families of the Gershonites shall encamp behind the tabernacle westward. {3:24} And the prince of the fathers' house of the Gershonites shall be Eliasaph the son of Lael. {3:25} And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the tent of meeting shall be the tabernacle, and the Tent, the covering there, and the screen for the door of the tent of meeting, {3:26} and the hangings of the court, and the screen for the door of the court, which is by the tabernacle, and by the altar round about, and the cords of it for all the service there. {3:27} And of Kohas was the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites: these are the families of the Kohasites. {3:28} According to the number of all the males, from a Moon old and upward, there were eight thousand and six hundred, keeping the charge of the sanctuary. {3:29} The families of the sons of Kohas shall encamp on the side of the tabernacle southward. {3:30} And the prince of the fathers' house of the families of the Kohasites shall be Elizaphan the son of Uzziel. {3:31} And their charge shall be the ark, and the table, and the candlestick, and the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary by which they minister, and the screen, and all the service there. {3:32} And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be prince of the princes of the Levites, [and have] the oversight of them that keep the charge of the sanctuary. {3:33} Of Merari was the family of the Mahlites, and the family of the Mushites: these are the families of Merari. {3:34} And those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a Moon old and upward, were six thousand and two hundred. {3:35} And the prince of the fathers' house of the families of Merari was Zuriel the son of Abihail: they shall encamp on the side of the tabernacle northward. {3:36} And the appointed charge of the sons of Merari shall be the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars there, and the pillars there, and the sockets there, and all the instruments there, and all the service there, {3:37} and the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords. {3:38} And those that encamp before the tabernacle eastward, before the tent of meeting toward the sun rising, shall be Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the charge of the children of Israel; and the stranger that comes near shall be put to death. {3:39} All that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of Yahweh, by their families, all the males from a Moon old and upward, were twenty and two thousand. {3:40} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Number all the first-born males of the children of Israel from a Moon old and upward, and take the number of their names. {3:41} And you shall take the Levites for me (I am Yahweh) instead of all the first-born among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children of Israel: {3:42} and Moses numbered, as Yahweh commanded him, all the first-born among the children of Israel. {3:43} And all the first-born males according to the number of names, from a Moon old and upward, of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and two thousand two hundred and and seventy three. {3:44} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {3:45} Take the Levites instead of all the first-born among the children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle; and the Levites shall be mine: I am Yahweh. {3:46} And for the redemption of the two hundred and seventy three of the first-born of the children of Israel, that are over and above [the number of] the Levites, {3:47} you shall take five shekels apiece by the poll; after the shekel of the sanctuary shall you take them (the shekel is twenty gerahs): {3:48} and you shall give the money, by which the odd number of them is redeemed, unto Aaron and to his sons. {3:49} And Moses took the redemption-money from them that were over and above them that were redeemed by the Levites; {3:50} from the first-born of the children of Israel took he the money, a thousand three hundred and sixty five [shekels], after the shekel of the sanctuary: {3:51} and Moses gave

the redemption-money unto Aaron and to his sons, according to the word of Yahweh, as Yahweh commanded Moses.

{O4}4} Numbers Chapter Four. {4:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {4:2} Take the sum of the sons of Kohas from among the sons of Levi, by their families, by their fathers' houses, {4:3} from thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter upon the service, to do the work in the tent of meeting. {4:4} This is the service of the sons of Kohas in the tent of meeting, [about] the most holy things: {4:5} when the camp sets forward, Aaron shall go in, and his sons, and they shall take down the veil of the screen, and cover the ark of the testimony with it, {4:6} and shall put thereon a covering of sealskin, and shall spread over it a cloth all of blue, and shall put in the staves there. {4:7} And upon the table of showbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls and the cups by which to pour out; and the continual bread shall be thereon: {4:8} and they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering of sealskin, and shall put in the staves there. {4:9} And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the candlestick of the light, and its lamps, and its snuffers, and its snuff dishes, and all the oil vessels there, by which they minister unto it: {4:10} and they shall put it and all the vessels of it within a covering of sealskin, and shall put it upon the frame. {4:11} And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of sealskin, and shall put in the staves there: {4:12} and they shall take all the vessels of ministry, by which they minister in the sanctuary, and put them in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of sealskin, and shall put them on the frame. {4:13} And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon: {4:14} and they shall put upon it all the vessels there, by which they minister about it, the fire pans, the flesh-hooks, and the shovels, and the basins, all the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread upon it a covering of sealskin, and put in the staves there. {4:15} And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the furniture of the sanctuary, as the camp is set forward; after that, the sons of Kohas shall come to bear it: but they shall not touch the sanctuary, lest they die. These things are the burden of the sons of Kohas in the tent of meeting. {4:16} And the charge of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be the oil for the light, and the sweet incense, and the continual meal-offering, and the anointing oil, the charge of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein is, the sanctuary, and the furniture there. {4:17} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {4:18} Cut you not off the tribe of the families of the Kohasites from among the Levites; {4:19} but thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die, when they approach unto the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in, and appoint them everyone to his service and to his burden; {4:20} but they shall not go in to see the sanctuary even for a moment, lest they die. {4:21} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {4:22} Take the sum of the sons of Gershon also, by their fathers' houses, by their families; {4:23} from thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shall you number them; all that enter in to wait upon the service, to do the work in the tent of meeting. {4:24} This is the service of the families of the Gershonites, in serving and in bearing burdens: {4:25} they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle, and the tent of meeting, its covering, and the covering of sealskin that is above upon it, and the screen for the door of the tent of meeting, {4:26} and the hangings of the court, and the screen for the door of the gate of the court, which is by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and whatever shall be done with them: therein shall they serve. {4:27} At the commandment of Aaron and his sons shall be all the service of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burden, and in all their service; and you shall appoint unto them in charge all their burden. {4:28} This is the service of the families of the sons of the Gershonites in the tent of meeting; and their charge shall be under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. {4:29} As for the sons of Merari, you shall number them by their families, by their fathers' houses; {4:30} from thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old shall you number them, everyone that enters upon the service, to do the work of the tent of meeting. {4:31}

And this is the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the tent of meeting: the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars there, and the pillars there, and the sockets there, {4:32} and the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords, with all their instruments, and with all their service: and by name you shall appoint the instruments of the charge of their burden. {4:33} This is the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service, in the tent of meeting, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. {4:34} And Moses and Aaron and the princes of the congregation numbered the sons of the Kohasites by their families, and by their fathers' houses, {4:35} from thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, everyone that entered upon the service, for work in the tent of meeting: {4:36} and those that were numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred and fifty. {4:37} These are they that were numbered of the families of the Kohasites, all that did serve in the tent of meeting, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the commandment of Yahweh by Moses. {4:38} And those that were numbered of the sons of Gershon, their families, and by their fathers' houses, {4:39} from thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, everyone that entered upon the service, for work in the tent of meeting, {4:40} even those that were numbered of them, by their families, by their fathers' houses, were two thousand and six hundred and thirty. {4:41} These are they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, all that did serve in the tent of meeting, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the commandment of Yahweh. {4:42} And those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, by their families, by their fathers' houses, {4:43} from thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, everyone that entered upon the service, for work in the tent of meeting, {4:44} even those that were numbered of them by their families, were three thousand and two hundred. {4:45} These are they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the commandment of Yahweh by Moses. {4:46} All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the princes of Israel numbered, by their families, and by their fathers' houses, {4:47} from thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, everyone that entered in to do the work of service, and the work of bearing burdens in the tent of meeting, {4:48} even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and eighty. {4:49} According to the commandment of Yahweh they were numbered by Moses, everyone according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as Yahweh commanded Moses.

{04}5} Numbers Chapter Five. {5:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {5:2} Command the children of Israel, that they put out of the camp every leper, and everyone that has an issue, and anyone who is unclean by the dead: {5:3} both male and female shall you put out, outside the camp shall you put them; that they defile not their camp, in the midst where I dwell. {5:4} And the children of Israel did so, and put them out outside the camp; as Yahweh spoke unto Moses, so did the children of Israel. {5:5} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {5:6} Speak unto the children of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men commit, so as to trespass against Yahweh, and that soul shall be guilty; {5:7} then he shall confess his sin which he has done: and he shall make restitution for his guilt in full, and add unto it the fifth part there, and give it unto him in respect of whom he has been guilty. {5:8} But if the man have no kinsman to whom restitution may be made for the guilt, the restitution for guilt which is made unto Yahweh shall be the priest's; besides the ram of the atonement, whereby atonement shall be made for him. {5:9} And every heave-offering of all the holy things of the children of Israel, which they present unto the priest, shall be his. {5:10} And every man's hallowed things shall be his: whatever any man gives the priest, it shall be his. {5:11} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {5:12} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and commit a trespass against him, {5:13} and a man lie with her carnally, and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close, and she be defiled, and there be no witness against her, and she be not taken in the act; {5:14} and the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be

jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled: {5:15} then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and shall bring her oblation for her, the tenth part of an ephah of barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense thereon; for it is a meal-offering of jealousy, a meal-offering of memorial, bringing works against law to remembrance. {5:16} And the priest shall bring her near, and set her before Yahweh: {5:17} and the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel; and of the dust that is on the floor of the tabernacle the priest shall take, and put it into the water. {5:18} And the priest shall set the woman before Yahweh, and let the hair of the woman's head go loose, and put the meal-offering of memorial in her hands, which is the meal-offering of jealousy: and the priest shall have in his hand the water of bitterness that causes the curse. {5:19} And the priest shall cause her to swear, and shall say unto the woman, If no man have lain with you, and if you have not gone aside to uncleanness, being under your husband, be you free from this water of bitterness that causes the curse. {5:20} But if you have gone aside, being under your husband, and if you be defiled, and some man have lain with you besides your husband: {5:21} then the priest shall cause the woman to swear with the oath of cursing, and the priest shall say unto the woman, Yahweh make you woe and an oath among your people, when Yahweh does make your thigh to fall away, and your body to swell; {5:22} and this water that causes the curse shall go into your bowels, and make your body to swell, and your thigh to fall away. And the woman shall say, Amen, Amen. {5:23} And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall blot them out into the water of bitterness: {5:24} and he shall make the woman drink the water of bitterness that causes the curse; and the water that causes the curse shall enter into her [and become] bitter. {5:25} And the priest shall take the meal-offering of jealousy out of the woman's hand, and shall wave the meal-offering before Yahweh, and bring it unto the altar: {5:26} and the priest shall take a handful of the meal-offering, as the memorial there, and burn it upon the altar, and afterward shall make the woman drink the water. {5:27} And when he has made her drink the water, then it shall come to pass, if she be defiled, and have committed a trespass against her husband, that the water that causes the curse shall enter into her [and become] bitter, and her body shall swell, and her thigh shall fall away: and the woman shall be woe among her people. {5:28} And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed. {5:29} This is the law of jealousy, when a wife, being under her husband, goes aside, and is defiled; {5:30} or when the spirit of jealousy comes upon a man, and he is jealous of his wife; then shall he set the woman before Yahweh, and the priest shall execute upon her all this law. {5:31} And the man shall be free from works against law, and that woman shall bear her works against law.

{O4}6} Numbers Chapter Six. {6:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall make a special vow, the vow of a Nazirite, to separate himself unto Yahweh, {6:3} he shall separate himself from wine and strong drink; he shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any juice of grapes, nor eat fresh grapes or dried. {6:4} All the days of his separation shall he eat nothing that is made of the grape-vine, from the kernels even to the husk. {6:5} All the days of his vow of separation there shall no razor come upon his head: until the days be fulfilled, in which he separates himself unto Yahweh, he shall be holy; he shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow long. {6:6} All the days that he separates himself unto Yahweh he shall not come near to a dead body. {6:7} He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die; because his separation unto God is upon his head. {6:8} All the days of his separation he is holy unto Yahweh. {6:9} And if any man die very suddenly beside him, and he defile the head of his separation; then he shall shave his head in the day of his cleansing, on the seventh day shall he shave it. {6:10} And on the eighth day he shall bring two turtle-doves, or two young pigeons, to the priest, to the door of the tent of meeting: {6:11} and the priest shall offer one for a sin-offering, and the other for a burnt-offering, and make atonement for him, for that he sinned by reason of the dead, and shall

hallow his head that same day. {6:12} And he shall separate unto Yahweh the days of his separation, and shall bring a he-lamb a year old for a trespass-offering; but the former days shall be void, because his separation was defiled. {6:13} And this is the law of the Nazirite, when the days of his separation are fulfilled: he shall be brought unto the door of the tent of meeting: {6:14} and he shall offer his oblation unto Yahweh, one he-lamb a year old outside blemish for a burnt-offering, and one ewe-lamb a year old outside blemish for a sin-offering, and one ram outside blemish for peace-offerings, {6:15} and a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and their meal-offering, and their drink-offerings. {6:16} And the priest shall present them before Yahweh, and shall offer his sin-offering, and his burnt-offering: {6:17} and he shall offer the ram for a sacrifice of peace-offerings unto Yahweh, with the basket of unleavened bread: the priest shall offer also the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {6:18} And the Nazirite shall shave the head of his separation at the door of the tent of meeting, and shall take the hair of the head of his separation, and put it on the fire which is under the sacrifice of peace-offerings. {6:19} And the priest shall take the boiled shoulder of the ram, and one unleavened cake out of the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and shall put them upon the hands of the Nazirite, after he has shaven [the head of] his separation; {6:20} and the priest shall wave them for a wave-offering before Yahweh; this is holy for the priest, together with the wave-breast and heave-thigh: and after that the Nazirite may drink wine. {6:21} This is the law of the Nazirite who vows, [and of] his oblation unto Yahweh for his separation, besides that which he is able to get: according to his vow which he vowed, so he must do after the law of his separation. {6:22} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {6:23} Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise you shall bless the children of Israel: you shall say unto them, {6:24} Yahweh bless you, and keep you: {6:25} Yahweh make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you: {6:26} Yahweh lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. {6:27} So shall they put my name upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them.

{O4}7} Numbers Chapter Seven. {7:1} And it came to pass on the day that Moses had made an end of setting up the tabernacle, and had anointed it and sanctified it, and all the furniture there, and the altar and all the vessels there, and had anointed them and sanctified them; {7:2} that the princes of Israel, the heads of their fathers' houses, offered. These were the princes of the tribes, these are they that were over them that were numbered: {7:3} and they brought their oblation before Yahweh, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen; a wagon forevery two of the princes, and for each one an ox: and they presented them before the tabernacle. {7:4} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {7:5} Take it of them, that they may be [used] in doing the service of the tent of meeting; and you shall give them unto the Levites, to every man according to his service. {7:6} And Moses took the wagons and the oxen, and gave them unto the Levites. {7:7} Two wagons and four oxen he gave unto the sons of Gershon, according to their service: {7:8} and four wagons and eight oxen he gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. {7:9} But unto the sons of Kohas he gave none, because the service of the sanctuary belonged unto them; they bare it upon their shoulders. {7:10} And the princes offered for the dedication of the altar in the day that it was anointed, even the princes offered their oblation before the altar. {7:11} And Yahweh said unto Moses, They shall offer their oblation, each prince on his day, for the dedication of the altar. {7:12} And he that offered his oblation the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah: {7:13} and his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:14} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:15} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:16} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:17} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of

Nahshon the son of Amminadab. {7:18} On the second day Nethanel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar, did offer: {7:19} he offered for his oblation one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:20} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:21} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:22} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:23} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Nethanel the son of Zuar. {7:24} On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children of Zebulun: {7:25} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:26} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:27} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:28} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:29} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Eliab the son of Helon. {7:30} On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the children of Reuben: {7:31} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:32} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:33} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:34} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:35} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Elizur the son of Shedeur. {7:36} On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, prince of the children of Simeon: {7:37} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:38} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:39} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:40} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:41} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. {7:42} On the sixth day Eliasaph the son of Deuel, prince of the children of Gad: {7:43} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:44} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:45} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:46} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:47} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Eliasaph the son of Deuel. {7:48} On the seventh day Elishama the son of Ammihud, prince of the children of Ephraim: {7:49} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:50} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:51} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:52} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:53} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Elishama the son of Ammihud. {7:54} On the eighth day Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the children of Manasseh: {7:55} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:56} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:57} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:58} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:59} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. {7:60} On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideon, prince of the children of Benjamin: {7:61} his oblation was

one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:62} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:63} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:64} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:65} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Abidan the son of Gideoni. {7:66} On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the children of Dan: {7:67} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:68} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:69} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:70} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:71} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. {7:72} On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ochran, prince of the children of Asher: {7:73} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred and thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:74} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:75} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:76} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:77} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Pagiel the son of Ochran. {7:78} On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the children of Naphtali: {7:79} his oblation was one silver platter, the weight where was a hundred a thirty [shekels], one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering; {7:80} one golden spoon of ten [shekels], full of incense; {7:81} one young bull, one ram, one he-lamb a year old, for a burnt-offering; {7:82} one male of the goats for a sin-offering; {7:83} and for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs a year old: this was the oblation of Ahira the son of Enan. {7:84} This was the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve silver platters, twelve silver bowls, twelve golden spoons; {7:85} each silver platter [weighing] a hundred and thirty [shekels], and each bowl seventy; all the silver of the vessels two thousand and four hundred [shekels], after the shekel of the sanctuary; {7:86} the twelve golden spoons, full of incense, [weighing] ten [shekels] apiece, after the shekel of the sanctuary; all the gold of the spoons a hundred and twenty [shekels]; {7:87} all the oxen for the burnt-offering twelve bulls, the rams twelve, the he-lambs a year old twelve, and their meal-offering; and the males of the goats for a sin-offering twelve; {7:88} and all the oxen for the sacrifice of peace-offerings twenty and four bulls, the rams sixty, the he-goats sixty, the he-lambs a year old sixty. This was the dedication of the altar, after that it was anointed. {7:89} And when Moses went into the tent of meeting to speak with him, then he heard the Voice speaking unto him from above the mercy-seat that was upon the ark of the testimony, from between the two cherubim: and he spoke unto him.

{o4}8} Numbers Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {8:2} Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, When you lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light in front of the candlestick. {8:3} And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps of it[so as to give light] in front of the candlestick, as Yahweh commanded Moses. {8:4} And this was the work of the candlestick, beaten work of gold; unto the base there, [and] unto the flowers there, it was beaten work: according unto the pattern which Yahweh had showed Moses, so he made the candlestick. {8:5} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {8:6} Take the Levites from among the children of Israel, and cleanse them. {8:7} And thus shall you do unto them, to cleanse them: sprinkle the water of expiation upon them, and let them cause a razor to pass over all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes, and cleanse themselves. {8:8} Then let them take a young bull, and its meal-offering, fine flour mingled with oil; and another young bull shall you take for a sin-offering.

{8:9} And you shall present the Levites before the tent of meeting: and you shall assemble the whole congregation of the children of Israel: {8:10} and you shall present the Levites before Yahweh. And the children of Israel shall lay their hands upon the Levites: {8:11} and Aaron shall offer the Levites before Yahweh for a wave-offering, on the behalf of the children of Israel, that it may be theirs to do the service of Yahweh. {8:12} And the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bulls: and offer you the one for a sin-offering, and the other for a burnt-offering, unto Yahweh, to make atonement for the Levites. {8:13} And you shall set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them for a wave-offering unto Yahweh. {8:14} Thus shall you separate the Levites from among the children of Israel; and the Levites shall be mine. {8:15} And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the tent of meeting: and you shall cleanse them, and offer them for a wave-offering. {8:16} For they are wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel; instead of all that opens the womb, even the first-born of all the children of Israel, have I taken them unto me. {8:17} For all the first-born among the children of Israel are mine, both man and beast: on the day that I smote all the first-born in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for myself. {8:18} And I have taken the Levites instead of all the first-born among the children of Israel. {8:19} And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the tent of meeting, and to make atonement for the children of Israel; that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come near unto the sanctuary. {8:20} Thus did Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the Levites: according unto all that Yahweh commanded Moses touching the Levites, so did the children of Israel unto them. {8:21} And the Levites purified themselves from sin, and they washed their clothes: and Aaron offered them for a wave-offering before Yahweh; and Aaron made atonement for them to cleanse them. {8:22} And after that went the Levites in to do their service in the tent of meeting before Aaron, and before his sons: as Yahweh had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto them. {8:23} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {8:24} This is that which belongs unto the Levites: from twenty and five years old and upward they shall go in to wait upon the service in the work of the tent of meeting: {8:25} and from the age of fifty years they shall cease waiting upon the work, and shall serve no more, {8:26} but shall minister with their brethren in the tent of meeting, to keep the charge, and shall do no service. Thus shall you do unto the Levites touching their charges.

{04}9} Numbers Chapter Nine. {9:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first Moon [Abib] of the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, {9:2} Also, let the children of Israel keep the Passover in its appointed season. {9:3} In the fourteenth day of this Moon [Abib], at even, you shall keep it in its appointed season: according to all the statutes of it, and according to all the ordinances there, shall you keep it. {9:4} And Moses spoke unto the children of Israel that they should keep the Passover. {9:5} And they kept the Passover in the first [Moon], on the fourteenth day of the Moon, at even, in the wilderness of Sinai: according to all that Yahweh commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel. {9:6} And there were certain men, who were unclean by reason of the dead body of a man, so that they could not keep the Passover on that day: and they came before Moses and before Aaron on that day: {9:7} and those men said unto him, We are unclean by reason of the dead body of a man: Therefore are we kept back, that we may not offer the oblation of Yahweh in its appointed season among the children of Israel? {9:8} And Moses said unto them, Stay you that I may hear what Yahweh will command concerning you. {9:9} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {9:10} Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your generations shall be unclean by reason of a dead body, or be on a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the Passover unto Yahweh. {9:11} In the second Moon on the fourteenth day at even they shall keep it; they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs: {9:12} they shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break a bone there: according to all the statute of the Passover they shall keep it.

{9:13} But the man that is clean, and is not on a journey, and forbears to keep the Passover, that soul shall be cut off from his people; because he offered not the oblation of Yahweh in its appointed season, that man shall bear his sin. {9:14} And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the Passover unto Yahweh; according to the statute of the Passover, and according to the ordinance there, so shall he do: you shall have one statute, both for the alien, and for him that is born in the land. {9:15} And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle, even the tent of the testimony: and at even it was upon the tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire, until morning. {9:16} So it was always: the cloud covered it, and the appearance of fire by night. {9:17} And whenever the cloud was taken up from over the Tent, then after that the children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel encamped. {9:18} At the commandment of Yahweh the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of Yahweh they encamped: as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle they remained encamped. {9:19} And when the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle many days, then the children of Israel kept the charge of Yahweh, and journeyed not. {9:20} And sometimes the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle; then according to the commandment of Yahweh they remained encamped, and according to the commandment of Yahweh they journeyed. {9:21} And sometimes the cloud was from evening until morning; and when the cloud was taken up in the morning, they journeyed: or [if it continued] by day and by night, when the cloud was taken up, they journeyed. {9:22} Whether it were two days, or a Moon, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, abiding thereon, the children of Israel remained encamped, and journeyed not; but when it was taken up, they journeyed. {9:23} At the commandment of Yahweh they encamped, and at the commandment of Yahweh they journeyed: they kept the charge of Yahweh, at the commandment of Yahweh by Moses.

{O4}10} Numbers Chapter Ten. {10:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {10:2} Make you two trumpets of silver; of beaten work shall you make them: and you shall use them for the calling of the congregation, and for the journeying of the camps. {10:3} And when they shall blow them, all the congregation shall gather themselves unto you at the door of the tent of meeting. {10:4} And if they blow but one, then the princes, the heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto you. {10:5} And when you blow an alarm, the camps that lie on the east side shall take their journey. {10:6} And when you blow an alarm the second time, the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys. {10:7} But when the assembly is to be gathered together, you shall blow, but you shall not sound an alarm. {10:8} And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow the trumpets; and they shall be to you for a statute forever throughout your generations. {10:9} And when you go to war in your land against the adversary that oppresses you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets; and you shall be remembered before Yahweh your God, and you shall be saved from your enemies. {10:10} Also in the day of your gladness, and in your set feasts, and in the beginnings of your Moons, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt-offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace-offerings; and they shall be to you for a memorial before your God: I am Yahweh your God. {10:11} And it came to pass in the second year, in the second Moon [Ziv], on the twentieth day of the Moon [ziv], that the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle of the testimony. {10:12} And the children of Israel set forward according to their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud abode in the wilderness of Paran. {10:13} And they first took their journey according to the commandment of Yahweh by Moses. {10:14} And in the first [place] the standard of the camp of the children of Judah set forward according to their hosts: and over his host was Nahshon the son of Amminadab. {10:15} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar was Nethanel the son of Zuar. {10:16} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon. {10:17} And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari, who bare the tabernacle, set forward. {10:18} And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their hosts: and over his host was

Elizur the son of Shedeur. {10:19} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon was Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. {10:20} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad was Eliasaph the son of Deuel. {10:21} And the Kohasites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and [the others] did set up the tabernacle against their coming. {10:22} And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according to their hosts: and over his host was Elishama the son of Ammihud. {10:23} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh was Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. {10:24} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin was Abidan the son of Gideon. {10:25} And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan, which was the rearward of all the camps, set forward according to their hosts: and over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. {10:26} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher was Pagiel the son of Ochran. {10:27} And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali was Ahira the son of Enan. {10:28} Thus were the nomadic travels of the children of Israel according to their hosts; and they set forward. {10:29} And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of Reuel the Midianite, Moses' father-in-law, We are journeying unto the place of which Yahweh said, I will give it you: come you with us, and we will do you good; for Yahweh has spoken good concerning Israel. {10:30} And he said unto him, I will not go; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred. {10:31} And he said, Leave us not, I pray you; forasmuch as you know how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and you shall be to us instead of eyes. {10:32} And it shall be, if you go with us, behold, it shall be, that what good so ever Yahweh shall do unto us, the same will we do unto you. {10:33} And they set forward from the mount of Yahweh three days' journey; and the ark of the covenant of Yahweh went before them three days' journey, to seek out a resting-place for them. {10:34} And the cloud of Yahweh was over them by day, when they set forward from the camp. {10:35} And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, Rise up, O Yahweh, and let your enemies be scattered; and let them that hate you flee before you. {10:36} And when it rested, he said, Return, O Yahweh, unto the ten thousands of the thousands of Israel.

{04}11} Numbers Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And the people were as complainers, [speaking] evil in the ears of Yahweh: and when Yahweh heard it, his anger was kindled; and the fire of Yahweh burnt among them, and devoured in the outermost part of the camp. {11:2} And the people cried unto Moses; and Moses prayed unto Yahweh, and the fire abated. {11:3} And the name of that place was called Taberah, because the fire of Yahweh burnt among them. {11:4} And the mixed multitude that was among them lusted exceedingly: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat? {11:5} We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt for nothing; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic: {11:6} but now our soul is dried away; there is nothing at all save this manna to look upon. {11:7} And the manna was like coriander seed, and the appearance of it as the appearance of bdellium. {11:8} The people went about, and gathered it, and ground it in mills, or beat it in mortars, and boiled it in pots, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil. {11:9} And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it. {11:10} And Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, every man at the door of his tent: and the anger of Yahweh was kindled greatly; and Moses was displeased. {11:11} And Moses said unto Yahweh, Therefore have you dealt ill with your servant? and Therefore have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people upon me? {11:12} Have I conceived all this people? have I brought them forth, that you should say unto me, Carry them in your bosom, as a nursing-father carries the sucking child, unto the land which you swear unto their fathers? {11:13} Where should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh that we may eat. {11:14} I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me. {11:15} And if you deal thus with me, kill me, I pray you, out of hand, if I have found favor in your sight; and let me not see my wretchedness. {11:16} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders

of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you. {11:17} And I will come down and talk with you there: and I will take of the Spirit which is upon you, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you bear it not yourself alone. {11:18} And say you unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to-morrow, and you shall eat flesh; for you have wept in the ears of Yahweh, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt: therefore Yahweh will give you flesh, and you shall eat. {11:19} you shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days, {11:20} but a whole Moon, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you; because that you have rejected Yahweh who is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt? {11:21} And Moses said, The people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen; and you have said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole Moon. {11:22} shall flocks and herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them? {11:23} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Is Yahweh's hand waxed short? now shall you see whether my word shall come to pass unto you or not. {11:24} And Moses went out, and told the people the words of Yahweh: and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the Tent. {11:25} And Yahweh came down in the cloud, and spoke unto him, and took of the Spirit that was upon him, and put it upon the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the Spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, but they did so no more. {11:26} But there remained two men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the Spirit rested upon them; and they were of them that were written, but had not gone out unto the Tent; and they prophesied in the camp. {11:27} And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp. {11:28} And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, one of his chosen men, answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them. {11:29} And Moses said unto him, are you jealous for my sake? would that all Yahweh's people were prophets, that Yahweh would put his Spirit upon them! {11:30} And Moses got him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel. {11:31} And there went forth a wind from Yahweh, and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, about a day's journey on this side, and a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and about two cubits above the face of the earth. {11:32} And the people rose up all that day, and all the night, and all the next day, and gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp. {11:33} While the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the anger of Yahweh was kindled against the people, and Yahweh smote the people with a very great plague. {11:34} And the name of that place was called Kibroth-hattaavah, because there they buried the people that lusted. {11:35} From Kibroth-hattaavah the people journeyed unto Hazeroth; and they abode at Hazeroth.

{04}12) Numbers Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Cushite woman whom he had married; for he had married a Cushite woman. {12:2} And they said, Has Yahweh indeed spoken only with Moses? has he not spoken also with us? And Yahweh heard it. {12:3} Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men that were upon the face of the earth. {12:4} And Yahweh spoke suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out you three unto the tent of meeting. And they three came out. {12:5} And Yahweh came down in a pillar of cloud, and stood at the door of the Tent, and called Aaron and Miriam; and they both came forth. {12:6} And he said, Hear now my words: if there be a prophet among you, I Yahweh will make myself known unto him in a vision, I will speak with him in a dream. {12:7} My servant Moses is not so; he is faithful in all my house: {12:8} with him will I speak mouth to mouth, even manifestly, and not in dark speeches; and the form of Yahweh shall he behold: Therefore then were you not afraid to speak against my servant, against Moses? {12:9} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against them; and he departed. {12:10} And the cloud removed from over the Tent; and, behold, Miriam was leprous, as [white as] snow:

and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, she was leprous. {12:11} And Aaron said unto Moses, Oh, my lord, lay not, I pray you, sin upon us, for that we have done foolishly, and for that we have sinned. {12:12} Let her not, I pray, be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he comes out of his mother's womb. {12:13} And Moses cried unto Yahweh, saying, Heal her, O God, I ask you. {12:14} And Yahweh said unto Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seven days? let her be shut up outside the camp seven days, and after that she shall be brought in again. {12:15} And Miriam was shut up outside the camp seven days: and the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again. {12:16} And afterward the people journeyed from Hazeroth, and encamped in the wilderness of Paran.

{O4}13} Numbers Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {13:2} Send you men that they may spy out the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall you send a man, everyone a prince among them. {13:3} And Moses sent them from the wilderness of Paran according to the commandment of Yahweh: all of them men who were heads of the children of Israel. {13:4} And these were their names: Of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the son of Zaccur. {13:5} Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the son of Hori. {13:6} Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh. {13:7} Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph. {13:8} Of the tribe of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Nun. {13:9} Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu. {13:10} Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi. {13:11} Of the tribe of Joseph, [namely], of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi. {13:12} Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli. {13:13} Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael. {13:14} Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi. {13:15} Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi. {13:16} These are the names of the men that Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called Hoshea the son of Nun Joshua. {13:17} And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, Get you up this way by the South, and go up into the hill-country: {13:18} and see the land, what it is; and the people that dwell therein, whether they are strong or weak, whether they are few or many; {13:19} and what the land is that they dwell in, whether it is good or bad; and what cities they are that they dwell in, whether in camps, or in strongholds; {13:20} and what the land is, whether it is fat or lean, whether there is wood therein, or not. And be you of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the first-ripe grapes. {13:21} So they went up, and spied out the land from the wilderness of Zin unto Rehob, to the entrance of Hamath. {13:22} And they went up by the South, and came unto Hebron; and Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak, were there. (Now Hebron was built seven years before Zoan in Egypt.) {13:23} And they came unto the valley of Eshcol, and cut down from there a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it upon a staff between two; [they brought] also of the pomegranates, and of the figs. {13:24} That place was called the valley of Eshcol, because of the cluster which the children of Israel cut down from there. {13:25} And they returned from spying out the land at the end of forty days. {13:26} And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land. {13:27} And they told him, and said, We came unto the land where you sent us; and surely it flows with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it. {13:28} However the people that dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified, [and] very great: and we also saw the children of Anak there. {13:29} Amalek dwells in the land of the South: and the Hittite, and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, dwell in the hill-country; and the Canaanite dwells by the sea, and along by the side of the Jordan. {13:30} And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it. {13:31} But the men that went up with him said, We are not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. {13:32} And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had spied out unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to spy it out, is a land that eats up the inhabitants there; and all the people that we saw

in it are men of great stature. {13:33} And there we saw the Nephilim, the sons of Anak, who come of the Nephilim: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

{O4}14) Numbers Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night. {14:2} And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would that we had died in this wilderness! {14:3} And Therefore does Yahweh bring us unto this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will be a prey: were it not better for us to return into Egypt? {14:4} And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt. {14:5} Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel. {14:6} And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were of them that spied out the land, rent their clothes: {14:7} and they spoke unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceeding good land. {14:8} If Yahweh delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it unto us; a land which flows with milk and honey. {14:9} Only rebel not against Yahweh, neither fear you the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defense is removed from over them, and Yahweh is with us: fear them not. {14:10} But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of Yahweh appeared in the tent of meeting unto all the children of Israel. {14:11} And Yahweh said unto Moses, How long will this people despise me? and how long will they not believe in me, for all the signs which I have wrought among them? {14:12} I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of you a nation greater and mightier than they. {14:13} And Moses said unto Yahweh, Then the Egyptians will hear it; for you brought up this people in your might from among them; {14:14} and they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that you Yahweh are in the midst of this people; for you Yahweh are seen face to face, and your cloud stands over them, and you go before them, in a pillar of cloud by day, and in a pillar of fire by night. {14:15} Now if you shall kill this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of you will speak, saying, {14:16} Because Yahweh was not able to bring this people into the land which he swore unto them, therefore he has slain them in the wilderness. {14:17} And now, I pray you, let the power of the Lord be great, according as you have spoken, saying, {14:18} Yahweh is slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness, forgiving works against law and transgression of the law; and that will by no means clear [the guilty], visiting the works against law of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation. {14:19} Pardon, I pray you, the works against law of this people according unto the greatness of your agape loving kindness, and according as you have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now. {14:20} And Yahweh said, I have pardoned according to your word: {14:21} but in very deed, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with the glory of Yahweh; {14:22} because all those men that have seen my glory, and my signs, which I wrought in Egypt and in the wilderness, yet have tempted me these ten times, and have not heard to my voice; {14:23} surely they shall not see the land which I swore unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that despised me see it: {14:24} but my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and has followed me fully, him will I bring into the land where into he went; and his seed shall possess it. {14:25} Now the Malecite and the Canaanite dwell in the valley: to-morrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea. {14:26} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {14:27} How long [shall I bear] with this evil congregation, that murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against me. {14:28} Say unto them, As I live, said Yahweh, surely as you have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you: {14:29} your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, that have murmured against me, {14:30} surely you shall not come into the land, concerning which I swore

that I would make you dwell therein, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun. {14:31} But your little ones, that you said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which you have rejected. {14:32} But as for you, your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness. {14:33} And your children shall be wanderers in the wilderness forty years, and shall bear your prostitutions, until your dead bodies be consumed in the wilderness. {14:34} After the number of the days in which you spied out the land, even forty days, forevery day a year, shall you bear your iniquities, even forty years, and you shall know my alienation. {14:35} I, Yahweh, have spoken, surely this will I do unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die. {14:36} And the men, whom Moses sent to spy out the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up an evil report against the land, {14:37} even those men that did bring up an evil report of the land, died by the plague before Yahweh. {14:38} But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, remained alive of those men that went to spy out the land. {14:39} And Moses told these words unto all the children of Israel: and the people grieved greatly. {14:40} And they rose up early in the morning, and got them up to the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we are here, and will go up unto the place which Yahweh has promised: for we have sinned. {14:41} And Moses said, Therefore now do you transgress the commandment of Yahweh, seeing it shall not prosper? {14:42} Go not up, for Yahweh is not among you; that you be not smitten down before your enemies. {14:43} For there the Amalekite and the Canaanite are before you, and you shall fall by the sword: because you are turned back from following Yahweh, therefore Yahweh will not be with you. {14:44} But they presumed to go up to the top of the mountain: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and Moses, departed not out of the camp. {14:45} Then the Amalekite came down, and the Canaanite who lived in that mountain, and defeated them and beat them down, even unto Hormah.

{O4}15} Numbers Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {15:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you are come into the land of your habitations, which I give unto you, {15:3} and will make an offering by fire unto Yahweh, a burnt-offering, or a sacrifice, to accomplish a vow, or as a freewill-offering, or in your set feasts, to make a sweet savor unto Yahweh, of the herd, or of the flock; {15:4} then shall he that offers his oblation offer unto Yahweh a meal-offering of a tenth part [of an ephah] of fine flour mingled with the fourth part of a hin of oil: {15:5} and wine for the drink-offering, the fourth part of a hin, shall you prepare with the burnt-offering, or for the sacrifice, for each lamb. {15:6} Or for a ram, you shall prepare for a meal-offering two tenth parts [of an ephah] of fine flour mingled with the third part of a hin of oil: {15:7} and for the drink-offering you shall offer the third part of a hin of wine, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {15:8} And when you prepare a bull for a burnt-offering, or for a sacrifice, to accomplish a vow, or for peace-offerings unto Yahweh; {15:9} then shall he offer with the bull a meal-offering of three tenth parts [of an ephah] of fine flour mingled with half a hin of oil: {15:10} and you shall offer for the drink-offering half a hin of wine, for an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {15:11} Thus shall it be done for each bull, or for each ram, or for each of the he-lambs, or of the kids. {15:12} According to the number that you shall prepare, so shall you do to everyone according to their number. {15:13} All that are home-born shall do these things after this manner, in offering an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {15:14} And if a stranger sojourn with you, or anyone who may be among you throughout your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh; as you do, so he shall do. {15:15} For the assembly, there shall be one statute for you, and for the stranger that sojourns [with you], a statute forever throughout your generations: as you are, so shall the alien be before Yahweh. {15:16} One law and one ordinance shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourns with you. {15:17} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {15:18} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you come into the land where I bring you, {15:19} then it shall be, that, when you eat of the bread of the

land, you shall offer up a heave-offering unto Yahweh. {15:20} Of the first of your dough you shall offer up a cake for a heave-offering: as the heave-offering of the threshing-floor, so shall you heave it. {15:21} Of the first of your dough you shall give unto Yahweh a heave-offering throughout your generations. {15:22} And when you shall err, and not observe all these commandments, which Yahweh has spoken unto Moses, {15:23} even all that Yahweh has commanded you by Moses, from the day that Yahweh gave commandment, and onward throughout your generations; {15:24} then it shall be, if it be done unwittingly, outside the knowledge of the congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young bull for a burnt-offering, for a sweet savor unto Yahweh, with the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there, according to the ordinance, and one he-goat for a sin-offering. {15:25} And the priest shall make atonement for all the congregation of the children of Israel, and they shall be forgiven; for it was an error, and they have brought their oblation, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh, and their sin-offering before Yahweh, for their error: {15:26} and all the congregation of the children of Israel shall be forgiven, and the stranger that sojourns among them; for in respect of all the people it was done unwittingly. {15:27} And if one person sin unwittingly, then he shall offer a she-goat a year old for a sin-offering. {15:28} And the priest shall make atonement for the soul that sins, when he sins unwittingly, before Yahweh, to make atonement for him; and he shall be forgiven. {15:29} you shall have one law for him that does anything unwittingly, for him that is home-born among the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourns among them. {15:30} But the soul that does anything with a high hand, whether he be home-born or a alien, the same blasphemes Yahweh; and that soul shall be cut off from among his people. {15:31} Because he has despised the word of Yahweh, and has broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his works against law shall be upon him. {15:32} And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man gathering sticks upon the Sabbath day. {15:33} And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation. {15:34} And they put him in ward, because it had not been declared what should be done to him. {15:35} And Yahweh said unto Moses, The man shall surely be put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones outside the camp. {15:36} And all the congregation brought him outside the camp, and stoned him to death with stones; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {15:37} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {15:38} Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of each border a cord of blue: {15:39} and it shall be unto you for a fringe, that you may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of Yahweh, and do them; and that you follow not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which you use to play the prostitute; {15:40} that you may remember and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God. {15:41} I am Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am Yahweh your God.

{04}16} Numbers Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohas, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took [men]: {16:2} and they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the congregation, called to the assembly, men of renown; {16:3} and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, you take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, everyone of them, and Yahweh is among them: Therefore then lift you up yourselves above the assembly of Yahweh? {16:4} And when Moses heard it, he fell upon his face: {16:5} and he spoke unto Korah and unto all his company, saying, In the morning Yahweh will show who are his, and who is holy, and will cause him to come near unto him: even him whom he shall choose will he cause to come near unto him. {16:6} This do: take you censers, Korah, and all his company; {16:7} and put fire in them, and put incense upon them before Yahweh to-morrow: and it shall be that the man whom Yahweh does choose, he [shall be] holy: you take too much upon you, you sons of Levi. {16:8} And

Moses said unto Korah, Hear now, you sons of Levi: {16:9} [seems it but] a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself, to do the service of the tabernacle of Yahweh, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them; {16:10} and that he has brought you near, and all your brethren the sons of Levi with you? and seek you the priesthood also? {16:11} Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against Yahweh: and Aaron, what is he that you murmur against him? {16:12} And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab; and they said, We will not come up: {16:13} is it a small thing that you have brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, but you must needs make yourself also a prince over us? {16:14} Also, you have not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: will you put out the eyes of these men? we will not come up. {16:15} And Moses was very angry, and said unto Yahweh, Respect not you their offering: I have not taken one donkey from them, neither have I hurt one of them. {16:16} And Moses said unto Korah, Be you and all your company before Yahweh, you, and they, and Aaron, to-morrow: {16:17} and take you every man his censer, and put incense upon them, and bring you before Yahweh every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; you also, and Aaron, each his censer. {16:18} And they took every man his censer, and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood at the door of the tent of meeting with Moses and Aaron. {16:19} And Korah assembled all the congregation against them unto the door of the tent of meeting: and the glory of Yahweh appeared unto all the congregation. {16:20} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {16:21} Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment. {16:22} And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and will you be angry with all the congregation? {16:23} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {16:24} Speak unto the congregation, saying, Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram. {16:25} And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him. {16:26} And he spoke unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest you be consumed in all their sins. {16:27} So they got them up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood at the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little ones. {16:28} And Moses said, Hereby you shall know that Yahweh has sent me to do all these works; for [I have] not [done them] of mine own mind. {16:29} If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; then Yahweh has not sent me. {16:30} But if Yahweh make a new thing, and the ground open its mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down alive into Sheol; then you shall understand that these men have despised Yahweh. {16:31} And it came to pass, as he made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them; {16:32} and the earth opened its mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods. {16:33} So they, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into Sheol: and the earth closed upon them, and they perished from among the assembly. {16:34} And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them; for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up. {16:35} And fire came forth from Yahweh, and devoured the two hundred and fifty men that offered the incense. {16:36} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {16:37} Speak unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the burning, and scatter you the fire yonder; for they are holy, {16:38} even the censers of these sinners against their own lives; and let them be made beaten plates for a covering of the altar: for they offered them before Yahweh; therefore they are holy; and they shall be a sign unto the children of Israel. {16:39} And Eleazar the priest took the brazen censers, which they that were burnt had offered; and they beat them out for a covering of the altar, {16:40} to be a memorial unto the children of Israel, to the end that no stranger, that is not of the seed of Aaron, come near to burn incense before Yahweh; that he be not as Korah, and as his company: as Yahweh spoke unto him by

Moses. {16:41} But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, you have killed the people of Yahweh. {16:42} And it came to pass, when the congregation was assembled against Moses and against Aaron that they looked toward the tent of meeting: and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of Yahweh appeared. {16:43} And Moses and Aaron came to the front of the tent of meeting. {16:44} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {16:45} Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment. And they fell upon their faces. {16:46} And Moses said unto Aaron, Take they censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and lay incense thereon, and carry it quickly unto the congregation, and make atonement for them: for there is Anger gone out from Yahweh; the plague is begun. {16:47} And Aaron took as Moses spoke, and ran into the midst of the assembly; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on the incense, and made atonement for the people. {16:48} And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed. {16:49} Now they that died by the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, besides them that died about the matter of Korah. {16:50} And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tent of meeting: and the plague was stayed.

{O4}17) Numbers Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {17:2} Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of them rods, one for each fathers' house, of all their princes according to their fathers' houses, twelve rods: write you every man's name upon his rod. {17:3} And you shall write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi; for there shall be one rod for each head of their fathers' houses. {17:4} And you shall lay them up in the tent of meeting before the testimony, where I meet with you. {17:5} And it shall come to pass, that the rod of the man whom I shall choose shall bud: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against you. {17:6} And Moses spoke unto the children of Israel; and all their princes gave him rods, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, even twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron was among their rods. {17:7} And Moses laid up the rods before Yahweh in the tent of the testimony. {17:8} And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses went into the tent of the testimony; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and put forth buds, and produced blossoms, and bare ripe almonds. {17:9} And Moses brought out all the rods from before Yahweh unto all the children of Israel: and they looked, and took every man his rod. {17:10} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Put back the rod of Aaron before the testimony, to be kept for a token against the children of rebellion; that you may make an end of their murmurings against me, that they die not. {17:11} Thus did Moses: as Yahweh commanded him, so did he. {17:12} And the children of Israel spoke unto Moses, saying, Behold, we perish, we are undone, we are all undone. {17:13} Everyone that comes near, that comes near unto the tabernacle of Yahweh, dies: shall we perish all of us?

{O4}18) Numbers Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And Yahweh said unto Aaron, you and your sons and your fathers' house with you shall bear the works against law of the sanctuary; and you and your sons with you shall bear the works against law of your priesthood. {18:2} And your brethren also, the tribe of Levi, the tribe of your father, bring you near with you, that they may be joined unto you, and minister unto you: but you and your sons with you shall be before the tent of the testimony. {18:3} And they shall keep your charge, and the charge of all the Tent: only they shall not come near unto the vessels of the sanctuary and unto the altar that they die not, neither they, nor you. {18:4} And they shall be joined unto you, and keep the charge of the tent of meeting, for all the service of the Tent: and a stranger shall not come near unto you. {18:5} And you shall keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar; that there be Anger no more upon the children of Israel. {18:6} And I, behold, I have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel: to you they are a gift, given unto Yahweh, to do the service of the tent of meeting. {18:7} And you and your sons with you shall keep your priesthood forever everything of the altar, and for that within the veil; and you shall serve: I give you the priesthood as a service of

gift: and the stranger that comes near shall be put to death. {18:8} And Yahweh spoke unto Aaron, And I, behold, I have given you the charge of my heave-offerings, even all the hallowed things of the children of Israel; unto you have I given them by reason of the anointing, and to your sons, as a portion forever. {18:9} This shall be your of the most holy things, [reserved] from the fire: every oblation of theirs, even every meal-offering of theirs, and every sin-offering of theirs, and every trespass-offering of theirs, which they shall render unto me, shall be most holy for you and for your sons. {18:10} As the most holy things shall you eat there; every male shall eat there: it shall be holy unto you. {18:11} And this is your: the heave-offering of their gift, even all the wave-offerings of the children of Israel; I have given them unto you, and to your sons and to your daughters with you, as a portion forever; everyone that is clean in your house shall eat there. {18:12} All the best of the oil, and all the best of the vintage, and of the grain, the first-fruits of them which they give unto Yahweh, to you have I given them. {18:13} The first-ripe fruits of all that is in their land, which they bring unto Yahweh, shall be your; everyone that is clean in your house shall eat there. {18:14} Everything devoted in Israel shall be your. {18:15} Everything that opens the womb, of all flesh which they offer unto Yahweh, both of man and beast shall be your: nevertheless the first-born of man shall you surely redeem, and the firstling of unclean beasts shall you redeem. {18:16} And those that are to be redeemed of them from a Moon old shall you redeem, according to your estimation, for the money of five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary (the same is twenty gerahs). {18:17} But the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheep, or the firstling of a goat, you shall not redeem; they are holy: you shall sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shall burn their fat for an offering made by fire, for a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {18:18} And the flesh of them shall be your, as the wave-breast and as the right thigh, it shall be your. {18:19} All the heave-offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto Yahweh, have I given you, and your sons and your daughters with you, as a portion forever: it is a covenant of salt forever before Yahweh unto you and to your seed with you. {18:20} And Yahweh said unto Aaron, you shall have no inheritance in their land, neither shall you have any portion among them: I am your portion and your inheritance among the children of Israel. {18:21} And unto the children of Levi, behold, I have given all the tithe in Israel for an inheritance, in return for their service which they serve, even the service of the tent of meeting. {18:22} And from here on the children of Israel shall not come near the tent of meeting, lest they bear sin, and die. {18:23} But the Levites shall do the service of the tent of meeting, and they shall bear their works against law: it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations; and among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance. {18:24} For the tithe of the children of Israel, which they offer as a heave-offering unto Yahweh, I have given to the Levites for an inheritance: therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance. {18:25} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {18:26} Again, you shall speak unto the Levites, and say unto them, When you take of the children of Israel the tithe which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then you shall offer up a heave-offering of it for Yahweh, a tithe of the tithe. {18:27} And your heave-offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though it were the grain of the threshing-floor, and as the fullness of the winepress. {18:28} Thus you also shall offer a heave-offering unto Yahweh of all your tithes, which you receive of the children of Israel; and of it you shall give Yahweh's heave-offering to Aaron the priest. {18:29} Out of all your gifts you shall offer every heave-offering of Yahweh, of all the best there, even the hallowed part of it out of it. {18:30} Therefore you shall say unto them, When you heave the best of it from it, then it shall be reckoned unto the Levites as the increase of the threshing-floor, and as the increase of the wine-press. {18:31} And you shall eat it in every place, you and your households: for it is your reward in return for your service in the tent of meeting. {18:32} And you shall bear no sin by reason of it, when you have heaved from it the best there: and you shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, that you die not.

{O4}19} Numbers Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, {19:2} This is the statute of the law which Yahweh has commanded, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring you a red heifer outside spot, wherein is no blemish, [and] upon which never came yoke. {19:3} And you shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, and he shall bring her forth outside the camp, and one shall slay her before his face: {19:4} and Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle her blood toward the front of the tent of meeting seven times. {19:5} And one shall burn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn: {19:6} and the priest shall take cedar-wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast it into the midst of the burning of the heifer. {19:7} Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the even. {19:8} And he that burns her shall wash his clothes in water, and bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean until the even. {19:9} And a man that is clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay them up outside the camp in a clean place; and it shall be kept for the congregation of the children of Israel for a water for impurity: it is a sin-offering. {19:10} And he that gathers the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: and it shall be unto the children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourns among them, for a statute forever. {19:11} He that touches the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days: {19:12} the same shall purify himself with on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean. {19:13} Anyone who touches a dead person, the body of a man that has died, and purifies not himself, defiles the tabernacle of Yahweh; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the water for impurity was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness is yet upon him. {19:14} This is the law when a man dies in a tent: everyone that comes into the tent, and everyone that is in the tent, shall be unclean seven days. {19:15} And every open vessel, which has no covering bound upon it, is unclean. {19:16} And anyone who in the open field touches one that is slain with a sword, or a dead body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days. {19:17} And for the unclean they shall take of the ashes of the burning of the sin-offering; and running water shall be put there in a vessel: {19:18} and a clean person shall take hyssop, and dip it in the water, and sprinkle it upon the tent, and upon all the vessels, and upon the persons that were there, and upon him that touched the bone, or the slain, or the dead, or the grave: {19:19} and the clean person shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on the seventh day: and on the seventh day he shall purify him; and he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at even. {19:20} But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut off from the midst of the congregation, because he has defiled the sanctuary of Yahweh: the water for impurity has not been sprinkled upon him; he is unclean. {19:21} And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them: and he that sprinkles the water for impurity shall wash his clothes, and he that touches the water for impurity shall be unclean until even. {19:22} And whatever the unclean person touches shall be unclean; and the soul that touches it shall be unclean until even.

{O4}20} Numbers Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, came into the wilderness of Zin in the first Moon [Abib]: and the people abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried there. {20:2} And there was no water for the congregation: and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron. {20:3} And the people strove with Moses, and spoke, saying, Would that we had died when our brethren died before Yahweh! {20:4} And why have you brought the assembly of Yahweh into this wilderness, that we should die there, we and our beasts? {20:5} And Therefore have you made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place? it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink. {20:6} And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the congregation unto the door of the tent of meeting, and fell upon their faces: and the glory of Yahweh appeared unto them. {20:7} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses,

saying, {20:8} Take the rod, and call an Ekklesia of the congregation, you, and Aaron your brother, and speak you unto the rock before their eyes, that it give forth its water; and you shall bring forth to them water out of the rock; so you shall give the congregation and their cattle drink. {20:9} And Moses took the rod from before Yahweh, as he commanded him. {20:10} And Moses and Aaron held an Ekklesia of the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, you rebels; shall we bring you forth water out of this rock? {20:11} And Moses lifted up his hand, and smote the rock with his rod twice: and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their cattle. {20:12} And Yahweh said unto Moses and Aaron, Because you believed not in me, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them. {20:13} These are the waters of Meribah; because the children of Israel strove with Yahweh, and he was sanctified in them. {20:14} And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom, Thus said your brother Israel, you know all the travail that has befallen us: {20:15} how our fathers went down into Egypt, and we lived in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians dealt ill with us, and our fathers: {20:16} and when we cried unto Yahweh, he heard our voice, and sent an messenger, and brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the outermost of your border. {20:17} Let us pass, I pray you, through your land: we will not pass through field or through vineyard, neither will we drink of the water of the wells: we will go along the king's highway; we will not turn aside to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed your border. {20:18} And Edom said unto him, you shall not pass through me, lest I come out with the sword against you. {20:19} And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go up by the highway; and if we drink of your water, I and my cattle, then will I give the price there: let me only, outside [doing] anything [else], pass through on my feet. {20:20} And he said, you shall not pass through. And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand. {20:21} Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border: Therefore Israel turned away from him. {20:22} And they journeyed from Kadesh: and the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, came unto mount Hor. {20:23} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the border of the land of Edom, saying, {20:24} Aaron shall be gathered unto his people; for he shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel, because you rebelled against my word at the waters of Meribah. {20:25} Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up unto mount Hor; {20:26} and strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall be gathered [unto his people], and shall die there. {20:27} And Moses did as Yahweh commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation. {20:28} And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and Aaron died there on the top of the mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount. {20:29} And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they wept for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel.

{04}21} Numbers Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And the Canaanite, the king of Arad, who lived in the South, heard tell that Israel came by the way of Atharim; and he fought against Israel, and took some of them captive. {21:2} And Israel vowed a vow unto Yahweh, and said, If you will indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities. {21:3} And Yahweh heard the voice of Israel, and delivered up the Canaanites; and they utterly destroyed them and their cities: and the name of the place was called Hormah. {21:4} And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way to the Red Sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way. {21:5} And the people spoke against God, and against Moses, Therefore have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, and there is no water; and our soul disgusts this light bread. {21:6} And Yahweh sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. {21:7} And the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, because we have spoken against Yahweh, and against you; pray unto Yahweh, that he take away the serpents from us. And

Moses prayed for the people. {21:8} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Make you a fiery serpent, and set it upon a standard: and it shall come to pass, that everyone that is bitten, when he sees it, shall live. {21:9} And Moses made a serpent of brass, and set it upon the standard: and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he looked unto the serpent of brass, he lived. {21:10} And the children of Israel journeyed, and encamped in Oboth. {21:11} And they journeyed from Oboth, and encamped at Ibeholdbarim, in the wilderness which is before Moab, toward the sun rising. {21:12} From there they journeyed, and encamped in the valley of Zered. {21:13} From there they journeyed, and encamped on the other side of the Arnon, which is in the wilderness, that comes out of the border of the Amorites: for the Arnon is the border of Moab, between Moab and the Amorites. {21:14} Therefore it is said in the book of the Wars of Yahweh, Vaheb in Suphah, And the valleys of the Arnon, {21:15} And the slope of the valleys That inclines toward the dwelling of Ar, And leans upon the border of Moab. {21:16} And from there [they journeyed] to Beer: that is the well where Yahweh said unto Moses, Gather the people together, and I will give them water. {21:17} Then sang Israel this song: Spring up, O well; sing you unto it: {21:18} The well, which the princes dug, Which the nobles of the people delved, With the Scepter, [and] with their staves. And from the wilderness [they journeyed] to Mattanah; {21:19} and from Mattanah to Nahaliel; and from Nahaliel to Bamoth; {21:20} and from Bamoth to the valley that is in the field of Moab, to the top of Pisgah, which looks down upon the desert. {21:21} And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, saying, {21:22} Let me pass through your land: we will not turn aside into field, or into vineyard; we will not drink of the water of the wells: we will go by the king's highway, until we have passed your border. {21:23} And Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness, and came to Jahaz; and he fought against Israel. {21:24} And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land from the Arnon unto the Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon; for the border of the children of Ammon was strong. {21:25} And Israel took all these cities: and Israel lived in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all the towns there. {21:26} For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even unto the Arnon. {21:27} Therefore they that speak in proverbs say, Come you to Heshbon; Let the city of Sihon be built and established: {21:28} For a fire is gone out of Heshbon, A flame from the city of Sihon: It has devoured Ar of Moab, The lords of the high places of the Arnon. {21:29} Woe to you, Moab! you are undone, O people of Chemosh: He has given his sons as fugitives, And his daughters into captivity, Unto Sihon king of the Amorites. {21:30} We have shot at them; Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon, And we have laid waste even unto Nophah, Which [reaches] unto Medeba. {21:31} Thus Israel lived in the land of the Amorites. {21:32} And Moses sent to spy out Jazer; and they took the towns there, and drove out the Amorites that were there. {21:33} And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei. {21:34} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Fear him not: for I have delivered him into your hand, and all his people, and his land; and you shall do to him as you did unto Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon. {21:35} So they smote him, and his sons and all his people, until there was none left him remaining: and they possessed his land.

{O4}22} Numbers Chapter Twentytwo. {22:1} And the children of Israel journeyed, and encamped in the plains of Moab beyond the Jordan at Jericho. {22:2} And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites. {22:3} And Moab was sore afraid of the people, because they were many: and Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel. {22:4} And Moab said unto the elders of Midian, Now will this multitude lick up all that is round about us, as the ox licks up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor was king of Moab at that time. {22:5} And he sent messengers unto Balaam the son of Beor, to Pethor, which is by the River, to the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people

come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide over against me. {22:6} Come now therefore, I pray you, curse me this people; for they are too mighty for me: perhaps I shall prevail, that we may smite them, and that I may drive them out of the land; for I know that he whom you bless is blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed. {22:7} And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spoke unto him the words of Balak. {22:8} And he said unto them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as Yahweh shall speak unto me: and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam. {22:9} And God came unto Balaam, and said, What men are these with you? {22:10} And Balaam said unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, has sent unto me, [saying], {22:11} Behold, the people that is come out of Egypt, it covers the face of the earth: now, come curse me them; perhaps I shall be able to fight against them, and shall drive them out. {22:12} And God said unto Balaam, you shall not go with them; you shall not curse the people; for they are blessed. {22:13} And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, Get you into your land; for Yahweh refuses to give me leave to go with you. {22:14} And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, Balaam refuses to come with us. {22:15} And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honorable than they. {22:16} And they came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus said Balak the son of Zippor, Let nothing, I pray you, hinder you from coming unto me: {22:17} for I will promote you unto very great honor, and whatever you say unto me I will do: come therefore, I pray you, curse me this people. {22:18} And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of Yahweh my God, to do less or more. {22:19} Now therefore, I pray you, tarry you also here this night, that I may know what Yahweh will speak unto me more. {22:20} And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, If the men are come to call you, rise up, go with them; but only the word which I speak unto you, that shall you do. {22:21} And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his donkey, and went with the princes of Moab. {22:22} And God's anger was kindled because he went; and the messenger of Yahweh placed himself in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his donkey, and his two servants were with him. {22:23} And the donkey saw the messenger of Yahweh standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand; and the donkey turned aside out of the way, and went into the field: and Balaam smote the donkey, to turn her into the way. {22:24} Then the messenger of Yahweh stood in a narrow path between the vineyards, a wall being on this side, and a wall on that side. {22:25} And the donkey saw the messenger of Yahweh, and she thrust herself unto the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he smote her again. {22:26} And the messenger of Yahweh went further, and stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left. {22:27} And the donkey saw the messenger of Yahweh, and she lay down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the donkey with his staff. {22:28} And Yahweh opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto you, that you have smitten me these three times? {22:29} And Balaam said unto the donkey, Because you have mocked me, I would there were a sword in my hand, for now I had killed you. {22:30} And the donkey said unto Balaam, Am not I your donkey, upon which you have ridden all your life long unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto you? and he said, No. {22:31} Then Yahweh opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the messenger of Yahweh standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand; and he bowed his head, and fell on his face. {22:32} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto him, Therefore have you smitten your donkey these three times? behold, I am come forth for an adversary, because your way is perverse before me: {22:33} and the donkey saw me, and turned aside before me these three times: unless she had turned aside from me, surely now I had even slain you, and saved her alive. {22:34} And Balaam said unto the messenger of Yahweh, I have sinned; for I knew not that you stood in the way against me: now therefore, if it displease you, I will get me back again. {22:35} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto Balaam, Go with the men; but only the word that I shall speak unto you, that you shall speak. So Balaam went with

the princes of Balak. {22:36} And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went out to meet him unto the City of Moab, which is on the border of the Arnon, which is in the utmost part of the border. {22:37} And Balak said unto Balaam, Did I not earnestly send unto you to call you? Therefore came you not unto me? am I not able indeed to promote you to honor? {22:38} And Balaam said unto Balak, Lo, I am come unto you: have I now any power at all to speak anything? the word that God puts in my mouth, that shall I speak. {22:39} And Balaam went with Balak, and they came unto Kiriath-huzoth. {22:40} And Balak sacrificed oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that were with him. {22:41} And it came to pass in the morning, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the high places of Baal; and he saw from there the utmost part of the people.

{04}23} Numbers Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bulls and seven rams. {23:2} And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on every altar a bull and a ram. {23:3} And Balaam said unto Balak, Stand by your burnt-offering, and I will go: perhaps Yahweh will come to meet me; and whatever he shows me I will tell you. And he went to a bare height. {23:4} And God met Balaam: and he said unto him, I have prepared the seven altars, and I have offered up a bull and a ram on every altar. {23:5} And Yahweh put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus you shall speak. {23:6} And he returned unto him, and, lo, he was standing by his burnt-offering, he, and all the princes of Moab. {23:7} And he took up his parable, and said, From Aram has Balak brought me, The king of Moab from the mountains of the East: Come, curse me Jacob, And come, defy Israel. {23:8} How shall I Woe, whom God has not cursed? And how shall I defy, whom Yahweh has not defied? {23:9} For from the top of the rocks I see him, And from the hills I behold him: Lo, it is a people that dwells alone, And shall not be reckoned among the nations. {23:10} Who can count the dust of Jacob, Or number the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the lawful worker, And let my last end be like his! {23:11} And Balak said unto Balaam, What have you done unto me? I took you to curse mine enemies, and, behold, you have blessed them altogether. {23:12} And he answered and said, Must I not take heed to speak that which Yahweh puts in my mouth? {23:13} And Balak said unto him, Come, I pray you, with me unto another place, from where you may see them; you shall see but the utmost part of them, and shall not see them all: and curse me them from there. {23:14} And he took him into the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered up a bull and a ram on every altar. {23:15} And he said unto Balak, Stand here by your burnt-offering, while I meet [Yahweh] yonder. {23:16} And Yahweh met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus shall you speak. {23:17} And he came to him, and, lo, he was standing by his burnt-offering, and the princes of Moab with him. And Balak said unto him, What has Yahweh spoken? {23:18} And he took up his parable, and said, Rise up, Balak, and hear; Hear unto me, you son of Zippor: {23:19} God is not a man, that he should lie, Neither the son of man, that he should repent: Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not make it good? {23:20} Behold, I have received [commandment] to bless: And he has blessed, and I cannot reverse it. {23:21} He has not watched works against law in Jacob; Neither has he seen perverseness in Israel: Yahweh his God is with him, And the shout of a king is among them. {23:22} God brings them forth out of Egypt; He has as it were the strength of the wild-ox. {23:23} Surely there is no enchantment with Jacob; Neither is there any divination with Israel: Now shall it be said of Jacob and of Israel, What has God wrought! {23:24} Behold, the people rises up as a lioness, And as a lion does he lift himself up: He shall not lie down until he eat of the prey, And drink the blood of the slain. {23:25} And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all. {23:26} But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I you, saying, All that Yahweh speak, that I must do? {23:27} And Balak said unto Balaam, Come now, I will take you unto another place; perhaps it will please God that you may curse me them from there. {23:28} And Balak took Balaam unto the top of Peor that looks down upon the desert.

{23:29} And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bulls and seven rams. {23:30} And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered up a bull and a ram on every altar.

{04)24} Numbers Chapter Twentyfour. {24:1} And when Balaam saw that it pleased Yahweh to bless Israel, he went not, as at the other times, to meet with enchantments, but he set his face toward the wilderness. {24:2} And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel dwelling according to their tribes; and the Spirit of God came upon him. {24:3} And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor said, And the man whose eye was closed said; {24:4} He said, who hears the words of God, Who sees the vision of the Almighty, Falling down, and having his eyes open: {24:5} How goodly are your tents, O Jacob, Your tabernacles, O Israel! {24:6} As valleys are they spread forth, As gardens by the river-side, As lign-aloes which Yahweh has planted, As cedar-trees beside the waters. {24:7} Water shall flow from his buckets, And his seed shall be in many waters, And his king shall be higher than Agag, And his kingdom shall be exalted. {24:8} God brings him forth out of Egypt; He has as it were the strength of the wild-ox: He shall eat up the nations his adversaries, And shall break their bones in pieces, And smite [them] through with his arrows. {24:9} He couched, he lay down as a lion, And as a lioness; that shall rouse him up? Blessed be everyone that blesses you, And cursed be everyone that curses you. {24:10} And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he smote his hands together; and Balak said unto Balaam, I called you to curse mine enemies, and, behold, you have altogether blessed them these three times. {24:11} Therefore now flee you to your place: I thought to promote you unto great honor; but, lo, Yahweh has kept you back from honor. {24:12} And Balaam said unto Balak, Spoke I not also to your messengers that you sent unto me, saying, {24:13} If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of Yahweh, to do either good or bad of mine own mind; what Yahweh speak, that will I speak? {24:14} And now, behold, I go unto my people: come, [and] I will advertise you what this people shall do to your people in the latter days. {24:15} And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor said, And the man whose eye was closed said; {24:16} He said, who hears the words of God, And knows the knowledge of the Most High, Who sees the vision of the Almighty, Falling down, and having his eyes open: {24:17} I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near: There shall come forth a star out of Jacob, And a Scepter shall rise out of Israel, And shall smite through the corners of Moab, And break down all the sons of tumult. {24:18} And Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession, [who were] his enemies; While Israel does valiantly. {24:19} And out of Jacob shall one have dominion, And shall destroy the remnant from the city. {24:20} And he looked on Amalek, and took up his parable, and said, Amalek was the first of the nations; But his latter end shall come to destruction. {24:21} And he looked on the Kenite, and took up his parable, and said, Strong is your dwelling-place, And your nest is set in the rock. {24:22} Nevertheless Kain shall be wasted, Until Asshur shall carry you away captive. {24:23} And he took up his parable, and said, Alas, who shall live when God do his? {24:24} But ships [shall come] from the coast of Kittim, And they shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict Eber; And he also shall come to destruction. {24:25} And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place; and Balak also went his way.

{04)25} Numbers Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} And Israel abode in Shittim; and the people began to play the prostitute with the daughters of Moab: {25:2} for they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods; and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods. {25:3} And Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor: and the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel. {25:4} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Take all the chiefs of the people, and hang them up unto Yahweh before the sun, that the fierce anger of Yahweh may turn away from Israel. {25:5} And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, Slay you everyone his men that have joined themselves unto Baal-peor. {25:6} And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a

Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, while they were weeping at the door of the tent of meeting. {25:7} And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he rose up from the midst of the congregation, and took a spear in his hand; {25:8} and he went after the man of Israel into the pavilion, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her body. So the plague was stayed from the children of Israel. {25:9} And those that died by the plague were twenty and four thousand. {25:10} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {25:11} Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, has turned my Anger away from the children of Israel, in that he was jealous with my jealousy among them, so that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy. {25:12} Therefore say, Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace: {25:13} and it shall be unto him, and to his seed after him, the covenant of an everlasting priesthood; because he was jealous for his God, and made atonement for the children of Israel. {25:14} Now the name of the man of Israel that was slain, who was slain with the Midianitish woman, was Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince of a fathers' house among the Simeonites. {25:15} And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain was Cozbi, the daughter of Zur; he was head of the people of a fathers' house in Midian. {25:16} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {25:17} Vex the Midianites, and smite them; {25:18} for they vex you with their wives, by which they have deceived you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, the daughter of the prince of Midian, their sister, who was slain on the day of the plague in the matter of Peor.

{04}26} Numbers Chapter Twenty Six. {26:1} And it came to pass after the plague, that Yahweh spoke unto Moses and unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying, {26:2} Take the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, from twenty years old and upward, by their fathers' houses, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel. {26:3} And Moses and Eleazar the priest spoke with them in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, {26:4} [Take the sum of the people], from twenty years old and upward; as Yahweh commanded Moses and the children of Israel, that came forth out of the land of Egypt. {26:5} Reuben, the first-born of Israel; the sons of Reuben: [of] Hanoch, the family of the Hanochites; of Pallu, the family of the Palluites; {26:6} of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites; of Carmi, the family of the Carmites. {26:7} These are the families of the Reubenites; and they that were numbered of them were forty and three thousand and seven hundred and thirty. {26:8} And the sons of Pallu: Eliab. {26:9} And the sons of Eliab: Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. These are that Dathan and Abiram, who were called of the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against Yahweh, {26:10} and the earth opened its mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died; what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men, and they became a sign. {26:11} Notwithstanding, the sons of Korah died not. {26:12} The sons of Simeon after their families: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites; of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites; of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites; {26:13} of Zerah, the family of the Zerahites; of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites. {26:14} These are the families of the Simeonites, twenty and two thousand and two hundred. {26:15} The sons of Gad after their families: of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites; of Haggi, the family of the Haggites; of Shuni, the family of the Shunites; {26:16} of Ozni, the family of the Oznites; of Eri, the family of the Erites; {26:17} of Arod, the family of the Arodites; of Areli, the family of the Arelites. {26:18} These are the families of the sons of Gad according to those that were numbered of them, forty thousand and five hundred. {26:19} The sons of Judah: Er and Onan; and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. {26:20} And the sons of Judah after their families were: of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites; of Perez, the family of the Perezites; of Zerah, the family of the Zerahites. {26:21} And the sons of Perez were: of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites; of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites. {26:22} These are the families of Judah according to those that were numbered of them, seventy six thousand and five hundred. {26:23} The sons of Issachar after their families: [of] Tola, the family of the Tolaites; of Puvah, the family of the Punites; {26:24}

of Jashub, the family of the Jashubites; of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites. {26:25} These are the families of Issachar according to those that were numbered of them, sixty four and three hundred. {26:26} The sons of Zebulun after their families: of Sered, the family of the Seredites; of Elon, the family of the Elonites; of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites. {26:27} These are the families of the Zebulunites according to those that were numbered of them, sixty thousand and five hundred. {26:28} The sons of Joseph after their families: Manasseh and Ephraim. {26:29} The sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the Machirites; and Machir begot Gilead; of Gilead, the family of the Gileadites. {26:30} These are the sons of Gilead: [of] Iezer, the family of the Iezerites; of Helek, the family of the Helekites; {26:31} and [of] Asriel, the family of the Asrielites; and [of] Shechem, the family of the Shechemites; {26:32} and [of] Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites; and [of] Hepher, the family of the Hepherites. {26:33} And Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but daughters: and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. {26:34} These are the families of Manasseh; and they that were numbered of them were fifty and two thousand and seven hundred. {26:35} These are the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthelahites; of Becher, the family of the Becherites; of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites. {26:36} And these are the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites. {26:37} These are the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those that were numbered of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These are the sons of Joseph after their families. {26:38} The sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites; of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites; of Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites; {26:39} of Shephupham, the family of the Shuphamites; of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites. {26:40} And the sons of Bela were Ard and Naaman: [of Ard], the family of the Ardites; of Naaman, the family of the Naamites. {26:41} These are the sons of Benjamin after their families; and they that were numbered of them were forty and five thousand and six hundred. {26:42} These are the sons of Dan after their families: of Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan after their families. {26:43} All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbered of them, were sixty four thousand and four hundred. {26:44} The sons of Asher after their families: of Imnah, the family of the Imnites; of Ishvi, the family of the Ishvites; of Beriah, the family of the Berites. {26:45} Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites; of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites. {26:46} And the name of the daughter of Asher was Serah. {26:47} These are the families of the sons of Asher according to those that were numbered of them, fifty and three thousand and four hundred. {26:48} The sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites; of Guni, the family of the Gunites; {26:49} of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites; of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites. {26:50} These are the families of Naphtali according to their families; and they that were numbered of them were forty and five thousand and four hundred. {26:51} These are they that were numbered of the children of Israel, six hundred thousand and a thousand seven hundred and thirty. {26:52} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {26:53} Unto these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names. {26:54} To the more you shall give the more inheritance, and to the fewer you shall give the less inheritance: to everyone according to those that were numbered of him shall his inheritance be given. {26:55} Notwithstanding, the land shall be divided by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their fathers they shall inherit. {26:56} According to the lot shall their inheritance be divided between the more and the fewer. {26:57} And these are they that were numbered of the Levites after their families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites; of Kohas, the family of the Kohasites; of Merari, the family of the Merarites. {26:58} These are the families of Levi: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korahites. And Kohas begot Amram. {26:59} And the name of Amram's wife was Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, who was born to Levi in Egypt: and she bare unto Amram Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister. {26:60} And unto Aaron were born Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. {26:61} And Nadab

and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before Yahweh. {26:62} And they that were numbered of them were twenty and three thousand, every male from a Moon old and upward: for they were not numbered among the children of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the children of Israel. {26:63} These are they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. {26:64} But among these there was not a man of them that were numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest, who numbered the children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai. {26:65} For Yahweh had said of them, They shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was not left a man of them, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

{04}27} Numbers Chapter Twenty Seven. {27:1} Then drew near the daughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph; and these are the names of his daughters: Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah. {27:2} And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation, at the door of the tent of meeting, saying, {27:3} Our father died in the wilderness, and he was not among the company of them that gathered themselves together against Yahweh in the company of Korah: but he died in his own sin; and he had no sons. {27:4} Why should the name of our father be taken away from among his family, because he had no son? Give unto us a possession among the brethren of our father. {27:5} And Moses brought their cause before Yahweh. {27:6} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {27:7} The daughters of Zelophehad speak right: you shall surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brethren; and you shall cause the inheritance of their father to pass unto them. {27:8} And you shall speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die, and have no son, then you shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter. {27:9} And if he have no daughter, then you shall give his inheritance unto his brethren. {27:10} And if he have no brethren, then you shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren. {27:11} And if his father have no brethren, then you shall give his inheritance unto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of Israel a statute [and] ordinance, as Yahweh commanded Moses. {27:12} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Get you up into this mountain of Abarim, and behold the land which I have given unto the children of Israel. {27:13} And when you have seen it, you also shall be gathered unto your people, as Aaron your brother was gathered; {27:14} because you rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin, in the strife of the congregation, to sanctify me at the waters before their eyes. (These are the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.) {27:15} And Moses spoke unto Yahweh, saying, {27:16} Let Yahweh, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation, {27:17} who may go out before them, and who may come in before them, and who may lead them out, and who may bring them in; that the congregation of Yahweh be not as sheep which have no shepherd. {27:18} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Take you Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand upon him; {27:19} and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and give him a charge in their sight. {27:20} And you shall put of your honor upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may obey. {27:21} And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before Yahweh: at his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he, and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation. {27:22} And Moses did as Yahweh commanded him; and he took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation: {27:23} and he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as Yahweh spoke by Moses.

{04}28} Numbers Chapter Twenty Eight. {28:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {28:2} Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, My oblation, my food for my offerings made by fire, of a sweet savor unto me, shall you observe to offer unto me in their due

season. {28:3} And you shall say unto them, This is the offering made by fire which you shall offer unto Yahweh: he-lambs a year old outside blemish, two day by day, for a continual burnt-offering. {28:4} The one lamb shall you offer in the morning, and the other lamb shall you offer at even; {28:5} and the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a meal-offering, mingled with the fourth part of a hin of beaten oil. {28:6} It is a continual burnt-offering, which was ordained in mount Sinai for a sweet savor, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {28:7} And the drink-offering of it shall be the fourth part of a hin for the one lamb: in the holy place shall you pour out a drink-offering of strong drink unto Yahweh. {28:8} And the other lamb shall you offer at even: as the meal-offering of the morning, and as the drink-offering there, you shall offer it, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh. {28:9} And on the Sabbath day two he-lambs a year old outside blemish, and two tenth parts [of an ephah] of fine flour for a meal-offering, mingled with oil, and the drink-offering there: {28:10} this is the burnt-offering of every Sabbath, besides the continual burnt-offering, and the drink-offering there. {28:11} And in the beginnings of your Moons you shall offer a burnt-offering unto Yahweh: two young bulls, and one ram, seven he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {28:12} and three tenth parts [of an ephah] of fine flour for a meal-offering, mingled with oil, for each bull; and two tenth parts of fine flour for a meal-offering, mingled with oil, for the one ram; {28:13} and a tenth part of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal-offering unto every lamb; for a burnt-offering of a sweet savor, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {28:14} And their drink-offerings shall be half a hin of wine for a bull, and the third part of a hin for the ram, and the fourth part of a hin for a lamb: this is the burnt-offering of every Moon throughout the Moons of the year. {28:15} And one he-goat for a sin-offering unto Yahweh; it shall be offered besides the continual burnt-offering, and the drink-offering there. {28:16} And in the first Moon [Abib], on the fourteenth day of the Moon, is Yahweh's Passover. {28:17} And on the fifteenth day of this Moon shall be a feast: seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten. {28:18} In the first day shall be a holy convocation: you shall do no servile work; {28:19} but you shall offer an offering made by fire, a burnt-offering unto Yahweh: two young bulls, and one ram, and seven he-lambs a year old; they shall be unto you outside blemish; {28:20} and their meal-offering, fine flour mingled with oil: three tenth parts shall you offer for a bull, and two tenth parts for the ram; {28:21} a tenth part shall you offer forevery lamb of the seven lambs; {28:22} and one he-goat for a sin-offering, to make atonement for you. {28:23} you shall offer these besides the burnt-offering of the morning, which is for a continual burnt-offering. {28:24} After this manner you shall offer daily, for seven days, the food of the offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh: it shall be offered besides the continual burnt-offering, and the drink-offering there. {28:25} And on the seventh day you shall have a holy convocation: you shall do no servile work. {28:26} Also in the day of the first-fruits, when you offer a new meal-offering unto Yahweh in your [feast of] The Solar Sevens [of Sabbaton], you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work; {28:27} but you shall offer a burnt-offering for a sweet savor unto Yahweh: two young bulls, one ram, seven he-lambs a year old; {28:28} and their meal-offering, fine flour mingled with oil, three tenth parts for each bull, two tenth parts for the one ram, {28:29} a tenth part forevery lamb of the seven lambs; {28:30} one he-goat, to make atonement for you. {28:31} Besides the continual burnt-offering, and the meal-offering there, you shall offer them (they shall be unto you outside blemish), and their drink-offerings.

{o4}29} Numbers Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} And in the seventh Moon, on the first day of the Moon, you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work: it is a day of blowing of trumpets unto you. {29:2} And you shall offer a burnt-offering for a sweet savor unto Yahweh: one young bull, one ram, seven he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:3} and their meal-offering, fine flour mingled with oil, three tenth parts for the bull, two tenth parts for the ram, {29:4} and one tenth part forevery lamb of the seven lambs; {29:5} and one he-goat for a sin-offering, to make atonement for you; {29:6} besides the burnt-offering of the new moon, and the

meal-offering there, and the continual burnt-offering and the meal-offering there, and their drink-offerings, according unto their ordinance, for a sweet savor, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. {29:7} And on the tenth day of this seventh Moon you shall have a holy convocation; and you shall afflict your souls: you shall do no manner of work; {29:8} but you shall offer a burnt-offering unto Yahweh for a sweet savor: one young bull, one ram, seven he-lambs a year old; they shall be unto you outside blemish; {29:9} and their meal-offering, fine flour mingled with oil, three tenth parts for the bull, two tenth parts for the one ram, {29:10} a tenth part forevery lamb of the seven lambs: {29:11} one he-goat for a sin-offering; besides the sin-offering of atonement, and the continual burnt-offering, and the meal-offering there, and their drink-offerings. {29:12} And on the fifteenth day of the seventh Moon you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work, and you shall keep a feast unto Yahweh seven days: {29:13} and you shall offer a burnt-offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh; thirteen young bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old; they shall be outside blemish; {29:14} and their meal-offering, fine flour mingled with oil, three tenth parts forevery bull of the thirteen bulls, two tenth parts for each ram of the two rams, {29:15} and a tenth part forevery lamb of the fourteen lambs; {29:16} and one he-goat for a sin-offering, besides the continual burnt-offering, the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {29:17} And on the second day [you shall offer] twelve young bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:18} and their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; {29:19} and one he-goat for a sin-offering; besides the continual burnt-offering, and the meal-offering there, and their drink-offerings. {29:20} And on the third day eleven bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:21} and their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; {29:22} and one he-goat for a sin-offering; besides the continual burnt-offering, and the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {29:23} And on the fourth day ten bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:24} their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; {29:25} and one he-goat for a sin-offering; besides the continual burnt-offering, the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {29:26} And on the fifth day nine bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:27} and their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; {29:28} and one he-goat for a sin-offering, besides the continual burnt-offering, and the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {29:29} And on the sixth day eight bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:30} and their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; {29:31} and one he-goat for a sin-offering; besides the continual burnt-offering, the meal-offering there, and the drink-offerings there. {29:32} And on the seventh day seven bulls, two rams, fourteen he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:33} and their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; {29:34} and one he-goat for a sin-offering; besides the continual burnt-offering, the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {29:35} On the eighth day you shall have a solemn assembly: you shall do no servile work; {29:36} but you shall offer a burnt-offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto Yahweh: one bull, one ram, seven he-lambs a year old outside blemish; {29:37} their meal-offering and their drink-offerings for the bull, for the ram, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the ordinance: {29:38} and one he-goat for a sin-offering, besides the continual burnt-offering, and the meal-offering there, and the drink-offering there. {29:39} These you shall offer unto Yahweh in your set feasts, besides your vows, and your freewill-offerings, for your burnt-offerings, and for your meal-offerings, and for your drink-offerings, and for your peace-offerings. {29:40} And Moses told the children of Israel according to all that Yahweh commanded Moses.

{o4}30} Numbers Chapter Thirty. {30:1} And Moses spoke unto the heads of the tribes of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which Yahweh has commanded. {30:2} When a man vows a vow unto Yahweh, or swears an oath to bind his soul with a bond, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth. {30:3} Also when a woman vows a vow unto Yahweh, and binds herself by a bond, being in her father's house, in her youth, {30:4} and her father hears her vow, and her bond by which she has bound her soul, and her father holds his peace at her; then all her vows shall stand, and every bond by which she has bound her soul shall stand. {30:5} But if her father disallow her in the day that he hears, none of her vows, or of her bonds by which she has bound her soul, shall stand: and Yahweh will forgive her, because her father disallowed her. {30:6} And if she be [married] to a husband, while her vows are upon her, or the rash utterance of her lips, by which she has bound her soul, {30:7} and her husband hear it, and hold his peace at her in the day that he hears it; then her vows shall stand, and her bonds by which she has bound her soul shall stand. {30:8} But if her husband disallow her in the day that he hears it, then he shall make void her vow which is upon her, and the rash utterance of her lips, by which she has bound her soul: and Yahweh will forgive her. {30:9} But the vow of a widow, or of her that is divorced, [even] everything by which she has bound her soul, shall stand against her. {30:10} And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath, {30:11} and her husband heard it, and held his peace at her, and disallowed her not; then all her vows shall stand, and every bond by which she bound her soul shall stand. {30:12} But if her husband made them null and void in the day that he heard them, then whatever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband has made them void; and Yahweh will forgive her. {30:13} Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void. {30:14} But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day, then he establishes all her vows, or all her bonds, which are upon her: he has established them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard them. {30:15} But if he shall make them null and void after that he has heard them, then he shall bear her works against law. {30:16} These are the statutes, which Yahweh commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between a father and his daughter, being in her youth, in her father's house.

{o4}31} Numbers Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {31:2} Avenge the children of Israel of the Midianites: afterward shall you be gathered unto your people. {31:3} And Moses spoke unto the people, saying, Arm you men from among you for the war, that they may go against Midian, to execute Yahweh's vengeance on Midian. {31:4} Of every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall you send to the war. {31:5} So there were delivered, out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of every tribe, twelve thousand armed for war. {31:6} And Moses sent them, a thousand of every tribe, to the war, them and Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the vessels of the sanctuary and the trumpets for the alarm in his hand. {31:7} And they warred against Midian, as Yahweh commanded Moses; and they slew every male. {31:8} And they slew the kings of Midian with the rest of their slain: Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, the five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword. {31:9} And the children of Israel took captive the women of Midian and their little ones; and all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods, they took for a prey. {31:10} And all their cities in the places wherein they dwelt, and all their encampments, they burnt with fire. {31:11} And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of man and of beast. {31:12} And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and unto Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by the Jordan at Jericho. {31:13} And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them outside the camp. {31:14} And Moses was angry with the officers of the host, the captains of thousands and

the captains of hundreds, who came from the service of the war. {31:15} And Moses said unto them, Have you saved all the women alive? {31:16} Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against Yahweh in the matter of Peor, and so the plague was among the congregation of Yahweh. {31:17} Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that has known man by lying with him. {31:18} But all the women-children that have not known man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves. {31:19} And encamp you outside the camp seven days: anyone who has killed any person, and anyone who has touched any slain, purify yourselves on the third day and on the seventh day, you and your captives. {31:20} And as to every garment, and all that is made of skin, and all work of goats' [hair], and all things made of wood, you shall purify yourselves. {31:21} And Eleazar the priest said unto the men of war that went to the battle, This is the statute of the law which Yahweh has commanded Moses: {31:22} however the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead, {31:23} everything that may abide the fire, you shall make to go through the fire, and it shall be clean; nevertheless it shall be purified with the water for impurity: and all that stays not the fire you shall make to go through the water. {31:24} And you shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and you shall be clean; and afterward you shall come into the camp. {31:25} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {31:26} Take the sum of the prey that was taken, both of man and of beast, you, and Eleazar the priest, and the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the congregation; {31:27} and divide the prey into two parts: between the men skilled in war, that went out to battle, and all the congregation. {31:28} And levy a tribute unto Yahweh of the men of war that went out to battle: one soul of five hundred, [both] of the persons, and of the oxen, and of the donkeys, and of the flocks: {31:29} take it of their half, and give it unto Eleazar the priest, for Yahweh's heave-offering. {31:30} And of the children of Israel's half, you shall take one drawn out of every fifty, of the persons, of the oxen, of the donkeys, and of the flocks, [even] of all the cattle, and give them unto the Levites, that keep the charge of the tabernacle of Yahweh. {31:31} And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as Yahweh commanded Moses. {31:32} Now the prey, over and above the booty which the men of war took, was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five thousand sheep, {31:33} and seventy two thousand oxen, {31:34} and sixty one thousand donkeys, {31:35} and thirty and two thousand persons in all, of the women that had not known man by lying with him. {31:36} And the half, which was the portion of them that went out to war, was in number three hundred thousand and thirty thousand and seven thousand and five hundred sheep: {31:37} and Yahweh's tribute of the sheep was six hundred and seventy five. {31:38} And the oxen were thirty and six thousand; of which Yahweh's tribute was seventy two. {31:39} And the donkeys were thirty thousand and five hundred; of which Yahweh's tribute was sixty one. {31:40} And the persons were sixteen thousand; of whom Yahweh's tribute was thirty and two persons. {31:41} And Moses gave the tribute, which was Yahweh's heave-offering, unto Eleazar the priest, as Yahweh commanded Moses. {31:42} And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses divided off from the men that warred {31:43} (now the congregation's half was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand, seven thousand and five hundred sheep, {31:44} and thirty and six thousand oxen, {31:45} and thirty thousand and five hundred donkeys, {31:46} and sixteen thousand persons), {31:47} even of the children of Israel's half, Moses took one drawn out of every fifty, both of man and of beast, and gave them unto the Levites, that kept the charge of the tabernacle of Yahweh; as Yahweh commanded Moses. {31:48} And the officers that were over the thousands of the host, the captains of thousands, and the captains of hundreds, came near unto Moses; {31:49} and they said unto Moses, Your servants have taken the sum of the men of war that are under our charge, and there lacks not one man of us. {31:50} And we have brought Yahweh's oblation, whatever man has gotten, of jewels of gold, ankle-chains, and bracelets, signet-rings, ear-rings, and armlets, to make atonement for our souls before Yahweh. {31:51} And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, even all wrought jewels. {31:52} And all the gold of the heave-offering that they offered up to Yahweh, of the captains of thousands, and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen

thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels. {31:53} ([For] the men of war had taken booty, every man for himself.) {31:54} And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the tent of meeting, for a memorial for the children of Israel before Yahweh.

{04}32} Numbers Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} Now the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle: and when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place was a place for cattle; {32:2} the children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spoke unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying, {32:3} Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Sebam, and Nebo, and Beon, {32:4} the land which Yahweh smote before the congregation of Israel, is a land for cattle; and your servants have cattle. {32:5} And they said, If we have found favor in your sight, let this land be given unto your servants for a possession; bring us not over the Jordan. {32:6} And Moses said unto the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, shall your brethren go to the war, and shall you sit here? {32:7} And Therefore discourage you the heart of the children of Israel from going over into the land which Yahweh has given them? {32:8} Thus did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to see the land. {32:9} For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which Yahweh had given them. {32:10} And Yahweh's anger was kindled in that day, and he swore, saying, {32:11} Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I swore unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly followed me: {32:12} save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite, and Joshua the son of Nun; because they have wholly followed Yahweh. {32:13} And Yahweh's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander to and fro in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done evil in the sight of Yahweh, was consumed. {32:14} And, behold, you are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of Yahweh toward Israel. {32:15} For if you turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and you will destroy all this people. {32:16} And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones: {32:17} but we ourselves will be ready armed to go before the children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fortified cities because of the inhabitants of the land. {32:18} We will not return unto our houses, until the children of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance. {32:19} For we will not inherit with them on the other side of the Jordan, and forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side of the Jordan eastward. {32:20} And Moses said unto them, If you will do this thing, if you will arm yourselves to go before Yahweh to the war, {32:21} and every armed man of you will pass over the Jordan before Yahweh, until he has driven out his enemies from before him, {32:22} and the land is subdued before Yahweh; then afterward you shall return, and be guiltless towards Yahweh, and towards Israel; and this land shall be unto you for a possession before Yahweh. {32:23} But if you will not do so, behold, you have sinned against Yahweh; and be sure your sin will find you out. {32:24} Build you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which has proceeded out of your mouth. {32:25} And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spoke unto Moses, saying, Your servants will do as my lord commands. {32:26} Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead; {32:27} but your servants will pass over, every man that is armed for war, before Yahweh to battle, as my lord said. {32:28} So Moses gave charge concerning them to Eleazar the priest, and to Joshua the son of Nun, and to the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the tribes of the children of Israel. {32:29} And Moses said unto them, If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over the Jordan, every man that is armed to battle, before Yahweh, and the land shall be subdued before you; then you shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession: {32:30} but if

they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan. {32:31} And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered, saying, As Yahweh has said unto your servants, so will we do. {32:32} We will pass over armed before Yahweh into the land of Canaan, and the possession of our inheritance [shall remain] with us beyond the Jordan. {32:33} And Moses gave unto them, even to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto the half-tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land, according to the cities of it with [their] borders, even the cities of the land round about. {32:34} And the children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer, {32:35} and Atrothshophan, and Jazer, and Jogbehah, {32:36} and Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran: fortified cities, and folds for sheep. {32:37} And the children of Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kiriathaim, {32:38} and Nebo, and Baal-meon, (their names being changed,) and Sibmah: and they gave other names unto the cities which they built. {32:39} And the children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and dispossessed the Amorites that were therein. {32:40} And Moses gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he lived therein. {32:41} And Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the towns there, and called them Havvoth-jair. {32:42} And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the villages there, and called it Nobah, after his own name

{o4}33} Numbers Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} These are the journeys of the children of Israel, when they went forth out of the land of Egypt by their hosts under the hand of Moses and Aaron. {33:2} And Moses wrote their goings out according to their journeys by the commandment of Yahweh: and these are their journeys according to their goings out. {33:3} And they journeyed from Rameses in the first Moon [Abib], on the fifteenth day of the first Moon [Abib]; on the morrow after the Passover the children of Israel went out with a high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians, {33:4} while the Egyptians were burying all their first-born, whom Yahweh had smitten among them: upon their gods also Yahweh executed judgments. {33:5} And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses, and encamped in Succoth. {33:6} And they journeyed from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, which is in the edge of the wilderness. {33:7} And they journeyed from Etham, and turned back unto Pihahiroth, which is before Baal-zephon: and they encamped before Migdol. {33:8} And they journeyed from before Hahiroth, and passed through the midst of the sea into the wilderness: and they went three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and encamped in Marah. {33:9} And they journeyed from Marah, and came unto Elim: and in Elim were twelve springs of water, and seventy palm-trees; and they encamped there. {33:10} And they journeyed from Elim, and encamped by the Red Sea. {33:11} And they journeyed from the Red Sea, and encamped in the wilderness of Sin. {33:12} And they journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in Dophkah. {33:13} And they journeyed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush. {33:14} And they journeyed from Alush, and encamped in Rephidim, where was no water for the people to drink. {33:15} And they journeyed from Rephidim, and encamped in the wilderness of Sinai. {33:16} And they journeyed from the wilderness of Sinai, and encamped in Kibroth-hattaavah. {33:17} And they journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and encamped in Hazeroth. {33:18} And they journeyed from Hazeroth, and encamped in Rithmah. {33:19} And they journeyed from Rithmah, and encamped in Rimmon-perez. {33:20} And they journeyed from Rimmon-perez, and encamped in Libnah. {33:21} And they journeyed from Libnah, and encamped in Rissah. {33:22} And they journeyed from Rissah, and encamped in Kehelathah. {33:23} And they journeyed from Kehelathah, and encamped in mount Shepher. {33:24} And they journeyed from mount Shepher, and encamped in Haradah. {33:25} And they journeyed from Haradah, and encamped in Makheloth. {33:26} And they journeyed from Makheloth, and encamped in Tahas. {33:27} And they journeyed from Tahas, and encamped in Terah. {33:28} And they journeyed from Terah, and encamped in Mithkah. {33:29} And they journeyed from Mithkah, and encamped in Hashmonah. {33:30} And they journeyed from Hashmonah, and encamped in Moseroth. {33:31} And they journeyed from

Moseroth, and encamped in Bene-jaakan. {33:32} And they journeyed from Bene-jaakan, and encamped in Hor-haggidgad. {33:33} And they journeyed from Hor-haggidgad, and encamped in Jotbathah. {33:34} And they journeyed from Jotbathah, and encamped in Abronah. {33:35} And they journeyed from Abronah, and encamped in Ezion-geber. {33:36} And they journeyed from Ezion-geber, and encamped in the wilderness of Zin (the same is Kadesh). {33:37} And they journeyed from Kadesh, and encamped in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom. {33:38} And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment of Yahweh, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fifth Moon, on the first day of the Moon. {33:39} And Aaron was a hundred and twenty and three years old when he died in mount Hor. {33:40} And the Canaanite, the king of Arad, who lived in the South in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the children of Israel. {33:41} And they journeyed from mount Hor, and encamped in Zalmonah. {33:42} And they journeyed from Zalmonah, and encamped in Punon. {33:43} And they journeyed from Punon, and encamped in Oboth. {33:44} And they journeyed from Oboth, and encamped in Iyou-abarim, in the border of Moab. {33:45} And they journeyed from Iyim, and encamped in Dibon-gad. {33:46} And they journeyed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim. {33:47} And they journeyed from Almon-diblathaim, and encamped in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo. {33:48} And they journeyed from the mountains of Abarim, and encamped in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. {33:49} And they encamped by the Jordan, from Beth-jeshimoth even unto Abel-shittim in the plains of Moab. {33:50} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, {33:51} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan, {33:52} then you shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their figured [stones], and destroy all their molten images, and demolish all their high places: {33:53} and you shall take possession of the land, and dwell therein; for unto you have I given the land to possess it. {33:54} And you shall inherit the land by lot according to your families; to the more you shall give the more inheritance, and to the fewer you shall give the less inheritance: where so ever the lot falls to any man, that shall be his; according to the tribes of your fathers shall you inherit. {33:55} But if you will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then shall those that you let remain of them be as pricks in your eyes, and as thorns in your sides, and they shall vex you in the land wherein you dwell. {33:56} And it shall come to pass, that, as I thought to do unto them, so will I do unto you.

{o4}34} Numbers Chapter Thirty Four. {34:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {34:2} Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you come into the land of Canaan (this is the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance, even the land of Canaan according to the borders there), {34:3} then your south quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the side of Edom, and your south border shall be from the end of the Salt Sea eastward; {34:4} and your border shall turn about southward of the ascent of Akrabbim, and pass along to Zin; and the goings out there shall be southward of Kadesh-barnea; and it shall go forth to Hazar-addar, and pass along to Azmon; {34:5} and the border shall turn about from Azmon unto the brook of Egypt, and the goings out there shall be at the sea. {34:6} And for the wEsthern border, you shall have the great sea and the border [there]: this shall be your west border. {34:7} And this shall be your north border: from the great sea you shall mark out for you mount Hor; {34:8} from mount Hor you shall mark out unto the entrance of Hamath; and the goings out of the border shall be at Zedad; {34:9} and the border shall go forth to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shall be at Hazar-enan: this shall be your north border. {34:10} And you shall mark out your east border from Hazar-enan to Shepham; {34:11} and the border shall go down from Shepham to Riblah, on the east side of Ain; and the border shall go down, and shall reach unto the side of the sea of Chinnereth eastward; {34:12} and the border shall go down to the Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at the Salt Sea. This shall be your land according to

the borders there round about. {34:13} And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, This is the land which you shall inherit by lot, which Yahweh has commanded to give unto the nine tribes, and to the half-tribe; {34:14} for the tribe of the children of Reuben according to their fathers' houses, and the tribe of the children of Gad according to their fathers' houses, have received, and the half-tribe of Manasseh have received, their inheritance: {34:15} the two tribes and the half-tribe have received their inheritance beyond the Jordan at Jericho eastward, toward the sun rising. {34:16} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {34:17} These are the names of the men that shall divide the land unto you for inheritance: Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun. {34:18} And you shall take one prince of every tribe, to divide the land for inheritance. {34:19} And these are the names of the men: Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh. {34:20} And of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud. {34:21} Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon. {34:22} And of the tribe of the children of Dan a prince, Bukki the son of Jogli. {34:23} Of the children of Joseph: of the tribe of the children of Manasseh a prince, Hanniel the son of Ephod. {34:24} And of the tribe of the children of Ephraim a prince, Kemuel the son of Shiphtan. {34:25} And of the tribe of the children of Zebulun a prince, Elizaphan the son of Parnach. {34:26} And of the tribe of the children of Issachar a prince, Paltiel the son of Azzan. {34:27} And of the tribe of the children of Asher a prince, Ahihud the son of Shelomi. {34:28} And of the tribe of the children of Naphtali a prince, Pedahel the son of Ammihud. {34:29} These are they whom Yahweh commanded to divide the inheritance unto the children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

{04}35} Numbers Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, {35:2} Command the children of Israel, that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession cities to dwell in; and suburbs for the cities round about them shall you give unto the Levites. {35:3} And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and their suburbs shall be for their cattle, and for their substance, and for all their beasts. {35:4} And the suburbs of the cities, which you shall give unto the Levites, shall be from the wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about. {35:5} And you shall measure outside the city for the east side two thousand cubits, and for the south side two thousand cubits, and for the west side two thousand cubits, and for the north side two thousand cubits, the city being in the midst. This shall be to them the suburbs of the cities. {35:6} And the cities which you shall give unto the Levites, they shall be the six cities of refuge, which you shall give for the man slayer to flee unto: and besides them you shall give forty and two cities. {35:7} All the cities which you shall give to the Levites shall be forty and eight cities; them [shall you give] with their suburbs. {35:8} And concerning the cities which you shall give of the possession of the children of Israel, from the many you shall take many; and from the few you shall take few: everyone according to his inheritance which he inherits shall give of his cities unto the Levites. {35:9} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses, saying, {35:10} Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan, {35:11} then you shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you, that the man slayer that kills any person unwittingly may flee there. {35:12} And the cities shall be unto you for refuge from the avenger, that the man slayer die not, until he stand before the congregation for judgment. {35:13} And the cities which you shall give shall be for you six cities of refuge. {35:14} you shall give three cities beyond the Jordan, and three cities shall you give in the land of Canaan; they shall be cities of refuge. {35:15} For the children of Israel, and for the stranger and for the alien among them, shall these six cities be for refuge; that everyone that kills any person unwittingly may flee there. {35:16} But if he smote him with an instrument of iron, so that he died, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death. {35:17} And if he smite him with a stone in the hand, whereby a man may die, and he died, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death. {35:18} Or if he smite him with a weapon of wood in the hand, whereby a man may die, and he died, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death. {35:19} The avenger of blood shall himself put the

murderer to death: when he meets him, he shall put him to death. {35:20} And if he thrust him of hatred, or hurled at him, lying in wait, so that he died, {35:21} or in enmity defeated him with his hand, so that he died; he that smote him shall surely be put to death; he is a murderer: the avenger of blood shall put the murderer to death, when he meets him. {35:22} But if he thrust him suddenly outside enmity, or hurled upon him anything outside lying in wait, {35:23} or with any stone, whereby a man may die, seeing him not, and cast it upon him, so that he died, and he was not his enemy, neither sought his harm; {35:24} then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the avenger of blood according to these ordinances; {35:25} and the congregation shall deliver the man slayer out of the hand of the avenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to his city of refuge, where he was fled: and he shall dwell therein until the death of the high priest, who was anointed with the holy oil. {35:26} But if the man slayer shall at any time go beyond the border of his city of refuge, where he fled, {35:27} and the avenger of blood find him outside the border of his city of refuge, and the avenger of blood slay the man slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood, {35:28} because he should have remained in his city of refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the man slayer shall return into the land of his possession. {35:29} And these things shall be for a statute [and] ordinance unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings. {35:30} Who so kills any person, the murderer shall be slain at the mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person that he die. {35:31} Also, you shall take no ransom for the life of a murderer, that is guilty of death; but he shall surely be put to death. {35:32} And you shall take no ransom for him that is fled to his city of refuge, that he may come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest. {35:33} So you shall not pollute the land wherein you are: for blood, it pollutes the land; and no expiation can be made for the land for the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed it. {35:34} And you shall not defile the land which you inhabit, in the midst of which I dwell: for I, Yahweh, dwell in the midst of the children of Israel.

{04}36} Numbers Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} And the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the family of the children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spoke before Moses, and before the princes, the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the children of Israel: {36:2} and they said, Yahweh commanded my lord to give the land for inheritance by lot to the children of Israel: and my lord was commanded by Yahweh to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters. {36:3} And if they be married to any of the sons of the [other] tribes of the children of Israel, then will their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of our fathers, and will be added to the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they shall belong: so will it be taken away from the lot of our inheritance. {36:4} And when the jubilee of the children of Israel shall be, then will their inheritance be added unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they shall belong: so will their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers. {36:5} And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of Yahweh, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph speak right. {36:6} This is the thing which Yahweh does command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, Let them be married to whom they think best; only into the family of the tribe of their father shall they be married. {36:7} So shall no inheritance of the children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe; for the children of Israel shall cleave everyone to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers. {36:8} And every daughter, that possesses an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel, shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may possess every man the inheritance of his fathers. {36:9} So shall no inheritance remove from one tribe to another tribe; for the tribes of the children of Israel shall cleave everyone to his own inheritance. {36:10} Even as Yahweh commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad: {36:11} for Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married unto their father's brothers' sons. {36:12} They were married into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph; and their inheritance

remained in the tribe of the family of their father. {36:13} These are the commandments and the ordinances which Yahweh commanded by Moses unto the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho.

The Book Of Deuteronomy

{05}1} Deuteronomy Chapter One. {1:1} These are the words which Moses spoke unto all Israel beyond the Jordan in the wilderness, in the Arabah over against Suph, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Di-zahab. {1:2} It is eleven days' [journey] from Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadesh-barnea. {1:3} And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh moon, on the first day of the moon, that Moses spoke unto the children of Israel, according unto all that Yahweh had given him in commandment unto them; {1:4} after he had smitten Sihon the king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who lived in Ashtaroth, at Edrei. {1:5} Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying, {1:6} Yahweh our God spoke unto us in Horeb, saying, you have lived long enough in this mountain: {1:7} turn you, and take your journey, and go to the hill-country of the Amorites, and unto all [the places] near thereunto, in the Arabah, in the hill-country, and in the lowland, and in the South, and by the sea-shore, the land of the Canaanites, and Lebanon, as far as the great river, the river Euphrates. {1:8} Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which Yahweh swore unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them. {1:9} And I spoke unto you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone: {1:10} Yahweh your God has multiplied you, and, behold, you are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude. {1:11} Yahweh, the God of your fathers, make you a thousand times as many as you are, and bless you, as he has promised you! {1:12} How can I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife? {1:13} Take you wise men, and understanding, and known, according to your tribes, and I will make them heads over you. {1:14} And you answered me, and said, The thing which you have spoken is good [for us] to do. {1:15} So I took the heads of your tribes, wise men, and known, and made them heads over you, captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds, and captains of fifties, and captains of tens, and officers, according to your tribes. {1:16} And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear [the causes] between your brethren, and judge lawful works between a man and his brother, and the alien that is with him. {1:17} you shall not respect persons in judgment; you shall hear the small and the great alike; you shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you then you shall bring unto me, and I will hear it. {1:18} And I commanded you at that time all the things which you should do. {1:19} And we journeyed from Horeb, and went through all that great and terrible wilderness which you saw, by the way to the hill-country of the Amorites, as Yahweh our God commanded us; and we came to Kadesh-barnea. {1:20} And I said unto you, you are come unto the hill-country of the Amorites, which Yahweh our God gives unto us. {1:21} Behold, Yahweh your God has set the land before you: go up, take possession, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has spoken unto you; fear not, neither be dismayed. {1:22} And you came near unto me everyone of you, and said, Let us send men before us, that they may search the land for us, and bring us word again of the way by which we must go up, and the cities unto which we shall come. {1:23} And the thing pleased me well; and I took twelve men of you, one man forevery tribe: {1:24} and they turned and went up into the hill-country, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and spied it out. {1:25} And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, It is a good land which Yahweh our God gives unto us. {1:26} yet you would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of Yahweh your God: {1:27} and you murmured in your tents, and said, Because Yahweh hated us, he has brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us. {1:28} Where are we going up? our brethren have made our heart to melt, saying, The people are greater and taller than we; the cities are great and fortified up to heaven; and we also have seen the sons of the Anakim there. {1:29} Then I said

unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them. {1:30} Yahweh your God who goes before you, he will fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes, {1:31} and in the wilderness, where you have seen how that Yahweh your God bare you, as a man does bear his son, in all the way that you went, until you came unto this place. {1:32} yet in this thing you did not believe Yahweh your God, {1:33} who went before you in the way, to seek you out a place to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to show you by what way you should go, and in the cloud by day. {1:34} And Yahweh heard the voice of your words, and was angry, and swore, saying, {1:35} Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see the good land, which I swore to give unto your fathers, {1:36} save Caleb the son of Jephunneh: he shall see it; and to him will I give the land that he has trodden upon, and to his children, because he has wholly followed Yahweh. {1:37} Also Yahweh was angry with me for your sakes, saying, you also shall not go in there: {1:38} Joshua the son of Nun, who stands before you, he shall go in there: encourage you him; for he shall cause Israel to inherit it. {1:39} Also, your little ones, that you said should be a prey, and your children, that this day have no knowledge of good or evil, they shall go in there, and unto them will I give it, and they shall possess it. {1:40} But as for you, turn you, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea. {1:41} Then you answered and said unto me, We have sinned against Yahweh, we will go up and fight, according to all that Yahweh our God commanded us. And you girded on every man his weapons of war, and were forward to go up into the hill-country. {1:42} And Yahweh said unto me, Say unto them, Go not up, neither fight; for I am not among you; lest you be smitten before your enemies. {1:43} So I spoke unto you, and you heard not; but you rebelled against the commandment of Yahweh, and were presumptuous, and went up into the hill-country. {1:44} And the Amorites, that lived in that hill-country, came out against you, and chased you, as bees do, and beat you down in Seir, even unto Hormah. {1:45} And you returned and wept before Yahweh; but Yahweh heard not to your voice, nor gave ear unto you. {1:46} So you abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that you abode [there].

{05}2} Deuteronomy Chapter Two. {2:1} Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea, as Yahweh spoke unto me; and we encircled mount Seir many days. {2:2} And Yahweh spoke unto me, saying, {2:3} you have around this mountain long enough: turn you northward. {2:4} And command you the people, saying, you are to pass through the border of your brethren the children of Esau, that dwell in Seir; and they will be afraid of you: take you good heed unto yourselves therefore; {2:5} contend not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as for the sole of the foot to tread on; because I have given mount Seir unto Esau for a possession. {2:6} you shall purchase food of them for money, that you may eat; and you shall also buy water of them for money, that you may drink. {2:7} For Yahweh your God has blessed you in all the work of your hand; he has known your walking through this great wilderness: these forty years Yahweh your God has been with you; you have lacked nothing. {2:8} So we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau, that dwell in Seir, from the way of the Arabah from Elath and from Ezion-geber. And we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab. {2:9} And Yahweh said unto me, Vex not Moab, neither contend with them in battle; for I will not give you of his land for a possession; because I have given Ar unto the children of Lot for a possession. {2:10} (The Emim lived therein times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakim: {2:11} these also are accounted Rephaim, as the Anakim; but the Moabites call them Emim. {2:12} The Horites also lived in Seir, but the children of Esau succeeded them; and they destroyed them from before them, and lived in their stead; as Israel did unto the land of his possession, which Yahweh gave unto them.) {2:13} Now rise up, and get you over the brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered. {2:14} And the days in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, were thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were consumed from the midst of the camp, as Yahweh swore unto them. {2:15} Also the hand of Yahweh was against them, to destroy them from the

midst of the camp, until they were consumed. {2:16} So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people, {2:17} that Yahweh spoke unto me, saying, {2:18} you are this day to pass over Ar, the border of Moab: {2:19} and when you come near over against the children of Ammon, vex them not, nor contend with them; for I will not give you of the land of the children of Ammon for a possession; because I have given it unto the children of Lot for a possession. {2:20} (That also is accounted a land of Rephaim: Rephaim lived therein times past; but the Ammonites call them Zamzummim, {2:21} a people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakim; but Yahweh destroyed them before them; and they succeeded them, and lived in their stead; {2:22} as he did for the children of Esau, that dwell in Seir, when he destroyed the Horites from before them; and they succeeded them, and lived in their stead even unto this day: {2:23} and the Avvim, that lived in villages as far as Gaza, the Caphtorim, that came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and lived in their stead.) {2:24} Rise you up, take your journey, and pass over the valley of the Arnon: behold, I have given into your hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land; begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle. {2:25} This day will I begin to put the dread of you and the fear of you upon the peoples that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear the report of you, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of you. {2:26} And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying, {2:27} Let me pass through your land: I will go along by the highway, I will turn neither unto the right hand nor to the left. {2:28} you shall sell me food for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only let me pass through on my feet, {2:29} as the children of Esau that dwell in Seir, and the Moabites that dwell in Ar, did unto me; until I shall pass over the Jordan into the land which Yahweh our God gives us. {2:30} But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him; for Yahweh your God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into your hand, as at this day. {2:31} And Yahweh said unto me, Behold, I have begun to deliver up Sihon and his land before you: begin to possess, that you may inherit his land. {2:32} Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, unto battle at Jahaz. {2:33} And Yahweh our God delivered him up before us; and we defeated him, and his sons, and all his people. {2:34} And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed every inhabited city, with the women and the little ones; we left none remaining: {2:35} only the cattle we took for a prey unto ourselves, with the spoil of the cities which we had taken. {2:36} From Aroer, which is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, and [from] the city that is in the valley, even unto Gilead, there was not a city too high for us; Yahweh our God delivered up all before us: {2:37} only to the land of the children of Ammon you came not near; all the side of the river Jabbok, and the cities of the hill-country, and where so ever Yahweh our God forbade us.

{05}3} Deuteronomy Chapter Three. {3:1} Then we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, unto battle at Edrei. {3:2} And Yahweh said unto me, Fear him not; for I have delivered him, and all his people, and his land, into your hand; and you shall do unto him as you did unto Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon. {3:3} So Yahweh our God delivered into our hand Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people: and we defeated him until none was left to him remaining. {3:4} And we took all his cities at that time; there was not a city which we took not from them; sixty cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan. {3:5} All these were cities fortified with high walls, gates, and bars; besides the towns without walls a great many. {3:6} And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly destroying every inhabited city, with the women and the little ones. {3:7} But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a prey unto ourselves. {3:8} And we took the land at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites that were beyond the Jordan, from the valley of the Arnon unto mount Hermon; {3:9} ([which] Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion, and the Amorites call it Senir); {3:10} all the cities of the plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salecah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of

Og in Bashan. {3:11} (For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of the Rephaim; behold, his bedstead was a bedstead of iron; is it not in Rabbah of the children of Ammon? nine cubits was the length there, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.) {3:12} And this land we took in possession at that time: from Aroer, which is by the valley of the Arnon, and half the hill-country of Gilead, and the cities there, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites: {3:13} and the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, gave I unto the half-tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, even all Bashan. (The same is called the land of Rephaim. {3:14} Jair the son of Manasseh took all the region of Argob, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites, and called them, even Bashan, after his own name, Havvoth-jair, unto this day.) {3:15} And I gave Gilead unto Machir. {3:16} And unto the Reubenites and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the valley of the Arnon, the middle of the valley, and the border [there], even unto the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon; {3:17} the Arabah also, and the Jordan and the border [there], from Chinnereth even unto the sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, under the slopes of Pishgah eastward. {3:18} And I commanded you at that time, saying, Yahweh your God has given you this land to possess it: you shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all the men of valor. {3:19} But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (I know that you have much cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you, {3:20} until Yahweh give rest unto your brethren, as unto you, and they also possess the land which Yahweh your God gives them beyond the Jordan: then shall you return every man unto his possession, which I have given you. {3:21} And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, your eyes have seen all that Yahweh your God has done unto these two kings: so shall Yahweh do unto all the kingdoms where you go over. {3:22} you shall not fear them; for Yahweh your God, he it is that fights for you. {3:23} And I beg Yahweh at that time, saying, {3:24} O Lord Yahweh, you have begun to show your servant your greatness, and your strong hand: for what god is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to your works, and according to your mighty acts? {3:25} Let me go over, I pray you, and see the good land that is beyond the Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon. {3:26} But Yahweh was angry with me for your sakes, and heard not unto me; and Yahweh said unto me, Let it suffice you; speak no more unto me of this matter. {3:27} Get you up unto the top of Pishgah, and lift up your eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold with your eyes: for you shall not go over this Jordan. {3:28} But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him; for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which you shall see. {3:29} So we abode in the valley over against Beth-peor.

{05}4} Deuteronomy Chapter Four. {4:1} And now, O Israel, hear unto the statutes and unto the ordinances, which I teach you, to do them; that you may live, and go in and possess the land which Yahweh, the God of your fathers, gives you. {4:2} you shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall you diminish from it, that you may keep the commandments of Yahweh your God which I command you. {4:3} Your eyes have seen what Yahweh did because of Baal-peor; for all the men that followed Baal-peor, Yahweh your God has destroyed them from the midst of you. {4:4} But you that did cleave unto Yahweh your God are alive everyone of you this day. {4:5} Behold, I have taught you statutes and ordinances, even as Yahweh my God commanded me, that you should do so in the midst of the land wherever you go in to possess it. {4:6} Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, that shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. {4:7} For what great nation is there, that has a god so near unto them, as Yahweh our God is when so ever we call upon him? {4:8} And what great nation is there, that has statutes and ordinances so lawful works as all this law, which I set before you this day? {4:9} Only take heed to yourself, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things which your eyes saw, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life; but make them known unto your children and your children's children; {4:10} the day that you stood before

Yahweh your God in Horeb, when Yahweh said unto me, Ekklesia me and hold an assembly of the people, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children. {4:11} And you came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the heart of heaven, with darkness, cloud, and thick darkness. {4:12} And Yahweh spoke unto you out of the midst of the fire: you heard the voice of words, but you saw no form; only [you heard] a voice. {4:13} And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even the ten commandments; and he wrote them upon two tables of stone. {4:14} And Yahweh commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and ordinances, that you might do them in the land where you go over to possess it. {4:15} Take you therefore good heed unto yourselves; for you saw no manner of form on the day that Yahweh spoke unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire. {4:16} Lest you corrupt yourselves, and make you a graven image in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female, {4:17} the likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the heavens, {4:18} the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water under the earth; {4:19} and lest you lift up your eyes unto heaven, and when you see the sun and the moon and the stars, even all the host of heaven, you be drawn away and worship them, and serve them, which Yahweh your God has allotted unto all the peoples under the whole heaven. {4:20} But Yahweh has taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be unto him a people of inheritance, as at this day. {4:21} Furthermore Yahweh was angry with me for your sakes, and swore that I should not go over the Jordan, and that I should not go in unto that good land, which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance: {4:22} but I must die in this land, I must not go over the Jordan; but you shall go over, and possess that good land. {4:23} Take heed unto yourselves, lest you forget the covenant of Yahweh your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image in the form of anything which Yahweh your God has forbidden you. {4:24} For Yahweh your God is a devouring fire, a jealous God. {4:25} When you shall beget children, and children's children, and you shall have been long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves, and make a graven image in the form of anything, and shall do that which is evil in the sight of Yahweh your God, to provoke him to anger; {4:26} I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that you shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto you go over the Jordan to possess it; you shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed. {4:27} And Yahweh will scatter you among the peoples, and you shall be left few in number among the nations, where Yahweh shall lead you away. {4:28} And there you shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell. {4:29} But from there you shall seek Yahweh your God, and you shall find him, when you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul. {4:30} When you are in tribulation, and all these things are come upon you, in the latter days you shall return to Yahweh your God, and hear unto his voice: {4:31} for Yahweh your God is a merciful God; he will not fail you, neither destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers which he swore unto them. {4:32} For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and from the one end of heaven unto the other, whether there has been [any such thing] as this great thing is, or has been heard like it? {4:33} Did ever a people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and live? {4:34} Or has any God tired to go and take him a nation from the midst of [another] nation, by trials, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by an outstretched arm, and by great terrors, according to all that Yahweh your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? {4:35} Unto you it was showed, that you might know that Yahweh he is God; there is none else besides him. {4:36} Out of heaven he made you to hear his voice, that he might instruct you: and upon earth he made you to see his great fire; and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire. {4:37} And because he agape loved your fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought you out with his presence, with his great power, out of Egypt; {4:38} to drive out nations from before you greater and mightier than you,

to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as at this day. {4:39} Know therefore this day, and lay it to your heart, that Yahweh he is God in heaven above and upon the earth beneath; there is none else. {4:40} And you shall keep his statutes, and his commandments, which I command you this day, that it may go well with you, and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land, which Yahweh your God gives you, forever. {4:41} Then Moses set apart three cities beyond the Jordan toward the sun rising; {4:42} that the man slayer might flee there, that slays his neighbor unawares, and hated him not in time past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities he might live: {4:43} [namely], Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, for the Reubenites; and Ramoth in Gilead, for the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, for the Manassites. {4:44} And this is the law which Moses set before the children of Israel: {4:45} these are the testimonies, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which Moses spoke unto the children of Israel, when they came forth out of Egypt, {4:46} beyond the Jordan, in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel defeated, when they came forth out of Egypt. {4:47} And they took his land in possession, and the land of Og king of Bashan, the two kings of the Amorites, who were beyond the Jordan toward the sun rising; {4:48} from Aroer, which is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, even unto mount Sion (the same is Hermon), {4:49} and all the Arabah beyond the Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the Arabah, under the slopes of Pisgah.

{o5}5} Deuteronomy Chapter Five. {5:1} And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the ordinances which I speak in your ears this day, that you may learn them, and observe to do them. {5:2} Yahweh our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. {5:3} Yahweh made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day. {5:4} Yahweh spoke with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire, {5:5} (I stood between Yahweh and you at that time, to show you the word of Yahweh: for you were afraid because of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying, {5:6} I am Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. {5:7} you shall have no other gods before me. {5:8} you shall not make unto you a graven image, [nor] any likeness [of anything] that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: {5:9} you shall not bow down yourself unto them, nor serve them; for I, Yahweh, your God, am a jealous God, visiting the works against law of the fathers upon the children, and upon the third and upon the fourth generation of them that hate me; {5:10} and I show agape loving kindness unto thousands of them that agape love me and keep my commandments. {5:11} you shall not take the name of Yahweh your God in vain: for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that takes his name in vain.

{5:12} Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as Yahweh your God commanded you. {5:13} Six days shall you labor, and do all your work; {5:14} but the seventh day is a Sabbath unto Yahweh your God: [in it] you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your man-servant, nor your maid-servant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your cattle, nor your stranger that is within your gates; that your man-servant and your maid-servant may rest as well as you. {5:15} And you shall remember that you was a servant in the land of Egypt, and Yahweh your God brought you out there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm: therefore Yahweh your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

{5:16} Honor your father and your mother, as Yahweh your God commanded you; that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you, in the land which Yahweh your God gives you. {5:17} you shall not kill. {5:18} Neither shall you commit adultery. {5:19} Neither shall you steal. {5:20} Neither shall you bear false witness against your neighbor. {5:21} Neither shall you covet your neighbor's wife; neither shall you desire your neighbor's house, his field, or his man-servant, or his maid-servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's. {5:22} These words Yahweh spoke unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no

more. And he wrote them upon two tables of stone, and gave them unto me. {5:23} And it came to pass, when you heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, while the mountain was burning with fire, that you came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; {5:24} and you said, Behold, Yahweh our God has showed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God does speak with man, and he lives. {5:25} Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we hear the voice of Yahweh our God any more, then we shall die. {5:26} For who is there of all flesh, that has heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have, and lived ? {5:27} Go you near, and hear all that Yahweh our God shall say: and speak you unto us all that Yahweh our God shall speak unto you; and we will hear it, and do it. {5:28} And Yahweh heard the voice of your words, when you spoke unto me; and Yahweh said unto me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken unto you: they have well said all that they have spoken. {5:29} Oh that there were such a heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever! {5:30} Go say to them, Return you to your tents. {5:31} But as for you, stand you here by me, and I will speak unto you all the commandment, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which you shall teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it. {5:32} you shall observe to do therefore as Yahweh your God has commanded you: you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. {5:33} you shall walk in all the way which Yahweh your God has commanded you, that you may live, and that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you shall possess.

{o5}6} Deuteronomy Chapter Six. {6:1} Now this is the commandment, the statutes, and the ordinances, which Yahweh your God commanded to teach you, that you might do them in the land where you go over to possess it; {6:2} that you might fear Yahweh your God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, you, and your son, and your son's son, all the days of your life; and that your days may be prolonged. {6:3} Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with you, and that you may increase mightily, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has promised unto you, in a land flowing with milk and honey. {6:4} Hear, O Israel: Yahweh our God is one Yahweh: {6:5} and you shall agape love Yahweh your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. {6:6} And these words, which I command you this day, shall be upon your heart; {6:7} and you shall teach them diligently unto your children, and shall talk of them when you sits in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up. {6:8} And you shall bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. {6:9} And you shall write them upon the door-posts of your house, and upon your gates. {6:10} And it shall be, when Yahweh your God shall bring you into the land which he swore unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you, great and goodly cities, which you build not, {6:11} and houses full of all good things, which you filled not, and cisterns hewn out, which you hewed not, vineyards and olive-trees, which you planted not, and you shall eat and be full; {6:12} then beware lest you forget Yahweh, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. {6:13} you shall fear Yahweh your God; and him shall you serve, and shall swear by his name. {6:14} you shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the peoples that are round about you; {6:15} for Yahweh your God in the midst of you is a jealous God; lest the anger of Yahweh your God be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth. {6:16} you shall not tempt Yahweh your God, as you tempted him in Massah. {6:17} you shall diligently keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he has commanded you. {6:18} And you shall do that which is right and good in the sight of Yahweh; that it may be well with you, and that you may go in and possess the good land which Yahweh swore unto your fathers, {6:19} to thrust out all your enemies from before you, as Yahweh has spoken. {6:20} When your son asks you in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies,

and the statutes, and the ordinances, which Yahweh our God has commanded you? {6:21} then you shall say unto your son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt: and Yahweh brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand; {6:22} and Yahweh showed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his house, before our eyes; {6:23} and he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he swore unto our fathers. {6:24} And Yahweh commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear Yahweh our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as at this day. {6:25} And it shall be good works of the law unto us, if we observe to do all this commandment before Yahweh our God, as he has commanded us.

{05}7} Deuteronomy Chapter Seven. {7:1} When Yahweh your God shall bring you into the land where you go to possess it, and shall cast out many nations before you, the Hittite, and the Girgashite, and the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, seven nations greater and mightier than you; {7:2} and when Yahweh your God shall deliver them up before you, and you shall smite them; then you shall utterly destroy them: you shall make no covenant with them, nor show mercy unto them; {7:3} neither shall you make marriages with them; your daughter you shall not give unto his son, nor his daughter shall you take unto your son. {7:4} For he will turn away your son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of Yahweh be kindled against you, and he will destroy you quickly. {7:5} But thus shall you deal with them: you shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their pillars, and hew down their Asherah, and burn their graven images with fire. {7:6} For you are a holy people unto Yahweh your God: Yahweh your God has chosen you to be a people for his own possession, above all peoples that are upon the face of the earth. {7:7} Yahweh did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because you were more in number than any people; for you were the fewest of all peoples: {7:8} but because Yahweh agape loves you, and because he would keep the oath which he swore unto your fathers, has Yahweh brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. {7:9} Know therefore that Yahweh your God, he is God, the faithful God, who keeps covenant and agape loving kindness with them that agape loves him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations, {7:10} and repays them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hates him, he will repay him to his face. {7:11} you shall therefore keep the commandment, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which I command you this day, to do them.

{7:12} And it shall come to pass, because you hear to these ordinances, and keep and do them, that Yahweh your God will keep with you the covenant and the agape loving kindness which he swore unto your fathers: {7:13} and he will agape love you, and bless you, and multiply you; he will also bless the fruit of your body and the fruit of your ground, your grain and your new wine and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the young of your flock, in the land which he swore unto your fathers to give you. {7:14} you shall be blessed above all peoples: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. {7:15} And Yahweh will take away from you all sickness; and none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which you know, will he put upon you, but will lay them upon all them that hate you. {7:16} And you shall consume all the peoples that Yahweh your God shall deliver unto you; your eye shall not pity them: neither shall you serve their gods; for that will be a snare unto you. {7:17} If you shall say in your heart, These nations are more than I; how can I dispossess them? {7:18} you shall not be afraid of them: you shall well remember what Yahweh your God did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt; {7:19} the great trials which your eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the outstretched arm, whereby Yahweh your God brought you out: so shall Yahweh your God do unto all the peoples of whom you are afraid. {7:20} Furthermore Yahweh your God will also send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves, perish from before you. {7:21} you shall not be affrighted at them; for Yahweh your God is in the midst of you, a great

God and a terrible. {7:22} And Yahweh your God will cast out those nations before you by little and little: you may not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon you. {7:23} But Yahweh your God will deliver them up before you, and will discomfit them with a great discomfiture, until they be destroyed. {7:24} And he will deliver their kings into your hand, and you shall make their name to perish from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before you, until you have destroyed them. {7:25} The graven images of their gods shall you burn with fire: you shall not covet the silver or the gold that is on them, nor take it unto you, lest you be snared therein; for it is an abomination to Yahweh your God. {7:26} And you shall not bring an abomination into your house, and become a devoted thing like unto it: you shall utterly detest it, and you shall utterly abhor it; for it is a devoted thing.

{05}8} Deuteronomy Chapter Eight. {8:1} All the commandment which I command you this day shall you observe to do, that you may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which Yahweh swore unto your fathers. {8:2} And you shall remember all the way which Yahweh your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, to prove you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments, or not. {8:3} And he humbled you, and suffered you to hunger, and fed you with manna, which you knew not, neither did your fathers know; that he might make you know that man does not live by bread only, but by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh does man live. {8:4} Your raiment waxed not old upon you, neither did your foot swell, these forty years. {8:5} And you shall consider in your heart, that, as a man chastens his son, so Yahweh your God chastens you. {8:6} And you shall keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him. {8:7} For Yahweh your God brings you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills; {8:8} a land of wheat and barley, and vines and fig-trees and pomegranates; a land of olive-trees and honey; {8:9} a land wherein you shall eat bread outside scarceness, you shall not lack anything in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you may dig copper. {8:10} And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless Yahweh your God for the good land which he has given you. {8:11} Beware lest you forget Yahweh your God, in not keeping his commandments, and his ordinances, and his statutes, which I command you this day: {8:12} lest, when you have eaten and are full, and have built goodly houses, and lived therein; {8:13} and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied; {8:14} then your heart be lifted up, and you forget Yahweh your God, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage; {8:15} who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, [wherein were] fiery serpents and scorpions, and thirsty ground where was no water; who brought you forth water out of the rock of flint; {8:16} who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which your fathers knew not; that he might humble you, and that he might prove you, to do you good at your latter end: {8:17} and [lest] you say in your heart, My power and the might of my hand has gotten me this wealth. {8:18} But you shall remember Yahweh your God, for it is he that gives you power to get wealth; that he may establish his covenant which he swore unto your fathers, as at this day. {8:19} And it shall be, if you shall forget Yahweh your God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish. {8:20} As the nations that Yahweh makes perish before you, so shall you perish; because you would not hear unto the voice of Yahweh your God.

{05}9} Deuteronomy Chapter Nine. {9:1} Hear, O Israel: you are to pass over the Jordan this day, to go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourself, cities great and fortified up to heaven, {9:2} a people great and tall, the sons of the Anakim, whom you know, and of whom you have heard say, Who can stand before the sons of Anak? {9:3} Know therefore this day, that Yahweh your God is he who goes over before you as a devouring fire; he will destroy them, and he will bring them down before you: so shall you drive them out, and make them to perish

quickly, as Yahweh has spoken unto you. {9:4} Speak not you in your heart, after that Yahweh your God has thrust them out from before you, saying, For my lawful works Yahweh has brought me in to possess this land; whereas for the wickedness of these nations Yahweh does drive them out from before you. {9:5} Not for your righteous works, or for the uprightness of your heart, do you go in to possess their land; but for the wickedness of these nations Yahweh your God does drive them out from before you, and that he may establish the word which Yahweh swore unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. {9:6} Know therefore, that Yahweh your God gives you not this good land to possess it for your lawful works; for you are a stiff-necked people. {9:7} Remember, forget you not, how you provoked Yahweh your God to Anger in the wilderness: from the day that you went forth out of the land of Egypt, until you came unto this place, you have been rebellious against Yahweh. {9:8} Also in Horeb you provoked Yahweh to Anger, and Yahweh was angry with you to destroy you. {9:9} When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, even the tables of the covenant which Yahweh made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights; I did neither eat bread nor drink water. {9:10} And Yahweh delivered unto me the two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them [was written] according to all the words, which Yahweh spoke with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the Ekklesia. {9:11} And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, that Yahweh gave me the two tables of stone, even the tables of the covenant. {9:12} And Yahweh said unto me, Arise, get you down quickly from here; for your people that you have brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted themselves; they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image. {9:13} Furthermore Yahweh spoke unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiff-necked people: {9:14} let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven; and I will make of you a nation mightier and greater than they. {9:15} So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount was burning with fire: and the two tables of the covenant were in my two hands. {9:16} And I looked, and, behold, you had sinned against Yahweh your God; you had made you a molten calf: you had turned aside quickly out of the way which Yahweh had commanded you. {9:17} And I took hold of the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before your eyes. {9:18} And I fell down before Yahweh, as at the first, forty days and forty nights; I did neither eat bread nor drink water; because of all your sin which you sinned, in doing that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger. {9:19} For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, by which Yahweh was angry against you to destroy you. But Yahweh heard unto me that time also. {9:20} And Yahweh was very angry with Aaron to destroy him: and I prayed for Aaron also at the same time. {9:21} And I took your sin, the calf which you had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, grinding it very small, until it was as fine as dust: and I cast the dust of it into the brook that descended out of the mount. {9:22} And at Taberah, and at Massah, and at Kibroth-hattaavah, you provoked Yahweh to Anger. {9:23} And when Yahweh sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then you rebelled against the commandment of Yahweh your God, and you believed him not, nor heard his voice. {9:24} you have been rebellious against Yahweh from the day that I knew you. {9:25} So I fell down before Yahweh the forty days and forty nights that I fell down, because Yahweh had said he would destroy you. {9:26} And I prayed unto Yahweh, and said, O Lord Yahweh, destroy not your people and your inheritance, that you have redeemed through your greatness, that you have brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand. {9:27} Remember your servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin, {9:28} lest the land where you brought us out say, Because Yahweh was not able to bring them into the land which he promised unto them, and because he hated them, he has brought them out to slay them in the wilderness. {9:29} yet they are your people and your inheritance, which you brought out by your great power and by your outstretched arm.

{05}10} Deuteronomy Chapter Ten. {10:1} At that time Yahweh said unto me, Hew you two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make you an ark of wood. {10:2} And I will write on the tables the words that were on the first tables which you brake, and you shall put them in the ark. {10:3} So I made an ark of acacia wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in my hand. {10:4} And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which Yahweh spoke unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the Ekklesia: and Yahweh gave them unto me. {10:5} And I turned and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they are as Yahweh commanded me. {10:6} (And the children of Israel journeyed from Beeroth Bene-jaakan to Moserah. There Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his stead. {10:7} From there they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of brooks of water. {10:8} At that time Yahweh set apart the tribe of Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, to stand before Yahweh to minister unto him, and to bless in his name, unto this day. {10:9} Therefore Levi has no portion nor inheritance with his brethren; Yahweh is his inheritance, according as Yahweh your God spoke unto him.) {10:10} And I stayed in the mount, as at the first time, forty days and forty nights: and Yahweh heard unto me that time also; Yahweh would not destroy you. {10:11} And Yahweh said unto me, Arise, take your journey before the people; and they shall go in and possess the land, which I swore unto their fathers to give unto them. {10:12} And now, Israel, what does Yahweh your God require of you, but to fear Yahweh your God, to walk in all his ways, and to agape love him, and to serve Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul, {10:13} to keep the commandments of Yahweh, and his statutes, which I command you this day for your good? {10:14} Behold, unto Yahweh your God belongs heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth, with all that is therein. {10:15} Only Yahweh had a delight in your fathers to agape love them, and he chose their seed after them, even you above all peoples, as at this day. {10:16} Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiff-necked. {10:17} For Yahweh your God, he is God of gods, and Lord of lords, the great God, the mighty, and the terrible, who regards not persons, nor takes reward. {10:18} He does execute justice for the fatherless and widow, and He agape loves the alien, in giving him food and raiment. {10:19} Agape Love you therefore the alien; for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. {10:20} you shall fear Yahweh your God; him shall you serve; and to him shall you cleave, and by his name shall you swear. {10:21} He is your praise, and he is your God, that has done for you these great and terrible things, which your eyes have seen. {10:22} Your fathers went down into Egypt with seventy persons; and now Yahweh your God has made you as the stars of heaven for multitude.

{05}11} Deuteronomy Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Therefore you shall agape love Yahweh your God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his ordinances, and his commandments, always. {11:2} And know you this day: for [I speak] not with your children that have not known, and that have not seen the chastisement of Yahweh your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his outstretched arm, {11:3} and his signs, and his works, which he did in the midst of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land; {11:4} and what he did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their chariots; how he made the water of the Red Sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and how Yahweh has destroyed them unto this day; {11:5} and what he did unto you in the wilderness, until you came unto this place; {11:6} and what he did unto Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben; how the earth opened its mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the midst of all Israel: {11:7} but your eyes have seen all the great work of Yahweh which he did. {11:8} Therefore shall you keep all the commandment which I command you this day, that you may be strong, and go in and possess the land, where you go over to possess it; {11:9} and that you may prolong your days in the land, which Yahweh swore unto your fathers to

give unto them and to their seed, a land flowing with milk and honey. {11:10} For the land, where you go in to possess it, is not as the land of Egypt, from where you came out, where you sowed your seed, and watered it with your foot, as a garden of herbs; {11:11} but the land, where you go over to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, [and] drinks water of the rain of heaven, {11:12} a land which Yahweh your God cares for: the eyes of Yahweh your God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year. {11:13} And it shall come to pass, if you shall hear diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to agape love Yahweh your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, {11:14} that I will give the rain of your land in its season, the former rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, and your new wine, and your oil. {11:15} And I will give grass in your fields for your cattle, and you shall eat and be full. {11:16} Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and you turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them; {11:17} and the anger of Yahweh be kindled against you, and he shut up the heavens, so that there shall be no rain, and the land shall not yield its fruit; and you perish quickly from off the good land which Yahweh gives you.

{11:18} Therefore shall you lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul; and you shall bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. {11:19} And you shall teach them your children, talking of them, when you sits in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up. {11:20} And you shall write them upon the door-posts of your house, and upon your gates; {11:21} that your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which Yahweh swore unto your fathers to give them, as the days of the heavens above the earth. {11:22} For if you shall diligently keep all this commandment which I command you, to do it, to agape love Yahweh your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him; {11:23} then will Yahweh drive out all these nations from before you, and you shall dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourselves. {11:24} Every place whereon the sole of your foot shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness, and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the rear of the western sea shall be your border. {11:25} There shall no man be able to stand before you: Yahweh your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that you shall tread upon, as he has spoken unto you. {11:26} Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and woe: {11:27} the blessing, if you shall hear unto the commandments of Yahweh your God, which I command you this day; {11:28} and the curse, if you shall not hear unto the commandments of Yahweh your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which you have not known. {11:29} And it shall come to pass, when Yahweh your God shall bring you into the land where you go to possess it, that you shall set the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount Ebal. {11:30} Are they not beyond the Jordan, behind the way of the going down of the sun, in the land of the Canaanites that dwell in the Arabah, over against Gilgal, beside the oaks of Moreh? {11:31} For you are to pass over the Jordan to go in to possess the land which Yahweh your God gives you, and you shall possess it, and dwell therein. {11:32} And you shall observe to do all the statutes and the ordinances which I set before you this day.

{05}12} Deuteronomy Chapter Twelve. {12:1} These are the statutes and the ordinances which you shall observe to do in the land which Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has given you to possess it, all the days that you live upon the earth. {12:2} you shall surely destroy all the places wherein the nations that you shall dispossess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree: {12:3} and you shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their pillars, and burn their Asherim with fire; and you shall hew down the graven images of their gods; and you shall destroy their name out of that place. {12:4} you shall not do so unto Yahweh your God. {12:5} But unto the place which Yahweh your God shall choose out of all your tribes, to put his name there, even unto his habitation shall you seek, and there you shall come; {12:6} and there you shall bring your burnt-offerings, and your sacrifices, and your

tithes, and the heave-offering of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill-offerings, and the firstlings of your herd and of your flock: {12:7} and there you shall eat before Yahweh your God, and you shall rejoice in all that you put your hand unto, you and your households, wherein Yahweh your God has blessed you. {12:8} you shall not do after all the things that we do here this day, every man whatever is right in his own eyes; {12:9} for you are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which Yahweh your God gives you. {12:10} But when you go over the Jordan, and dwell in the land which Yahweh your God causes you to inherit, and he gives you rest from all your enemies round about, so that you dwell in safety; {12:11} then it shall come to pass that to the place which Yahweh your God shall choose, to cause his name to dwell there, there shall you bring all that I command you: your burnt-offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave-offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which you vow unto Yahweh. {12:12} And you shall rejoice before Yahweh your God, you, and your sons, and your daughters, and your men-servants, and your maid-servants, and the Levite that is within your gates, forasmuch as he has no portion nor inheritance with you. {12:13} Take heed to yourself that you offer not your burnt-offerings in every place that you see; {12:14} but in the place which Yahweh shall choose in one of your tribes, there you shall offer your burnt-offerings, and there you shall do all that I command you. {12:15} Notwithstanding, you may kill and eat flesh within all your gates, after all the desire of your soul, according to the blessing of Yahweh your God which he has given you: the unclean and the clean may eat there, as of the gazelle, and as of the hare. {12:16} Only you shall not eat the blood; you shall pour it out upon the earth as water. {12:17} you may not eat within your gates the tithe of your grain, or of your new wine, or of your oil, or the firstlings of your herd or of your flock, nor any of your vows which you vowed, nor your freewill-offerings, nor the heave-offering of your hand; {12:18} but you shall eat them before Yahweh your God in the place which Yahweh your God shall choose, you, and your son, and your daughter, and your man-servant, and your maid-servant, and the Levite that is within your gates: and you shall rejoice before Yahweh your God in all that you put your hand unto. {12:19} Take heed to yourself that you forsake not the Levite as long as you live in your land. {12:20} When Yahweh your God shall enlarge your border, as he has promised you, and you shall say, I will eat flesh, because your soul desires to eat flesh; you may eat flesh, after all the desire of your soul. {12:21} If the place which Yahweh your God shall choose, to put his name there, be too far from you, then you shall kill of your herd and of your flock, which Yahweh has given you, as I have commanded you; and you may eat within your gates, after all the desire of your soul. {12:22} Even as the gazelle and as the hare is eaten, so you shall eat there: the unclean and the clean may eat of it alike. {12:23} Only be sure that you eat not the blood: for the blood is the life; and you shall not eat the life with the flesh. {12:24} you shall not eat it; you shall pour it out upon the earth as water. {12:25} you shall not eat it; that it may go well with you, and with your children after you, when you shall do that which is right in the eyes of Yahweh. {12:26} Only your holy things which you have, and your vows, you shall take, and go unto the place which Yahweh shall choose: {12:27} and you shall offer your burnt-offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon the altar of Yahweh your God; and the blood of your sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of Yahweh your God; and you shall eat the flesh. {12:28} Observe and hear all these words which I command you, that it may go well with you, and with your children after you forever, when you do that which is good and right in the eyes of Yahweh your God. {12:29} When Yahweh your God shall cut off the nations from before you, where you go in to dispossess them, and you dispossess them, and dwells in their land; {12:30} take heed to yourself that you be not ensnared to follow them, after that they are destroyed from before you; and that you inquire not after their gods, saying, How do these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise. {12:31} you shall not do so unto Yahweh your God: foreverly abomination to Yahweh, which he hates, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters do they burn in the fire to their gods. {12:32} What thing so ever I command you, that shall you observe to do: you shall not add there, nor diminish from it.

{O5}13} Deuteronomy Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} If there arise in the midst of you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and he give you a sign or a wonder, {13:2} and the sign or the wonder come to pass, where he spoke unto you, saying, Let us go after other gods, which you have not known, and let us serve them; {13:3} you shall not hear unto the words of that prophet, or unto that dreamer of dreams: for Yahweh your God proves you, to know whether you agape love Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul. {13:4} you shall walk after Yahweh your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and you shall serve him, and cleave unto him. {13:5} And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death, because he has spoken rebellion against Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to draw you aside out of the way which Yahweh your God commanded you to walk in. So shall you put away the evil from the midst of you. {13:6} If your brother, the son of your mother, or your son, or your daughter, or the wife of your bosom, or your friend, that is as your own soul, entice you secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which you have not known, you, nor your fathers; {13:7} of the gods of the peoples that are round about you, near unto you, or far off from you, from the one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth; {13:8} you shall not consent unto him, nor hear unto him; neither shall your eye pity him, neither shall you spare, neither shall you conceal him: {13:9} but you shall surely kill him; your hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people. {13:10} And you shall stone him to death with stones, because he has sought to draw you away from Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. {13:11} And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do not more any such wickedness as this is in the midst of you. {13:12} If you shall hear tell concerning one of your cities, which Yahweh your God gives you to dwell there, saying, {13:13} Certain base fellows are gone out from the midst of you, and have drawn away the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which you have not known; {13:14} then shall you inquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and, behold, if it be truth, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in the midst of you, {13:15} you shall surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is therein and the cattle there, with the edge of the sword. {13:16} And you shall gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street there, and shall burn with fire the city, and all the spoil of it every whit, unto Yahweh your God: and it shall be a heap forever; it shall not be built again. {13:17} And there shall cleave nothing of the devoted thing to your hand; that Yahweh may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and show you mercy, and have compassion upon you, and multiply you, as he has sworn unto your fathers; {13:18} when you shall hear to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep all his commandments which I command you this day, to do that which is right in the eyes of Yahweh your God.

{O5}14} Deuteronomy Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} you are the children of Yahweh your God: you shall not cut yourselves, nor make any baldness between your eyes for the dead. {14:2} For you are a holy people unto Yahweh your God, and Yahweh has chosen you to be a people for his own possession, above all peoples that are upon the face of the earth. {14:3} you shall not eat any abominable thing. {14:4} These are the beasts which you may eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat, {14:5} the hare, and the gazelle, and the roebuck, and the wild goat, and the pygarg, and the antelope, and the chamois. {14:6} And every beast that parts the hoof, and has the hoof cloven in two, [and] Chews the cud, among the beasts, that may you eat. {14:7} Nevertheless these you shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that have the hoof cloven: the camel, and the hare, and the coney; because they chew the cud but part not the hoof, they are unclean unto you. {14:8} And the swine, because he parts the hoof but Chews not the cud, he is unclean unto you: of their flesh you shall not eat, and their carcasses you shall not touch. {14:9} These you may eat of all that are in the waters: whatever has fins and scales may you eat; {14:10} and whatever

has not fins and scales you shall not eat; it is unclean unto you. {14:11} Of all clean birds you may eat. {14:12} But these are they of which you shall not eat: the eagle, and the gier-eagle, and the ospray, {14:13} and the glede, and the falcon, and the kite after its kind, {14:14} and every raven after its kind, {14:15} and the ostrich, and the night-hawk, and the sea-mew, and the hawk after its kind, {14:16} the little owl, and the great owl, and the horned owl, {14:17} and the pelican, and the vulture, and the cormorant, {14:18} and the stork, and the heron after its kind, and the hoopoe, and the bat. {14:19} And all winged creeping things are unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten. {14:20} Of all clean birds you may eat. {14:21} you shall not eat of anything that dies of itself: you may give it unto the alien that is within your gates, that he may eat it; or you may sell it unto a foreigner: for you are a holy people unto Yahweh your God. you shall not boil a kid in its mother's milk. {14:22} you shall surely tithe all the increase of your seed, that which comes forth from the field year by year. {14:23} And you shall eat before Yahweh your God, in the place which he shall choose, to cause his name to dwell there, the tithe of your grain, of your new wine, and of your oil, and the firstlings of your herd and of your flock; that you may learn to fear Yahweh your God always. {14:24} And if the way be too long for you, so that you are not able to carry it, because the place is too far from you, which Yahweh your God shall choose, to set his name there, when Yahweh your God shall bless you; {14:25} then shall you turn it into money, and bind up the money in your hand, and shall go unto the place which Yahweh your God shall choose: {14:26} and you shall bestow the money for whatever your soul desires, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatever your soul asks of you; and you shall eat there before Yahweh your God, and you shall rejoice, you and your household. {14:27} And the Levite that is within your gates, you shall not forsake him; for he has no portion nor inheritance with you. {14:28} At the end of every three years you shall bring forth all the tithe of your increase in the same year, and shall lay it up within your gates: {14:29} and the Levite, because he has no portion nor inheritance with you, and the alien, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within your gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that Yahweh your God may bless you in all the work of your hand which you do.

{o5}15} Deuteronomy Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} At the end of every seven years you shall make a release. {15:2} And this is the manner of the release: every creditor shall release that which he has lent unto his neighbor; he shall not exact it of his neighbor and his brother; because Yahweh's release has been proclaimed. {15:3} Of a foreigner you may exact it: but whatever of your is with your brother your hand shall release. {15:4} However there shall be no poor with you; (for Yahweh will surely bless you in the land which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance to possess it;) {15:5} if only you diligently hear unto the voice of Yahweh your God, to observe to do all this commandment which I command you this day. {15:6} For Yahweh your God will bless you, as he promised you: and you shall lend unto many nations, but you shall not borrow; and you shall rule over many nations, but they shall not rule over you. {15:7} If there be with you a poor man, one of your brethren, within any of your gates in your land which Yahweh your God gives you, you shall not harden your heart, nor shut your hand from your poor brother; {15:8} but you shall surely open your hand unto him, and shall surely lend him sufficient for his need [in that] which he wants. {15:9} Beware that there be not a base thought in your heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and your eye be evil against your poor brother, and you give him nothing; and he cry unto Yahweh against you, and it be sin unto you. {15:10} you shall surely give him, and your heart shall not be grieved when you give unto him; because that for this thing Yahweh your God will bless you in all your work, and in all that you put your hand unto. {15:11} For the poor will never cease out of the land: therefore I command you, saying, you shall surely open your hand unto your brother, to your needy, and to your poor, in your land. {15:12} If your brother, a Hebrew man, or a Hebrew woman, be sold unto you, and serve you six years; then in the seventh year you shall let him go free from you. {15:13} And when you let him go free from you, you shall not let him go empty: {15:14} you

shall furnish him liberally out of your flock, and out of your threshing-floor, and out of your winepress; as Yahweh your God has blessed you that you shall give unto him. {15:15} And you shall remember that you was a slave in the land of Egypt, and Yahweh your God redeemed you: therefore I command you this thing to-day. {15:16} And it shall be, if he say unto you, I will not go out from you; because he agape loves you and your house, because he is well with you; {15:17} then you shall take an awl, and thrust it through his ear unto the door, and he shall be your servant forever. And also unto your maid-servant you shall do likewise. {15:18} It shall not seem hard unto you, when you let him go free from you; for to the double of the hire of a hireling has he served you six years: and Yahweh your God will bless you in all that you do. {15:19} All the firstling males that are born of your herd and of your flock you shall sanctify unto Yahweh your God: you shall do no work with the firstling of your herd, nor shear the firstling of your flock. {15:20} you shall eat it before Yahweh your God year by year in the place which Yahweh shall choose, you and your household. {15:21} And if it have any blemish, [as if it be] lame or blind, any ill blemish whatever, you shall not sacrifice it unto Yahweh your God. {15:22} you shall eat it within your gates: the unclean and the clean [shall eat it] alike, as the gazelle, and as the hare. {15:23} Only you shall not eat the blood there; you shall pour it out upon the ground as water.

{O5}16} Deuteronomy Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Observe the moon of Abib, and keep the Passover unto Yahweh your God; for in the moon of Abib Yahweh your God brought you forth out of Egypt by night. {16:2} And you shall sacrifice the Passover unto Yahweh your God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which Yahweh shall choose, to cause his name to dwell there. {16:3} you shall eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shall you eat unleavened bread with, even the bread of affliction; for you came forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that you may remember the day when you came forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of your life. {16:4} And there shall be no leaven seen with you in all your borders seven days; neither shall any of the flesh, which you sacrifice the first day at even, remain all night until the morning. {16:5} you may not sacrifice the Passover within any of your gates, which Yahweh your God gives you; {16:6} but at the place which Yahweh your God shall choose, to cause his name to dwell in, there you shall sacrifice the Passover at even, at [midday kill] the start of the going down of the sun, at the season that you came forth out of Egypt. {16:7} And you shall roast and eat it in the place which Yahweh your God shall choose: and you shall turn in the morning, and go unto your tents. {16:8} Six days you shall eat unleavened bread; and on the seventh day shall be a solemn assembly to Yahweh your God; you shall do no work [therein].

{16:9} The [night celebration of] Seven solar sevens shall you number unto you: from the time you begin to put the sickle to the standing grain [of wheat sown in the spring] shall you begin to number seven of the solar sevens [of Sabbaton]. {16:10} And you shall celebrate the feast of solar sevens unto Yahweh your God with a tribute of a freewill-offering of your hand, which you shall give, according as Yahweh your God blesses you: {16:11} and you shall rejoice [at beginning of night] before Yahweh your God, you, and your son, and your daughter, and your man-servant, and your maid-servant, and the Levite that is within your gates, and the alien, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are in the midst of you, in the place which Yahweh your God shall choose, to cause his name to dwell there. {16:12} And you shall remember that you was a slave in Egypt: and you shall observe and do these statutes.

{16:13} you shall keep the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that you have gathered in from your threshing-floor and from your winepress: {16:14} and you shall rejoice in your feast, you, and your son, and your daughter, and your man-servant, and your maid-servant, and the Levite, and the alien, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within your gates. {16:15} Seven days shall you keep a feast unto Yahweh your God in the place which Yahweh shall choose; because

Yahweh your God will bless you in all your increase, and in all the work of your hands, and you shall be altogether joyful. {16:16} Three times in a year shall all your males appear before Yahweh your God in the place which he shall choose: in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of solar sevens, and in the feast of tabernacles; and they shall not appear before Yahweh empty: {16:17} every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of Yahweh your God which he has given you. {16:18} Judges and officers shall you make you in all your gates, which Yahweh your God gives you, according to your tribes; and they shall judge the people with [legal] works of lawful judgment. {16:19} you shall not withhold justice: you shall not respect persons; neither shall you take a bribe; for a bribe does blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the lawful worker. {16:20} That which is altogether just shall you follow, that you may live, and inherit the land which Yahweh your God gives you. {16:21} you shall not plant you an Asherah of any kind of tree beside the altar of Yahweh your God, which you shall make you. {16:22} Neither shall you set you up a pillar; which Yahweh your God hates.

{05}17} Deuteronomy Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} you shall not sacrifice unto Yahweh your God an ox, or a sheep, wherein is a blemish, [or] anything evil; for that is an abomination unto Yahweh your God. {17:2} If there be found in the midst of you, within any of your gates which Yahweh your God gives you, man or woman, that does that which is evil in the sight of Yahweh your God, in transgressing his covenant, {17:3} and has gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, or the sun, or the moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; {17:4} and it be told you, and you have heard of it, then shall you inquire diligently; and, behold, if it be true, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in Israel, {17:5} then shall you bring forth that man or that woman, who has done this evil thing, unto your gates, even the man or the woman; and you shall stone them to death with stones. {17:6} At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is to die be put to death; at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. {17:7} The hand of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. So you shall put away the evil from the midst of you. {17:8} If there arise a matter too hard for you in judgment, between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, being matters of controversy within your gates; then shall you arise, and get you up unto the place which Yahweh your God shall choose; {17:9} and you shall come unto the priests the Levites, and unto the judge that shall be in those days: and you shall inquire; and they shall show you the sentence of judgment. {17:10} And you shall do according to the tenor of the sentence which they shall show you from that place which Yahweh shall choose; and you shall observe to do according to all that they shall teach you: {17:11} according to the tenor of the law which they shall teach you, and according to the judgment which they shall tell you, you shall do; you shall not turn aside from the sentence which they shall show you, to the right hand, nor to the left. {17:12} And the man that does presumptuously, in not hearing unto the priest that stands to minister there before Yahweh your God, or unto the judge, even that man shall die: and you shall put away the evil from Israel. {17:13} And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously. {17:14} When you are come unto the land which Yahweh your God gives you, and shall possess it, and shall dwell therein, and shall say, I will set a king over me, like all the nations that are round about me; {17:15} you shall surely set him king over you, whom Yahweh your God shall choose: one from among your brethren shall you set king over you; you may not put a foreigner over you, who is not your brother. {17:16} Only he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he may multiply horses; forasmuch as Yahweh has said unto you, you shall from here on return no more that way. {17:17} Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold. {17:18} And it shall be, when he sits upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book, out of [that which is] before the priests the Levites: {17:19} and it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life; that he may

learn to fear Yahweh his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them; {17:20} that his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children, in the midst of Israel.

{O5}18} Deuteronomy Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} The priests the Levites, [even] all the tribe of Levi, shall have no portion nor inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of Yahweh made by fire, and his inheritance. {18:2} And they shall have no inheritance among their brethren: Yahweh is their inheritance, as he has spoken unto them. {18:3} And this shall be the priests' due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or sheep, that they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw. {18:4} The first-fruits of your grain, of your new wine, and of your oil, and the first of the fleece of your sheep, shall you give him. {18:5} For Yahweh your God has chosen him out of all your tribes, to stand to minister in the name of Yahweh, him and his sons forever. {18:6} And if a Levite come from any of your gates out of all Israel, where he sojourns, and come with all the desire of his soul unto the place which Yahweh shall choose; {18:7} then he shall minister in the name of Yahweh his God, as all his brethren the Levites do, who stand there before Yahweh. {18:8} They shall have like portions to eat, besides that which comes of the sale of his patrimony. {18:9} When you are come into the land which Yahweh your God gives you, you shall not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. {18:10} There shall not be found with you any one that makes his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, one that uses divination, one that practices augury, or an enchanter, or a sorcerer, {18:11} or a charmer, or a consulter with a familiar spirit, or a wizard, or a necromancer. {18:12} For anyone who do these things is an abomination unto Yahweh: and because of these abominations Yahweh your God does drive them out from before you. {18:13} you shall be perfect with Yahweh your God. {18:14} For these nations, that you shall dispossess, hear unto them that practice augury, and unto diviners; but as for you, Yahweh your God has not suffered you so to do. {18:15} Yahweh your God will raise up unto you a prophet from the midst of you, of your brethren, like unto me; unto him you shall hear; {18:16} according to all that you desires of Yahweh your God in Horeb in the day of the Ekklesia, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of Yahweh my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. {18:17} And Yahweh said unto me, They have well said that which they have spoken. {18:18} I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto you; and I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. {18:19} And it shall come to pass, that anyone who will not hear unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. {18:20} But the prophet, that shall speak a word presumptuously in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die. {18:21} And if you say in your heart, How shall we know the word which Yahweh has not spoken? {18:22} when a prophet speaks in the name of Yahweh, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which Yahweh has not spoken: the prophet has spoken it presumptuously, you shall not be afraid of him.

{O5}19} Deuteronomy Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} When Yahweh your God shall cut off the nations, whose land Yahweh your God gives you, and you succeed them, and dwell in their cities, and in their houses; {19:2} you shall set apart three cities for you in the midst of your land, which Yahweh your God gives you to possess it. {19:3} you shall prepare you the way, and divide the borders of your land, which Yahweh your God causes you to inherit, into three parts, that every man slayer may flee there. {19:4} And this is the case of the man slayer, that shall flee there and live: who so kills his neighbor unawares, and hated him not in time past; {19:5} as when a man goes into the forest with his neighbor to hew wood, and his hand takes a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slips from off the handle, and lands upon his neighbor, so that he dies; he shall flee unto one of these cities and live: {19:6} lest the avenger of blood pursue the

man slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and smite him mortally; because he was not worthy of death, in as much as he hated him not in time past. {19:7} Therefore I command you, saying, you shall set apart three cities for you. {19:8} And if Yahweh your God enlarge your border, as he has sworn unto your fathers, and give you all the land which he promised to give unto your fathers; {19:9} if you shall keep all this commandment to do it, which I command you this day, to Agape love Yahweh your God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shall you add three cities more for you, besides these three: {19:10} that innocent blood be not shed in the midst of your land, which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance, and so blood be upon you.

{19:11} But if any man hate his neighbor, and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him, and smite him mortally so that he dies, and he flee into one of these cities; {19:12} then the elders of his city shall send and get him there, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die. {19:13} your eye shall not pity him, but you shall put away the innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with you.

{19:14} you shall not remove your neighbor's landmark, which they of old time have set, in your inheritance which you shall inherit, in the land that Yahweh your God gives you to possess it. {19:15} One witness shall not rise up against a man for any works against law, or for any sin, in any sin that he sins: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall a matter be established. {19:16} If an unlawful working witness rise up against any man to testify against him of wrong-doing, {19:17} then both the men, between whom the controversy is, shall stand before Yahweh, before the priests and the judges that shall be in those days; {19:18} and the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the witness be a false witness, and have testified falsely against his brother; {19:19} then shall you do unto him, as he had thought to do unto his brother: so shall you put away the evil from the midst of you. {19:20} And those that remain shall hear, and fear, and shall from here on commit no more any such evil in the midst of you. {19:21} And your eyes shall not pity; life [shall go] for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

{05}20} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty. {20:1} When you go forth to battle against your enemies, and sees horses, and chariots, [and] a people more than you, you shall not be afraid of them; for Yahweh your God is with you, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. {20:2} And it shall be, when you draw near unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people, {20:3} and shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, you draw near this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your heart faint; fear not, nor tremble, neither be you afraid of them; {20:4} for Yahweh your God is he that goes with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you. {20:5} And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man is there that has built a new house, and has not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it. {20:6} And what man is there that has planted a vineyard, and has not used the fruit there? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man use the fruit there. {20:7} And what man is there that has betrothed a wife, and has not taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her. {20:8} And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, What man is there that is fearful and faint-hearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart melt as his heart. {20:9} And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking unto the people, that they shall appoint captains of hosts at the head of the people. {20:10} When you draw near unto a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace unto it. {20:11} And it shall be, if it make you answer of peace, and open unto you, then it shall be, that all the people that are found therein shall become tributary unto you, and shall serve you. {20:12} And if it will make no peace with you, but will make war against you, then you shall besiege it: {20:13} and when Yahweh your God delivers it into your hand, you shall smite every male of it with the edge of the sword: {20:14} but the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city,

even all the spoil there, shall you take for a prey unto yourself; and you shall eat the spoil of your enemies, which Yahweh your God has given you. {20:15} Thus shall you do unto all the cities which are very far off from you, which are not of the cities of these nations. {20:16} But of the cities of these peoples, that Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance, you shall save alive nothing that breathes; {20:17} but you shall utterly destroy them: the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite; as Yahweh your God has commanded you; {20:18} that they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods; so would you sin against Yahweh your God. {20:19} When you shall besiege a city a long time, in making war against it to take it, you shall not destroy the trees of it by wielding an axe against them; for you may eat of them, and you shall not cut them down; for is the tree of the field man, that it should be besieged of you? {20:20} Only the trees of which you know that they are not trees for food, you shall destroy and cut them down; and you shall build bulwarks against the city that makes war with you, until it fall.

{05}21} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} If one be found slain in the land which Yahweh your God gives you to possess it, lying in the field, and it be not known who has smitten him; {21:2} then your elders and your judges shall come forth, and they shall measure unto the cities which are round about him that is slain: {21:3} and it shall be, that the city which is nearest unto the slain man, even the elders of that city shall take a heifer of the herd, which has not been wrought with, and which has not drawn in the yoke; {21:4} and the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a valley with running water, which is neither plowed nor sown, and shall break the heifer's neck there in the valley. {21:5} And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near; for them Yahweh your God has chosen to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of Yahweh; and according to their word shall every controversy and every stroke be. {21:6} And all the elders of that city, who are nearest unto the slain man, shall wash their hands over the heifer whose neck was broken in the valley; {21:7} and they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen it. {21:8} Forgive, O Yahweh, your people Israel, whom you have redeemed, and suffer not innocent blood [to remain] in the midst of your people Israel. And the blood shall be forgiven them. {21:9} So shall you put away the innocent blood from the midst of you, when you shall do that which is right in the eyes of Yahweh. {21:10} When you go forth to battle against your enemies, and Yahweh your God delivers them into your hands, and you carry them away captive, {21:11} and [you] see among the captives a beautiful woman, and you have a desire unto her, and would take her to you to wife; {21:12} then you shall bring her home to your house; and she shall shave her head, and part her nails; {21:13} and she shall put the raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in your house, and bewail her father and her mother a full moon: and after that you shall go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be your wife. {21:14} And it shall be, if you have no delight in her, then you shall let her go where she will; but you shall not sell her at all for money, you shall not deal with her as a slave, because you have humbled her. {21:15} If a man have two wives, the one agape beloved, and the other hated, and they have borne him children, both the beloved and the hated; and if the first-born son be hers that was hated; {21:16} then it shall be, in the day that he causes his sons to inherit that which he has, that he may not make the son of the agape beloved the first-born before the son of the hated, who is the first-born: {21:17} but he shall acknowledge the first-born, the son of the hated, by giving him a double portion of all that he has; for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the first-born is his. {21:18} If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, that will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and, though they chasten him, will not hear unto them; {21:19} then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place; {21:20} and they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a drunkard. {21:21} And all the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones: so shall you put away the evil from the midst of you; and all Israel shall

hear, and fear. {21:22} And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be put to death, and you hang him on a tree; {21:23} his body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but you shall surely bury him the same day; for he that is hanged is accursed of God; that you defile not your land which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance.

{O5}22} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Two. {22:1} you shall not see your brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide yourself from them: you shall surely bring them again unto your brother. {22:2} And if your brother be not near unto you, or if you know him not, then you shall bring it home to your house, and it shall be with you until your brother seek after it, and you shall restore it to him. {22:3} And so shall you do with his ass; and so shall you do with his garment; and so shall you do with every lost thing of your brother's, which he has lost, and you have found: you may not hide yourself. {22:4} you shall not see your brother's donkey or his ox fallen down by the way, and hide yourself from them: you shall surely help him to lift them up again. {22:5} A woman shall not wear that which pertains unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment; for anyone who do these things is an abomination unto Yahweh your God. {22:6} If a bird's nest chance to be before you in the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, you shall not take the dam with the young: {22:7} you shall surely let the dam go, but the young you may take unto yourself; that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days. {22:8} When you build a new house, then you shall make a battlement for your roof, that you bring not blood upon your house, if any man fall from there. {22:9} you shall not sow your vineyard with two kinds of seed, lest the whole fruit be forfeited, the seed which you have sown, and the increase of the vineyard. {22:10} you shall not plow with an ox and an donkey together. {22:11} you shall not wear a mingled stuff, wool and linen together. {22:12} you shall make you fringes upon the four borders of your vesture, by which you cover yourself. {22:13} If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her, {22:14} and lay shameful things to her charge, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came near to her, I found not in her the tokens of virginity; {22:15} then shall the father of the maid, and her mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the maid's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate; {22:16} and the maid's father shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hates her; {22:17} and, lo, he has laid shameful things [to her charge], saying, I found not in your daughter the tokens of virginity; and yet these are the tokens of my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the garment before the elders of the city. {22:18} And the elders of that city shall take the man and chasten him; {22:19} and they shall fine him a hundred [shekels] of silver, and give them unto the father of the maid, because he has brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days. {22:20} But if this thing be true, that the tokens of virginity were not found in the maid; {22:21} then they shall bring out the maid to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her to death with stones, because she has wrought folly in Israel, to play the prostitute in her father's house: so shall you put away the evil from the midst of you. {22:22} If a man be found lying with a woman married to a husband, then they shall both of them die, the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shall you put away the evil from Israel. {22:23} If there be a maid that is a virgin betrothed unto a husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her; {22:24} then you shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and you shall stone them to death with stones; the maid, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he has humbled his neighbor's wife: so you shall put away the evil from the midst of you. {22:25} But if the man find the maid that is betrothed in the field, and the man force her, and lie with her; then the man only that lay with her shall die: {22:26} but unto the maid you shall do nothing; there is in the maid no sin worthy of death: for as when a man rises against his neighbor, and slays him, even so is this matter; {22:27} for he found her in the field, the betrothed maid cried, and there was none to save her. {22:28} If a man find a maid that is a virgin, that is not betrothed, and lay hold on

her, and lie with her, and they be found; {22:29} then the man that lay with her shall give unto the maid's father fifty [shekels] of silver, and she shall be his wife, because he has humbled her; he may not put her away all his days. {22:30} A man shall not take his father's wife, and shall not uncover his father's skirt.

{05}23} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} He that is wounded in the stones, or has his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the Ekklesia of Yahweh. {23:2} A unlawful conceived Child shall not enter into the Ekklesia of Yahweh; even to the tenth generation shall none of his enter into the Ekklesia of Yahweh. {23:3} An Ammonite or a Moabite shall not enter into the Ekklesia of Yahweh; even to the tenth generation shall none belonging to them enter into the Ekklesia of Yahweh forever: {23:4} because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when you came forth out of Egypt, and because they hired against you Balaam the son of Beor from Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse you. {23:5} Nevertheless Yahweh your God would not hear unto Balaam; but Yahweh your God turned the curse into a blessing unto you, because Yahweh your God agape loved you. {23:6} you shall not seek their peace nor their prosperity all your days forever. {23:7} you shall not abhor an Edomite; for he is your brother: you shall not abhor an Egyptian, because you was a alien in his land. {23:8} The children of the third generation that are born unto them shall enter into the Ekklesia of Yahweh. {23:9} When you go forth in camp against your enemies, then you shall keep you from every evil thing. {23:10} If there be among you any man, that is not clean by reason of that which by chance him at night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp: {23:11} but it shall be, when evening comes on, he shall bathe himself in water; and when the sun is down, he shall come within the camp. {23:12} you shall have a place also outside the camp, where you shall go forth abroad: {23:13} and you shall have a paddle among your weapons; and it shall be, when you sits down abroad, you shall dig with, and shall turn back and cover that which comes from you: {23:14} for Yahweh your God walks in the midst of your camp, to deliver you, and to give up your enemies before you; therefore shall your camp be holy, that he may not see an unclean thing in you, and turn away from you. {23:15} You shall not deliver unto his master a servant that is escaped from his master unto you: {23:16} he shall dwell with you, in the midst of you, in the place which he shall choose within one of your gates, where it pleases him best: you shall not oppress him. {23:17} There shall be no prostitute of the daughters of Israel, neither shall there be a homosexual of the sons of Israel. {23:18} you shall not bring the hire of a prostitute, or the wages of a dog, into the house of Yahweh your God for any vow: for even both these are an abomination unto Yahweh your God. {23:19} you shall not lend upon interest to your brother; interest of money, interest of victuals, interest of anything that is lent upon interest: {23:20} unto a foreigner you may lend upon interest; but unto your brother you shall not lend upon interest, that Yahweh your God may bless you in all that you put your hand unto, in the land where you go in to possess it. {23:21} When you shall vow a vow unto Yahweh your God, you shall not be slack to pay it: for Yahweh your God will surely require it of you; and it would be sin in you. {23:22} But if you shall forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in you. {23:23} That which is gone out of your lips you shall observe and do; according as you have vowed unto Yahweh your God, a freewill-offering, which you have promised with your mouth. {23:24} When you come into your neighbor's vineyard, then you may eat of grapes your fill at your own pleasure; but you shall not put any in your vessel. {23:25} When you come into your neighbor's standing grain, then you may pluck the ears with your hand; but you shall not move a sickle unto your neighbor's standing grain.

{05}24} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} When a man takes a wife, and marries her, then it shall be, if she find no favor in his eyes, because he has found some unseemly thing in her, that he shall write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house. {24:2} And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's

[wife]. {24:3} And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, who took her to be his wife; {24:4} her former husband, who sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination before Yahweh: and you shall not cause the land to sin, which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance. {24:5} When a man takes a new wife, he shall not go out in the host, neither shall he be charged with any business: he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer his wife whom he has taken. {24:6} No man shall take the mill or the upper millstone to pledge; for he takes [a man's] life to pledge. {24:7} If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and he deal with him as a slave, or sell him; then that thief shall die: so shall you put away the evil from the midst of you. {24:8} Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that you observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so you shall observe to do. {24:9} Remember what Yahweh your God did unto Miriam, by the way as you came forth out of Egypt. {24:10} When you do lend your neighbor any manner of loan, you shall not go into his house to get his pledge. {24:11} you shall stand outside, and the man to whom you do lend shall bring forth the pledge outside unto you. {24:12} And if he be a poor man, you shall not sleep with his pledge; {24:13} you shall surely restore to him the pledge when the sun goes down, that he may sleep in his garment, and bless you: and it shall be lawful works unto you before Yahweh your God. {24:14} you shall not oppress a hired servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of your brethren, or of your aliens that are in your land within your gates: {24:15} in his day you shall give him his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he is poor, and sets his heart upon it: lest he cry against you unto Yahweh, and it be sin unto you. {24:16} The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin. {24:17} you shall not withhold the justice [due] to the alien, [or] to the fatherless, nor take the widow's raiment to pledge; {24:18} but you shall remember that you was a slave in Egypt, and Yahweh your God redeemed you there: therefore I command you to do this thing. {24:19} When you reap your harvest in your field, and have forgot a sheaf in the field, you shall not go again to get it: it shall be for the alien, for the fatherless, and for the widow; that Yahweh your God may bless you in all the work of your hands. {24:20} When you beat your olive-tree, you shall not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the alien, for the fatherless, and for the widow. {24:21} When you gather [the grapes of] your vineyard, you shall not glean it after you: it shall be for the alien, for the fatherless, and for the widow. {24:22} And you shall remember that you was a slave in the land of Egypt: therefore I command you to do this thing.

{05}25} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, and [the judges] judge them; then they shall justify the lawful works, and condemn the wicked; {25:2} and it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his wickedness, by number. {25:3} Forty stripes he may give him, he shall not exceed; lest, if he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then your brother should seem vile unto you. {25:4} you shall not muzzle the ox when he treads out [the grain]. {25:5} If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no son, the wife of the dead shall not be married outside unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother unto her. {25:6} And it shall be, that the first-born that she bears shall succeed in the name of his brother that is dead, that his name be not blotted out of Israel. {25:7} And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then his brother's wife shall go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuses to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel; he will not perform the duty of a husband's brother unto me. {25:8} Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and if he stand, and say, I like not to take her; {25:9} then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and

loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face; and she shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto the man that does not build up his brother's house. {25:10} And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that has his shoe loosed. {25:11} When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draws near to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smites him, and puts forth her hand, and takes him by the secrets; {25:12} then you shall cut off her hand, your eye shall have no pity. {25:13} you shall not have in your bag different weights, a great and a small. {25:14} you shall not have in your house different measures, a great and a small. {25:15} A perfect and just weight shall you have; a perfect and just measure shall you have: that your days may be long in the land which Yahweh your God gives you. {25:16} For all that do such things, [even] all that do unlawful works, are an abomination unto Yahweh your God. {25:17} Remember what Amalek did unto you by the way as you came forth out of Egypt; {25:18} how he met you by the way, and smote the hindmost of you, all that were feeble behind you, when you was faint and weary; and he feared not God. {25:19} Therefore it shall be, when Yahweh your God has given you rest from all your enemies round about, in the land which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance to possess it, that you shall blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; you shall not forget.

{05}26} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Six. {26:1} And it shall be, when you are come in unto the land which Yahweh your God gives you for an inheritance, and posses it, and dwell therein, {26:2} that you shall take of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you shall bring in from your land that Yahweh your God gives you; and you shall put it in a basket, and shall go unto the place which Yahweh your God shall choose, to cause his name to dwell there. {26:3} And you shall come unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto Yahweh your God, that I am come unto the land which Yahweh swore unto our fathers to give us. {26:4} And the priest shall take the basket out of your hand, and set it down before the altar of Yahweh your God. {26:5} And you shall answer and say before Yahweh your God, A Syrian ready to perish was my father; and he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there, few in number; and he became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous. {26:6} And the Egyptians dealt ill with us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage: {26:7} and we cried unto Yahweh, the God of our fathers, and Yahweh heard our voice, and saw our affliction, and our toil, and our oppression; {26:8} and Yahweh brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders; {26:9} and he has brought us into this place, and has given us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. {26:10} And now, behold, I have brought the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Yahweh, have given me. And you shall set it down before Yahweh your God, and worship before Yahweh your God: {26:11} and you shall rejoice in all the good which Yahweh your God has given unto you, and unto your house, you, and the Levite, and the alien that is in the midst of you. {26:12} When you have made an end of tithing all the tithe of your increase in the third year, which is the year of tithing, then you shall give it unto the Levite, to the alien, to the fatherless, and to the widow, that they may eat within your gates, and be filled. {26:13} And you shall say before Yahweh your God, I have put away the hallowed things out of my house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the alien, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all your commandment which you have commanded me: I have not transgressed any of your commandments, neither have I forgotten them: {26:14} I have not eaten of it in my grievings, neither have I put away there, being unclean, nor given of it for the dead: I have heard the voice of Yahweh my God; I have done according to all that you have commanded me. {26:15} Look down from your holy habitation, from heaven, and bless your people Israel, and the ground which you have given us, as you swear unto our fathers, a land flowing with milk and honey. {26:16} This day Yahweh your God commands you to do these statutes and ordinances: you shall therefore keep and do them with all your heart, and with all your soul. {26:17} you have avouched Yahweh this day to be your God, and that you would walk in his ways, and keep his

statutes, and his commandments, and his ordinances, and hear unto his voice: {26:18} and Yahweh has affirmed you this day to be a people for his own possession, as he has promised you, and that you should keep all his commandments; {26:19} and to make you high above all nations that he has made, in praise, and in name, and in honor; and that you may be a holy people unto Yahweh your God, as he has spoken.

{05}27} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Seven. {27:1} And Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandment which I command you this day. {27:2} And it shall be on the day when you shall pass over the Jordan unto the land which Yahweh your God gives you, that you shall set you up great stones, and plaster them with plaster: {27:3} and you shall write upon them all the words of this law, when you are passed over; that you may go in unto the land which Yahweh your God gives you, a land flowing with milk and honey, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has promised you. {27:4} And it shall be, when you are passed over the Jordan, that you shall set up these stones, which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and you shall plaster them with plaster. {27:5} And there shall you build an altar unto Yahweh your God, an altar of stones: you shall lift up no iron [tool] upon them. {27:6} you shall build the altar of Yahweh your God of uncut stones; and you shall offer burnt-offerings thereon unto Yahweh your God: {27:7} and you shall sacrifice peace-offerings, and shall eat there; and you shall rejoice before Yahweh your God. {27:8} And you shall write upon the stones all the words of this law very plainly. {27:9} And Moses and the priests the Levites spoke unto all Israel, saying, Keep silence, and hear, O Israel: this day you are become the people of Yahweh your God. {27:10} you shall therefore obey the voice of Yahweh your God, and do his commandments and his statutes, which I command you this day. {27:11} And Moses charged the people the same day, saying, {27:12} These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when you are passed over the Jordan: Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin. {27:13} And these shall stand upon mount Ebal for the curse: Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali. {27:14} And the Levites shall answer, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice, {27:15} Cursed be the man that makes a graven or molten image, an abomination unto Yahweh, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and sets it up in secret. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen. {27:16} Cursed be he that makes less of his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:17} Cursed be he that removes his neighbor's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:18} Cursed be he that makes the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:19} Cursed be he that withholds the justice [due] to the alien, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:20} Cursed be he that lies with his father's wife, because he has uncovered his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:21} Cursed be he that lies with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:22} Cursed be he that lies with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:23} Cursed be he that lies with his mother-in-law. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:24} Cursed be he that smites his neighbor in secret. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:25} Cursed be he that takes a bribe to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen. {27:26} Cursed be he that confirms not the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen.

{05}28} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Eight. {28:1} And it shall come to pass, if you shall hear diligently unto the voice of Yahweh your God, to observe to do all his commandments which I command you this day, that Yahweh your God will set you on high above all the nations of the earth: {28:2} and all these blessings shall come upon you, and overtake you, if you shall hear unto the voice of Yahweh your God. {28:3} Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. {28:4} Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your beasts, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock.

{28:5} Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough. {28:6} Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. {28:7} Yahweh will cause your enemies that rise up against you to be smitten before you: they shall come out against you one way, and shall flee before you seven ways. {28:8} Yahweh will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you put your hand unto; and he will bless you in the land which Yahweh your God gives you. {28:9} Yahweh will establish you for a holy people unto himself, as he has sworn unto you; if you shall keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, and walk in his ways. {28:10} And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of Yahweh; and they shall be afraid of you. {28:11} And Yahweh will make you plenteous for good, in the fruit of your body, and in the fruit of your cattle, and in the fruit of your ground, in the land which Yahweh swore unto your fathers to give you. {28:12} Yahweh will open unto you his good treasure the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand: and you shall lend unto many nations, and you shall not borrow. {28:13} And Yahweh will make you the head, and not the tail; and you shall be above only, and you shall not be beneath; if you shall hear unto the commandments of Yahweh your God, which I command you this day, to observe and to do [them], {28:14} and shall not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them. {28:15} But it shall come to pass, if you will not hear unto the voice of Yahweh your God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command you this day, that all these curses shall come upon you, and overtake you. {28:16} Cursed shall you be in the city, and Cursed shall you be in the field. {28:17} Cursed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough. {28:18} Cursed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock. {28:19} Cursed shall you be when you come in, and Cursed shall you be when you go out. {28:20} Yahweh will send upon you cursing, discomfiture, and rebuke, in all that you put your hand unto to do, until you be destroyed, and until you perish quickly; because of the evil of your doings, whereby you have forsaken me. {28:21} Yahweh will make the pestilence cleave unto you, until he have consumed you from off the land, where you go in to possess it. {28:22} Yahweh will smite you with consumption, and with fever, and with inflammation, and with fiery heat, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue you until you perish. {28:23} And your heaven that is over your head shall be brass, and the earth that is under you shall be iron. {28:24} Yahweh will make the rain of your land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon you, until you be destroyed. {28:25} Yahweh will cause you to be smitten before your enemies; you shall go out one way against them, and shall flee seven ways before them: and you shall be tossed to and from among all the kingdoms of the earth. {28:26} And your dead body shall be food unto all birds of the heavens, and unto the beasts of the earth; and there shall be none to frighten them away. {28:27} Yahweh will smite you with the boil of Egypt, and with the hemorrhoids, and with the scurvy, and with the itch, where you Cannot be healed. {28:28} Yahweh will smite you with madness, and with blindness, and with astonishment of heart; {28:29} and you shall grope at noonday, as the blind gropes in darkness, and you shall not prosper in your ways: and you shall be only oppressed and robbed always, and there shall be none to save you. {28:30} you shall betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: you shall build a house, and you shall not dwell therein: you shall plant a vineyard, and shall not use the fruit there. {28:31} your ox shall be slain before your eyes, and you shall not eat there: your donkey shall be violently taken away from before your face, and shall not be restored to you: your sheep shall be given unto your enemies, and you shall have none to save you. {28:32} Your sons and your daughters shall be given unto another people; and your eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them all the day: and there shall be nothing in the power of your hand. {28:33} The fruit of your ground, and all your labors, shall a nation which you know not eat up; and you shall be only oppressed and crushed always; {28:34} so that you shall be mad for the sight of your eyes which you shall see. {28:35} Yahweh will smite you in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore boil, where you Cannot be healed, from

the sole of your foot unto the crown of your head. {28:36} Yahweh will bring you, and your king whom you shall set over you, unto a nation that you have not known, you nor your fathers; and there shall you serve other gods, wood and stone. {28:37} And you shall become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all the peoples where Yahweh shall lead you away. {28:38} you shall carry much seed out into the field, and shall gather little in; for the locust shall consume it. {28:39} you shall plant vineyards and dress them, but you shall neither drink of the wine, nor gather [the grapes]; for the worm shall eat them. {28:40} you shall have olive-trees throughout all your borders, but you shall not anoint yourself with the oil; for your olive shall cast [its fruit]. {28:41} you shall beget sons and daughters, but they shall not be yours; for they shall go into captivity. {28:42} All your trees and the fruit of your ground shall the locust possess. {28:43} The alien that is in the midst of you shall mount up above you higher and higher; and you shall come down lower and lower. {28:44} He shall lend to you, and you shall not lend to him: he shall be the head, and you shall be the tail. {28:45} And all these curses shall come upon you, and shall pursue you, and overtake you, till you be destroyed; because you listen not unto the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded you: {28:46} and they shall be upon you for a sign and for a wonder, and upon your seed forever. {28:47} Because you serve not Yahweh your God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, by reason of the abundance of all things; {28:48} therefore shall you serve your enemies that Yahweh shall send against you, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all things: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon your neck, until he have destroyed you. {28:49} Yahweh will bring a nation against you from far, from the end of the earth, as the eagle flies; a nation whose tongue you shall not understand; {28:50} a nation of fierce countenance, that shall not regard the person of the old, nor show favor to the young, {28:51} and shall eat the fruit of your cattle, and the fruit of your ground, until you be destroyed; that also shall not leave you grain, new wine, or oil, the increase of your cattle, or the young of your flock, until they have caused you to perish. {28:52} And they shall besiege you in all your gates, until your high and fortified walls come down, wherein you trust, throughout all your land; and they shall besiege you in all your gates throughout all your land, which Yahweh your God has given you. {28:53} And you shall eat the fruit of your own body, the flesh of your sons and of your daughters, whom Yahweh your God has given you, in the siege and in the distress by which your enemies shall distress you. {28:54} The man that is tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children whom he has remaining; {28:55} so that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat, because he has nothing left him, in the siege and in the distress by which your enemy shall distress you in all your gates. {28:56} The tender and delicate woman among you, who would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter, {28:57} and toward her young one that comes out from between her feet, and toward her children whom she shall bear; for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly, in the siege and in the distress by which your enemy shall distress you in your gates. {28:58} If you will not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that you may fear this glorious and fearful name, YAHWEH YOUR GOD; {28:59} then Yahweh will make your plagues horrendous, and the plagues of your seed, even great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance. {28:60} And he will bring upon you again all the diseases of Egypt, which you was afraid of; and they shall cleave unto you. {28:61} Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will Yahweh bring upon you, until you be destroyed. {28:62} And you shall be left few in number, whereas you were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because you did not hear unto the voice of Yahweh your God. {28:63} And it shall come to pass, that, as Yahweh rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you, so Yahweh will rejoice over you to cause you to perish, and to destroy you; and you shall be plucked from off the land where you go in to possess it. {28:64}

And Yahweh will scatter you among all peoples, from the one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth; and there you shall serve other gods, which you have not known, you nor your fathers, even wood and stone. {28:65} And among these nations shall you find no ease, and there shall be no rest for the sole of your foot: but Yahweh will give you there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and pining of soul; {28:66} and your life shall hang in doubt before you; and you shall fear night and day, and shall have no assurance of your life. {28:67} In the morning you shall say, Would it were even! and at even you shall say, Would it were morning! for the fear of your heart which you shall fear, and for the sight of your eyes which you shall see. {28:68} And Yahweh will bring you into Egypt again with ships, by the way where I said unto you, you shall see it no more again: and there you shall sell yourselves unto your enemies for bondmen and for bondwomen, and no man shall buy you.

{O5}29} Deuteronomy Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} These are the words of the covenant which Yahweh commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, besides the covenant which he made with them in Horeb. {29:2} And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, you have seen all that Yahweh did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land; {29:3} the great trials which your eyes saw, the signs, and those great wonders: {29:4} but Yahweh has not given you a heart to know, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day. {29:5} And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxed old upon you, and your shoe is not waxed old upon your foot. {29:6} you have not eaten bread, neither have you drunk wine or strong drink; that you may know that I am Yahweh your God. {29:7} And when you came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we defeated them: {29:8} and we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half-tribe of the Manassites. {29:9} Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that you may prosper in all that you do. {29:10} you stand this day all of you before Yahweh your God; your heads, your tribes, your elders, and your officers, even all the men of Israel, {29:11} your little ones, your wives, and your alien that is in the midst of your camps, from the hewer of your wood unto the drawer of your water; {29:12} that you may enter into the covenant of Yahweh your God, and into his oath, which Yahweh your God makes with you this day; {29:13} that he may establish you this day unto himself for a people, and that he may be unto you a God, as he spoke unto you, and as he swore unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. {29:14} Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath, {29:15} but with him that stands here with us this day before Yahweh our God, and also with him that is not here with us this day {29:16} (for you know how we lived in the land of Egypt, and how we came through the midst of the nations through which you passed; {29:17} and you have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which were among them); {29:18} lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turns away this day from Yahweh our God, to go to serve the gods of those nations; lest there should be among you a root that bears gall and wormwood; {29:19} and it come to pass, when he hears the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the stubbornness of my heart, to destroy the moist with the dry. {29:20} Yahweh will not pardon him, but then the anger of Yahweh and his jealousy will smoke against that man, and all the curses that is written in this book shall lie upon him, and Yahweh will blot out his name from under heaven. {29:21} And Yahweh will set him apart unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that is written in this book of the law. {29:22} And the generation to come, your children that shall rise up after you, and the foreigner that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses by which Yahweh has made it sick; {29:23} [and that] the whole land of it is brimstone, and salt, [and] a burning, [that] it is not sown, nor bears, nor any grass grows therein, like the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboiim, which Yahweh overthrew in

his anger, and in his Anger: {29:24} even all the nations shall say, Therefore has Yahweh done thus unto this land? what means the heat of this great anger? {29:25} Then men shall say, Because they forsook the covenant of Yahweh, the God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, {29:26} and went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods that they knew not, and that he had not given unto them: {29:27} therefore the anger of Yahweh was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curse that is written in this book; {29:28} and Yahweh rooted them out of their land in anger, and in Anger, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as at this day. {29:29} The secret things belong unto Yahweh our God; but the things that are revealed belong unto us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.

{05}30} Deuteronomy Chapter Thirty {30:1} And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon you, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before you, and you shall call them to mind among all the nations, where Yahweh your God has driven you, {30:2} and shall return unto Yahweh your God, and shall obey his voice according to all that I command you this day, you and your children, with all your heart, and with all your soul; {30:3} that then Yahweh your God will turn your captivity, and have compassion upon you, and will return and gather you from all the peoples, where Yahweh your God has scattered you. {30:4} If [any of] your outcasts be in the outermost parts of heaven, from there will Yahweh your God gather you, and from there will he get you: {30:5} and Yahweh your God will bring you into the land which your fathers possessed, and you shall possess it; and he will do you good, and multiply you above your fathers. {30:6} And Yahweh your God will circumcise your heart, and the heart of your seed, to agape love Yahweh your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, that you may live. {30:7} And Yahweh your God will put all these curses upon your enemies, and on them that hate you, that persecuted you. {30:8} And you shall return and obey the voice of Yahweh, and do all his commandments which I command you this day. {30:9} And Yahweh your God will make you plenteous in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, and in the fruit of your cattle, and in the fruit of your ground, for good: for Yahweh will again rejoice over you for good, as he rejoiced over your fathers; {30:10} if you shall obey the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law; if you turn unto Yahweh your God with all your heart, and with all your soul. {30:11} For this commandment which I command you this day, it is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. {30:12} It is not in heaven, that you should say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it? {30:13} Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it? {30:14} But the word is very near unto you, in your mouth, and in your heart, that you may do it. {30:15} See, I have set before you this day life and good, and death and evil; {30:16} in that I command you this day to agape love Yahweh your God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his ordinances, that you may live and multiply, and that Yahweh your God may bless you in the land where you go in to possess it. {30:17} But if your heart turn away, and you will not hear, but shall be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; {30:18} I denounce unto you this day, that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong your days in the land, where you pass over the Jordan to go in to possess it. {30:19} I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse: therefore choose life, that you may live, you and your seed; {30:20} to agape love Yahweh your God, to obey his voice, and to cleave unto him; for he is your life, and the length of your days; that you may dwell in the land which Yahweh swore unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

{05}31} Deuteronomy Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} And Moses went and spoke these words unto all Israel. {31:2} And he said unto them, I am a hundred and twenty years old this day; I can

no more go out and come in: and Yahweh has said unto me, you shall not go over this Jordan. {31:3} Yahweh your God, he will go over before you; he will destroy these nations from before you, and you shall dispossess them: [and] Joshua, he shall go over before you, as Yahweh has spoken. {31:4} And Yahweh will do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and unto their land; whom he destroyed. {31:5} And Yahweh will deliver them up before you, and you shall do unto them according unto all the commandment which I have commanded you. {31:6} Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be affrighted at them: for Yahweh your God, he it is that does go with you; he will not fail you, nor forsake you. {31:7} And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of good courage: for you shall go with this people into the land which Yahweh has sworn unto their fathers to give them; and you shall cause them to inherit it. {31:8} And Yahweh, he it is that does go before you; he will be with you, he will not fail you, neither forsake you: fear not, neither be dismayed. {31:9} And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, that bare the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and unto all the elders of Israel. {31:10} And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of [every] seven years, in the set time of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles, {31:11} when all Israel is come to appear before Yahweh your God in the place which he shall choose, you shall read this law before all Israel in their hearing. {31:12} Assemble the people, the men and the women and the little ones, and your alien that is within your gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear Yahweh your God, and observe to do all the words of this law; {31:13} and that their children, who have not known, may hear, and learn to fear Yahweh your God, as long as you live in the land where you go over the Jordan to possess it. {31:14} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Behold, your day's approach that you must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tent of meeting, that I may give him a charge. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tent of meeting. {31:15} And Yahweh appeared in the Tent in a pillar of cloud: and the pillar of cloud stood over the door of the Tent. {31:16} And Yahweh said unto Moses, Behold, you shall sleep with your fathers; and this people will rise up, and play the prostitute after the strange gods of the land, where they go to be among them, and will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them. {31:17} Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall come upon them; so that they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us because our God is not among us? {31:18} And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evil which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods. {31:19} Now therefore write you this song for you, and teach you it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel. {31:20} For when I shall have brought them into the land which I swore unto their fathers, flowing with milk and honey, and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxed fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and despise me, and break my covenant. {31:21} And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are come upon them, that this song shall testify before them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they frame this day, before I have brought them into the land which I swore. {31:22} So Moses wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel. {31:23} And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of good courage; for you shall bring the children of Israel into the land which I swore unto them: and I will be with you. {31:24} And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished, {31:25} that Moses commanded the Levites, that bare the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, saying, {31:26} Take this book of the law, and put it by the side of the ark of the covenant of Yahweh your God, that it may be there for a witness against you. {31:27} For I know your rebellion, and your stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, you have been rebellious against Yahweh; and how much more after my death? {31:28} Assemble unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to witness against them.

{31:29} For I know that after my death you will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because you will do that which is evil in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands. {31:30} And Moses spoke in the ears of all the Ekklesia of Israel the words of this song, until they were finished.

{05}32} Deuteronomy Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} Give ear, you heavens, and I will speak; And let the earth hear the words of my mouth. {32:2} My instructions shall drop as the rain; My speech shall distil as the dew, As the small rain upon the tender grass, And as the showers upon the herb. {32:3} For I will proclaim the name of Yahweh: Ascribe you greatness unto our God. {32:4} The Rock, his work is perfect; For all his ways are justice: A God of faithfulness and outside works against law, Just and right is he. {32:5} They have dealt corruptly with him, [they are] not his children, [it is] their blemish; [They are] a perverse and crooked generation. {32:6} Do you like that repay Yahweh, O foolish people and unwise? Is not he your father that has bought you? He has made you, and established you. {32:7} Remember the days of old, Consider the years of many generations: Ask your father, and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you. {32:8} When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, When he separated the children of men, He set the bounds of the peoples According to the number of the children of Israel. {32:9} For Yahweh's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. {32:10} He found him in a desert land, And in the waste howling wilderness; He around him about, he cared for him, He kept him as the apple of his eye. {32:11} As an eagle that stirs up her nest, That flutters over her young, He spread abroad his wings, he took them, He bare them on his pinions. {32:12} Yahweh alone did lead him, And there was no foreign god with him. {32:13} He made him ride on the high places of the earth, And he did eat the increase of the field; And he made him to suck honey out of the rock, And oil out of the flinty rock; {32:14} Butter of the herd, and milk of the flock, With fat of lambs, And rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, With the finest of the wheat; And of the blood of the grape you drank wine. {32:15} But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: you agape beloved are waxed fat, you are grown thick, you are become sleek; Then he forsook God who made him, And [only] lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation. {32:16} They moved him to jealousy with strange [gods]; With abominations provoked they him to anger. {32:17} They sacrificed unto demons, [which were] no God, To gods that they knew not, To new [gods] that came up of late, Which your fathers dreaded not. {32:18} Of the Rock that begot you then you are unmindful, And have forgotten God that gave you birth. {32:19} And Yahweh saw [it], and abhorred [them], Because of the provocation of his sons and his daughters. {32:20} And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end shall be: For they are a very perverse generation, Children in whom is no faithfulness. {32:21} They have moved me to jealousy with that which is not God; They have provoked me to anger with their vanities: And I will move them to jealousy with those that are not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation. {32:22} For a fire is kindled in mine anger, And burns unto the lowest Sheol, And devours the earth with its increase, And sets on fire the foundations of the mountains. {32:23} I will heap evils upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them: {32:24} [They shall be] wasted with hunger, and devoured with burning heat And bitter destruction; And the teeth of beasts will I send upon them, With the poison of crawling things of the dust. {32:25} outside shall the sword bereave, And in the chambers terror; [It shall destroy] both young man and virgin, The suckling with the man of gray hairs. {32:26} I said, I would scatter them afar, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men; {32:27} Were it not that I feared the provocation of the enemy, Lest their adversaries should judge amiss, Lest they should say, Our hand is exalted, And Yahweh has not done all this. {32:28} For they are a nation void of counsel, And there is no understanding in them. {32:29} Oh that they were wise, that they understood this, That they would consider their latter end! {32:30} How should one chase a thousand, And two put ten thousand to flight, Except their Rock had sold them, And Yahweh had

delivered them up? {32:31} For their rock is not as our Rock, Even our enemies themselves being judges. {32:32} For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, And of the fields of Gomorrah: Their grapes are grapes of gall, Their clusters are bitter: {32:33} Their wine is the poison of serpents, And the cruel venom of asps. {32:34} Is not this laid up in store with me, Sealed up among my treasures? {32:35} Vengeance is mine, and recompense, At the time when their foot shall slide: For the day of their calamity is at hand, And the things that are to come upon them shall make haste. {32:36} For Yahweh will judge his people, And repent himself for his servants; When he sees that [their] power is gone, And there is none [remaining], shut up or left at large. {32:37} And he will say, Where are their gods, The rock in which they took refuge; {32:38} Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, [And] drank the wine of their drink-offering? Let them rise up and help you, Let them be your protection. {32:39} See now that I, even I, am he, And there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal; And there is none that can deliver out of my hand. {32:40} For I lift up my hand to heaven, And say, As I live forever, {32:41} If I whet my glittering sword, And my hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine adversaries, And will recompense them that hate me. {32:42} I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, And my sword shall devour flesh; With the blood of the slain and the captives, From the head of the leaders of the enemy. {32:43} Rejoice, O you nations, [with] his people: For he will avenge the blood of his servants, And will render vengeance to his adversaries, And will make expiation for his land, for his people. {32:44} And Moses came and spoke all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he, and Hoshea the son of Nun. {32:45} And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel; {32:46} And he said unto them, Set your heart unto all the words which I testify unto you this day, which you shall command your children to observe to do, [even] all the words of this law. {32:47} For it is no vain thing for you; because it is your life, and through this thing you shall prolong your days in the land, where you go over the Jordan to possess it. {32:48} And Yahweh spoke unto Moses that selfsame day, saying, {32:49} Get you up into this mountain of Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession; {32:50} and die in the mount where you go up, and be gathered unto your people, as Aaron your brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people: {32:51} because you trespassed against me in the midst of the children of Israel at the waters of Meribah of Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because you sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel. {32:52} For you shall see the land before you; but you shall not go there into the land which I give the children of Israel.

{05}33} Deuteronomy Thirty Three. {33:1} And this is the blessing, by which Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death. {33:2} And he said, Yahweh came from Sinai, And rose from Seir unto them; He shined forth from mount Paran, And he came from the ten thousands of holy ones: At his right hand was a fiery law for them. {33:3} behold, he agape loved the people; All his Holy People are in your hand: And they sat down at your feet; [Every one] shall receive of your words. {33:4} Moses commanded us a law, An inheritance for the assembly of Jacob. {33:5} And he was king in Jeshurun, When the heads of the people were gathered, All the tribes of Israel together. {33:6} Let Reuben live, and not die; Nor let his men be few. {33:7} And this is [the blessing] of Judah: and he said, Hear, Yahweh, the voice of Judah, And bring him in unto his people. With his hands he contended for himself; And you shall be a help against his adversaries. {33:8} And of Levi he said, Your Thummim and your Urim are with your godly one, Whom you did prove at Massah, With whom you did strive at the waters of Meribah; {33:9} Who said of his father, and of his mother, I have not seen him; Neither did he acknowledge his brethren, Nor knew he his own children: For they have observed your word, And keep your covenant. {33:10} They shall teach Jacob your ordinances, And Israel your law: They shall put incense before you, And whole burnt-offering upon your altar. {33:11} Bless, Yahweh, his substance, And accept the work of his hands: Smite through the loins of them that

rise up against him, And of them that hate him, that they rise not again. {33:12} Of Benjamin he said, The agape beloved of Yahweh shall dwell in safety by him; He covers him all the day long, And he dwells between his shoulders. {33:13} And of Joseph he said, Blessed of Yahweh be his land, For the precious things of heaven, for the dew, And for the deep that couches beneath, {33:14} And for the precious things of the fruits of the sun, And for the precious things of the growth of the moons, {33:15} And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, And for the precious things of the everlasting hills, {33:16} And for the precious things of the earth and the fullness there, And the good will of him that lived in the bush. Let [the blessing] come upon the head of Joseph, And upon the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren. {33:17} The firstling of his herd, majesty is his; And his horns are the horns of the wild-ox: With them he shall push the peoples all of them, [even] the ends of the earth: And they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, And they are the thousands of Manasseh. {33:18} And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in your going out; And, Issachar, in your tents. {33:19} They shall call the peoples unto the mountain; There shall they offer sacrifices of lawful works: For they shall suck the abundance of the seas, And the hidden treasures of the sand. {33:20} And of Gad he said, Blessed be he that enlarges Gad: He dwells as a lioness, And tears the arm, behold, the crown of the head. {33:21} And he provided the first part for himself, For there was the lawgiver's portion reserved; And he came [with] the heads of the people; He executed the lawful works of Yahweh, And his ordinances with Israel. {33:22} And of Dan he said, Dan is a lion's whelp, That leaps forth from Bashan. {33:23} And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favor, And full with the blessing of Yahweh, Possess you the west and the south. {33:24} And of Asher he said, Blessed be Asher with children; Let him be acceptable unto his brethren, And let him dip his foot in oil. {33:25} Your bars shall be iron and brass; And as your days, so shall your strength be. {33:26} There is none like unto God, O Jeshurun, Who rides upon the heavens for your help, And in his Excellency on the skies. {33:27} The eternal God is [your] dwelling-place, And underneath are the everlasting arms. And he thrust out the enemy from before you, And said, Destroy. {33:28} And Israel dwells in safety, The fountain of Jacob alone, In a land of grain and new wine; behold, his heavens drop down dew. {33:29} Happy are you, O Israel: Who is like unto you, a people saved by Yahweh, The shield of your help, And the sword of your Excellency! And your enemies shall submit themselves unto you; And you shall tread upon their high places.

{O5}34} Deuteronomy Chapter ThirtyFour. {34:1} And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho. And Yahweh showed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan, {34:2} and all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the western sea, {34:3} and the South, and the Plain of the valley of Jericho the city of palm-trees, unto Zoar. {34:4} And Yahweh said unto him, This is the land which I swore unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto your seed: I have caused you to see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there. {34:5} So Moses the servant of Yahweh died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of Yahweh. {34:6} And he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab over against Beth-peor: but no man knows of his sepulcher unto this day. {34:7} And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated. {34:8} And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days: so the days of weeping in the grieving for Moses were ended.

{34:9} And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel heard unto him, and did as Yahweh commanded Moses. {34:10} And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom Yahweh knew face to face, {34:11} in all the signs and the wonders, which Yahweh sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, {34:12} and in all the mighty hand, and in all the great terror, which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel.

The Book Of Joshua

{O6}1} Joshua Chapter One. {1:1} Now it came to pass after the death of Moses the servant of Yahweh, that Yahweh spoke unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying, {1:2} Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel. {1:3} Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, to you have I given it, as I spoke unto Moses. {1:4} From the wilderness, and this Lebanon, even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your border. {1:5} There shall not any man be able to stand before you all the days of your life. as I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you, nor forsake you. {1:6} Be strong and of good courage; for you shall cause this people to inherit the land which I swore unto their fathers to give them. {1:7} Only be strong and very courageous, to observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded you: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success whereever you go. {1:8} This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate thereon day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall have good success. {1:9} Have not I commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; be not affrighted, neither be you dismayed: for Yahweh your God is with you whereever you go. {1:10} Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying, {1:11} Pass through the midst of the camp, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for within three days you are to pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which Yahweh your God gives you to possess it. {1:12} And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half-tribe of Manasseh, spoke Joshua, saying, {1:13} Remember the word which Moses the servant of Yahweh commanded you, saying, Yahweh your God gives you rest, and will give you this land. {1:14} Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall abide in the land which Moses gave you beyond the Jordan; but you shall pass over before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valor, and shall help them; {1:15} until Yahweh have given your brethren rest, as [he has given] you, and they also have possessed the land which Yahweh your God gives them: then you shall return unto the land of your possession, and possess it, which Moses the servant of Yahweh gave you beyond the Jordan toward the sun rising. {1:16} And they answered Joshua, saying, All that you have commanded us we will do, and whereever you send us we will go. {1:17} According as we heard unto Moses in all things, so will we hear unto you: only Yahweh your God be with you, as he was with Moses. {1:18} Anyone who he be that shall rebel against your commandment, and shall not hear unto your words in all that you command him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of good courage.

{O6}2} Joshua Chapter two. {2:1} And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men as spies secretly, saying, Go, view the land, and Jericho. And they went and came into the house of a prostitute whose name was Rahab, and lay there. {2:2} And it was told the king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men in here to-night of the children of Israel to search out the land. {2:3} And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to you, that are entered into your house; for they are come to search out all the land. {2:4} And the woman took the two men, and hid them; and she said, behold, the men came unto me, but I knew not where they were: {2:5} and it came to pass about the time of the shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out; where the men went I know not: pursue after them quickly; for you will overtake them. {2:6} But she had brought them up to the roof, and hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof. {2:7} And the men pursued after them the way to the Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they that pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate. {2:8} And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof; {2:9} and she said unto the men, I know that Yahweh has given you the land, and that the

fear of you is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you. {2:10} For we have heard how Yahweh dried up the water of the Red Sea before you, when you came out of Egypt; and what you did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were beyond the Jordan, unto Sihon and to Og, whom you utterly destroyed. {2:11} And as soon as we had heard it, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more spirit in any man, because of you: for Yahweh your God, he is God in heaven above, and on earth beneath. {2:12} Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by Yahweh, since I have dealt kindly with you, that you also will deal kindly with my father's house, and give me a true token; {2:13} and that you will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and will deliver our lives from death. {2:14} And the men said unto her, Our life for yours, if you utter not this our business; and it shall be, when Yahweh gives us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with you. {2:15} Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house was upon the side of the wall, and she lived upon the wall. {2:16} And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers light upon you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may you go your way. {2:17} And the men said unto her, We will be guiltless of this your oath which you have made us to swear. {2:18} Behold, when we come into the land, you shall bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which you did let us down by: and you shall gather unto you into the house your father, and your mother, and your brethren, and all your father's household. {2:19} And it shall be, that anyone who shall go out of the doors of your house into the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and we shall be guiltless: and anyone who shall be with you in the house, his blood shall be on our head, if any hand be upon him. {2:20} But if you utter this our business, then we shall be guiltless of your oath which you have made us to swear. {2:21} And she said, According unto your words, so be it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window. {2:22} And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not. {2:23} Then the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun; and they told him all that had befallen them. {2:24} And they said unto Joshua, Truly Yahweh has delivered into our hands all the land; and also all the inhabitants of the land do melt away before us.

{O6}3} Joshua Chapter Three. {3:1} And Joshua rose up early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to the Jordan, he and all the children of Israel; and they lodged there before they passed over. {3:2} And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the midst of the camp; {3:3} and they commanded the people, saying, When you see the ark of the covenant of Yahweh your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then you shall remove from your place, and go after it. {3:4} yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that you may know the way by which you must go; for you have not passed this way herefore. {3:5} And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow Yahweh will do wonders among you. {3:6} And Joshua spoke unto the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the people. {3:7} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. {3:8} And you shall command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, When you are come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan. {3:9} And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come here, and hear the words of Yahweh your God. {3:10} And Joshua said, Hereby you shall know that the living God is among you, and that he will outside fail drive out from before you the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Hivite, and the Perizzite, and the Girgashite, and the Amorite, and the Jebusite. {3:11} Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passes over before you into the Jordan. {3:12} Now therefore take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel, forevery tribe a

man. {3:13} And it shall come to pass, when the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of Yahweh, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, that the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off, even the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand in one heap. {3:14} And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over the Jordan, the priests that bare the ark of the covenant being before the people; {3:15} and when they that bare the ark were come unto the Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (for the Jordan overflows all its banks all the time of harvest,) {3:16} that the waters which came down from above stood, and rose up in one heap, a great way off, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan; and those that went down toward the sea of the Arabah, even the Salt Sea, were wholly cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho. {3:17} And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of Yahweh stood firm on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan; and all Israel passed over on dry ground, until all the nation were passed clean over the Jordan.

{O6}4} Joshua Chapter Four. {4:1} And it came to pass, when all the nation were clean passed over the Jordan, that Yahweh spoke unto Joshua, saying, {4:2} Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man, {4:3} and command you them, saying, Take you from here out of the midst of the Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and carry them over with you, and lay them down in the lodging-place, where you shall lodge this night. {4:4} Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man: {4:5} and Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of Yahweh your God into the midst of the Jordan, and take you up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel; {4:6} that this may be a sign among you, that, when your children ask in time to come, saying, What mean you by these stones? {4:7} then you shall say unto them, Because the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of Yahweh; when it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel forever. {4:8} And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of the Jordan, as Yahweh spoke unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel; and they carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there. {4:9} And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of the Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests that bare the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there unto this day. {4:10} For the priests that bare the ark stood in the midst of the Jordan, until everything was finished that Yahweh commanded Joshua to speak unto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Joshua: and the people hurried and passed over. {4:11} And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over, that the ark of Yahweh passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people. {4:12} And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the half-tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spoke unto them: {4:13} about forty thousand ready armed for war passed over before Yahweh unto battle, to the plains of Jericho. {4:14} On that day Yahweh magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life. {4:15} And Yahweh spoke unto Joshua, saying, {4:16} Command the priests that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of the Jordan. {4:17} Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come you up out of the Jordan. {4:18} And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of Yahweh were come up out of the midst of the Jordan, and the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up unto the dry ground, that the waters of the Jordan returned unto their place, and went over all its banks, as times past. {4:19} And the people came up out of the Jordan on the tenth day of the first Moon [Abib] , and encamped in Gilgal, on the east border of Jericho. {4:20} And those twelve stones, which they took out of the Jordan, did Joshua set up in Gilgal. {4:21} And he spoke unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones? {4:22} Then you shall let your children know, saying,

Israel came over this Jordan on dry land. {4:23} For Yahweh your God dried up the waters of the Jordan from before you, until you were passed over, as Yahweh your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were passed over; {4:24} that all the peoples of the earth may know the hand of Yahweh, that it is mighty; that you may fear Yahweh your God forever.

{O6}5} Joshua Chapter Five. {5:1} And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, that were beyond the Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, that were by the sea, heard how that Yahweh had dried up the waters of the Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel. {5:2} At that time Yahweh said unto Joshua, Make you knives of flint, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time. {5:3} And Joshua made him knives of flint, and circumcised the children of Israel at the hill of the foreskins. {5:4} And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: all the people that came forth out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came forth out of Egypt. {5:5} For all the people that came out were circumcised; but all the people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, they had not circumcised. {5:6} For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the nation, even the men of war that came forth out of Egypt, were consumed, because they heard not unto the voice of Yahweh: unto whom Yahweh swore that he would not let them see the land which Yahweh swore unto their fathers that he would give us, a land flowing with milk and honey. {5:7} And their children, whom he raised up in their stead, them did Joshua circumcise: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way. {5:8} And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the nation, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole. {5:9} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Therefore the name of that place was called Gilgal, unto this day. {5:10} And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal; and they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the Moon at even in the plains of Jericho. {5:11} And they did eat of the produce of the land on the morrow after the Passover, unleavened cakes and parched grain, in the selfsame day. {5:12} And the manna ceased on the morrow, after they had eaten of the produce of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year. {5:13} And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, are you for us, or for our adversaries? {5:14} And he said, No; but [as] prince of the host of Yahweh am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What said my lord unto his servant? {5:15} And the prince of Yahweh's host said unto Joshua, Put off your shoe from off your foot; for the place whereon you stand is holy. And Joshua did so.

{O6}6} Joshua Chapter Six. {6:1} Now Jericho was strictly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in. {6:2} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, See, I have given into your hand Jericho, and the king there, and the mighty men of valor. {6:3} And you shall compass the city, all the men of war, going about the city once. Thus shall you do six days. {6:4} And seven priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark: and the seventh day you shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets. {6:5} And it shall be, that, when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when you hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall go up every man straight before him. {6:6} And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of Yahweh. {6:7} And they said unto the people, Pass on, and compass the city, and let the armed men pass on before the ark of Yahweh. {6:8} And it

was so, that, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns before Yahweh passed on, and blew the trumpets; and the ark of the covenant of Yahweh followed them. {6:9} And the armed men went before the priests that blew the trumpets, and the rearward went after the ark, [the priests] blowing the trumpets as they went. {6:10} And Joshua commanded the people, saying, you shall not shout, nor let your voice be heard, neither shall any word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall you shout. {6:11} So he caused the ark of Yahweh to compass the city, going about it once: and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp. {6:12} And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of Yahweh. {6:13} And the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of Yahweh went on continually, and blew the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; and the rearward came after the ark of Yahweh, [the priests] blowing the trumpets as they went. {6:14} And the second day they around the city once, and returned into the camp: so they did six days. {6:15} And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early at the dawning of the day, and around the city after the same manner seven times: only on the day they around the city seven times. {6:16} And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for Yahweh has given you the city. {6:17} And the city shall be devoted, even it and all that is therein, to Yahweh: only Rahab the prostitute shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent. {6:18} But as for you, only keep yourselves from the devoted thing, lest when you have devoted it, you take of the devoted thing; so would you make the camp of Israel accursed, and trouble it. {6:19} But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are holy unto Yahweh: they shall come into the treasury of Yahweh. {6:20} So the people shouted, and [the priests] blew the trumpets; and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, that the people shouted with a great shout, and the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city. {6:21} And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, both young and old, and ox, and sheep, and donkey, with the edge of the sword. {6:22} And Joshua said unto the two men that had spied out the land, Go into the prostitute's house, and bring out there the woman, and all that she has, as you swore unto her. {6:23} And the young men the spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; all her kindred also they brought out; and they set them outside the camp of Israel. {6:24} And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein; only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of Yahweh. {6:25} But Rahab the prostitute, and her father's household, and all that she had, did Joshua save alive; and she lived in the midst of Israel unto this day, because she hid the messengers, whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho. {6:26} And Joshua charged them with an oath at that time, saying, cursed be the man before Yahweh, that rises up and build this city Jericho: with the loss of his first-born shall he lay the foundation there, and with the loss of his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it. {6:27} So Yahweh was with Joshua; and his fame was in all the land.

{O6}7} Joshua Chapter Seven. {7:1} But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the devoted thing; for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the devoted thing: and the anger of Yahweh was kindled against the children of Israel. {7:2} And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Beth-aven, on the east side of Beth-el, and spoke unto them, saying, Go up and spy out the land. And the men went up and spied out Ai. {7:3} And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the people go up; but let about two or three thousand men go up and smite Ai; make not all the people to toil there; for they are but few. {7:4} So there went up there of the people about three thousand men: and they fled before the men of Ai. {7:5} And the men of Ai defeated of them about thirty and six men; and they chased them [from] before the gate even unto Shebarim, and defeated them at the descent; and the hearts of the people melted, and became as water. {7:6} And Joshua rent his

clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of Yahweh until the evening, he and the elders of Israel; and they put dust upon their heads. {7:7} And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord Yahweh, Therefore have you at all brought this people over the Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to cause us to perish? would that we had been content and lived beyond the Jordan! {7:8} Oh, Lord, what shall I say, after that Israel has turned their backs before their enemies! {7:9} For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land will hear of it, and will compass us round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what will you do for your great name? {7:10} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, Get you up; Therefore are you thus fallen upon your face? {7:11} Israel has sinned; behold, they have even transgressed my covenant which I commanded them: behold, they have even taken of the devoted thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also; and they have even put it among their own stuff. {7:12} Therefore the children of Israel cannot stand before their enemies; they turn their backs before their enemies, because they are become accursed: I will not be with you any more, except you destroy the devoted thing from among you. {7:13} Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against tomorrow: for thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, There is a devoted thing in the midst of you, O Israel; you Cannot stand before your enemies, until you take away the devoted thing from among you. {7:14} In the morning therefore you shall be brought near by your tribes: and it shall be, that the tribe which Yahweh takes shall come near by families; and the family which Yahweh shall take shall come near by households; and the household which Yahweh shall take shall come near man by man. {7:15} And it shall be, that he that is taken with the devoted thing shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he has; because he has transgressed the covenant of Yahweh, and because he has wrought folly in Israel. {7:16} So Joshua rose up early in the morning, and brought Israel near by their tribes; and the tribe of Judah was taken: {7:17} and he brought near the family of Judah; and he took the family of the Zerahites: and he brought near the family of the Zerahites man by man; and Zabdi was taken: {7:18} and he brought near his household man by man; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken. {7:19} And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray you, glory to Yahweh, the God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what you have done; hide it not from me. {7:20} And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Of a truth I have sinned against Yahweh, the God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done: {7:21} when I saw among the spoil a goodly Babylonish mantle, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it. {7:22} So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under it. {7:23} And they took them from the midst of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel; and they laid them down before Yahweh. {7:24} And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the mantle, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his donkeys, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them up unto the valley of Achor. {7:25} And Joshua said, Why have you troubled us? Yahweh shall trouble you this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones; and they burned them with fire, and stoned them with stones. {7:26} And they raised over him a great heap of stones, unto this day; and Yahweh turned from the fierceness of his anger. Therefore the name of that place was called, The valley of Achor, unto this day.

{06}8} Joshua Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be you dismayed: take all the people of war with you, and arise, go up to Ai; see, I have given into your hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land; {8:2} And you shall do to Ai and her king as you did unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil there, and the cattle there, shall you take for a prey unto yourselves: set you an ambush for the city behind it. {8:3} So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up to Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand men, the mighty men of valor, and sent them forth by night. {8:4} And he commanded them, saying,

Behold, you shall lie in ambush against the city, behind the city; go not very far from the city, but be you all ready: {8:5} and I, and all the people that are with me, will approach unto the city. And it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them; {8:6} and they will come out after us, till we have drawn them away from the city; for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first: so we will flee before them; {8:7} and you shall rise up from the ambush, and take possession of the city: for Yahweh your God will deliver it into your hand. {8:8} And it shall be, when you have seized upon the city, that you shall set the city on fire; according to the word of Yahweh shall you do: see, I have commanded you. {8:9} And Joshua sent them forth; and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the people. {8:10} And Joshua arose up early in the morning, and mustered the people, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai. {8:11} And all the people, [even] the [men of] war that were with him, went up, and drew near, and came before the city, and encamped on the north side of Ai: now there was a valley between him and Ai. {8:12} And he took about five thousand men, and set them in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of the city. {8:13} So they set the people, even all the host that was on the north of the city, and their liers-in-wait that were on the west of the city; and Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley. {8:14} And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw it, that they hurried and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, at the time appointed, before the Arabah; but he knew not that there was an ambush against him behind the city. {8:15} And Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness. {8:16} And all the people that were in the city were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away from the city. {8:17} And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel. {8:18} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, Stretch out the javelin that is in your hand toward Ai; for I will give it into your hand. And Joshua stretched out the javelin that was in his hand toward the city. {8:19} And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand, and entered into the city, and took it; and they hurried and set the city on fire. {8:20} And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers. {8:21} And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai. {8:22} And the others came forth out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of them remain or escape. {8:23} And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua. {8:24} And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they pursued them, and they were all fallen by the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all Israel returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword. {8:25} And all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai. {8:26} For Joshua drew not back his hand, by which he stretched out the javelin, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai. {8:27} Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for prey unto themselves, according unto the word of Yahweh which he commanded Joshua. {8:28} So Joshua burnt Ai, and made it a heap forever, even a desolation, unto this day. {8:29} And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until the eventide: and at the going down of the sun Joshua commanded, and they took his body down from the tree, and cast it at the entrance of the gate of the city, and raised thereon a great heap of stones, unto this day. {8:30} Then Joshua built an altar unto Yahweh, the God of Israel, in mount Ebal, {8:31} as Moses the servant of Yahweh commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of uncut stones, upon which no man had lifted up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt-offerings unto Yahweh, and sacrificed peace-offerings. {8:32} And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote, in the presence of the

children of Israel. {8:33} And all Israel, and their elders and officers, and their judges, stood on this side of the ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, that bare the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, as well the alien as the home born; half of them in front of mount Gerizim, and half of them in front of mount Ebal; as Moses the servant of Yahweh had commanded at the first, that they should bless the people of Israel. {8:34} And afterward he read all the words of the law, the blessing and the curse, according to all that is written in the book of the law. {8:35} There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua read not before all the Ekklesia of Israel, and the women, and the little ones, and the aliens that were among them.

{O6}9} Joshua Chapter Nine. {9:1} And it came to pass, when all the kings that were beyond the Jordan, in the hill-country, and in the lowland, and on all the shore of the great sea in front of Lebanon, the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard there; {9:2} that they gathered themselves together, to fight with Joshua and with Israel, with one accord. {9:3} But when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done unto Jericho and to Ai, {9:4} they also did work wilily, and went and made as if they had been ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their donkeys, and wine-skins, old and rent and bound up, {9:5} and old and patched shoes upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the bread of their provision was dry and was become moldy. {9:6} And they went to Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal, and said unto him, and to the men of Israel, We are come from a far country: now therefore make you a covenant with us. {9:7} And the men of Israel said unto the Hivites, Perhaps you dwell among us; and how shall we make a covenant with you? {9:8} And they said unto Joshua, We are your servants. And Joshua said unto them, Who are you? and from where come you? {9:9} And they said unto him, From a very far country your servants are come because of the name of Yahweh your God: for we have heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt, {9:10} and all that he did to the two kings of the Amorites, that were beyond the Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, who was at Ashtaroth. {9:11} And our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spoke to us, saying, Take provision in your hand for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, We are your servants: and now make you a covenant with us. {9:12} This our bread we took hot for our provision out of our houses on the day we came forth to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry, and is become moldy: {9:13} and these wine-skins, which we filled, were new; and, behold, they are rent: and these our garments and our shoes are become old by reason of the very long journey. {9:14} And the men took of their provision, and asked not counsel at the mouth of Yahweh. {9:15} And Joshua made peace with them, and made a covenant with them, to let them live: and the princes of the congregation swore unto them. {9:16} And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a covenant with them, that they heard that they were their neighbors, and that they lived among them. {9:17} And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities on the third day. Now their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kiriath-jearim. {9:18} And the children of Israel defeated them not, because the princes of the congregation had sworn unto them by Yahweh, the God of Israel. And all the congregation murmured against the princes. {9:19} But all the princes said unto all the congregation, We have sworn unto them by Yahweh, the God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them. {9:20} This we will do to them, and let them live; lest Anger be upon us, because of the oath which we swore unto them. {9:21} And the princes said unto them, Let them live: so they became hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation, as the princes had spoken unto them. {9:22} And Joshua called for them, and he spoke unto them, saying, Therefore have you deceived us, saying, We are very far from you; when you dwell among us? {9:23} Now therefore you are cursed, and there shall never fail to be of you bondmen, both hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God. {9:24} And they answered Joshua, and said, Because it was certainly told your servants, how that Yahweh your God commanded his servant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you; therefore we were sore afraid for our lives because of

you, and have done this thing. {9:25} And now, behold, we are in your hand: as it seems good and right unto you to do unto us, do. {9:26} And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that they slew them not. {9:27} And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of Yahweh, unto this day, in the place which he should choose.

{O6}10} Joshua Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now it came to pass, when Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem heard how Joshua had taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them; {10:2} that they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and all the men of it were mighty. {10:3} Therefore Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham king of Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying, {10:4} Come up unto me, and help me, and let us smite Gibeon; for it has made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel. {10:5} Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped against Gibeon, and made war against it. {10:6} And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, Slack not your hand from your servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the hill-country are gathered together against us. {10:7} So Joshua went up from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valor. {10:8} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, Fear them not: for I have delivered them into your hands; there shall not a man of them stand before you. {10:9} Joshua therefore came upon them suddenly; [for] he went up from Gilgal all the night. {10:10} And Yahweh discomfited them before Israel, and he slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them by the way of the ascent of Beth-horon, and smote them to Azekah, and unto Makkedah. {10:11} And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, while they were at the descent of Beth-horon, that Yahweh cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more who died with the hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword. {10:12} Then spoke Joshua to Yahweh in the day when Yahweh delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel; and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand you still upon Gibeon; And you, Moon, in the valley of Aijalon. {10:13} And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, Until the nation had avenged themselves of their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jashar? And the sun stayed in the midst of heaven, and hurried not to go down about a whole day. {10:14} And there was no day like that before it or after it, that Yahweh heard unto the voice of a man: for Yahweh fought for Israel. {10:15} And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal. {10:16} And these five kings fled, and hid themselves in the cave at Makkedah. {10:17} And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found, hidden in the cave at Makkedah. {10:18} And Joshua said, Roll great stones unto the mouth of the cave, and set men by it to keep them: {10:19} but stay not you; pursue after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for Yahweh your God has delivered them into your hand. {10:20} And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, and the remnant which remained of them had entered into the fortified cities, {10:21} that all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel. {10:22} Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring forth those five kings unto me out of the cave. {10:23} And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon. {10:24} And it came to pass, when they brought forth those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the chiefs of the men of war that went with him, Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these

kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them. {10:25} And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed; be strong and of good courage: for thus shall Yahweh do to all your enemies against whom you fight. {10:26} And afterward Joshua smote them, and put them to death, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening. {10:27} And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had hidden themselves, and laid great stones on the mouth of the cave, unto this very day. {10:28} And Joshua took Makkedah on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king there: he utterly destroyed them and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining; and he did to the king of Makkedah as he had done unto the king of Jericho. {10:29} And Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto Libnah, and fought against Libnah: {10:30} and Yahweh delivered it also, and the king there, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining in it; and he did unto the king of it as he had done unto the king of Jericho. {10:31} And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it: {10:32} and Yahweh delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel; and he took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah. {10:33} Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining. {10:34} And Joshua passed from Lachish, and all Israel with him, unto Eglon; and they encamped against it, and fought against it; {10:35} and they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword; and all the souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish. {10:36} And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto Hebron; and they fought against it: {10:37} and they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king there, and all the cities there, and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but he utterly destroyed it, and all the souls that were therein. {10:38} And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to Debir, and fought against it: {10:39} and he took it, and the king there, and all the cities there; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king there; as he had done also to Libnah, and to the king there. {10:40} So Joshua smote all the land, the hill-country, and the South, and the lowland, and the slopes, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but he utterly destroyed all that breathed, as Yahweh, the God of Israel, commanded. {10:41} And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza, and all the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon. {10:42} And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time, because Yahweh, the God of Israel, fought for Israel. {10:43} And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

{O6}11} Joshua Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And it came to pass, when Jabin king of Hazor heard there, that he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph, {11:2} and to the kings that were on the north, in the hill-country, and in the Arabah south of Chinneroth, and in the lowland, and in the heights of Dor on the west, {11:3} to the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the hill-country, and the Hivite under Hermon in the land of Mizpah. {11:4} And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, even as the sand that is upon the sea-shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many. {11:5} And all these kings met together; and they came and encamped together at the waters of Merom, to fight with Israel. {11:6} And Yahweh said unto Joshua, Be not afraid because of them; for to-morrow at this time will I deliver them up all slain before Israel: you shall hock their horses, and burn their chariots with fire. {11:7} So Joshua came, and all the people of war with him, against them by the waters of Merom suddenly, and fell upon them. {11:8} And Yahweh delivered them into the hand of Israel, and they defeated them, and chased them unto great Sidon, and unto Misrephoth-maim, and unto the

valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining. {11:9} And Joshua did unto them as Yahweh bade him: he hocked their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire. {11:10} And Joshua turned back at that time, and took Hazor, and smote the king of it with the sword: for Hazor before was the head of all those kingdoms. {11:11} And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them; there was none left that breathed: and he burnt Hazor with fire. {11:12} And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and he smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed them; as Moses the servant of Yahweh commanded. {11:13} But as for the cities that stood on their mounds, Israel burned none of them, save Hazor only; that did Joshua burn. {11:14} And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any that breathed. {11:15} As Yahweh commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command Joshua: and so did Joshua; he left nothing undone of all that Yahweh commanded Moses. {11:16} So Joshua took all that land, the hill-country, and all the South, and all the land of Goshen, and the lowland, and the Arabah, and the hill-country of Israel, and the lowland of the same; {11:17} from mount Halak, that goes up to Seir, even unto Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon under mount Hermon: and all their kings he took, and defeated them, and put them to death. {11:18} Joshua made war a long time with all those kings. {11:19} There was not a city that made peace with the children of Israel, save the Hivites the inhabitants of Gibeon: they took all in battle. {11:20} For it was of Yahweh to harden their hearts, to come against Israel in battle, that he might utterly destroy them, that they might have no favor, but that he might destroy them, as Yahweh commanded Moses. {11:21} And Joshua came at that time, and cut off the Anakim from the hill-country, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the hill-country of Judah, and from all the hill-country of Israel: Joshua utterly destroyed them with their cities. {11:22} There was none of the Anakim left in the land of the children of Israel: only in Gaza, in Goth, and in Ashdod, did some remain. {11:23} So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that Yahweh spoke unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their divisions by their tribes. And the land had rest from war.

{O6}12} Joshua Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Now these are the kings of the land, whom the children of Israel defeated, and possessed their land beyond the Jordan toward the sun rising, from the valley of the Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the Arabah eastward: {12:2} Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon, and ruled from Aroer, which is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, and [the city that is in] the middle of the valley, and half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, the border of the children of Ammon; {12:3} and the Arabah unto the sea of Chinneroth, eastward, and unto the sea of the Arabah, even the Salt Sea, eastward, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and on the south, under the slopes of Pisgah: {12:4} and the border of Og king of Bashan, of the remnant of the Rephaim, who lived at Ashtaroth and at Edrei, {12:5} and ruled in mount Hermon, and in Salecah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon. {12:6} Moses the servant of Yahweh and the children of Israel defeated them: and Moses the servant of Yahweh gave it for a possession unto the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh. {12:7} And these are the kings of the land whom Joshua and the children of Israel defeated beyond the Jordan westward, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto mount Halak, that goes up to Seir; and Joshua gave it unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions; {12:8} in the hill-country, and in the lowland, and in the Arabah, and in the slopes, and in the wilderness, and in the South; the Hittite, the Amorite, and the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: {12:9} the king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which is beside Bethel, one; {12:10} the king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one; {12:11} the king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one; {12:12} the king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one; {12:13} the king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one; {12:14} the king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one; {12:15} the

king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one; {12:16} the king of Makkedah, one; the king of Bethel, one; {12:17} the king of Tappuah, one; the king of Hephher, one; {12:18} the king of Aphek, one; the king of Lass Sharon, one; {12:19} the king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one; {12:20} the king of Shimron-meron, one; the king of Achshaph, one; {12:21} the king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one; {12:22} the king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam in Carmel, one; {12:23} the king of Dor in the height of Dor, one; the king of Goim in Gilgal, one; {12:24} the king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

{O6}13} Joshua Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Now Joshua was old and well stricken in years; and Yahweh said unto him, you are old and well stricken in years, and there remains yet very much land to be possessed. {13:2} This is the land that yet remains: all the regions of the Philistines, and all the Geshurites; {13:3} from the Shihor, which is before Egypt, even unto the border of Ekron northward, [which] is reckoned to the Canaanites; the five lords of the Philistines; the Gazites, and the Ashdodites, the Ashkelonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also the Avvim, {13:4} on the south; all the land of the Canaanites, and Mearah that belongs to the Sidonians, unto Aphek, to the border of the Amorites; {13:5} and the land of the Gebalites, and all Lebanon, toward the sun rising, from Baal-gad under mount Hermon unto the entrance of Hamath; {13:6} all the inhabitants of the hill-country from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, even all the Sidonians; them will I drive out from before the children of Israel: only allot you it unto Israel for an inheritance, as I have commanded you. {13:7} Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine tribes, and the half-tribe of Manasseh. {13:8} With him the Reubenites and the Gadites received their inheritance, which Moses gave them, beyond the Jordan eastward, even as Moses the servant of Yahweh gave them: {13:9} from Aroer, that is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, and the city that is in the middle of the valley, and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon; {13:10} and all the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the children of Ammon; {13:11} and Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maacathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salecah; {13:12} all the kingdom of Og in Bashan, who reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei (the same was left of the remnant of the Rephaim); for these did Moses smite, and drove them out. {13:13} Nevertheless the children of Israel drove not out the Geshurites, nor the Maacathites: but Geshur and Maacath dwell in the midst of Israel unto this day. {13:14} Only unto the tribe of Levi he gave no inheritance; the offerings of Yahweh, the God of Israel, made by fire are his inheritance, as he spoke unto him. {13:15} And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben according to their families. {13:16} And their border was from Aroer, that is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, and the city that is in the middle of the valley, and all the plain by Medeba; {13:17} Heshbon, and all its cities that are in the plain; Dibon, and Bamoth-baal, and Beth-baal-meon, {13:18} and Jahaz, and Kedemoth, and Mephaath, {13:19} and Kiriathaim, and Sibmah, and Zereth-shahar in the mount of the valley, {13:20} and Beth-peor, and the slopes of Pisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth, {13:21} and all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses defeated with the chiefs of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, the princes of Sihon, that lived in the land. {13:22} Balaam also the son of Beor, the soothsayer, did the children of Israel slay with the sword among the rest of their slain. {13:23} And the border of the children of Reuben was the Jordan, and the border [there]. This was the inheritance of the children of Reuben according to their families, the cities and the villages there. {13:24} And Moses gave unto the tribe of Gad, unto the children of Gad, according to their families. {13:25} And their border was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the children of Ammon, unto Aroer that is before Rabbah; {13:26} and from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the border of Debir; {13:27} and in the valley, Beth-haram, and Beth-nimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, the Jordan and the border [there], unto the outermost part of the sea of Chinnereth beyond the Jordan eastward. {13:28} This is the inheritance of the children

of Gad according to their families, the cities and the villages there. {13:29} And Moses gave [inheritance] unto the half-tribe of Manasseh: and it was for the half-tribe of the children of Manasseh according to their families. {13:30} And their border was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and all the towns of Jair, which are in Bashan, sixty cities: {13:31} and half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, the cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were for the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, even for the half of the children of Machir according to their families. {13:32} These are the inheritances which Moses distributed in the plains of Moab, beyond the Jordan at Jericho, eastward. {13:33} But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave no inheritance: Yahweh, the God of Israel, is their inheritance, as he spoke unto them.

{O6}14} Joshua Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And these are the inheritances which the children of Israel took in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed unto them, {14:2} by the lot of their inheritance, as Yahweh commanded by Moses, for the nine tribes, and for the half-tribe. {14:3} For Moses had given the inheritance of the two tribes and the half-tribe beyond the Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave no inheritance among them. {14:4} For the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: and they gave no portion unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell in, with the suburbs of it for their cattle and for their substance. {14:5} As Yahweh commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did; and they divided the land. {14:6} Then the children of Judah drew near unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said unto him, you know the thing that Yahweh spoke unto Moses the man of God concerning me and concerning you in Kadesh-barnea. {14:7} Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of Yahweh sent me from Kadesh-barnea to spy out the land; and I brought him word again as it was in my heart. {14:8} Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt; but I wholly followed Yahweh my God. {14:9} And Moses swore on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon your foot has trodden shall be an inheritance to you and to your children forever, because you have wholly followed Yahweh my God. {14:10} And now, behold, Yahweh has kept me alive, as he spoke, these forty and five years, from the time that Yahweh spoke this word unto Moses, while Israel walked in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day eighty five years old. {14:11} As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, and to go out and to come in. {14:12} Now therefore give me this hill-country, where Yahweh spoke in that day; for you heard in that day how the Anakim were there, and cities great and fortified: it may be that Yahweh will be with me, and I shall drive them out, as Yahweh spoke. {14:13} And Joshua blessed him; and he gave Hebron unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh for an inheritance. {14:14} Therefore Hebron became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite unto this day; because that he wholly followed Yahweh, the God of Israel. {14:15} Now the name of Hebron before was Kiriath-arba; [which Arba was] the greatest man among the Anakim. And the land had rest from war.

{O6}15} Joshua Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And the lot for the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families was unto the border of Edom, even to the wilderness of Zin southward, at the outermost part of the south. {15:2} And their south border was from the outermost part of the Salt Sea, from the bay that looks southward; {15:3} and it went out southward of the ascent of Akrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and went up by the south of Kadesh-barnea, and passed along by Hezron, and went up to Addar, and turned about to Karka; {15:4} and it passed along to Azmon, and went out at the brook of Egypt; and the goings out of the border were at the sea: this shall be your south border. {15:5} And the east border was the Salt Sea, even unto the end of the Jordan. And the border of the north quarter was from the bay of the sea at the end of the Jordan; {15:6} and the border went up to Beth-hoglah, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah; and the border went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben; {15:7} and the border went up to

Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward, looking toward Gilgal, that is over against the ascent of Adummim, which is on the south side of the river; and the border passed along to the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out of it were at En-rogel; {15:8} and the border went up by the valley of the son of Hansom unto the side of the Jebusite southward (the same is Jerusalem); and the border went up to the top of the mountain that lies before the valley of Hansom westward, which is at the outermost part of the vale of Rephaim northward; {15:9} and the border extended from the top of the mountain unto the fountain of the waters of Nashotah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border extended to Beulah (the same is Kiriath-jearim); {15:10} and the border turned about from Beulah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mount Jeri on the north (the same is Chislon), and went down to Beth-shemesh, and passed along by Timnah; {15:11} and the border went out unto the side of Ekron northward; and the border extended to Shikkeron, and passed along to mount Beulah, and went out at Jab eel; and the goings out of the border were at the sea. {15:12} And the west border was to the great sea, and the border [there]. This is the border of the children of Judah round about according to their families. {15:13} And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a portion among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of Yahweh to Joshua, even Kiriath-arba, [which Arba was] the father of Anak (the same is Hebron). {15:14} And Caleb drove out there the three sons of Anak: Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak. {15:15} And he went up there against the inhabitants of Debir: now the name of Debir before was Kiriath-sepher. {15:16} And Caleb said, He that smites Kiriath-sepher, and takes it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife. {15:17} And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife. {15:18} And it came to pass, when she came [unto him], that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she alighted from off her ass; and Caleb said, What would you? {15:19} And she said, Give me a blessing; for that you have set me in the land of the South, give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs and the nether springs. {15:20} This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families. {15:21} And the outermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah toward the border of Edom in the South were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur, {15:22} and Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah, {15:23} and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan, {15:24} Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth, {15:25} and Hazor-hadattah, and Kerioth-hezron (the same is Hazor), {15:26} Amam, and Shema, and Moladah, {15:27} and Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-pelet, {15:28} and Hazar-shual, and Beersheba Biziothia, {15:29} Bala and Lim and ezem. {15:30} and Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah, {15:31} and Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah, {15:32} and Lebaath, and Shilhim, and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities are twenty and nine, with their villages. {15:33} In the lowland, Eshtaol, and Zorah, and Ashnah, {15:34} and Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam, {15:35} Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah, {15:36} and Shaaraim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their villages. {15:37} Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad, {15:38} and Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Jokyoul, {15:39} Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon, {15:40} and Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Chitlish, {15:41} and Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with their villages. {15:42} Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan, {15:43} and Iphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib, {15:44} and Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages. {15:45} Ekron, with its towns and its villages; {15:46} from Ekron even unto the sea, all that were by the side of Ashdod, with their villages. {15:47} Ashdod, its towns and its villages; Gaza, its towns and its villages; unto the brook of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border [there]. {15:48} And in the hill-country, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh, {15:49} and Dannah, and Kiriath-sannah (the same is Debir), {15:50} and Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim, {15:51} and Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their villages. {15:52} Arab, and Dumah, and Eshan, {15:53} and Janim, and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah, {15:54} and Humtah, and Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), and Zior; nine cities with their villages. {15:55} Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Jutah, {15:56} and Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah, {15:57} Kain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities

with their villages. {15:58} Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor, {15:59} and Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with their villages. {15:60} Kiriath-baal (the same is Kiriath-jearim), and Rabbah; two cities with their villages. {15:61} In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah, {15:62} and Nibshan, and the City of Salt, and En-gedi; six cities with their villages. {15:63} And as for the Jebusites, the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the children of Judah could not drive them out: but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

{O6}16} Joshua Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And the lot came out for the children of Joseph from the Jordan at Jericho, at the waters of Jericho on the east, even the wilderness, going up from Jericho through the hill-country to Beth-el; {16:2} and it went out from Beth-el to Luz, and passed along unto the border of the Archites to Ataroth; {16:3} and it went down westward to the border of the Japhletites, unto the border of Beth-horon the nether, even unto Gezer; and the goings out of it were at the sea. {16:4} And the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance. {16:5} And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was [thus]: the border of their inheritance eastward was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper; {16:6} and the border went out westward at Michmethas on the north; and the border turned about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed along it on the east of Janoah; {16:7} and it went down from Janoah to Ataroth, and to Naarah, and reached unto Jericho, and went out at the Jordan. {16:8} From Tappuah the border went along westward to the brook of Kanah; and the goings out of it were at the sea. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim according to their families; {16:9} together with the cities which were set apart for the children of Ephraim in the midst of the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages. {16:10} And they drove not out the Canaanites that lived in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell in the midst of Ephraim unto this day, and are become servants to do task work.

{O6}17} Joshua Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And [this] was the lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he was the first-born of Joseph. As for Machir the first-born of Manasseh, the father of Gilead, because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan. {17:2} So [the lot] was for the rest of the children of Manasseh according to their families: for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Hephher, and for the children of Shemida: these were the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph according to their families. {17:3} But Zelophehad, the son of Hephher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these are the names of his daughters: Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. {17:4} And they came near before Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, Yahweh commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren: therefore according to the commandment of Yahweh he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father. {17:5} And there fell ten parts to Manasseh, besides the land of Gilead and Bashan, which is beyond the Jordan; {17:6} because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons. And the land of Gilead belonged unto the rest of the sons of Manasseh. {17:7} And the border of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethas, which is before Shechem; and the border went along to the right hand, unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah. {17:8} The land of Tappuah belonged to Manasseh; but Tappuah on the border of Manasseh belonged to the children of Ephraim. {17:9} And the border went down unto the brook of Kanah, southward of the brook: these cities belonged to Ephraim among the cities of Manasseh: and the border of Manasseh was on the north side of the brook, and the goings out of it were at the sea: {17:10} southward it was Ephraim's, and northward it was Manasseh's, and the sea was his border; and they reached to Asher on the north, and to Issachar on the east. {17:11} And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher Beth-shean and its towns, and Ibleam and its towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and its towns, and the inhabitants of En-dor and its towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and its towns, and the

inhabitants of Megiddo and its towns, even the three heights. {17:12} yet the children of Manasseh could not drive out [the inhabitants of] those cities; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land. {17:13} And it came to pass, when the children of Israel were waxed strong, that they put the Canaanites to task work, and did not utterly drive them out. {17:14} And the children of Joseph spoke unto Joshua, saying, Why have you given me but one lot and one part for an inheritance, seeing I am a great people, forasmuch as here Yahweh has blessed me? {17:15} And Joshua said unto them, If you be a great people, get you up to the forest, and cut down for yourself there in the land of the Perizzites and of the Rephaim; since the hill-country of Ephraim is too narrow for you. {17:16} And the children of Joseph said, The hill-country is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, both they who are in Beth-shean and its towns, and they who are in the valley of Jezreel. {17:17} And Joshua spoke unto the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, you are a great people, and have great power; you shall not have one lot only: {17:18} but the hill-country shall be your; for though it is a forest, you shall cut it down, and the goings out of it shall be your; for you shall drive out the Canaanites, though they have chariots of iron, and though they are strong.

{O6}18} Joshua Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled themselves together at Shiloh, and set up the tent of meeting there: and the land was subdued before them. {18:2} And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet divided their inheritance. {18:3} And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are you slack to go in to possess the land, which Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has given you? {18:4} Appoint for you three men of each tribe: and I will send them, and they shall arise, and walk through the land, and describe it according to their inheritance; and they shall come unto me. {18:5} And they shall divide it into seven portions: Judah shall abide in his border on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their border on the north. {18:6} And you shall describe the land into seven portions, and bring [the description] here to me; and I will cast lots for you here before Yahweh our God. {18:7} For the Levites have no portion among you; for the priesthood of Yahweh is their inheritance: and Gad and Reuben and the half-tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance beyond the Jordan eastward, which Moses the servant of Yahweh gave them. {18:8} And the men arose, and went: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me; and I will cast lots for you here before Yahweh in Shiloh. {18:9} And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven portions in a book; and they came to Joshua unto the camp at Shiloh. {18:10} And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before Yahweh: and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions. {18:11} And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the border of their lot went out between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph. {18:12} And their border on the north quarter was from the Jordan; and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north, and went up through the hill-country westward; and the goings out of it were at the wilderness of Beth-aven. {18:13} And the border passed along from there to Luz, to the side of Luz (the same is Beth-el), southward; and the border went down to Ataroth-addar, by the mountain that lies on the south of Beth-horon the nether. {18:14} And the border extended [there], and turned about on the west quarter southward, from the mountain that lies before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out of it was at Kiriath-baal (the same is Kiriath-jearim), a city of the children of Judah: this was the west quarter. {18:15} And the south quarter was from the outermost part of Kiriath-jearim; and the border went out westward, and went out to the fountain of the waters of Nephtoah; {18:16} and the border went down to the outermost part of the mountain that lies before the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is in the vale of Rephaim northward; and it went down to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of the Jebusite southward, and went down to En-rogel; {18:17} and it extended northward, and went out at En-shemesh, and went out to Geliloth, which is over against the ascent of Adummim; and it went down to the stone

of Bohan the son of Reuben; {18:18} and it passed along to the side over against the Arabah northward, and went down unto the Arabah; {18:19} and the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward; and the goings out of the border were at the north bay of the Salt Sea, at the south end of the Jordan: this was the south border. {18:20} And the Jordan was the border of it on the east quarter. This was the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the borders of it round about, according to their families. {18:21} Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and Emek-keziz, {18:22} and Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and Beth-el, {18:23} and Avvim, and Parah, and Ophrah, {18:24} and Chephar-ammoni, and Ophni, and Geba; twelve cities with their villages: {18:25} Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth, {18:26} and Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah, {18:27} and Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah, {18:28} and Zelah, Eleph, and the Jebusite (the same is Jerusalem), Gibeath, [and] Kiriath; fourteen cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families.

{O6}19} Joshua Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And the second lot came out for Simeon, even for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was in the midst of the inheritance of the children of Judah. {19:2} And they had for their inheritance Beer-sheba, or Sheba, and Beer-sheba, or Sheba, Moladah, {19:3} and Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Ezem, {19:4} and Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah, Beer-sheba, or Sheba, Moladah, and Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah, {19:5} and Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah, {19:6} and Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuh; thirteen cities with their villages: {19:7} Ain, Rimmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four cities with their villages: {19:8} and all the villages that were round about these cities to Baalath-beer, Ramah of the South. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families. {19:9} Out of the part of the children of Judah was the inheritance of the children of Simeon; for the portion of the children of Judah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had inheritance in the midst of their inheritance. {19:10} And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according to their families; and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid; {19:11} and their border went up westward, even to Maralah, and reached to Dabbesheth; and it reached to the brook that is before Jokneam; {19:12} and it turned from Sarid eastward toward the sun rising unto the border of Chisloth-tabor; and it went out to Daberath, and went up to Japhia; {19:13} and from there it passed along eastward to Goth-hepher, to Eth-kazin; and it went out at Rimmon which stretched unto Noah; {19:14} and the border turned about it on the north to Channahon; and the goings out of it was at the valley of Iphtah-el; {19:15} and Attach, and Nahaliel, and Shimron, and Idalou, and Bethlehem: twelve cities with their villages. {19:16} This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these cities with their villages. {19:17} The fourth lot came out for Issachar, even for the children of Issachar according to their families. {19:18} And their border was unto Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem, {19:19} and Hapharaim, and Shion, and Anaharath, {19:20} and Rabbith, and Kishion, and Ebez, {19:21} and Remeth, and Engannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez, {19:22} and the border reached to Tabor, and Shahazumah, and Beth-shemesh; and the goings out of their border were at the Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages. {19:23} This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families, the cities with their villages. {19:24} And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families. {19:25} And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph, {19:26} and Allammelech, and Amad, and Mishal; and it reached to Carmel westward, and to Shihor-libnath; {19:27} and it turned toward the sun rising to Beth-dagon, and reached to Zebulun, and to the valley of Iphtah-el northward to Beth-emek and Neiel; and it went out to Cabul on the left hand, {19:28} and Ebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, even unto great Sidon; {19:29} and the border turned to Ramah, and to the fortified city of Tyre; and the border turned to Hosah; and the goings out of it was at the sea by the region of Achzib; {19:30} Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages. {19:31}

This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families, these cities with their villages. {19:32} The sixth lot came out for the children of Naphtali, even for the children of Naphtali according to their families. {19:33} And their border was from Heleph, from the oak in Zaanannim, and Adaminekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakkum; and the goings out of it was at the Jordan; {19:34} and the border turned westward to Aznoth-tabor, and went out from there to Hukkok; and it reached to Zebulun on the south, and reached to Asher on the west, and to Judah at the Jordan toward the sun rising. {19:35} And the fortified cities were Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and Chinnereth, {19:36} and Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor, {19:37} and Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor, {19:38} And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities with their villages. {19:39} This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, the cities with their villages. {19:40} The seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families. {19:41} And the border of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh, {19:42} and Shaalabbin, and Aijalon, and Ithlah, {19:43} and Elon, and Timnah, and Ekron, {19:44} and Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath, {19:45} and Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Goth-rimmon, {19:46} and Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border over against Joppa. {19:47} And the border of the children of Dan went out beyond them; for the children of Dan went up and fought against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and lived therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father. {19:48} This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages. {19:49} So they made an end of distributing the land for inheritance by the borders there; and the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua the son of Nun in the midst of them: {19:50} according to the commandment of Yahweh they gave him the city which he asked, even Timnath-serah in the hill-country of Ephraim; and he built the city, and lived therein. {19:51} These are the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance by lot in Shiloh before Yahweh, at the door of the tent of meeting. So they made an end of dividing the land.

{O6}20} Joshua Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And Yahweh spoke unto Joshua, saying, {20:2} Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Assign you the cities of refuge, where I spoke unto you by Moses, {20:3} that the man slayer that kills any person unwittingly [and] unawares may flee there: and they shall be unto you for a refuge from the avenger of blood. {20:4} And he shall flee unto one of those cities, and shall stand at the entrance of the gate of the city, and declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city; and they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them. {20:5} And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver up the man slayer into his hand; because he smite his neighbor unawares, and hated him not before-time. {20:6} And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the man slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from where he fled. {20:7} And they set apart Kedesh in Galilee in the hill-country of Naphtali, and Shechem in the hill-country of Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron) in the hill-country of Judah. {20:8} And beyond the Jordan at Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness in the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh. {20:9} These were the appointed cities for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourns among them, that anyone who kills any person unwittingly might flee there, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

{O6}21} Joshua Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} Then came near the heads of fathers' [houses] of the Levites unto Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads of fathers' [houses] of the tribes of the children of Israel; {21:2} and they spoke unto them at Shiloh

in the land of Canaan, saying, Yahweh commanded Moses to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs of it for our cattle. {21:3} And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance, according to the commandment of Yahweh, these cities with their suburbs. {21:4} And the lot came out for the families of the Kohasites: and the children of Aaron the priest, who were of the Levites, had by lot out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of the Simeonites, and out of the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities. {21:5} And the rest of the children of Kohas had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half-tribe of Manasseh, ten cities. {21:6} And the children of Gershon had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half-tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities. {21:7} The children of Merari according to their families had out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities. {21:8} And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as Yahweh commanded by Moses. {21:9} And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are [here] mentioned by name: {21:10} and they were for the children of Aaron, of the families of the Kohasites, who were of the children of Levi; for theirs was the first lot. {21:11} And they gave them Kiriath-arba, [which Arba was] the father of Anak (the same is Hebron), in the hill-country of Judah, with the suburbs of it round about it. {21:12} But the fields of the city, and the villages there, gave they to Caleb the son of Jephunneh for his possession. {21:13} And unto the children of Aaron the priest they gave Hebron with its suburbs, the city of refuge for the man slayer, and Libnah with its suburbs, {21:14} and Jattir with its suburbs, and Eshtemoa with its suburbs, {21:15} and Holon with its suburbs, and Debir with its suburbs, {21:16} and Ain with its suburbs, and Juttah with its suburbs, [and] Beth-shemesh with its suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes. {21:17} And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon with its suburbs, Geba with its suburbs, {21:18} Anathoth with its suburbs, and Almon with its suburbs; four cities. {21:19} All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, were thirteen cities with their suburbs. {21:20} And the families of the children of Kohas, the Levites, even the rest of the children of Kohas, they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim. {21:21} And they gave them Shechem with its suburbs in the hill-country of Ephraim, the city of refuge for the man slayer, and Gezer with its suburbs, {21:22} and Kibzaim with its suburbs, and Beth-horon with its suburbs; four cities. {21:23} And out of the tribe of Dan, Elteke with its suburbs, Gibbethon with its suburbs, {21:24} Aijalon with its suburbs, Goth-rimmon with its suburbs; four cities. {21:25} And out of the half-tribe of Manasseh, Taanach with its suburbs, and Goth-rimmon with its suburbs; two cities. {21:26} All the cities of the families of the rest of the children of Kohas were ten with their suburbs. {21:27} And unto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Levites, out of the half-tribe of Manasseh [they gave] Golan in Bashan with its suburbs, the city of refuge for the man slayer, and Be-eshterah with its suburbs; two cities. {21:28} And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishion with its suburbs, Daberath with its suburbs, {21:29} Jarmuth with its suburbs, En-gannim with its suburbs; four cities. {21:30} And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with its suburbs, Abdon with its suburbs, {21:31} Helkath with its suburbs, and Rehob with its suburbs; four cities. {21:32} And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with its suburbs, the city of refuge for the man slayer, and Hammoth-dor with its suburbs, and Karean with its suburbs; three cities. {21:33} All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families were thirteen cities with their suburbs. {21:34} And unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with its suburbs, and Kareah with its suburbs, {21:35} Dimnah with its suburbs, Nahalal with its suburbs; four cities. {21:36} And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with its suburbs, and Jahaz with its suburbs, {21:37} Kedemoth with its suburbs, and Mephaath with its suburbs; four cities. {21:38} And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with its suburbs, the city of refuge for the man slayer, and Mahanaim with its suburbs, {21:39} Heshbon with its suburbs, Jazer with its suburbs; four cities in all. {21:40} All [these were] the cities of the children of Merari according to their families, even the rest of the

families of the Levites; and their lot was twelve cities. {21:41} All the cities of the Levites in the midst of the possession of the children of Israel were forty and eight cities with their suburbs. {21:42} These cities were everyone with their suburbs round about them: thus it was with all these cities. {21:43} So Yahweh gave unto Israel all the land which he swore to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and lived therein. {21:44} And Yahweh gave them rest round about, according to all that he swore unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; Yahweh delivered all their enemies into their hand. {21:45} There failed not anything of any good thing which Yahweh had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

{O6}22} Joshua Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh, {22:2} and said unto them, you have kept all that Moses the servant of Yahweh commanded you, and have heard unto my voice in all that I commanded you: {22:3} you have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of Yahweh your God. {22:4} And now Yahweh your God has given rest unto your brethren, as he spoke unto them: therefore now turn you, and get you unto your tents, unto the land of your possession, which Moses the servant of Yahweh gave you beyond the Jordan. {22:5} Only take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law which Moses the servant of Yahweh commanded you, to agpae love Yahweh your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul. {22:6} So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away; and they went unto their tents. {22:7} Now to the one half-tribe of Manasseh Moses had given [inheritance] in Bashan; but unto the other half gave Joshua among their brethren beyond the Jordan westward; also when Joshua sent them away unto their tents, he blessed them, {22:8} and spoke unto them, saying, Return with much wealth unto your tents, and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren. {22:9} And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half-tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan, to go unto the land of Gilead, to the land of their possession, where they were possessed, according to the commandment of Yahweh by Moses.

{22:10} And when they came unto the region about the Jordan, that is in the land of Canaan, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half-tribe of Manasseh built there an altar by the Jordan, a great altar to look upon. {22:11} And the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half-tribe of Manasseh have built an altar in the forefront of the land of Canaan, in the region about the Jordan, on the side that pertains to the children of Israel. {22:12} And when the children of Israel heard of it, the whole congregation of the children of Israel gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up against them to war. {22:13} And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half-tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, {22:14} and with him ten princes, one prince of a fathers' house for each of the tribes of Israel; and they were everyone of them head of their fathers' houses among the thousands of Israel. {22:15} And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half-tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spoke with them, saying, {22:16} Thus said the whole congregation of Yahweh, What trespass is this that you have committed against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from following Yahweh, in that you have built you an altar, to rebel this day against Yahweh? {22:17} Is the works against law of Peor too little for us, from which we have not cleansed ourselves unto this day, although there came a plague upon the congregation of Yahweh, {22:18} that you must turn away this day from following Yahweh? and it will be, seeing you rebel to-day against Yahweh, that to-morrow he will be angry with the whole congregation of Israel. {22:19} However, if the land of your possession be unclean, then pass you over unto the land of the possession of Yahweh, wherein Yahweh's tabernacle dwells,

and take possession among us: but rebel not against Yahweh, nor rebel against us, in building you an altar besides the altar of Yahweh our God. {22:20} Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the devoted thing, and Anger fell upon all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his works against law. {22:21} Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half-tribe of Manasseh answered, and spoke unto the heads of the thousands of Israel, {22:22} The Mighty One, God, Yahweh, the Mighty One, God, Yahweh, he knows; and Israel he shall know: if it be in rebellion, or if in trespass against Yahweh (save you us not this day,) {22:23} that we have built us an altar to turn away from following Yahweh; or if to offer thereon burnt-offering or meal-offering, or if to offer sacrifices of peace-offerings thereon, let Yahweh himself require it; {22:24} and if we have not [rather] out of carefullness done this, [and] of purpose, saying, In time to come your children might speak unto our children, saying, What have you to do with Yahweh, the God of Israel? {22:25} for Yahweh has made the Jordan a border between us and you, you children of Reuben and children of Gad; you have no portion in Yahweh: so might your children make our children cease from fearing Yahweh. {22:26} Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt-offering, nor for sacrifice: {22:27} but it shall be a witness between us and you, and between our generations after us, that we may do the service of Yahweh before him with our burnt-offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace-offerings; that your children may not say to our children in time to come, you have no portion in Yahweh. {22:28} Therefore said we, It shall be, when they so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we shall say, Behold the pattern of the altar of Yahweh, which our fathers made, not for burnt-offering, nor for sacrifice; but it is a witness between us and you. {22:29} Far be it from us that we should rebel against Yahweh, and turn away this day from following Yahweh, to build an altar for burnt-offering, for meal-offering, or for sacrifice, besides the altar of Yahweh our God that is before his tabernacle. {22:30} And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation, even the heads of the thousands of Israel that were with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spoke, it pleased them well. {22:31} And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we know that Yahweh is in the midst of us, because you have not committed this trespass against Yahweh: now have you delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of Yahweh. {22:32} And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes, returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again. {22:33} And the thing pleased the children of Israel; and the children of Israel blessed God, and spoke no more of going up against them to war, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and the children of Gad dwelt. {22:34} And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the altar [Ed]: For, [said they], it is a witness between us that Yahweh is God.

{06}23} Joshua Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} And it came to pass after many days, when Yahweh had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, and Joshua was old and well stricken in years; {23:2} that Joshua called for all Israel, for their elders and for their heads, and for their judges and for their officers, and said unto them, I am old and well stricken in years: {23:3} and you have seen all that Yahweh your God has done unto all these nations because of you; for Yahweh your God, he it is that has fought for you. {23:4} Behold, I have allotted unto you these nations that remain, to be an inheritance for your tribes, from the Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun. {23:5} And Yahweh your God, he will thrust them out from before you, and drive them from out of your sight; and you shall possess their land, as Yahweh your God spoke unto you. {23:6} Therefore be you very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, that you turn not aside there from to the right hand or to the left; {23:7} that you come not among these nations, these that remain among you; neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause

to swear [by them], neither serve them, nor bow down yourselves unto them; {23:8} but cleave unto Yahweh your God, as you have done unto this day. {23:9} For Yahweh has driven out from before you great nations and strong: but as for you, no man has stood before you unto this day. {23:10} One man of you shall chase a thousand; for Yahweh your God, he it is that fights for you, as he spoke unto you. {23:11} Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that you agape love Yahweh your God. {23:12} Else if you do at all go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, even these that remain among you, and make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you; {23:13} know for a certainty that Yahweh your God will no more drive these nations from out of your sight; but they shall be a snare and a trap unto you, and a scourge in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until you perish from off this good land which Yahweh your God has given you. {23:14} And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth: and you know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing has failed of all the good things which Yahweh your God spoke concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, not one thing has failed there. {23:15} And it shall come to pass, that as all the good things are come upon you of which Yahweh your God spoke unto you, so will Yahweh bring upon you all the evil things, until he have destroyed you from off this good land which Yahweh your God has given you. {23:16} When you transgress the covenant of Yahweh your God, which he commanded you, and go and serve other gods, and bow down yourselves to them; then will the anger of Yahweh be kindled against you, and you shall perish quickly from off the good land which he has given unto you.

{O6}24} Joshua Chapter TwentyFour. {24:1} And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God. {24:2} And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Your fathers lived of old time beyond the River, even Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nahor: and they served other gods. {24:3} And I took your father Abraham from beyond the River, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac. {24:4} And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount Seir, to possess it: and Jacob and his children went down into Egypt. {24:5} And I sent Moses and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did in the midst there: and afterward I brought you out. {24:6} And I brought your fathers out of Egypt: and you came unto the sea; and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with chariots and with horsemen unto the Red Sea. {24:7} And when they cried out unto Yahweh, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes saw what I did in Egypt: and you lived in the wilderness many days. {24:8} And I brought you into the land of the Amorites, that lived beyond the Jordan: and they fought with you; and I gave them into your hand, and you possessed their land; and I destroyed them from before you. {24:9} Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and fought against Israel: and he sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you; {24:10} but I would not hear unto Balaam; therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered you out of his hand. {24:11} And you went over the Jordan, and came unto Jericho: and the men of Jericho fought against you, the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Girgashite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite; and I delivered them into your hand. {24:12} And I sent the hornet before you, which drove them out from before you, even the two kings of the Amorites; not with your sword, nor with your bow. {24:13} And I gave you a land whereon you had not labored, and cities which you built not, and you dwell therein; of vineyards and olive yards which you planted not do you eat. {24:14} Now therefore fear Yahweh, and serve him in sincerity and in truth; and put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the River, and in Egypt; and serve you Yahweh. {24:15} And if it seem evil unto you to serve Yahweh, choose you this day whom you will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve Yahweh. {24:16} And the people

answered and said, Far be it from us that we should forsake Yahweh, to serve other gods; {24:17} for Yahweh our God, he it is that brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and that did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all the peoples through the midst of whom we passed; {24:18} and Yahweh drove out from before us all the peoples, even the Amorites that lived in the land: therefore we also will serve Yahweh; for he is our God. {24:19} And Joshua said unto the people, you cannot serve Yahweh; for he is a holy God; he is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgression of the law nor your sins. {24:20} If you forsake Yahweh, and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you evil, and consume you, after that he has done you good. {24:21} And the people said unto Joshua, No; but we will serve Yahweh. {24:22} And Joshua said unto the people, you are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen you Yahweh, to serve him. And they said, We are witnesses. {24:23} Now therefore put away, [said he], the foreign gods which are among you, and incline your heart unto Yahweh, the God of Israel. {24:24} And the people said unto Joshua, Yahweh our God will we serve, and unto his voice will we hear. {24:25} So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem. {24:26} And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God; and he took a great stone, and set it up there under the oak that was by the sanctuary of Yahweh. {24:27} And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness against us; for it has heard all the words of Yahweh which he spoke unto us: it shall be therefore a witness against you, lest you deny your God. {24:28} So Joshua sent the people away, every man unto his inheritance. {24:29} And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Yahweh, died, being a hundred and ten years old. {24:30} And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which is in the hill-country of Ephraim, on the north of the mountain of Gaash. {24:31} And Israel served Yahweh all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that outlived Joshua, and had known all the work of Yahweh, that he had wrought for Israel. {24:32} And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in the parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for a hundred pieces of money: and they became the inheritance of the children of Joseph. {24:33} And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in the hill of Phinehas his son, which was given him in the hill-country of Ephraim.

The Book Of Judges

{o7}1} Judges Chapter One. {1:1} And it came to pass after the death of Joshua, that the children of Israel asked of Yahweh, saying, Who shall go up for us first against the Canaanites, to fight against them? {1:2} And Yahweh said, Judah shall go up: behold, I have delivered the land into his hand. {1:3} And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites; and I likewise will go with you into your lot. So Simeon went with him. {1:4} And Judah went up; and Yahweh delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they defeated of them in Bezek ten thousand men. {1:5} And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek; and they fought against him, and they smote the Canaanites and the Perizzites. {1:6} But Adoni-bezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes. {1:7} And Adoni-bezek said, seventy kings, having their thumbs and their great toes cut off, gathered [their food] under my table: as I have done, so God has repaid me. And they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died there. {1:8} And the children of Judah fought against Jerusalem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire. {1:9} And afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites that lived in the hill-country, and in the South, and in the lowland. {1:10} And Judah went against the Canaanites that lived in Hebron (now the name of Hebron before was Kiriath-arba); and they smote Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai. {1:11} And from there he went against the inhabitants of Debir. (Now the name of Debir before was Kiriath-sepher.) {1:12} And Caleb said, He that smites Kiriath-sepher, and takes it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife. {1:13}

And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife. {1:14} And it came to pass, when she came [unto him], that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she alighted from off her donkey; and Caleb said unto her, What would you? {1:15} And she said unto him, Give me a blessing; for that you have set me in the land of the South, give me also springs of water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs. {1:16} And the children of the Kenite, Moses' brother-in-law, went up out of the city of palm-trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which is in the south of Arad; and they went and lived with the people. {1:17} And Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they smote the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and utterly destroyed it. And the name of the city was called Hormah. {1:18} Also Judah took Gaza with the border there, and Ashkelon with the border there, and Ekron with the border there. {1:19} And Yahweh was with Judah; and drove out [the inhabitants of] the hill-country; for he could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had chariots of iron. {1:20} And they gave Hebron unto Caleb, as Moses had spoken: and he drove out there the three sons of Anak. {1:21} And the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that inhabited Jerusalem; but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day. {1:22} And the house of Joseph, they also went up against Beth-el; and Yahweh was with them. {1:23} And the house of Joseph sent to spy out Beth-el. (Now the name of the city before was Luz.) {1:24} And the watchers saw a man come forth out of the city, and they said unto him, Show us, we pray you, the entrance into the city, and we will deal kindly with you. {1:25} And he showed them the entrance into the city; and they smote the city with the edge of the sword; but they let the man go and all his family. {1:26} And the man went into the land of the Hittites, and built a city, and called the name of it Luz, which is the name of it unto this day. {1:27} And Manasseh did not drive out [the inhabitants of] Beth-shean and its towns, nor [of] Taanach and its towns, nor the inhabitants of Dor and its towns, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam and its towns, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo and its towns; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land. {1:28} And it came to pass, when Israel was waxed strong, that they put the Canaanites to task work, and did not utterly drive them out. {1:29} And Ephraim drove not out the Canaanites that lived in Gezer; but the Canaanites lived in Gezer among them. {1:30} Zebulun drove not out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the inhabitants of Nahalol; but the Canaanites lived among them, and became subject to task work. {1:31} Asher drove not out the inhabitants of Acco, nor the inhabitants of Sidon, nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of Rehob; {1:32} but the Asherites lived among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land; for they did not drive them out. {1:33} Naphtali drove not out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants of Beth-anath; but he lived among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: nevertheless the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh and of Beth-anath became subject to task work. {1:34} And the Amorites forced the children of Dan into the hill-country; for they would not suffer them to come down to the valley; {1:35} but the Amorites would dwell in mount Heres, in Aijalon, and in Shalbim: yet the hand of the house of Joseph prevailed, so that they became subject to task work. {1:36} And the border of the Amorites was from the ascent of Akkrabbim, from the rock, and upward.

{07}2} Judges Chapter two. {2:1} And the messenger of Yahweh came up from Gilgal to Bochim. And he said, I made you to go up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto the land which I swore unto your fathers; and I said, I will never break my covenant with you: {2:2} and you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall break down their altars. But you have not heard unto my voice: why have you done this? {2:3} Therefore I also said, I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall be [as thorns] in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you. {2:4} And it came to pass, when the messenger of Yahweh spoke these words unto all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and wept. {2:5} And they called the name of that place Bochim: and they sacrificed there unto Yahweh. {2:6} Now when Joshua had sent the people away, the children of Israel went every man unto his inheritance

to possess the land. {2:7} And the people served Yahweh all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great work of Yahweh that he had wrought for Israel. {2:8} And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Yahweh, died, being a hundred and ten years old. {2:9} And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-heres, in the hill-country of Ephraim, on the north of the mountain of Gaash. {2:10} And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, that knew not Yahweh, nor yet the work which he had wrought for Israel. {2:11} And the children of Israel did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and served the Baalim; {2:12} and they forsook Yahweh, the God of their fathers, who brought them out of the land of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the gods of the peoples that were round about them, and bowed themselves down unto them: and they provoked Yahweh to anger. {2:13} And they forsook Yahweh, and served Baal and the Ashtaroth. {2:14} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the hands of spoilers that despoiled them; and he sold them into the hands of their enemies round about, so that they could not any longer stand before their enemies. {2:15} Whereever they went out, the hand of Yahweh was against them for evil, as Yahweh had spoken, and as Yahweh had sworn unto them: and they were sore distressed. {2:16} And Yahweh raised up judges, who saved them out of the hand of those that despoiled them. {2:17} And yet they heard not unto their judges; for they played the prostitute after other gods, and bowed themselves down unto them: they turned aside quickly out of the way wherein their fathers walked, obeying the commandments of Yahweh; [but] they did not so. {2:18} And when Yahweh raised them up judges, then Yahweh was with the judge, and saved them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge: for it repented Yahweh because of their groaning by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them. {2:19} But it came to pass, when the judge was dead, that they turned back, and dealt more corruptly than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; they ceased not from their doings, nor from their stubborn way. {2:20} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel; and he said, Because this nation have transgressed my covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not heard unto my voice; {2:21} I also will not from here on drive out any from before them of the nations that Joshua left when he died; {2:22} that by them I may prove Israel, whether they will keep the way of Yahweh to walk therein, as their fathers did keep it, or not. {2:23} So Yahweh left those nations, outside driving them out hastily; neither delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.

{o7}3} Judges Chapter Three. {3:1} Now these are the nations which Yahweh left, to prove Israel by them, even as many [of Israel] as had not known all the wars of Canaan; {3:2} only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing there: {3:3} [namely], the five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the Hivites that lived in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entrance of Hamath. {3:4} And they were [left], to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hear unto the commandments of Yahweh, which he commanded their fathers by Moses. {3:5} And the children of Israel lived among the Canaanites, the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites: {3:6} and they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their own daughters to their sons and served their gods. {3:7} And the children of Israel did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and forgot Yahweh their God, and served the Baalim and the Asheroth. {3:8} Therefore the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he sold them into the hand of Cushan-rishasaim king of Mesopotamia: and the children of Israel served Cushan-rishasaim eight years. {3:9} And when the children of Israel cried unto Yahweh, Yahweh raised up a savior to the children of Israel, who saved them, even Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother. {3:10} And the Spirit of Yahweh came upon him, and he judged Israel; and he went out to war, and Yahweh delivered Cushan-rishasaim king of Mesopotamia into his hand: and his hand prevailed against Cushan-rishasaim. {3:11} And the

land had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz died. {3:12} And the children of Israel again did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh: and Yahweh strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh. {3:13} And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek; and he went and defeated Israel, and they possessed the city of palm-trees. {3:14} And the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years. {3:15} But when the children of Israel cried unto Yahweh, Yahweh raised them up a savior, Ehud the son of Gera, the Benjamite, a man left-handed. And the children of Israel sent tribute by him unto Eglon the king of Moab. {3:16} And Ehud made him a sword which had two edges, a cubit in length; and he girded it under his raiment upon his right thigh. {3:17} And he offered the tribute unto Eglon king of Moab: now Eglon was a very fat man. {3:18} And when he had made an end of offering the tribute, he sent away the people that bare the tribute. {3:19} But he himself turned back from the quarries that were by Gilgal, and said, I have a secret errand unto you, O king. And he said, Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out from him. {3:20} And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting by himself alone in the cool upper room. And Ehud said, I have a message from God unto you. And he arose out of his seat. {3:21} And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the sword from his right thigh, and thrust it into his body: {3:22} and the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, for he drew not the sword out of his body; and it came out behind. {3:23} Then Ehud went forth into the porch, and shut the doors of the upper room upon him, and locked them. {3:24} Now when he was gone out, his servants came; and they saw, and, behold, the doors of the upper room were locked; and they said, Surely he is covering his feet in the upper chamber. {3:25} And they tarried till they were ashamed; and, behold, he opened not the doors of the upper room: therefore they took the key, and opened [them], and, behold, their lord was fallen down dead on the earth. {3:26} And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the quarries, and escaped unto Seirah. {3:27} And it came to pass, when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in the hill-country of Ephraim; and the children of Israel went down with him from the hill-country, and he before them. {3:28} And he said unto them, Follow after me; for Yahweh has delivered your enemies the Moabites into your hand. And they went down after him, and took the fords of the Jordan against the Moabites, and suffered not a man to pass over. {3:29} And they smote of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, every lusty man, and every man of valor; and there escaped not a man. {3:30} So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest eighty years. {3:31} And after him was Shamgar the son of Anath, who defeated of the Philistines six hundred men with an ox-goad: and he also saved Israel.

{07}4} Judges Chapter Four. {4:1} And the children of Israel again did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, when Ehud was dead. {4:2} And Yahweh sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor; the captain of whose host was Sisera, who lived in Haroshets of the Nations. {4:3} And the children of Israel cried unto Yahweh: for he had nine hundred chariots of iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the children of Israel. {4:4} Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lappidoes, she judged Israel at that time. {4:5} And she lived under the palm-tree of Deborah between Ramah and Beth-el in the hill-country of Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for judgment. {4:6} And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali, and said unto him, Has not Yahweh, the God of Israel, commanded, [saying], Go and draw unto mount Tabor, and take with you ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children of Zebulun? {4:7} And I will draw unto you, to the river Kishon, Sisera, the captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his multitude; and I will deliver him into your hand. {4:8} And Barak said unto her, If you will go with me, then I will go; but if you will not go with me, I will not go. {4:9} And she said, I will surely go with you: notwithstanding, the journey that you take shall not be for your honor; for Yahweh will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh. {4:10} And Barak called Zebulun and Naphtali together to Kedesh; and there went up ten thousand men at his

feet: and Deborah went up with him. {4:11} Now Heber the Kenite had separated himself from the Kenites, even from the children of Hobab the brother-in-law of Moses, and had pitched his tent as far as the oak in Zaanannim, which is by Kedesh. {4:12} And they told Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up to mount Tabor. {4:13} And Sisera gathered together all his chariots, even nine hundred chariots of iron, and all the people that were with him, from Haroshets of the Nations, unto the river Kishon. {4:14} And Deborah said unto Barak, Up; for this is the day in which Yahweh has delivered Sisera into your hand; is not Yahweh gone out before you? So Barak went down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him. {4:15} And Yahweh discomfited Sisera, and all his chariots, and all his host, with the edge of the sword before Barak; and Sisera alighted from his chariot, and fled away on his feet. {4:16} But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto Haroshets of the Nations: and all the host of Sisera fell by the edge of the sword; there was not a man left. {4:17} However Sisera fled away on his feet to the tent of Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite; for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite. {4:18} And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, Turn in, my lord, turn in to me; fear not. And he turned in unto her into the tent, and she covered him with a rug. {4:19} And he said unto her, Give me, I pray you, a little water to drink; for I am thirsty. And she opened a bottle of milk, and gave him drink, and covered him. {4:20} And he said unto her, Stand in the door of the tent, and it shall be, when any man does come and inquire of you, and say, Is there any man here? that you shall say, No. {4:21} Then Jael Heber's wife took a tent-pin, and took a hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the pin into his temples, and it pierced through into the ground; for he was in a deep sleep; so he swooned and died. {4:22} And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will show you the man whom you seek. And he came unto her; and, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the tent-pin was in his temples. {4:23} So God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel. {4:24} And the hand of the children of Israel prevailed more and more against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

{o7}5} Judges Chapter Five. {5:1} Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying, {5:2} For that the leaders took the lead in Israel, For that the people offered themselves willingly, Bless you Yahweh. {5:3} Hear, O you kings; give ear, O you princes; I, [even] I, will sing unto Yahweh; I will sing praise to Yahweh, the God of Israel. {5:4} Yahweh, when you went forth out of Seir, When you marched out of the field of Edom, The earth trembled, the heavens also dropped, behold, the clouds dropped water. {5:5} The mountains quaked at the presence of Yahweh, Even yon Sinai at the presence of Yahweh, the God of Israel. {5:6} In the days of Shamgar the son of Anath, In the days of Jael, the highways were unoccupied, And the travelers walked through byways. {5:7} The rulers ceased in Israel, they ceased, Until that I Deborah arose, That I arose a mother in Israel. {5:8} They chose new gods; Then was war in the gates: Was there a shield or spear seen Among forty thousand in Israel? {5:9} My heart is toward the governors of Israel, That offered themselves willingly among the people: Bless you Yahweh. {5:10} Tell [of it], you that ride on white donkeys, you that sit on rich carpets, And you that walk by the way. {5:11} Far from the noise of archers, in the places of drawing water, There shall they rehearse the lawful acts of Yahweh, [Even] the lawful acts of his rule in Israel. Then the people of Yahweh went down to the gates. {5:12} Awake, awake, Deborah; Awake, awake, utter a song: Arise, Barak, and lead away your captives, you son of Abinoam. {5:13} Then came down a remnant of the nobles [and] the people; Yahweh came down for me against the mighty. {5:14} Out of Ephraim [came down] they whose root is in Amalek; After you, Benjamin, among your peoples; Out of Machir came down governors, And out of Zebulun they that handle the marshal's staff. {5:15} And the princes of Issachar were with Deborah; As was Issachar, so was Barak; Into the valley they rushed forth at his feet. By the watercourses of Reuben There were great resolves of heart. {5:16} Why sat you among the

sheepfolds, To hear the pipings for the flocks? At the watercourses of Reuben There were great searching of heart. {5:17} Gilead abode beyond the Jordan: And Dan, why did he remain in ships? Asher sat still at the haven of the sea, And abode by his creeks. {5:18} Zebulun was a people that risk their lives unto the death, And Naphtali, upon the high places of the field. {5:19} The kings came and fought; Then fought the kings of Canaan. In Taanach by the waters of Megiddo: They took no gain of money. {5:20} From heaven fought the stars, From their courses they fought against Sisera. {5:21} The river Kishon swept them away, That ancient river, the river Kishon. O my soul, march on with strength. {5:22} Then did the horse hoofs stamp By reason of the prancing, the prancing of their strong ones. {5:23} Woe you Meroz, said the messenger of Yahweh. Woe you bitterly the inhabitants there, Because they came not to the help of Yahweh, To the help of Yahweh against the mighty. {5:24} Blessed above women shall Jael be, The wife of Heber the Kenite; Blessed shall she be above women in the tent. {5:25} He asked water, [and] she gave him milk; She brought him butter in a lordly dish. {5:26} She put her hand to the tent-pin, And her right hand to the workmen's hammer; And with the hammer she smote Sisera, she smote through his head; behold, she pierced and struck through his temples. {5:27} At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay; At her feet he bowed, he fell; Where he bowed, there he fell down dead. {5:28} Through the window she looked forth, and cried, The mother of Sisera [cried] through the lattice, Why is his chariot so long in coming? Why tarry the wheels of his chariots? {5:29} Her wise ladies answered her, behold, she returned answer to herself, {5:30} Have they not found, have they not divided the spoil? A maid, two maids to every man; To Sisera a spoil of dyed garments, A spoil of dyed garments embroidered, Of dyed garments embroidered on both sides, on the necks of the spoil? {5:31} So let all your enemies perish, O Yahweh: But let them that agape love him be as the sun when he goes forth in his might. And the land had rest forty years.

{o7}6} Judges Chapter Six. {6:1} And the children of Israel did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh: and Yahweh delivered them into the hand of Midian seven years. {6:2} And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel; and because of Midian the children of Israel made them the dens which are in the mountains, and the caves, and the strongholds. {6:3} And so it was, when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up, and the Amalekites, and the children of the east; they came up against them; {6:4} and they encamped against them, and destroyed the increase of the earth, till you come unto Gaza, and left no sustenance in Israel, neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass. {6:5} For they came up with their cattle and their tents; they came in as locusts for multitude; both they and their camels were outside number: and they came into the land to destroy it. {6:6} And Israel was brought very low because of Midian; and the children of Israel cried unto Yahweh. {6:7} And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto Yahweh because of Midian, {6:8} that Yahweh sent a prophet unto the children of Israel: and he said unto them, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage; {6:9} and I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drove them out from before you, and gave you their land; {6:10} and I said unto you, I am Yahweh your God; you shall not fear the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But you have not heard unto my voice. {6:11} And the messenger of Yahweh came, and sat under the oak which was in Ophrah, that pertained unto Joash the Abiezrite: and his son Gideon was beating out wheat in the winepress, to hide it from the Midianites. {6:12} And the messenger of Yahweh appeared unto him, and said unto him, Yahweh is with you, you mighty man of valor. {6:13} And Gideon said unto him, Oh, my lord, if Yahweh is with us, why then is all this befallen us? and where are all his wondrous works which our fathers told us of, saying, Did not Yahweh bring us up from Egypt? but now Yahweh has cast us off, and delivered us into the hand of Midian. {6:14} And Yahweh looked upon him, and said, Go in this your might, and save Israel from the hand of Midian: have not I sent you? {6:15} And he said unto him, Oh, Lord, by which shall I save Israel? behold, my family is the poorest in

Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house. {6:16} And Yahweh said unto him, Surely I will be with you, and you shall smite the Midianites as one man. {6:17} And he said unto him, If now I have found favor in your sight, then show me a sign that it is you that talks with me. {6:18} Depart not from here, I pray you, until I come unto you, and bring forth my present, and lay it before you. And he said, I will tarry until you come again.

{6:19} And Gideon went in, and made ready a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of meal: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought it out unto him under the oak, and presented it. {6:20} And the messenger of God said unto him, Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay them upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so. {6:21} Then the messenger of Yahweh put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there went up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and the messenger of Yahweh departed out of his sight. {6:22} And Gideon saw that he was the messenger of Yahweh; and Gideon said, Alas, O Lord Yahweh! forasmuch as I have seen the messenger of Yahweh face to face. {6:23} And Yahweh said unto him, Peace be unto you; fear not: you shall not die. {6:24} Then Gideon built an altar there unto Yahweh, and called it Yahweh-shalom: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites. {6:25} And it came to pass the same night, that Yahweh said unto him, Take your father's bull, even the second bull seven years old, and throw down the altar of Baal that your father has, and cut down the Asherah that is by it; {6:26} and build an altar unto Yahweh your God upon the top of this stronghold, in the orderly manner, and take the second bull, and offer a burnt-offering with the wood of the Asherah which you shall cut down. {6:27} Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and did as Yahweh had spoken unto him: and it came to pass, because he feared his father's household and the men of the city, so that he could not do it by day, that he did it by night. {6:28} And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold, the altar of Baal was broken down, and the Asherah was cut down that was by it, and the second bull was offered upon the altar that was built. {6:29} And they said one to another, Who has done this thing? And when they inquired and asked, they said, Gideon the son of Joash has done this thing. {6:30} Then the men of the city said unto Joash, Bring out your son, that he may die, because he has broken down the altar of Baal, and because he has cut down the Asherah that was by it. {6:31} And Joash said unto all that stood against him, Will you contend for Baal? Or will you save him? he that will contend for him, let him be put to death whilst [it is yet] morning: if he be a god, let him contend for himself, because one has broken down his altar. {6:32} Therefore on that day he called him Jerubbaal, saying, Let Baal contend against him, because he has broken down his altar. {6:33} Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites and the children of the east assembled themselves together; and they passed over, and encamped in the valley of Jezreel. {6:34} But the Spirit of Yahweh came upon Gideon; and he blew a trumpet; and Abiezer was gathered together after him. {6:35} And he sent messengers throughout all Manasseh; and they also were gathered together after him: and he sent messengers unto Asher, and unto Zebulun, and unto Naphtali; and they came up to meet them. {6:36} And Gideon said unto God, If you will save Israel by my hand, as you have spoken, {6:37} behold, I will put a fleece of wool on the threshing-floor; if there be dew on the fleece only, and it be dry upon all the ground, then shall I know that you will save Israel by my hand, as you have spoken. {6:38} And it was so; for he rose up early on the morrow, and pressed the fleece together, and wrung the dew out of the fleece, a bowlful of water. {6:39} And Gideon said unto God, Let not your anger be kindled against me, and I will speak but this once: let me make trial, I pray you, but this once with the fleece; let it now be dry only upon the fleece, and upon all the ground let there be dew. {6:40} And God did so that night: for it was dry upon the fleece only, and there was dew on all the ground.

{o7}7} Judges Chapter Seven. {7:1} Then Jerubbaal, who is Gideon, and all the people that were with him, rose up early, and encamped beside the spring of Harod: and the camp of Midian was on the north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley. {7:2} And Yahweh said unto

Gideon, The people that are with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand has saved me. {7:3} Now therefore proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, Anyone who is fearful and trembling, let him return and depart from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand. {7:4} And Yahweh said unto Gideon, The people are yet too many; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for you there: and it shall be, that of whom I say unto you, This shall go with you, the same shall go with you; and of whom so ever I say unto you, This shall not go with you, the same shall not go. {7:5} So he brought down the people unto the water: and Yahweh said unto Gideon, Everyone that laps of the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, him shall you set by himself; likewise everyone that bows down upon his knees to drink. {7:6} And the number of them that lapped, putting their hand to their mouth, was three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water. {7:7} And Yahweh said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into your hand; and let all the people go every man unto his place. {7:8} So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets; and he sent all the men of Israel every man unto his tent, but retained the three hundred men: and the camp of Midian was beneath him in the valley. {7:9} And it came to pass the same night, that Yahweh said unto him, Arise, get you down into the camp; for I have delivered it into your hand. {7:10} But if you fear to go down, go you with Purah your servant down to the camp: {7:11} and you shall hear what they say; and afterward shall your hands be strengthened to go down into the camp. Then went he down with Purah his servant unto the outermost part of the armed men that were in the camp. {7:12} And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the valley like locusts for multitude; and their camels were outside number, as the sand which is upon the sea-shore for multitude. {7:13} And when Gideon was come, behold, there was a man telling a dream unto his fellow; and he said, Behold, I dreamed a dream; and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the camp of Midian, and came unto the tent, and smote it so that it fell, and turned it upside down, so that the tent lay flat. {7:14} And his fellow answered and said, This is nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: into his hand God has delivered Midian, and all the host. {7:15} And it was so, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and the interpretation there, that he worshipped; and he returned into the camp of Israel, and said, Arise; for Yahweh has delivered into your hand the host of Midian. {7:16} And he divided the three hundred men into three companies, and he put into the hands of all of them trumpets, and empty pitchers, with torches within the pitchers. {7:17} And he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outermost part of the camp, it shall be that, as I do, so shall you do. {7:18} When I blow the trumpet, I and all that are with me, then blow you the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, For Yahweh and for Gideon. {7:19} So Gideon, and the hundred men that were with him, came unto the outermost part of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch, when they had but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake in pieces the pitchers that were in their hands. {7:20} And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the torches in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands by which to blow; and they cried, The sword of Yahweh and of Gideon. {7:21} And they stood every man in his place round about the camp; and all the host ran; and they shouted, and put [them] to flight. {7:22} And they blew the three hundred trumpets, and Yahweh set every man's sword against his fellow, and against all the host; and the host fled as far as Beth-shittah toward Zererah, as far as the border of Abel-meholah, by Tabbath. {7:23} And the men of Israel were gathered together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after Midian. {7:24} And Gideon sent messengers throughout all the hill-country of Ephraim, saying, Come down against Midian, and take before them the waters, as far as Beth-barah, even the Jordan. So all the men of Ephraim were gathered together, and took the waters as far as Beth-barah, even the Jordan. {7:25} And they took the two princes of Midian, Oreb and

Zeeb; and they slew Oreb at the rock of Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeeb, and pursued Midian: and they brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon beyond the Jordan.

{O7}8} Judges Chapter Eight. {8:1} And the men of Ephraim said unto him, Why have you served us thus, that you called us not, when you went to fight with Midian? And they did chide with him sharply. {8:2} And he said unto them, What have I now done in comparison with you? Is not the gleanings of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of Abiezer? {8:3} God has delivered into your hand the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison with you? Then their anger was abated toward him, when he had said that. {8:4} And Gideon came to the Jordan, [and] passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing. {8:5} And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me; for they are faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, the kings of Midian. {8:6} And the princes of Succoth said, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in your hand, that we should give bread unto your army? {8:7} And Gideon said, Therefore when Yahweh has delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into my hand, then I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers. {8:8} And he went up there to Peniel, and spoke unto them in like manner; and the men of Peniel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered. {8:9} And he spoke also unto the men of Peniel, saying, When I come again in peace, I will break down this tower. {8:10} Now Zebah and Zalmunna were in Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand men, all that were left of all the host of the children of the east; for there fell a hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword. {8:11} And Gideon went up by the way of them that lived in tents on the east of Nobah and Jogbehah, and defeated the host; for the host was secure. {8:12} And Zebah and Zalmunna fled; and he pursued after them; and he took the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and discomfited all the host. {8:13} And Gideon the son of Joash returned from the battle from the ascent of Heres. {8:14} And he caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and inquired of him: and he described for him the princes of Succoth, and the elders there, seventy and seven men. {8:15} And he came unto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, concerning whom you did taunt me, saying, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in your hand, that we should give bread unto your men that are weary? {8:16} And he took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he taught the men of Succoth. {8:17} And he brake down the tower of Peniel, and slew the men of the city. {8:18} Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men were they whom you slew at Tabor? And they answered, As you are, so were they; each one resembled the children of a king. {8:19} And he said, They were my brethren, the sons of my mother: as Yahweh lives, if you had saved them alive, I would not slay you. {8:20} And he said unto Jether his first-born, Up, and slay them. But the youth drew not his sword; for he feared, because he was yet a youth. {8:21} Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise you, and fall upon us; for as the man is, so is his strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took the crescents that were on their camels' necks. {8:22} Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon, Rule you over us, both you, and your son, and your son's son also; for you have saved us out of the hand of Midian. {8:23} And Gideon said unto them, I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over you: Yahweh shall rule over you. {8:24} And Gideon said unto them, I would make a request of you, that you would give me every man the ear-rings of his spoil. (For they had golden ear-rings, because they were Ishmaelites.) {8:25} And they answered, We will willingly give them. And they spread a garment, and did cast therein every man the ear-rings of his spoil. {8:26} And the weight of the golden ear-rings that he requested was a thousand and seven hundred [shekels] of gold, besides the crescents, and the pendants, and the purple raiment that was on the kings of Midian, and besides the chains that were about their camels' necks. {8:27} And Gideon made an ephod there, and put it in his city, even in Ophrah: and all Israel played the prostitute after it there; and it became a snare unto Gideon, and to his house. {8:28} So Midian was subdued before the children of Israel, and they

lifted up their heads no more. And the land had rest forty years in the days of Gideon. {8:29} And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and lived in his own house. {8:30} And Gideon had seventy sons of his body begotten; for he had many wives. {8:31} And his concubine that was in Shechem, she also bare him a son, and he called his name Abimelech. {8:32} And Gideon the son of Joash died in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulcher of Joash his father, in Ophrah of the Abiezrites. {8:33} And it came to pass, as soon as Gideon was dead, that the children of Israel turned again, and played the prostitute after the Baalim, and made Baal-berith their god. {8:34} And the children of Israel remembered not Yahweh their God, who had delivered them out of the hand of all their enemies on every side; {8:35} neither showed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal, [who is] Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had showed unto Israel.

{07}9} Judges Chapter Nine. {9:1} And Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem unto his mother's brethren, and spoke with them, and with all the family of the house of his mother's father, saying, {9:2} Speak, I pray you, in the ears of all the men of Shechem, Whether is better for you, that all the sons of Jerubbaal, who are seventy persons, rule over you, or that one rule over you? remember also that I am your bone and your flesh. {9:3} And his mother's brethren spoke of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these words: and their hearts inclined to follow Abimelech; for they said, He is our brother. {9:4} And they gave him seventy [pieces] of silver out of the house of Baal-berith, by which Abimelech hired vain and light fellows, who followed him. {9:5} And he went unto his father's house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, being seventy persons, upon one stone: but Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he hid himself. {9:6} And all the men of Shechem assembled themselves together, and all the house of Millo, and went and made Abimelech king, by the oak of the pillar that was in Shechem. {9:7} And when they told it to Jotham, he went and stood on the top of mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto them, Hear unto me, you men of Shechem, that God may hear unto you. {9:8} The trees went forth on a time to anoint a king over them; and they said unto the olive-tree, Reign you over us. {9:9} But the olive-tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, by which by me they honor God and man, and go to wave to and fro over the trees? {9:10} And the trees said to the fig-tree, Come you, and reign over us. {9:11} But the fig-tree said unto them, Should I leave my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to wave to and fro over the trees? {9:12} And the trees said unto the vine, Come you, and reign over us. {9:13} And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my new wine, which cheers God and man, and go to wave to and fro over the trees? {9:14} Then said all the trees unto the bramble, Come you, and reign over us. {9:15} And the bramble said unto the trees, If in truth you anoint me king over you, then come and take refuge in my shade; and if not, let fire come out of the bramble, and devour the cedars of Lebanon. {9:16} Now therefore, if you have dealt truly and uprightly, in that you have made Abimelech king, and if you have dealt well with Jerubbaal and his house, and have done unto him according to the deserving of his hands {9:17} (for my father fought for you, and adventured his life, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian: {9:18} and you are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons, seventy persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech, the son of his maid-servant, king over the men of Shechem, because he is your brother); {9:19} if you then have dealt truly and uprightly with Jerubbaal and with his house this day, then rejoice you in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you: {9:20} but if not, let fire come out from Abimelech, and devour the men of Shechem, and the house of Millo; and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and devour Abimelech. {9:21} And Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and lived there, for fear of Abimelech his brother. {9:22} And Abimelech was prince over Israel three years. {9:23} And God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem; and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech: {9:24} that the violence done to the seventy sons of Jerubbaal might come, and that their blood might be laid upon Abimelech their brother, who slew

them, and upon the men of Shechem, who strengthened his hands to slay his brethren. {9:25} And the men of Shechem set liers-in-wait for him on the tops of the mountains, and they robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech. {9:26} And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went over to Shechem; and the men of Shechem put their trust in him. {9:27} And they went out into the field, and gathered their vineyards, and trod [the grapes], and held festival, and went into the house of their god, and did eat and drink, and cursed Abimelech. {9:28} And Gaal the son of Ebed said, Who is Abimelech, and who is Shechem, that we should serve him? is not he the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve you the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: but why should we serve him? {9:29} And would that this people were under my hand! then would I remove Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech, Increase your army, and come out. {9:30} And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the son of Ebed, his anger was kindled. {9:31} And he sent messengers unto Abimelech craftily, saying, Behold, Gaal the son of Ebed and his brethren are come to Shechem; and, behold, they constrain the city [to take part] against you. {9:32} Now therefore, up by night, you and the people that are with you, and lie in wait in the field: {9:33} and it shall be, that in the morning, as soon as the sun is up, you shall rise early, and rush upon the city; and, behold, when he and the people that are with him come out against you, then may you do to them as you shall find occasion. {9:34} And Abimelech rose up, and all the people that were with him, by night, and they laid wait against Shechem in four companies. {9:35} And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entrance of the gate of the city: and Abimelech rose up, and the people that were with him, from the ambush. {9:36} And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold, there come people down from the tops of the mountains. And Zebul said unto him, you see the shadow of the mountains as if they were men. {9:37} And Gaal spoke again and said, See, there come people down by the middle of the land, and one company comes by the way of the oak of Meonenim. {9:38} Then said Zebul unto him, Where is now your mouth, that you said, Who is Abimelech, that we should serve him? is not this the people that you have despised? go out now, I pray, and fight with them. {9:39} And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech. {9:40} And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and there fell many wounded, even unto the entrance of the gate. {9:41} And Abimelech lived at Arumah: and Zebul drove out Gaal and his brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem. {9:42} And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into the field; and they told Abimelech. {9:43} And he took the people, and divided them into three companies, and laid wait in the field; and he looked, and, behold, the people came forth out of the city; And he rose up against them, and defeated them. {9:44} And Abimelech, and the companies that were with him, rushed forward, and stood in the entrance of the gate of the city: and the two companies rushed upon all that were in the field, and defeated them. {9:45} And Abimelech fought against the city all that day; and he took the city, and slew the people that were therein: and he beat down the city, and sowed it with salt. {9:46} And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard there, they entered into the stronghold of the house of Elberith. {9:47} And it was told Abimelech that all the men of the tower of Shechem were gathered together. {9:48} And Abimelech got him up to mount Zalmon, he and all the people that were with him; and Abimelech took an axe in his hand, and cut down a bough from the trees, and took it up, and laid it on his shoulder: and he said unto the people that were with him, What you have seen me do, make haste, and do as I have done. {9:49} And all the people likewise cut down every man his bough, and followed Abimelech, and put them to the stronghold, and set the stronghold on fire upon them; so that all the men of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women. {9:50} Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and took it. {9:51} But there was a strong tower within the city, and there fled all the men and women, and all they of the city, and shut themselves in, and got them up to the roof of the tower. {9:52} And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and drew near unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire. {9:53} And a certain woman cast an upper millstone upon Abimelech's head, and brake his skull. {9:54} Then he

called hastily unto the young man his armor bearer, and said unto him, Draw your sword, and kill me, that men say not of me, A woman slew him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died. {9:55} And when the men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they departed every man unto his place. {9:56} Thus God repaid the wickedness of Abimelech, which he did unto his father, in slaying his seventy brethren; {9:57} and all the wickedness of the men of Shechem did God repay upon their heads: and upon them came the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal.

{07}10} Judges Chapter Ten {10:1} And after Abimelech there arose to save Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar; and he lived in Shamir in the hill-country of Ephraim. {10:2} And he judged Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was buried in Shamir. {10:3} And after him arose Jair, the Gileadite; and he judged Israel twenty and two years. {10:4} And he had thirty sons that rode on thirty donkey colts, and they had thirty cities, which are called Havvoth-jair unto this day, which are in the land of Gilead. {10:5} And Jair died, and was buried in Kamon. {10:6} And the children of Israel again did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and served the Baalim, and the Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Sidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines; and they forsook Yahweh, and served him not. {10:7} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he sold them into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the children of Ammon. {10:8} And they vexed and oppressed the children of Israel that year: eighteen years [oppressed they] all the children of Israel that were beyond the Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead. {10:9} And the children of Ammon passed over the Jordan to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore distressed. {10:10} And the children of Israel cried unto Yahweh, saying, We have sinned against you, even because we have forsaken our God, and have served the Baalim. {10:11} And Yahweh said unto the children of Israel, [Did] not [I save you] from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines? {10:12} The Sidonians also, and the Amalekites, and the Maonites, did oppress you; and you cried unto me, and I saved you out of their hand. {10:13} yet you have forsaken me, and served other gods: Therefore I will save you no more. {10:14} Go and cry unto the gods which you have chosen; let them save you in the time of your distress. {10:15} And the children of Israel said unto Yahweh, We have sinned: do you unto us whatever seems good unto you; only deliver us, we pray you, this day. {10:16} And they put away the foreign gods from among them, and served Yahweh; and his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel. {10:17} Then the children of Ammon were gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And the children of Israel assembled themselves together, and encamped in Mizpah. {10:18} And the people, the princes of Gilead, said one to another, What man is he that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.

{07}11} Judges Chapter Eleven {11:1} Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valor, and he was the son of a prostitute: and Gilead begot Jephthah. {11:2} And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and when his wife's sons grew up, they drove out Jephthah, and said unto him, you shall not inherit in our father's house; for you are the son of another woman. {11:3} Then Jephthah fled from his brethren, and lived in the land of Tob: and there were gathered vain fellows to Jephthah, and they went out with him. {11:4} And it came to pass after a while, that the children of Ammon made war against Israel. {11:5} And it was so, that, when the children of Ammon made war against Israel, the elders of Gilead went to get Jephthah out of the land of Tob; {11:6} and they said unto Jephthah, Come and be our chief, that we may fight with the children of Ammon. {11:7} And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, Did not you hate me, and drive me out of my father's house? and why are you come unto me now when you are in distress? {11:8} And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Therefore are we turned again to you now, that you may go with us, and fight with the children of Ammon; and you shall be our head over all the inhabitants

of Gilead. {11:9} And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, If you bring me home again to fight with the children of Ammon, and Yahweh deliver them before me, shall I be your head? {11:10} And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Yahweh shall be witness between us; surely according to your word so will we do. {11:11} Then Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and chief over them: and Jephthah spoke all his words before Yahweh in Mizpah. {11:12} And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What have you to do with me, that you are come unto me to fight against my land? {11:13} And the king of the children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah, Because Israel took away my land, when he came up out of Egypt, from the Arnon even unto the Jabbok, and unto the Jordan: now therefore restore those [lands] again peaceably. {11:14} And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the children of Ammon; {11:15} and he said unto him, Thus said Jephthah: Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon, {11:16} but when they came up from Egypt, and Israel went through the wilderness unto the Red Sea, and came to Kadesh; {11:17} then Israel sent messengers unto the king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray you, pass through your land; but the king of Edom heard not. And in like manner he sent unto the king of Moab; but he would not: and Israel abode in Kadesh. {11:18} Then they went through the wilderness, and went around the land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab, and they encamped on the other side of the Arnon; but they came not within the border of Moab, for the Arnon was the border of Moab. {11:19} And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, the king of Heshbon; and Israel said unto him, Let us pass, we pray you, through your land unto my place. {11:20} But Sihon trusted not Israel to pass through his border; but Sihon gathered all his people together, and encamped in Jahaz, and fought against Israel. {11:21} And Yahweh, the God of Israel, delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel, and they defeated them: so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country. {11:22} And they possessed all the border of the Amorites, from the Arnon even unto the Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto the Jordan. {11:23} So now Yahweh, the God of Israel, has dispossessed the Amorites from before his people Israel, and should you possess them? {11:24} Will not you possess that which Chemosh your god gives you to possess? So whom soever Yahweh our God has dispossessed from before us, them will we possess. {11:25} And now are you anything better than Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab? did he ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight against them? {11:26} While Israel lived in Heshbon and its towns, and in Aroer and its towns, and in all the cities that are along by the side of the Arnon, three hundred years; Therefore did you not recover them within that time? {11:27} I therefore have not sinned against you, but you do me wrong to war against me: Yahweh, the Judge, be judge this day between the children of Israel and the children of Ammon. {11:28} However the king of the children of Ammon heard not unto the words of Jephthah which he sent him. {11:29} Then the Spirit of Yahweh came upon Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over unto the children of Ammon. {11:30} And Jephthah vowed a vow unto Yahweh, and said, If you will indeed deliver the children of Ammon into my hand, {11:31} then it shall be, that whatever comes forth from the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, it shall be Yahweh's, and I will offer it up for a burnt-offering. {11:32} So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and Yahweh delivered them into his hand. {11:33} And he smote them from Aroer until you come to Mannish, even twenty cities, and unto Abelcheramim, with a very great slaughter. So the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel. {11:34} And Jephthah came to Mizpah unto his house; and, behold, his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she was his only child; besides her he had neither son nor daughter. {11:35} And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! you have brought me very low, and you are one of them that trouble me; for I have opened my mouth unto Yahweh, and I cannot go back. {11:36} And she said unto him, My father, you have opened your mouth

unto Yahweh; do unto me according to that which has proceeded out of your mouth, forasmuch as Yahweh has taken vengeance for you on your enemies, even on the children of Ammon. {11:37} And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two moons, that I may depart and go down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my companions. {11:38} And he said, Go. And he sent her away for two moons: and she departed, she and her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains. {11:39} And it came to pass at the end of two moons, that she returned unto her father, who did with her according to his vow which he had vowed: and she was a virgin that knew no man. And it was a custom in Israel, {11:40} that the daughters of Israel went yearly to celebrate the daughter of Jephthah the Gileadite four days in a year.

{O7}12} Judges Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And the men of Ephraim were gathered together, and passed northward; and they said unto Jephthah, Therefore pass you over to fight against the children of Ammon, and did not call us to go with you? we will burn your house upon you with fire. {12:2} And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, you saved me not out of their hand. {12:3} And when I saw that you saved me not, I put my life in my hand, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and Yahweh delivered them into my hand: Therefore then are you come up unto me this day, to fight against me? {12:4} Then Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim; and the men of Gilead defeated Ephraim, because they said, you are fugitives of Ephraim, you Gileadites, in the midst of Ephraim, [and] in the midst of Manasseh. {12:5} And the Gileadites took the fords of the Jordan against the Ephraimites. And it was so, that, when [any of] the fugitives of Ephraim said, Let me go over, the men of Gilead said unto him, are you an Ephraimite? If he said, No; {12:6} then said they unto him, Say now Shibboleth; and he said Sibboleth; for he could not frame to pronounce it right: then they laid hold on him, and slew him at the fords of the Jordan. And there fell at that time of Ephraim forty and two thousand. {12:7} And Jephthah judged Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was buried in [one of] the cities of Gilead. {12:8} And after him Ibzan of Beth-lehem judged Israel. {12:9} And he had thirty sons; and thirty daughters he sent abroad, and thirty daughters he brought in from abroad for his sons. And he judged Israel seven years. {12:10} And Ibzan died, and was buried at Beth-lehem. {12:11} And after him Elon the Zebulunite judged Israel; and he judged Israel ten years. {12:12} And Elon the Zebulunite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the land of Zebulun. {12:13} And after him Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite judged Israel. {12:14} And he had forty sons and thirty sons' sons, that rode on seventy donkey colts: and he judged Israel eight years. {12:15} And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the hill-country of the Amalekites.

{O7}13} Judges Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And the children of Israel again did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh; and Yahweh delivered them into the hand of the Philistines forty years. {13:2} And there was a certain man of Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah; and his wife was barren, and bare not. {13:3} And the messenger of Yahweh appeared unto the woman, and said unto her, Behold now, you are barren, and bears not; but you shall conceive, and bear a son. {13:4} Now therefore beware, I pray you, and drink no wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing: {13:5} for, lo, you shall conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come upon his head; for the child shall be a Nazirite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin to save Israel out of the hand of the Philistines. {13:6} Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, A man of God came unto me, and his countenance was like the countenance of the messenger of God, very terrible; and I asked him not where he was, neither told he me his name: {13:7} but he said unto me, Behold, you shall conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing; for the child shall be a Nazirite unto God from the womb to the day of his death. {13:8} Then Manoah entreated

Yahweh, and said, Oh, Lord, I pray you, let the man of God whom you did send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born. {13:9} And God heard the voice of Manoah; and the messenger of God came again unto the woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband was not with her. {13:10} And the woman made haste, and ran, and told her husband, and said unto him, Behold, the man has appeared unto me, that came unto me the [other] day. {13:11} And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said unto him, are you the man that spoke unto the woman? And he said, I am. {13:12} And Manoah said, Now let your words come to pass: what shall be the ordering of the child, and [how] shall we do unto him? {13:13} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto Manoah, Of all that I said unto the woman let her beware. {13:14} She may not eat of anything that comes of the vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean thing; all that I commanded her let her observe. {13:15} And Manoah said unto the messenger of Yahweh, I pray you, let us detain you, that we may make ready a kid for you. {13:16} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto Manoah, though you detain me, I will not eat of your bread; and if you will make ready a burnt-offering, you must offer it unto Yahweh. For Manoah knew not that he was the messenger of Yahweh. {13:17} And Manoah said unto the messenger of Yahweh, What is your name, that, when your words come to pass, we may do you honor? {13:18} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto him, Therefore ask you after my name, seeing it is wonderful? {13:19} So Manoah took the kid with the meal-offering, and offered it upon the rock unto Yahweh: and [the messenger] did wondrously, and Manoah and his wife looked on. {13:20} For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the messenger of Yahweh ascended in the flame of the altar: and Manoah and his wife looked on; and they fell on their faces to the ground. {13:21} But the messenger of Yahweh did no more appear to Manoah or to his wife. Then Manoah knew that he was the messenger of Yahweh. {13:22} And Manoah said unto his wife, We shall surely die, because we have seen God. {13:23} But his wife said unto him, If Yahweh were pleased to kill us, he would not have received a burnt-offering and a meal-offering at our hand, neither would he have showed us all these things, nor would at this time have told such things as these. {13:24} And the woman bare a son, and called his name Samson: and the child grew, and Yahweh blessed him. {13:25} And the Spirit of Yahweh began to move him in Mahaneh-dan, between Zorah and Eshtaol.

{O7}14} Judges Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And Samson went down to Timnah, and saw a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines. {14:2} And he came up, and told his father and his mother, and said, I have seen a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore get her for me to wife. {14:3} Then his father and his mother said unto him, Is there never a woman among the daughters of your brethren, or among all my people, that you go to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for she pleases me well. {14:4} But his father and his mother knew not that it was of Yahweh; for he sought an occasion against the Philistines. Now at that time the Philistines had rule over Israel. {14:5} Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnah, and came to the vineyards of Timnah: and, behold, a young lion roared against him. {14:6} And the Spirit of Yahweh came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid; and he had nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done. {14:7} And he went down, and talked with the woman, and she pleased Samson well. {14:8} And after a while he returned to take her; and he turned aside to see the carcass of the lion: and, behold, there was a swarm of bees in the body of the lion, and honey. {14:9} And he took it into his hands, and went on, eating as he went; and he came to his father and mother, and gave unto them, and they did eat: but he told them not that he had taken the honey out of the body of the lion. {14:10} And his father went down unto the woman: and Samson made there a feast; for so used the young men to do. {14:11} And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought thirty companions to be with him. {14:12} And Samson said unto them, Let me now put forth a riddle unto you: if you

can declare it unto me within the seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty linen garments and thirty changes of raiment; {14:13} but if you cannot declare it unto me, then shall you give me thirty linen garments and thirty changes of raiment. And they said unto him, Put forth your riddle, that we may hear it. {14:14} And he said unto them, Out of the eater came forth food, And out of the strong came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days declare the riddle. {14:15} And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice your husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, lest we burn you and your father's house with fire: have you called us to impoverish us? is it not [so]? {14:16} And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, you do but hate me, and love me not: you have put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and have not told it me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told it my father nor my mother, and shall I tell you? {14:17} And she wept before him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she pressed him sore; and she told the riddle to the children of her people. {14:18} And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, What is sweeter than honey? and what is stronger than a lion? And he said unto them, If you had not plowed with my heifer, you had not found out my riddle. {14:19} And the Spirit of Yahweh came mightily upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and smote thirty men of them, and took their spoil, and gave the changes [of raiment] unto them that declared the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house. {14:20} But Samson's wife was [given] to his companion, whom he had used as his friend.

{O7}15} Judges Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} But it came to pass after a while, in the time of wheat harvest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid; and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him to go in. {15:2} And her father said, I verily thought that you had utterly hated her; therefore I gave her to your companion: is not her younger sister fairer than she? take her, I pray you, instead of her. {15:3} And Samson said unto them, This time shall I be blameless in regard of the Philistines, when I do them a mischief. {15:4} And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and took firebrands, and turned tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst between every two tails. {15:5} And when he had set the brands on fire, he let them go into the standing grain of the Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks and the standing grain, and also the olive yards. {15:6} Then the Philistines said, Who has done this? And they said, Samson, the son-in-law of the Timnite, because he has taken his wife, and given her to his companion. And the Philistines came up, and burnt her and her father with fire. {15:7} And Samson said unto them, If you do after this manner, surely I will be avenged of you, and after that I will cease. {15:8} And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter: and he went down and lived in the cleft of the rock of Etam.

{15:9} Then the Philistines went up, and encamped in Judah, and spread themselves in Lehi. {15:10} And the men of Judah said, Why are you come up against us? And they said, To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he has done to us. {15:11} Then three thousand men of Judah went down to the cleft of the rock of Etam, and said to Samson, Know you not that the Philistines are rulers over us? what then is this that you have done unto us? And he said unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done unto them. {15:12} And they said unto him, We are come down to bind you, that we may deliver you into the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said unto them, Swear unto me, that you will not fall upon me yourselves. {15:13} And they spoke unto him, saying, No; but we will bind you fast, and deliver you into their hand: but surely we will not kill you. And they bound him with two new ropes, and brought him up from the rock. {15:14} When he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted as they met him: and the Spirit of Yahweh came mightily upon him, and the ropes that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands dropped from off his hands. {15:15} And he found a fresh jawbone of an donkey, and put forth his hand, and took it, and smote a thousand men with. {15:16} And Samson said, With the jawbone of an donkey, heaps upon heaps, With the jawbone of an donkey

have I smitten a thousand men. {15:17} And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the jawbone out of his hand; and that place was called Ramath-lehi. {15:18} And he was sore athirst, and called on Yahweh, and said, you have given this great deliverance by the hand of your servant; and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised. {15:19} But God clave the hollow place that is in Lehi, and there came water out; and when he had drunk, his spirit came again, and he revived: Therefore the name of it was called En-hakkore, which is in Lehi, unto this day. {15:20} And he judged Israel in the days of the Philistines twenty years.

{O7}16} Judges Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And Samson went to Gaza, and saw there a prostitute, and went in unto her. {16:2} [And it was told] the Gazites, saying, Samson is come here. And they around him in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, [Let be] till morning light, then we will kill him. {16:3} And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and laid hold of the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and plucked them up, bar and all, and put them upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of the mountain that is before Hebron. {16:4} And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah. {16:5} And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lies, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: and we will give you everyone of us eleven hundred [pieces] of silver. {16:6} And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray you, wherein your great strength lies, and by which you might be bound to afflict you. {16:7} And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withes that were never dried, then shall I become weak, and be as another man. {16:8} Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withes which had not been dried, and she bound him with them. {16:9} Now she had liers-in-wait abiding in the inner chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines are upon you, Samson. And he brake the withes, as a string of tow is broken when it touches the fire. So his strength was not known. {16:10} And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, you have mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray you, by which you might be bound. {16:11} And he said unto her, If they only bind me with new ropes by which no work has been done, then shall I become weak, and be as another man. {16:12} So Delilah took new ropes, and bound him with, and said unto him, The Philistines are upon you, Samson. And the liers-in-wait were abiding in the inner chamber. And he brake them off his arms like a thread. {16:13} And Delilah said unto Samson, Here you have mocked me, and told me lies: tell me by which you might be bound. And he said unto her, If you weave the seven locks of my head with the web. {16:14} And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines are upon you, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and plucked away the pin of the beam, and the web. {16:15} And she said unto him, How Can you say, I love you, when your heart is not with me? you have mocked me these three times, and have not told me wherein your great strength lies. {16:16} And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, that his soul was vexed unto death. {16:17} And he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There has not come a razor upon my head; for I have been a Nazirite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. {16:18} And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he has told me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought the money in their hand. {16:19} And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and shaved off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. {16:20} And she said, The Philistines are upon you, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times, and shake myself free. But he knew not that Yahweh was departed from him. {16:21} And the Philistines laid hold on him, and put out his eyes; and they brought him down to

Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison-house. {16:22} However the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.

{16:23} And the lords of the Philistines gathered them together to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice; for they said, Our god has delivered Samson our enemy into our hand. {16:24} And when the people saw him, they praised their god; for they said, Our god has delivered into our hand our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, who has slain many of us. {16:25} And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison-house; and he made sport before them. And they set him between the pillars: {16:26} and Samson said unto the young man that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house rest, that I may lean upon them. {16:27} Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that watched while Samson made sport. {16:28} And Samson called unto Yahweh, and said, O Lord Yahweh, remember me, I pray you, and strengthen me, I pray you, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes. {16:29} And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house rested, and leaned upon them, the one with his right hand, and the other with his left. {16:30} And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with all his might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein. So the dead that he slew at his death were more than they that he slew in his life. {16:31} Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought him up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the burying-place of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.

{07}17} Judges Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And there was a man of the hill-country of Ephraim, whose name was Micah. {17:2} And he said unto his mother, The eleven hundred [pieces] of silver that were taken from you, about which you did utter woe, and did also speak it in mine ears, behold, the silver is with me; I took it. And his mother said, Blessed be my son of Yahweh. {17:3} And he restored the eleven hundred [pieces] of silver to his mother; and his mother said, I verily dedicate the silver unto Yahweh from my hand for my son, to make a graven image and a molten image: now therefore I will restore it unto you. {17:4} And when he restored the money unto his mother, his mother took two hundred [pieces] of silver, and gave them to the founder, who made of it a graven image and a molten image: and it was in the house of Micah. {17:5} And the man Micah had a house of gods, and he made an ephod, and teraphim, and consecrated one of his sons, who became his priest. {17:6} In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes. {17:7} And there was a young man out of Beth-lehem-judah, of the family of Judah, who was a Levite; and he sojourned there. {17:8} And the man departed out of the city, out of Beth-lehem-judah, to sojourn where he could find [a place], and he came to the hill-country of Ephraim to the house of Micah, as he journeyed. {17:9} And Micah said unto him, From where come you? And he said unto him, I am a Levite of Beth-lehem-judah, and I go to sojourn where I may find [a place]. {17:10} And Micah said unto him, Dwell with me, and be unto me a father and a priest, and I will give you ten [pieces] of silver by the year, and a suit of apparel, and your victuals. So the Levite went in. {17:11} And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young man was unto him as one of his sons. {17:12} And Micah consecrated the Levite, and the young man became his priest, and was in the house of Micah. {17:13} Then said Micah, Now know I that Yahweh will do me good, seeing I have a Levite to my priest.

{07}18} Judges Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} In those days there was no king in Israel: and in those days the tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto that day [their] inheritance had not fallen unto them among the tribes of Israel. {18:2} And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their whole number, men of valor, from Zorah, and from

Eshtaol, to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land. And they came to the hill-country of Ephraim, unto the house of Micah, and lodged there. {18:3} When they were by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the young man the Levite; and they turned aside there, and said unto him, Who brought you here? and what do you in this place? and what have you here? {18:4} And he said unto them, Thus and thus has Micah dealt with me, and he has hired me, and I am become his priest. {18:5} And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray you, of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous. {18:6} And the priest said unto them, Go in peace: before Yahweh is your way wherein you go. {18:7} Then the five men departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people that were therein, how they lived in security, after the manner of the Sidonians, quiet and secure; for there was none in the land, possessing authority, that might put [them] to shame in anything, and they were far from the Sidonians, and had no dealings with any man. {18:8} And they came unto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said unto them, What [say] you? {18:9} And they said, Arise, and let us go up against them; for we have seen the land, and, behold, it is very good: and are you still? be not slothful to go and to enter in to possess the land. {18:10} When you go, you shall come unto a people secure, and the land is large; for God has given it into your hand, a place where there is no want of anything that is in the earth. {18:11} And there set forth from there of the family of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of Eshtaol, six hundred men girt with weapons of war. {18:12} And they went up, and encamped in Kiriath-jearim, in Judah: Therefore they called that place Mahaneh-dan, unto this day; behold, it is behind Kiriath-jearim. {18:13} And they passed there unto the hill-country of Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah. {18:14} Then answered the five men that went to spy out the country of Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do you know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what you have to do. {18:15} And they turned aside there, and came to the house of the young man the Levite, even unto the house of Micah, and asked him of his welfare. {18:16} And the six hundred men girt with their weapons of war, who were of the children of Dan, stood by the entrance of the gate. {18:17} And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, and came in there, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood by the entrance of the gate with the six hundred men girt with weapons of war. {18:18} And when these went into Micah's house, and gotten the graven image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image, the priest said unto them, What do you? {18:19} And they said unto him, Hold your peace, lay your hand upon your mouth, and go with us, and be to us a father and a priest: is it better for you to be priest unto the house of one man, or to be priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel? {18:20} And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people. {18:21} So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the goods before them. {18:22} When they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that were in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the children of Dan. {18:23} And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What ails you, that you come with such a company? {18:24} And he said, you have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and are gone away, and what have I more? and how then say you unto me, What ails you? {18:25} And the children of Dan said unto him, Let not your voice be heard among us, lest angry fellows fall upon you, and you lose your life, with the lives of your household. {18:26} And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they were too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house. {18:27} And they took that which Micah had made, and the priest whom he had, and came unto Laish, unto a people quiet and secure, and smote them with the edge of the sword; and they burnt the city with fire. {18:28} And there was no deliverer, because it was far from Sidon, and they had no dealings with any man; and it was in the valley that lies by Beth-rehob. And they built the city, and lived therein. {18:29} And they called the name of the city Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: however the name of the city was Laish at the first. {18:30}

And the children of Dan set up for themselves the graven image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, he and his sons were priests to the tribe of the Danites until the day of the captivity of the land. {18:31} So they set them up Micah's graven image which he made, all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

{07}19} Judges Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And it came to pass in those days, when there was no king in Israel, that there was a certain Levite sojourning on the far side of the hill-country of Ephraim, who took to him a concubine out of Beth-lehem-judah. {19:2} And his concubine played the prostitute against him, and went away from him unto her father's house to Beth-lehem-judah, and was there the space of four moons. {19:3} And her husband arose, and went after her, to speak kindly unto her, to bring her again, having his servant with him, and a couple of donkeys: and she brought him into her father's house; and when the father of the maid saw him, he rejoiced to meet him. {19:4} And his father-in-law, the maid's father, retained him; and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged there. {19:5} And it came to pass on the fourth day, that they arose early in the morning, and he rose up to depart: and the maid's father said unto his son-in-law, Strengthen your heart with a morsel of bread, and afterward you shall go your way. {19:6} So they sat down, and did eat and drink, both of them together: and the maid's father said unto the man, Be pleased, I pray you, to tarry all night, and let your heart be merry. {19:7} And the man rose up to depart; but his father-in-law urged him, and he lodged there again. {19:8} And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart; and the maid's father said, Strengthen your heart, I pray you, and tarry you until the day declines; and they did eat, both of them. {19:9} And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and his servant, his father-in-law, the maid's father, said unto him, Behold, now the day draws toward evening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, the day grows to an end, lodge here, that your heart may be merry; and to-morrow get you early on your way, that you may go home. {19:10} But the man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and departed, and came over against Jebus (the same is Jerusalem): and there were with him a couple of donkeys saddled; his concubine also was with him. {19:11} When they were by Jebus, the day was far spent; and the servant said unto his master, Come, I pray you, and let us turn aside into this city of the Jebusites, and lodge in it. {19:12} And his master said unto him, We will not turn aside into the city of a foreigner, that is not of the children of Israel; but we will pass over to Gibeah. {19:13} And he said unto his servant, Come and let us draw near to one of these places; and we will lodge in Gibeah, or in Ramah. {19:14} So they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them near to Gibeah, which belongs to Benjamin. {19:15} And they turned aside there, to go in to lodge in Gibeah: and he went in, and sat him down in the street of the city; for there was no man that took them into his house to lodge. {19:16} And, behold, there came an old man from his work out of the field at even: now the man was of the hill-country of Ephraim, and he sojourned in Gibeah; but the men of the place were Benjamites. {19:17} And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the wayfaring man in the street of the city; and the old man said, Where are you going? and where did you come from? {19:18} And he said unto him, We are passing from Beth-lehem-judah unto the far side of the hill-country of Ephraim; from there am I, and I went to Beth-lehem-judah: and I am [now] going to the house of Yahweh; and there is no man that takes me into his house. {19:19} yet there is both straw and provender for our donkeys; and there is bread and wine also for me, and for your handmaid, and for the young man that is with your servants: there is no want of anything. {19:20} And the old man said, Peace be unto you; how so ever let all your wants lie upon me; only lodge not in the street. {19:21} So he brought him into his house, and gave the donkeys fodder; and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink. {19:22} As they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain base fellows, beset the house round about, beating at the door; and they spoke to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into your house, that we may know him. {19:23} And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, No, my brethren, I pray you, do not

so wickedly; seeing that this man is come into my house, do not this folly. {19:24} Behold, here is my daughter a virgin, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble you them, and do with them what seems good unto you: but unto this man do not any such folly. {19:25} But the men would not hear to him: so the man laid hold on his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they sexually forced her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go. {19:26} Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light. {19:27} And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way; and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, with her hands upon the threshold. {19:28} And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going; but none answered: then he took her up upon the ass; and the man rose up, and got him unto his place. {19:29} And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and divided her, limb by limb, into twelve pieces, and sent her throughout all the borders of Israel. {19:30} And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider it, take counsel, and speak.

{07}20} Judges Chapter Twenty. {20:1} Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was Ekklesia as one man, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the land of Gilead, unto Yahweh at Mizpah. {20:2} And the chiefs of all the people, even of all the tribes of Israel, presented themselves in the Ekklesia of the people of God, four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword. {20:3} (Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to Mizpah.) And the children of Israel said, Tell us, how was this wickedness brought to pass? {20:4} And the Levite, the husband of the woman that was murdered, answered and said, I came into Gibeah that belongs to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge. {20:5} And the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round about me by night; me they thought to have slain, and my concubine they sexually forced, and she is dead. {20:6} And I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel; for they have committed lewdness and folly in Israel. {20:7} Behold, you children of Israel, all of you, give here your advice and counsel. {20:8} And all the people arose as one man, saying, We will not any of us go to his tent, neither will we any of us turn unto his house. {20:9} But now this is the thing which we will do to Gibeah: [we will go up] against it by lot; {20:10} and we will take ten men of a hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and a hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to get victuals for the people, that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin, according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel. {20:11} So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, knit together as one man. {20:12} And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, What wickedness is this that is come to pass among you? {20:13} Now therefore deliver up the men, the base fellows, that are in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away evil from Israel. But Benjamin would not hear to the voice of their brethren the children of Israel. {20:14} And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together out of the cities unto Gibeah, to go out to battle against the children of Israel. {20:15} And the children of Benjamin were numbered on that day out of the cities twenty and six thousand men that drew sword, besides the inhabitants of Gibeah, who were numbered seven hundred chosen men. {20:16} Among all this people there were seven hundred chosen men left-handed; everyone could sling stones at a hair-breadth, and not miss. {20:17} And the men of Israel, besides Benjamin, were numbered four hundred thousand men that drew sword: all these were men of war. {20:18} And the children of Israel arose, and went up to Beth-el, and asked counsel of God; and they said, Who shall go up for us first to battle against the children of Benjamin? And Yahweh said, Judah [shall go up] first. {20:19} And the children of Israel rose up in the morning, and encamped against Gibeah. {20:20} And the men of Israel went out to battle against Benjamin; and the men of Israel set the battle in array against them at

Gibeah. {20:21} And the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and destroyed down to the ground of the Israelites on that day twenty and two thousand men. {20:22} And the people, the men of Israel, encouraged themselves, and set the battle again in array in the place where they set themselves in array the first day. {20:23} And the children of Israel went up and wept before Yahweh until even; and they asked of Yahweh, saying, shall I again draw near to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother? And Yahweh said, Go up against him. {20:24} And the children of Israel came near against the children of Benjamin the second day. {20:25} And Benjamin went forth against them out of Gibeah the second day, and destroyed down to the ground of the children of Israel again eighteen thousand men; all these drew the sword. {20:26} Then all the children of Israel, and all the people, went up, and came unto Beth-el, and wept, and sat there before Yahweh, and fasted that day until even; and they offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings before Yahweh. {20:27} And the children of Israel asked of Yahweh (for the ark of the covenant of God was there in those days, {20:28} and Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, stood before it in those days), saying, shall I yet again go out to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother, or shall I cease? And Yahweh said, Go up; for to-morrow I will deliver him into your hand. {20:29} And Israel set liers-in-wait against Gibeah round about. {20:30} And the children of Israel went up against the children of Benjamin on the third day, and set themselves in array against Gibeah, as at other times. {20:31} And the children of Benjamin went out against the people, and were drawn away from the city; and they began to smite and kill of the people, as at other times, in the highways, of which one goes up to Beth-el, and the other to Gibeah, in the field, about thirty men of Israel. {20:32} And the children of Benjamin said, They are smitten down before us, as at the first. But the children of Israel said, Let us flee, and draw them away from the city unto the highways. {20:33} And all the men of Israel rose up out of their place, and set themselves in array at Baal-tamar: and the liers-in-wait of Israel brake forth out of their place, even out of Maareh-geba. {20:34} And there came over against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battle was sore; but they knew not that evil was close upon them. {20:35} And Yahweh smote Benjamin before Israel; and the children of Israel destroyed of Benjamin that day twenty and five thousand and a hundred men: all these drew the sword. {20:36} So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten; for the men of Israel gave place to Benjamin, because they trusted unto the liers-in-wait whom they had set against Gibeah. {20:37} And the liers-in-wait hurried, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the liers-in-wait drew themselves along, and smote all the city with the edge of the sword. {20:38} Now the appointed sign between the men of Israel and the liers-in-wait was, that they should make a great cloud of smoke rise up out of the city. {20:39} And the men of Israel turned in the battle, and Benjamin began to smite and kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons; for they said, Surely they are smitten down before us, as in the first battle. {20:40} But when the cloud began to arise up out of the city in a pillar of smoke, the Benjamites looked behind them; and, behold, the whole of the city went up [in smoke] to heaven. {20:41} And the men of Israel turned, and the men of Benjamin were dismayed; for they saw that evil was come upon them. {20:42} Therefore they turned their backs before the men of Israel unto the way of the wilderness; but the battle followed hard after them; and they that came out of the cities destroyed them in the midst there. {20:43} They enclosed the Benjamites round about, [and] chased them, [and] trod them down at [their] resting-place, as far as over against Gibeah toward the sun rising. {20:44} And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these [were] men of valor. {20:45} And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men, and followed hard after them unto Gidom, and smote of them two thousand men. {20:46} So that all who fell that day of Benjamin were twenty and five thousand men that drew the sword; all these [were] men of valor. {20:47} But six hundred men turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon, and abode in the rock of Rimmon four moons. {20:48} And the men of Israel turned again upon the children of Benjamin, and smote them with

the edge of the sword, both the entire city, and the cattle, and all that they found: all the cities which they found they also set on fire.

{07}21} Judges Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} Now the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpah, saying, There shall not any of us give his daughter unto Benjamin to wife. {21:2} And the people came to Beth-el, and sat there till even before God, and lifted up their voices, and wept sore. {21:3} And they said, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that there should be to-day one tribe lacking in Israel? {21:4} And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people rose early, and built there an altar, and offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings. {21:5} And the children of Israel said, Who is there among all the tribes of Israel that came not up in the Ekklesia unto Yahweh? For they had made a great oath concerning him that came not up unto Yahweh to Mizpah, saying, He shall surely be put to death. {21:6} And the children of Israel repented them for Benjamin their brother, and said, There is one tribe cut off from Israel this day. {21:7} How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing we have sworn by Yahweh that we will not give them of our daughters to wives? {21:8} And they said, What one is there of the tribes of Israel that came not up unto Yahweh to Mizpah? And, behold, there came none to the camp from Jabesh-gilead to the Ekklesia. {21:9} For when the people were numbered, behold, there were none of the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead there. {21:10} And the congregation sent there twelve thousand men of the most valiant, and commands them, saying, Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the little ones. {21:11} And this is the thing that you shall do: you shall utterly destroy every male, and every woman that has lain by man. {21:12} And they found among the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead four hundred young virgins, that had not known man by lying with him; and they brought them unto the camp to Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan. {21:13} And the whole congregation sent and spoke to the children of Benjamin that were in the rock of Rimmon, and proclaimed peace unto them. {21:14} And Benjamin returned at that time; and they gave them the women whom they had saved alive of the women of Jabesh-gilead: and yet so they sufficed them not. {21:15} And the people repented them for Benjamin, because that Yahweh had made a breach in the tribes of Israel. {21:16} Then the elders of the congregation said, How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of Benjamin? {21:17} And they said, There must be an inheritance for them that are escaped of Benjamin, that a tribe be not blotted out from Israel. {21:18} However we may not give them wives of our daughters, for the children of Israel had sworn, saying, Cursed be he that gives a wife to Benjamin. {21:19} And they said, Behold, there is a feast of Yahweh from year to year in Shiloh, which is on the north of Beth-el, on the east side of the highway that goes up from Beth-el to Shechem, and on the south of Lebonah. {21:20} And they commanded the children of Benjamin, saying, Go and lie in wait in the vineyards, {21:21} and see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in the dances, then come you out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin. {21:22} And it shall be, when their fathers or their brethren come to complain unto us, that we will say unto them, Grant them graciously unto us, because we took not for each man [of them] his wife in battle, neither did you give them unto them, else would you now be guilty. {21:23} And the children of Benjamin did so, and took them wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they carried off: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and built the cities, and lived in them. {21:24} And the children of Israel departed there at that time, every man to his tribe and to his family, and they went out from there every man to his inheritance. {21:25} In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes.

The Book Of Ruth

{08}1} Ruth Chapter One. {1:1} And it came to pass in the days when the judges judged, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Bethlehem-judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sons. {1:2} And the name of the man was

Elimelech, and the name of his wife Naomi, and the name of his two sons Mahlon and Chilion, Ephrathites of Bethlehem-judah. And they came into the country of Moab, and continued there. {1:3} And Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died; and she was left, and her two sons. {1:4} And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they lived there about ten years. {1:5} And Mahlon and Chilion died both of them; and the woman was left of her two children and of her husband. {1:6} Then she arose with her daughters-in-law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that Yahweh had visited his people in giving them bread. {1:7} And she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters-in-law with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah. {1:8} And Naomi said unto her two daughters-in-law, Go, return each of you to her mother's house: Yahweh deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead, and with me. {1:9} Yahweh grant you that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband. Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voice, and wept. {1:10} And they said unto her, No, but we will return with you unto your people. {1:11} And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will you go with me? have I yet sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands? {1:12} Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say, I have hope, if I should even have a husband to-night, and should also bear sons; {1:13} would you therefore tarry till they were grown? would you therefore stay from having husbands? No, my daughters, for it grieves me much for your sakes, for the hand of Yahweh is gone forth against me. {1:14} And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clave unto her. {1:15} And she said, Behold, your sister-in-law is gone back unto her people, and unto her god: return you after your sister-in-law. {1:16} And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave you, and to return from following after you, for where you go, I will go; and where you lodges, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God; {1:17} where you die, will I die, and there will I be buried: Yahweh do so to me, and more also, if anything but death part you and me. {1:18} And when she saw that she was steadfastly intent to go with her, she left off speaking unto her. {1:19} So they two went until they came to Bethlehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moved about them, and [the women] said, Is this Naomi? {1:20} And she said unto them, Call me not Naomi, call me Mara; for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. {1:21} I went out full, and Yahweh has brought me home again empty; why call you me Naomi, seeing Yahweh has testified against me, and the Almighty has afflicted me? {1:22} So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter-in-law, with her, who returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Bethlehem in the beginning of barley harvest.

{08}2} Ruth Chapter Two. {2:1} And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech, and his name was Boaz. {2:2} And Ruth the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter. {2:3} And she went, and came and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on the portion of the field belonging unto Boaz, who was of the family of Elimelech. {2:4} And, behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said unto the reapers, Yahweh be with you. And they answered him, Yahweh bless you. {2:5} Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose maid is this? {2:6} And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It is the Moabitish maid that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab: {2:7} And she said, Let me glean, I pray you, and gather after the reapers among the sheaves. So she came, and has continued even from the morning until now, save that she tarried a little in the house. {2:8} Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hear you not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field, neither pass from here, but abide here fast by my maidens. {2:9} Let your eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go you after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch you? and when you are athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of that which the young men have drawn. {2:10} Then

she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found favor in your sight, that you should take knowledge of me, seeing I am a foreigner? {2:11} And Boaz answered and said unto her, It has fully been showed me, all that you have done unto your mother-in-law since the death of your husband; and how you have left your father and your mother, and the land of your nativity, and are come unto a people that you knew not herefore. {2:12} Yahweh recompense your work, and a full reward be given you of Yahweh, the God of Israel, under whose wings you are come to take refuge. {2:13} Then she said, Let me find favor in your sight, my lord, for that you have comforted me, and for that you have spoken kindly unto your handmaid, though I be not as one of your handmaidens. {2:14} And at meal-time Boaz said unto her, Come here, and eat of the bread, and dip your morsel in the vinegar. And she sat beside the reapers, and they reached her parched grain, and she did eat, and was sufficed, and left there. {2:15} And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not. {2:16} And also pull out some for her from the bundles, and leave it, and let her glean, and rebuke her not. {2:17} So she gleaned in the field until even; and she beat out that which she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley. {2:18} And she took it up, and went into the city; and her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth and gave to her that which she had left after she was sufficed. {2:19} And her mother-in-law said unto her, Where have you gleaned to-day? and where have you wrought? blessed be he that did take knowledge of you. And she showed her mother-in-law with whom she had wrought, and said, The man's name with whom I wrought to-day is Boaz. {2:20} And Naomi said unto her daughter-in-law, Blessed be he of Yahweh, who has not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man is near of kin unto us, one of our near kinsmen. {2:21} And Ruth the Moabitess said, behold, he said unto me, you shall keep fast by my young men, until they have ended all my harvest. {2:22} And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter-in-law, It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his maidens, and that they meet you not in any other field. {2:23} So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz, to glean unto the end of barley harvest and of wheat harvest; and she lived with her mother-in-law.

{08}3} Ruth Chapter Three. {3:1} And Naomi her mother-in-law said unto her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? {3:2} And now is not Boaz our kinsman, with whose maidens you was? Behold, he winnows barley to-night in the threshing-floor. {3:3} Wash yourself therefore, and anoint you, and put your raiment upon you, and get you down to the threshing-floor, but make not yourself known unto the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking. {3:4} And it shall be, when he lies down, that you shall mark the place where he shall lie, and you shall go in, and uncover his feet, and lay you down; and he will tell you what you shall do. {3:5} And she said unto her, All that you say I will do. {3:6} And she went down unto the threshing-floor, and did according to all that her mother-in-law bade her. {3:7} And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down. {3:8} And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and turned himself; and, behold, a woman lay at his feet. {3:9} And he said, Who are you? And she answered, I am Ruth your handmaid: spread therefore your skirt over your handmaid; for you are a near kinsman. {3:10} And he said, Blessed be you of Yahweh, my daughter: you have showed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as you follows not young men, whether poor or rich. {3:11} And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to you all that you say; for all the city of my people does know that you are a worthy woman. {3:12} And now it is true that I am a near kinsman; however there is a kinsman nearer than I. {3:13} Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto you the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to you, then will I do the part of a kinsman to you, as Yahweh lives: lie down until the morning. {3:14} And she lay at his feet until the morning. And she rose up before one could discern another. For he said, Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing-floor. {3:15} And he said, Bring the mantle that is upon you, and

hold it; and she held it; and he measured six [measures] of barley, and laid it on her: and he went into the city. {3:16} And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, Who are you, my daughter? And she told her all that the man had done to her. {3:17} And she said, These six [measures] of barley gave he me; for he said, Go not empty unto your mother-in-law. {3:18} Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until you know how the matter will fall; for the man will not rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

{08}4} Ruth Chapter Four. {4:1} Now Boaz went up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, the near kinsman of whom Boaz spoke came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat down. {4:2} And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit you down here. And they sat down. {4:3} And he said unto the near kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, sells the parcel of land, which was our brother Elimelech's: {4:4} And I thought to disclose it unto you, saying, Buy it before them that sit here, and before the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it: but if you will not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know; for there is none to redeem it besides you; and I am after you. And he said, I will redeem it. {4:5} Then said Boaz, What day you buys the field of the hand of Naomi, you must buy it also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance. {4:6} And the near kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: take you my right of redemption on you; for I cannot redeem it. {4:7} Now this was [the custom] in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning exchanging, to confirm all things: a man drew off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbor; and this was the [manner of] attestation in Israel. {4:8} So the near kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy it for yourself. And he drew off his shoe. {4:9} And Boaz said unto the elders, and unto all the people, you are witnesses this day, that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi. {4:10} Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I also purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: you are witnesses this day. {4:11} And all the people that were in the gate, and the elders, said, We are witnesses. Yahweh make the woman that is come into your house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and do you worthily in Ephrathah, and be famous in Bethlehem: {4:12} and let your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which Yahweh shall give you of this young woman. {4:13} So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife; and he went in unto her, and Yahweh gave her conception, and she bare a son. {4:14} And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed be Yahweh, who has not left you this day outside a near kinsman; and let his name be famous in Israel. {4:15} And he shall be unto you a restorer of life, and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to you than seven sons, has borne him. {4:16} And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it. {4:17} And the women her neighbors gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he is the father of Jesse, the father of David.

{4:18} Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez begot Hezron, {4:19} and Hezron begot Ram, and Ram begot Amminadab, {4:20} and Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon, {4:21} and Salmon begot Boaz, and Boaz begot Obed, {4:22} and Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David.

The Book Of First Samuel

{09}1} First Samuel Chapter One {1:1} Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim, of the hill-country of Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephraimite: {1:2} and he had two wives; the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children. {1:3} And this man went up out of his city from year to year to worship and to sacrifice unto Yahweh of hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, priests unto Yahweh, were there. {1:4} And when the day came that Elkanah sacrificed, he gave to

Peninnah his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions: {1:5} but unto Hannah he gave a double portion; for he loved Hannah, but Yahweh had shut up her womb. {1:6} And her rival provoked her sore, to humiliate her, because Yahweh had shut up her womb. {1:7} And [as] he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of Yahweh, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat. {1:8} And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Hannah, why do you weep? and why do you not eat? and why is your heart grieved? am not I better to you than ten sons? {1:9} So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest was sitting upon his seat by the door-post of the temple of Yahweh. {1:10} And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto Yahweh, and wept sore. {1:11} And she vowed a vow, and said, O Yahweh of hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your handmaid, and remember me, and not forget your handmaid, but will give unto your handmaid a man-child, then I will give him unto Yahweh all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head. {1:12} And it came to pass, as she continued praying before Yahweh, that Eli marked her mouth. {1:13} Now Hannah, she spoke in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunk. {1:14} And Eli said unto her, How long will you be drunk? put away your wine from you. {1:15} And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I poured out my soul before Yahweh. {1:16} Count not your handmaid for a wicked woman; for out of the abundance of my complaint and my provocation have I spoken here. {1:17} Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace; and the God of Israel grant your petition that you have asked of him. {1:18} And she said, Let your handmaid find favor in your sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat; and her countenance was no more [sad]. {1:19} And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before Yahweh, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah joined Hannah his wife; and Yahweh remembered her. {1:20} And it came to pass, when the time was come about, that Hannah conceived, and bare a son; and she called his name Samuel, [saying], Because I have asked him of Yahweh. {1:21} And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto Yahweh the yearly sacrifice, and his vow. {1:22} But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, [I will not go up] until the child be weaned; and then I will bring him, that he may appear before Yahweh, and there abide forever. {1:23} And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seems you good; tarry until you have weaned him; only Yahweh establish his word. So the woman tarried and gave her son suck, until she weaned him. {1:24} And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bulls, and one ephah of meal, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of Yahweh in Shiloh: and the child was young. {1:25} And they slew the bull, and brought the child to Eli. {1:26} And she said, Oh, my lord, as your soul lives, my lord, I am the woman that stood by you here, praying unto Yahweh. {1:27} For this child I prayed; and Yahweh has given me my petition which I asked of him: {1:28} therefore also I have granted him to Yahweh; as long as he lives he is granted to Yahweh. And he worshipped Yahweh there.

{O9}2} First Samuel Chapter two. {2:1} And Hannah prayed, and said: My heart exults in Yahweh; My horn is exalted in Yahweh; My mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; Because I rejoice in your salvation. {2:2} There is none holy as Yahweh; For there is none besides you, Neither is there any rock like our God. {2:3} Talk no more so exceeding proudly; Let not arrogance come out of your mouth; For Yahweh is a God of knowledge, And by him actions are weighed. {2:4} The bows of the mighty men are broken; And they that stumbled are girded with strength. {2:5} They that were full have hired out themselves for bread; And they that were hungry have ceased [to hunger]: behold, the barren has borne seven; And she that has many children languish. {2:6} Yahweh kills, and makes alive: He brings down to Sheol, and brings up. {2:7} Yahweh makes poor, and makes rich: He brings low, he also lifts up. {2:8} He raises up the poor out of the dust, He lifts up the needy from the dunghill, To make them sit with princes, And inherit the throne of glory: For the pillars of the earth are Yahweh's, And he has set the world

upon them. {2:9} He will keep the feet of his holy ones; But the wicked shall be put to silence in darkness; For by strength shall no man prevail. {2:10} They that strive with Yahweh shall be broken to pieces; Against them will he thunder in heaven: Yahweh will judge the ends of the earth; And he will give strength unto his king, And exalt the horn of his anointed. {2:11} And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did minister unto Yahweh before Eli the priest. {2:12} Now the sons of Eli were base men; they knew not Yahweh. {2:13} And the custom of the priests with the people was, that, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was boiling, with a flesh-hook of three teeth in his hand; {2:14} and he struck it into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the flesh-hook brought up the priest took with. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came there. {2:15} behold, before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have boiled flesh of you, but raw. {2:16} And if the man said unto him, They will surely burn the fat first, and then take as much as your soul desires; then he would say, No, but you shall give it me now: and if not, I will take it by force. {2:17} And the sin of the young men was very great before Yahweh; for the men despised the offering of Yahweh. {2:18} But Samuel ministered before Yahweh, being a child, girded with a linen ephod. {2:19} His mother also made him a little robe, and brought it to him from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. {2:20} And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, Yahweh give you seed of this woman for the petition which was asked of Yahweh. And they went unto their own home. {2:21} And Yahweh visited Hannah, and she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before Yahweh. {2:22} Now Eli was very old; and he heard all that his sons did unto all Israel, and how that they lay with the women that did service at the door of the tent of meeting. {2:23} And he said unto them, Why do you such things? for I hear of your evil dealings from all this people. {2:24} No, my sons; for it is no good report that I hear: you make Yahweh's people to transgress. {2:25} If one man sin against another, God shall judge him; but if a man sin against Yahweh, who shall entreat for him? Notwithstanding, they heard not unto the voice of their father, because Yahweh was intent to slay them. {2:26} And the child Samuel grew on, and increased in favor both with Yahweh, and also with men. {2:27} And there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Did I reveal myself unto the house of your father, when they were in Egypt [in bondage] to Pharaoh's house? {2:28} and did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to go up unto mine altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of your father all the offerings of the children of Israel made by fire? {2:29} Therefore kick you at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded in [my] habitation, and honors your sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the choice parts of all the offerings of Israel my people? {2:30} Therefore Yahweh, the God of Israel, said, I said indeed that your house, and the house of your father, should walk before me forever: but now Yahweh said, Be it far from me; for them that honor me I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed. {2:31} Behold, the days come, that I will cut off your arm, and the arm of your father's house, that there shall not be an old man in your house. {2:32} And you shall behold the affliction of [my] habitation, in all the wealth which [God] shall give Israel; and there shall not be an old man in your house forever. {2:33} And the man of your, [whom] I shall not cut off from mine altar, [shall be] to consume your eyes, and to grieve your heart; and all the increase of your house shall die in the flower of their age. {2:34} And this shall be the sign unto you, that shall come upon your two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas: in one day they shall die both of them. {2:35} And I will raise me up a faithful priest, that shall do according to that which is in my heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed forever. {2:36} And it shall come to pass, that everyone that is left in your house shall come and bow down to him for a piece of silver and a loaf of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray you, into one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a morsel of bread.

{09}3} First Samuel Chapter Three. {3:1} And the child Samuel ministered unto Yahweh before Eli. And the word of Yahweh was precious in those days; there was no frequent vision. {3:2} And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was laid down in his place (now his eyes had begun to wax dim, so that he could not see), {3:3} and the lamp of God was not yet gone out, and Samuel was laid down [to sleep], in the temple of Yahweh, where the ark of God was; {3:4} that Yahweh called Samuel; and he said, Here am I. {3:5} And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here am I; for you called me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down. {3:6} And Yahweh called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for you called me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again. {3:7} Now Samuel did not yet know Yahweh, neither was the word of Yahweh yet revealed unto him. {3:8} And Yahweh called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for you called me. And Eli perceived that Yahweh had called the child. {3:9} Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call you, that you shall say, Speak, Yahweh; for your servant hears. So Samuel went and lay down in his place. {3:10} And Yahweh came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel said, Speak; for your servant hears. {3:11} And Yahweh said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of everyone that hears it shall tingle. {3:12} In that day I will perform against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from the beginning even unto the end. {3:13} For I have told him that I will judge his house forever, for the works against law which he knew, because his sons did bring woe upon themselves, and he restrained them not. {3:14} And therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the works against law of Eli's house shall not be expiated with sacrifice nor offering forever. {3:15} And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the house of Yahweh. And Samuel feared to show Eli the vision. {3:16} Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he said, Here am I. {3:17} And he said, What is the thing that [Yahweh] has spoken unto you? I pray you, hide it not from me: God do so to you, and more also, if you hide anything from me of all the things that he spoke unto you. {3:18} And Samuel told him every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, It is Yahweh: let him do what seems him good. {3:19} And Samuel grew, and Yahweh was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground. {3:20} And all Israel from Dan even to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was established to be a prophet of Yahweh. {3:21} And Yahweh appeared again in Shiloh; for Yahweh revealed himself to Samuel in Shiloh by the word of Yahweh.

{09}4} First Samuel Chapter Four. {4:1} And the word of Samuel came to all Israel. Now Israel went out against the Philistines to battle, and encamped beside Eben-ezer: and the Philistines encamped in Aphek. {4:2} And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines; and they slew of the army in the field about four thousand men. {4:3} And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, Therefore has Yahweh smitten us to-day before the Philistines? Let us get the ark of the covenant of Yahweh out of Shiloh unto us, that it may come among us, and save us out of the hand of our enemies. {4:4} So the people sent to Shiloh; and they brought from there the ark of the covenant of Yahweh of hosts, who sits[above] the cherubim: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God. {4:5} And when the ark of the covenant of Yahweh came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang again. {4:6} And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, What means the noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews? And they understood that the ark of Yahweh was come into the camp. {4:7} And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the camp. And they said, Woe unto us! for there has not been such a thing heretofore. {4:8} Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty gods? these are the gods that smote the Egyptians with all manner of plagues in the wilderness. {4:9} Be strong, and quit yourselves like men, O you Philistines, that you be not servants unto the Hebrews, as they have been to you: quit yourselves like men, and fight. {4:10} And the Philistines fought, and Israel was

smitten, and they fled every man to his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen. {4:11} And the ark of God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were slain. {4:12} And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to Shiloh the same day, with his clothes rent, and with earth upon his head. {4:13} And when he came, lo, Eli was sitting upon his seat by the wayside watching; for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city, and told it, all the city cried out. {4:14} And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, What means the noise of this tumult? And the man hurried, and came and told Eli. {4:15} Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes were set, so that he could not see. {4:16} And the man said unto Eli, I am he that came out of the army, and I fled to-day out of the army. And he said, How went the matter, my son? {4:17} And he that brought the tidings answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines, and there has been also a great slaughter among the people, and your two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of God is taken. {4:18} And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that [Eli] fell from off his seat backward by the side of the gate; and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy. And he had judged Israel forty years. {4:19} And his daughter-in-law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, near to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken, and that her father-in-law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and brought forth; for her pains came upon her. {4:20} And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not; for you have brought forth a son. But she answered not, neither did she regard it. {4:21} And she named the child Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel; because the ark of God was taken, and because of her father-in-law and her husband. {4:22} And she said, The glory is departed from Israel; for the ark of God is taken.

{o9}5} First Samuel Chapter Five. {5:1} Now the Philistines had taken the ark of God, and they brought it from Eben-ezer unto Ashdod. {5:2} And the Philistines took the ark of God, and brought it into the house of Dagon, and set it by Dagon. {5:3} And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of Yahweh. And they took Dagon, and set him in his place again. {5:4} And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of Yahweh; and the head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands [lay] cut off upon the threshold; only [the stump of] Dagon was left to him. {5:5} Therefore neither the priests of Dagon, nor any that come into Dagon's house, tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod, unto this day. {5:6} But the hand of Yahweh was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with tumors, even Ashdod and the borders there. {5:7} And when the men of Ashdod saw that it was so, they said, The ark of the God of Israel shall not abide with us; for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god. {5:8} They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines unto them, and said, What shall we do with the ark of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the God of Israel be carried about unto Goth. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel [there]. {5:9} And it was so, that, after they had carried it about, the hand of Yahweh was against the city with a very great discomfiture: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great; and tumors brake out upon them. {5:10} So they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, They have brought about the ark of the God of Israel to us, to slay us and our people. {5:11} They sent therefore and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and they said, Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again to its own place, that it slay us not, and our people. For there was a deadly fear and panic throughout all the city; the hand of God was very heavy there. {5:12} And the men that died not were smitten with the tumors; and the cry of the city went up to heaven.

09)6} First Samuel Chapter Six. {6:1} And the ark of Yahweh was in the country of the Philistines seven moons. {6:2} And the Philistines called for the priests and the diviners, saying, What shall we do with the ark of Yahweh? show us by which we shall sent it to its place. {6:3} And they said, If you send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it not empty; but by all means return him a trespass-offering: then you shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you. {6:4} Then said they, What shall be the trespass-offering which we shall return to him? And they said, Five golden tumors, and five golden mice, [according to] the number of the lords of the Philistines; for one plague was on you all, and on your lords. {6:5} Therefore you shall make images of your tumors, and images of your mice that mar the land; and you shall give glory unto the God of Israel: perhaps he will lighten his hand from off you, and from off your gods, and from off your land. {6:6} Therefore then do you harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? When he had wrought horror among them, did they not let the people go, and they departed? {6:7} Now therefore take and prepare you a new cart, and two milk cows, on which there has come no yoke; and tie the cows to the cart, and bring their calves home from them; {6:8} and take the ark of Yahweh, and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which you return him for a trespass-offering, in a coffer by the side there; and send it away, that it may go. {6:9} And see; if it goes up by the way of its own border to Beth-shemesh, then he has done us this great evil: but if not, then we shall know that it is not his hand that defeated us; it was a chance that happened to us. {6:10} And the men did so, and took two milk cow, and tied them to the care, and shut up their calves at home; {6:11} and they put the ark of Yahweh upon the care, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the images of their tumors. {6:12} And the kine took the straight way by the way to Beth-shemesh; they went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left; and the lords of the Philistines went after them unto the border of Beth-shemesh. {6:13} And they of Beth-shemesh were reaping their wheat harvest in the valley; and they lifted up their eyes, and saw the ark, and rejoiced to see it. {6:14} And the care came into the field of Joshua the Beth-shemite, and stood there, where there was a great stone: and they clave the wood of the care, and offered up the kine for a burnt-offering unto Yahweh. {6:15} And the Levites took down the ark of Yahweh, and the coffer that was with it, wherein the jewels of gold were, and put them on the great stone: and the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt-offerings and sacrificed sacrifices the same day unto Yahweh. {6:16} And when the five lords of the Philistines had seen it, they returned to Ekron the same day. {6:17} And these are the golden tumors which the Philistines returned for a trespass-offering unto Yahweh: for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Ashkelon one, for Goth one, for Ekron one; {6:18} and the golden mice, according to the number of all the cities of the Philistines belonging to the five lords, both of fortified cities and of country villages, even unto the great stone, whereon they set down the ark of Yahweh, [which stone remains] unto this day in the field of Joshua the Beth-shemite. {6:19} And he smote of the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked into the ark of Yahweh, he smote of the people seventy men, [and] fifty thousand men; and the people grieved, because Yahweh had smitten the people with a great slaughter. {6:20} And the men of Beth-shemesh said, Who is able to stand before Yahweh, this holy God? and to whom shall he go up from us? {6:21} And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kiriath-jearim, saying, The Philistines have brought back the ark of Yahweh; come you down, and get it up to you.

{09)7} First Samuel Chapter Seven. {7:1} And the men of Kiriath-jearim came, and gotten up the ark of Yahweh, and brought it into the house of Abinadab in the hill, and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of Yahweh. {7:2} And it came to pass, from the day that the ark abode in Kiriath-jearim, that the time was long; for it was twenty years: and all the house of Israel lamented after Yahweh. {7:3} And Samuel spoke unto all the house of Israel, saying, If you do return unto Yahweh with all your heart, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtaroth from among you, and direct your hearts unto Yahweh, and serve him only; and he will deliver you out

of the hand of the Philistines. {7:4} Then the children of Israel did put away the Baalim and the Ashtaroth, and served Yahweh only. {7:5} And Samuel said, Gather all Israel to Mizpah, and I will pray for you unto Yahweh. {7:6} And they gathered together to Mizpah, and drew water, and poured it out before Yahweh, and fasted on that day, and said there, We have sinned against Yahweh. And Samuel judged the children of Israel in Mizpah. {7:7} And when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpah, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the children of Israel heard it, they were afraid of the Philistines. {7:8} And the children of Israel said to Samuel, Cease not to cry unto Yahweh our God for us, that he will save us out of the hand of the Philistines. {7:9} And Samuel took a sucking lamb, and offered it for a whole burnt-offering unto Yahweh: and Samuel cried unto Yahweh for Israel; and Yahweh answered him. {7:10} And as Samuel was offering up the burnt-offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel; but Yahweh thundered with a great thunder on that day upon the Philistines, and discomfited them; and they were smitten down before Israel. {7:11} And the men of Israel went out of Mizpah, and pursued the Philistines, and smote them, until they came under Beth-car. {7:12} Then Samuel took a stone, and set it between Mizpah and Shen, and called the name of it Eben-ezer, saying, Here has Yahweh helped us. {7:13} So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more within the border of Israel: and the hand of Yahweh was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel. {7:14} And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from Ekron even unto Goth; and the border of it did Israel deliver out of the hand of the Philistines. And there was peace between Israel and the Amorites. {7:15} And Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life. {7:16} And he went from year to year in circuit to Beth-el and Gilgal, and Mizpah; and he judged Israel in all those places. {7:17} And his return was to Ramah, for there was his house; and there he judged Israel: and he built there an altar unto Yahweh.

{09}8} First Samuel Chapter Eight. {8:1} And it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he made his sons judges over Israel. {8:2} Now the name of his first-born was Joel; and the name of his second, Abijah: they were judges in Beer-sheba. {8:3} And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted justice. {8:4} Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah; {8:5} and they said unto him, Behold, you are old, and your sons walk not in your ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations. {8:6} But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto Yahweh. {8:7} And Yahweh said unto Samuel, Hear unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me, that I should not be king over them. {8:8} According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, in that they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto you. {8:9} Now therefore hear unto their voice: however you shall protest solemnly unto them, and shall show them the manner of the king that shall reign over them. {8:10} And Samuel told all the words of Yahweh unto the people that asked of him a king. {8:11} And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: he will take your sons, and appoint them unto him, for his chariots, and to be his horsemen; and they shall run before his chariots; {8:12} and he will appoint them unto him for captains of thousands, and captains of fifties; and [he will set some] to plow his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and the instruments of his chariots. {8:13} And he will take your daughters to be perfumers, and to be cooks, and to be bakers. {8:14} And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your olive yards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants. {8:15} And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and give to his officers, and to his servants. {8:16} And he will take your men-servants, and your maid-servants, and your good young men, and your donkeys, and put them to his work. {8:17} He will take the tenth of your flocks: and you shall be his servants. {8:18} And you shall cry out in that day because of your king whom you shall have chosen you; and Yahweh will not answer

you in that day. {8:19} But the people refused to hear unto the voice of Samuel; and they said, No: but we will have a king over us, {8:20} that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles. {8:21} And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of Yahweh. {8:22} And Yahweh said to Samuel, Hear unto their voice, and make them a king. And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go you every man unto his city.

{09}9} First Samuel Chapter Nine. {9:1} Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Becorath, the son of Aphiah, the son of a Benjamite, a mighty man of valor. {9:2} And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a handsome man and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a [more] handsome person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people. {9:3} And the donkeys of Kish, Saul's father, were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with you, and arise, go seek the donkeys. {9:4} And he passed through the hill-country of Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalishah, but they found them not: then they passed through the land of Shalom, and there they were not: and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found them not. {9:5} When they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that was with him, Come, and let us return, lest my father leave off caring for the donkeys, and be anxious for us. {9:6} And he said unto him, Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is a man that is held in honor; all that he said comes surely to pass: now let us go there; perhaps he can tell us concerning our journey whereon we go. {9:7} Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we? {9:8} And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have in my hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: that will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way. {9:9} (Before in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, thus he said, Come, and let us go to the seer; for he that is now called a Prophet was before called a Seer.) {9:10} Then said Saul to his servant, Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where the man of God was. {9:11} As they went up the ascent to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them, Is the seer here? {9:12} And they answered them, and said, He is; behold, [he is] before you: make haste now, for he is come to-day into the city; for the people have a sacrifice to-day in the high place: {9:13} as soon as you are come into the city, you shall immediately find him, before he goes up to the high place to eat; for the people will not eat until he come, because he does bless the sacrifice; [and] afterwards they eat that are bidden. Now therefore get you up; for at this time you shall find him. {9:14} And they went up to the city; [and] as they came within the city, behold, Samuel came out toward them, to go up to the high place. {9:15} Now Yahweh had revealed unto Samuel a day before Saul came, saying, {9:16} To-morrow about this time I will send you a man out of the land of Benjamin, and you shall anoint him to be prince over my people Israel; and he shall save my people out of the hand of the Philistines: for I have looked upon my people, because their cry is come unto me. {9:17} And when Samuel saw Saul, Yahweh said unto him, Behold, the man of whom I spoke to you! this same shall have authority over my people. {9:18} Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell me, I pray you, where the seer's house is. {9:19} And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I am the seer; go up before me unto the high place, for you shall eat with me to-day: and in the morning I will let you go, and will tell you all that is in your heart. {9:20} And as for your donkeys that were lost three days ago, set not your mind on them; for they are found. And for whom is all that is desirable in Israel? Is it not for you, and for all your father's house? {9:21} And Saul answered and said, Am not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? Therefore then speak you to me after this manner? {9:22} And Samuel took Saul and his servant, and brought them into the guest-chamber, and made them sit in the chief place among them that were bidden, who were about thirty persons. {9:23} And Samuel said unto the cook, Bring the portion which I gave

you, of which I said unto you, Set it by you. {9:24} And the cook took up the thigh, and that which was upon it, and set it before Saul. And [Samuel] said, Behold, that which has been reserved! set it before you and eat; because unto the appointed time has it been kept for you, for I said, I have invited the people. So Saul did eat with Samuel that day. {9:25} And when they were come down from the high place into the city, he communed with Saul upon the housetop. {9:26} And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called to Saul on the housetop, saying, Up, that I may send you away. And Saul arose, and they went out both of them, he and Samuel, abroad. {9:27} As they were going down at the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the servant pass on before us (and he passed on), but stand you still first, that I may cause you to hear the word of God.

{09}10} First Samuel Chapter Ten. {10:1} Then Samuel took the vial of oil, and poured it upon his head, and kissed him, and said, Is it not that Yahweh has anointed you to be prince over his inheritance? {10:2} When you are departed from me to-day, then you shall find two men by Rachel's sepulcher, in the border of Benjamin at Zilpah; and they will say unto you, The donkeys which you went to seek are found; and, lo, your father has left off caring for the donkeys, and is anxious for you, saying, What shall I do for my son? {10:3} Then shall you go on forward from there, and you shall come to the oak of Tabor; and there shall meet you there three men going up to God to Beth-el, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine: {10:4} and they will salute you, and give you two loaves of bread, which you shall receive of their hand. {10:5} After that you shall come to the hill of God, where is the garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when you are come there to the city, that you shall meet a band of prophets coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a timbrel, and a pipe, and a harp, before them; and they will be prophesying: {10:6} and the Spirit of Yahweh will come mightily upon you, and you shall prophesy with them, and shall be turned into another man. {10:7} And let it be, when these signs are come unto you, that you do as occasion shall serve you; for God is with you. {10:8} And you shall go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold, I will come down unto you, to offer burnt-offerings, and to sacrifice sacrifices of peace-offerings: seven days shall you tarry, till I come unto you, and show you what you shall do. {10:9} And it was so, that, when he had turned his back to go from Samuel, God gave him another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day. {10:10} And when they came there to the hill, behold, a band of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came mightily upon him, and he prophesied among them. {10:11} And it came to pass, when all that knew him before saw that, behold, he prophesied with the prophets, then the people said one to another, What is this that is come unto the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets? {10:12} And one of the same place answered and said, And who is their father? Therefore it became a proverb, Is Saul also among the prophets? {10:13} And when he had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place. {10:14} And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant, Where went you? And he said, To seek the donkeys; and when we saw that they were not found, we came to Samuel. {10:15} And Saul's uncle said, Tell me, I pray you, what Samuel said unto you. {10:16} And Saul said unto his uncle, He told us plainly that the donkeys were found. But concerning the matter of the kingdom, where Samuel spoke, he told him not. {10:17} And Samuel called the people together unto Yahweh to Mizpah; {10:18} and he said unto the children of Israel, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all the kingdoms that oppressed you: {10:19} but you have this day rejected your God, who himself saves you out of all your calamities and your distresses; and you have said unto him, [No], but set a king over us. Now therefore present yourselves before Yahweh by your tribes, and by your thousands. {10:20} So Samuel brought all the tribes of Israel near, and the tribe of Benjamin was taken. {10:21} And he brought the tribe of Benjamin near by their families; and the family of the Matrites was taken; and Saul the son of Kish was taken: but when they sought him, he could not be found. {10:22} Therefore they asked of Yahweh further,

Is there yet a man to come here? And Yahweh answered, Behold, he has hid himself among the baggage. {10:23} And they ran and gotten him there; and when he stood among the people, he was higher than any of the people from his shoulders and upward. {10:24} And Samuel said to all the people, See you him whom Yahweh has chosen, that there is none like him along all the people? And all the people shouted, and said, [Long] live the king. {10:25} Then Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdom, and wrote it in a book, and laid it up before Yahweh. And Samuel sent all the people away, every man to his house. {10:26} And Saul also went to his house to Gibeah; and there went with him the host, whose hearts God had touched. {10:27} But certain worthless fellows said, How shall this man save us? And they despised him, and brought him no present. But he held his peace.

{09}11} First Samuel Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Then Nahas the Ammonite came up, and encamped against Jabesh-gilead: and all the men of Jabs said unto Nahas, Make a covenant with us, and we will serve you. {11:2} And Nahas the Ammonite said unto them, On this condition will I make it with you, that all your right eyes be put out; and I will lay it for a reproach upon all Israel. {11:3} And the elders of Jabs said unto him, Give us seven days' respite, that we may send messengers unto all the borders of Israel; and then, if there be none to save us, we will come out to you. {11:4} Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and spoke these words in the ears of the people: and all the people lifted up their voice, and wept. {11:5} And, behold, Saul came following the oxen out of the field; and Saul said, What ails the people that they weep? And they told him the words of the men of Jabs. {11:6} And the Spirit of God came mightily upon Saul when he heard those words, and his anger was kindled greatly. {11:7} And he took a yoke of oxen, and cut them in pieces, and sent them throughout all the borders of Israel by the hand of messengers, saying, Anyone who comes not forth after Saul and after Samuel, so shall it be done unto his oxen. And the dread of Yahweh fell on the people, and they came out as one man. {11:8} And he numbered them in Bezek; and the children of Israel were three hundred thousand, and the men of Judah thirty thousand. {11:9} And they said unto the messengers that came, Thus shall you say unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, To-morrow, by the time the sun is hot, you shall have deliverance. And the messengers came and told the men of Jabs; and they were young men. {11:10} Therefore the men of Jabesh said, To-morrow we will come out unto you, and you shall do with us all that seems good unto you. {11:11} And it was so on the morrow, that Saul put the people in three companies; and they came into the midst of the camp in the morning watch, and smote the Ammonites until the heat of the day: and it came to pass, that they that remained were scattered, so that not two of them were left together. {11:12} And the people said unto Samuel, Who is he that said, shall Saul reign over us? bring the men, that we may put them to death. {11:13} And Saul said, There shall not a man be put to death this day; for to-day Yahweh has wrought deliverance in Israel. {11:14} Then said Samuel to the people, Come, and let us go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdom there. {11:15} And all the people went to Gilgal; and there they made Saul king before Yahweh in Gilgal; and there they offered sacrifices of peace-offerings before Yahweh; and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly.

{09}12} First Samuel Chapter Twelve {12:1} And Samuel said unto all Israel, Behold, I have heard unto your voice in all that you said unto me, and have made a king over you. {12:2} And now, behold, the king walks before you; and I am old and gray headed; and, behold, my sons are with you: and I have walked before you from my youth unto this day. {12:3} Here I am: witness against me before Yahweh, and before his anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose donkey have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I taken a ransom to blind mine eyes with? and I will restore it you. {12:4} And they said, you have not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither have you taken anything of any man's hand. {12:5} And he said unto them, Yahweh is witness against you, and his anointed is witness this day, that you have not found anything in my hand. And they said, He is witness. {12:6} And

Samuel said unto the people, It is Yahweh that appointed Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt. {12:7} Now therefore stand still, that I may plead with you before Yahweh concerning all the lawful acts of Yahweh, which he did to you and to your fathers. {12:8} When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto Yahweh, then Yahweh sent Moses and Aaron, who brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them to dwell in this place. {12:9} But they forgot Yahweh their God; and he sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain of the host of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab; and they fought against them. {12:10} And they cried unto Yahweh, and said, We have sinned, because we have forsaken Yahweh, and have served the Baalim and the Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve you. {12:11} And Yahweh sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side; and you lived in safety. {12:12} And when you saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, you said unto me, No, but a king shall reign over us; when Yahweh your God was your king. {12:13} Now therefore behold the king whom you have chosen, and whom you have asked for: and, behold, Yahweh has set a king over you. {12:14} If you will fear Yahweh, and serve him, and hear unto his voice, and not rebel against the commandment of Yahweh, and both you and also the king that reigns over you be followers of Yahweh your God, [well]: {12:15} but if you will not hear unto the voice of Yahweh, but rebel against the commandment of Yahweh, then will the hand of Yahweh be against you, as it was against your fathers. {12:16} Now therefore stand still and see this great thing, which Yahweh will do before your eyes. {12:17} Is it not wheat harvest to-day? I will call unto Yahweh, that he may send thunder and rain; and you shall know and see that your wickedness is great, which you have done in the sight of Yahweh, in asking you a king. {12:18} So Samuel called unto Yahweh; and Yahweh sent thunder and rain that day: and all the people greatly feared Yahweh and Samuel. {12:19} And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for your servants unto Yahweh your God, that we die not; for we have added unto all our sins [this] evil, to ask us a king. {12:20} And Samuel said unto the people, Fear not; you have indeed done all this evil; yet turn not aside from following Yahweh, but serve Yahweh with all your heart: {12:21} and turn you not aside; for [then would you go] after vain things which cannot profit nor deliver, for they are vain. {12:22} For Yahweh will not forsake his people for his great name's sake, because it has pleased Yahweh to make you a people unto himself. {12:23} As for me, far be it from me that I also should sin against Yahweh in ceasing to pray for you: but I will instruct you in the good and the right way. {12:24} Only fear Yahweh, and serve him in truth with all your heart; for consider how great things he has done for you. {12:25} But if you shall still do wickedly, you shall be consumed, both you and your king.

{O9}13} First Samuel Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Saul was [forty] years old when he began to reign; and when he had reigned two years over Israel, {13:2} Saul chose him three thousand men of Israel, where two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and in the mount of Beth-el, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin: and the rest of the people he sent every man to his tent. {13:3} And Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that was in Geba: and the Philistines heard of it. And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, Let the Hebrews hear. {13:4} And all Israel heard say that Saul had smitten the garrison of the Philistines, and also that Israel was had in abomination with the Philistines. And the people were gathered together after Saul to Gilgal. {13:5} And the Philistines assembled themselves together to fight with Israel, thirty thousand chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which is on the sea-shore in multitude: and they came up, and encamped in Michmash, eastward of Beth-aven. {13:6} When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait (for the people were distressed), then the people did hide themselves in caves, and in thickets, and in rocks, and in coverts, and in pits. {13:7} Now some of the Hebrews had gone over the Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead; but as for Saul, he was yet in Gilgal, and all the people followed him

trembling. {13:8} And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel [had appointed]: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him. {13:9} And Saul said, Bring here the burnt-offering to me, and the peace-offerings. And he offered the burnt-offering. {13:10} And it came to pass that, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt-offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him. {13:11} And Samuel said, What have you done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that you came not within the days appointed, and that the Philistines assembled themselves together at Michmash; {13:12} therefore said I, Now will the Philistines come down upon me to Gilgal, and I have not entreated the favor of Yahweh: I forced myself therefore, and offered the burnt-offering. {13:13} And Samuel said to Saul, you have done foolishly; you have not kept the commandment of Yahweh your God, which he commanded you: for now would Yahweh have established your kingdom upon Israel forever. {13:14} But now your kingdom shall not continue: Yahweh has sought him a man after his own heart, and Yahweh has appointed him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept that which Yahweh commanded you. {13:15} And Samuel arose, and got him up from Gilgal unto Gibeah of Benjamin. And Saul numbered the people that were present with him, about six hundred men. {13:16} And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the people that were present with them, abode in Geba of Benjamin: but the Philistines encamped in Michmash. {13:17} And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies: one company turned unto the way that leads to Ophrah, unto the land of Shual; {13:18} and another company turned the way to Beth-horon; and another company turned the way of the border that looks down upon the valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness. {13:19} Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel; for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make them swords or spears: {13:20} but all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and his coulter, and his axe, and his mattock; {13:21} yet they had a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and to set the goads. {13:22} So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people that were with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found. {13:23} And the garrison of the Philistines went out unto the pass of Michmash.

{O9}14} First Samuel Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Now it fell upon a day, that Jonathan the son of Saul said unto the young man that bare his armor, Come, and let us go over to the Philistines' garrison, that is on yonder side. But he told not his father. {14:2} And Saul abode in the outermost part of Gibeah under the pomegranate-tree which is in Migron: and the people that were with him were about six hundred men; {14:3} and Ahijah, the son of Ahitub, Ichabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the priest of Yahweh in Shiloh, wearing an ephod. And the people knew not that Jonathan was gone. {14:4} And between the passes, by which Jonathan sought to go over unto the Philistines' garrison, there was a rocky crag on the one side, and a rocky crag on the other side: and the name of the one was Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh. {14:5} The one crag rose up on the north in front of Michmash, and the other on the south in front of Geba. {14:6} And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armor, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that Yahweh will work for us; for there is no restraint to Yahweh to save by many or by few. {14:7} And his armor bearer said unto him, Do all that is in your heart: turn you, behold, I am with you according to your heart. {14:8} Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will pass over unto the men, and we will disclose ourselves unto them. {14:9} If they say thus unto us, Tarry until we come to you; then we will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them. {14:10} But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up; for Yahweh has delivered them into our hand: and this shall be the sign unto us. {14:11} And both of them disclosed themselves unto the garrison of the Philistines: and the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrews come forth out of the holes where they had hid themselves. {14:12} And the men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his armor bearer, and

said, Come up to us, and we will show you a thing. And Jonathan said unto his armor bearer, Come up after me; for Yahweh has delivered them into the hand of Israel. {14:13} And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armor bearer after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his armor bearer slew them after him. {14:14} And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armor bearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were half a furrow's length in an acre of land. {14:15} And there was a trembling in the camp, in the field, and among all the people; the garrison, and the spoilers, they also trembled; and the earth quaked: so there was an exceeding great trembling. {14:16} And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and, behold, the multitude melted away, and they went [here] and there. {14:17} Then said Saul unto the people that were with him, Number now, and see who is gone from us. And when they had numbered, behold, Jonathan and his armor bearer were not there. {14:18} And Saul said unto Ahijah, Bring here the ark of God. For the ark of God was [there] at that time with the children of Israel. {14:19} And it came to pass, while Saul talked unto the priest, that the tumult that was in the camp of the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul said unto the priest, Withdraw your hand. {14:20} And Saul and all the people that were with him were gathered together, and came to the battle: and, behold, every man's sword was against his fellow, [and there was] a very great discomfiture. {14:21} Now the Hebrews that were with the Philistines as before, and that went up with them into the camp, [from the country] round about, even they also [turned] to be with the Israelites that were with Saul and Jonathan. {14:22} Likewise all the men of Israel that had hid themselves in the hill-country of Ephraim, when they heard that the Philistines fled, even they also followed hard after them in the battle. {14:23} So Yahweh saved Israel that day: and the battle passed over by Beth-aven. {14:24} And the men of Israel were distressed that day; for Saul had adjured the people, saying, cursed be the man that eats any food until it be evening, and I be avenged on mine enemies. So none of the people tasted food. {14:25} And all the people came into the forest; and there was honey upon the ground. {14:26} And when the people were come unto the forest, behold, the honey dropped: but no man put his hand to his mouth; for the people feared the oath. {14:27} But Jonathan heard not when his father charged the people with the oath: Therefore he put forth the end of the rod that was in his hand, and dipped it in the honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth; and his eyes were enlightened. {14:28} Then answered one of the people, and said, Your father straitly charged the people with an oath, saying, cursed be the man that eats food this day. And the people were faint. {14:29} Then said Jonathan, My father has troubled the land: see, I pray you, how mine eyes have been enlightened, because I tasted a little of this honey. {14:30} How much more, if haply the people had eaten freely to-day of the spoil of their enemies which they found? for now has there been no great slaughter among the Philistines. {14:31} And they smote of the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon. And the people were very faint; {14:32} and the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew them on the ground; and the people did eat them with the blood. {14:33} Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against Yahweh, in that they eat with the blood. And he said, you have dealt treacherously: roll a great stone unto me this day. {14:34} And Saul said, Disperse yourselves among the people, and say unto them, Bring me here every man his ox, and every man his sheep, and slay them here, and eat; and sin not against Yahweh in eating with the blood. And all the people brought every man his ox with him that night, and slew them there. {14:35} And Saul built an altar unto Yahweh: the same was the first altar that he built unto Yahweh. {14:36} And Saul said, Let us go down after the Philistines by night, and take spoil among them until the morning light, and let us not leave a man of them. And they said, Do whatever seems good unto you. Then said the priest, Let us draw near here unto God. {14:37} And Saul asked counsel of God, shall I go down after the Philistines? will you deliver them into the hand of Israel? But he answered him not that day. {14:38} And Saul said, Draw near here, all you chiefs of the people; and know and see wherein this sin has been this day. {14:39} For, as Yahweh lives, who saves Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall surely die. But there was not a man among all the people that answered

him. {14:40} Then said he unto all Israel, Be you on one side, and I and Jonathan my son will be on the other side. And the people said unto Saul, Do what seems good unto you. {14:41} Therefore Saul said unto Yahweh, the God of Israel, Show the right. And Jonathan and Saul were taken [by lot]; but the people escaped. {14:42} And Saul said, Cast [lots] between me and Jonathan my son. And Jonathan was taken. {14:43} Then Saul said to Jonathan, Tell me what you have done. And Jonathan told him, and said, I did certainly taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand; and, lo, I must die. {14:44} And Saul said, God do so and more also; for you shall surely die, Jonathan. {14:45} And the people said unto Saul, shall Jonathan die, who has wrought this great salvation in Israel? Far from it: as Yahweh lives, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground; for he has wrought with God this day. So the people rescued Jonathan, that he died not. {14:46} Then Saul went up from following the Philistines; and the Philistines went to their own place. {14:47} Now when Saul had taken the kingdom over Israel, he fought against all his enemies on every side, against Moab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the kings of Zobah, and against the Philistines: and whereeverhe turned himself, he put [them] to the worse. {14:48} And he did valiantly, and smote the Amalekites, and delivered Israel out of the hands of them that despoiled them. {14:49} Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and Ishvi, and Malchishua; and the names of his two daughters were these: the name of the first-born Merab, and the name of the younger Michal: {14:50} and the name of Saul's wife was Ahinoam the daughter of Ahimaaz. And the name of the captain of his host was Abner the son of Ner, Saul's uncle. {14:51} And Kish was the father of Saul; and Ner the father of Abner was the son of Abiel. {14:52} And there was sore war against the Philistines all the days of Saul: and when Saul saw any mighty man, or any valiant man, he took him unto him.

{O9}15} First Samuel Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And Samuel said unto Saul, Yahweh sent me to anoint you to be king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hear you unto the voice of the words of Yahweh. {15:2} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, I have marked that which Amalek did to Israel, how he set himself against him in the way, when he came up out of Egypt. {15:3} Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass. {15:4} And Saul summoned the people, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Judah. {15:5} And Saul came to the city of Amalek, and laid wait in the valley. {15:6} And Saul said unto the Kenites, Go, depart, get you down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them; for you showed kindness to all the children of Israel, when they came up out of Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites. {15:7} And Saul smote the Amalekites, from Havilah as you go to Shur, that is before Egypt. {15:8} And he took Agag the king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. {15:9} But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was good, and would not utterly destroy them: but everything that was vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly. {15:10} Then came the word of Yahweh unto Samuel, saying, {15:11} It repents me that I have set up Saul to be king; for he is turned back from following me, and has not performed my commandments. And Samuel was angry; and he cried unto Yahweh all night. {15:12} And Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning; and it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a monument, and turned, and passed on, and went down to Gilgal. {15:13} And Samuel came to Saul; and Saul said unto him, Blessed be you of Yahweh: I have performed the commandment of Yahweh. {15:14} And Samuel said, What means then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear? {15:15} And Saul said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto Yahweh your God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed. {15:16} Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell you what Yahweh has said to me this night. And he said unto him, Say on. {15:17} And Samuel

said, though you was little in your own sight, was you not made the head of the tribes of Israel? And Yahweh anointed you king over Israel; {15:18} and Yahweh sent you on a journey, and said, Go, and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed. {15:19} Therefore then did you not obey the voice of Yahweh, but did fly upon the spoil, and did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh? {15:20} And Saul said unto Samuel, behold, I have obeyed the voice of Yahweh, and have gone the way which Yahweh sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. {15:21} But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the devoted things, to sacrifice unto Yahweh your God in Gilgal. {15:22} And Samuel said, Has Yahweh as great delight in burnt-offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of Yahweh? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hear than the fat of rams. {15:23} For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as idolatry and teraphim. Because you have rejected the word of Yahweh, he has also rejected you from being king. {15:24} And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned; for I have transgressed the commandment of Yahweh, and your words, because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice. {15:25} Now therefore, I pray you, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship Yahweh. {15:26} And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with you; for you have rejected the word of Yahweh, and Yahweh has rejected you from being king over Israel. {15:27} And as Samuel turned about to go away, [Saul] laid hold upon the skirt of his robe, and it rent. {15:28} And Samuel said unto him, Yahweh has rent the kingdom of Israel from you this day, and has given it to a neighbor of your, that is better than you. {15:29} And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent; for he is not a man, that he should repent. {15:30} Then he said, I have sinned: yet honor me now, I pray you, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship Yahweh your God. {15:31} So Samuel turned again after Saul; and Saul worshipped Yahweh. {15:32} Then said Samuel, Bring you here to me Agag the king of the Amalekites. And Agag came unto him cheerfully. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past. {15:33} And Samuel said, As your sword has made women childless, so shall your mother be childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before Yahweh in Gilgal. {15:34} Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to Gibeah of Saul. {15:35} And Samuel came no more to see Saul until the day of his death; for Samuel grieved for Saul: and Yahweh repented that he had made Saul king over Israel.

{09}16} First Samuel Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And Yahweh said unto Samuel, How long will you grieve for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from being king over Israel? fill your horn with oil, and go: I will send you to Jesse the Beth-lehemite; for I have provided me a king among his sons. {16:2} And Samuel said, How can I go? if Saul hear it, he will kill me. And Yahweh said, Take a heifer with you, and say, I am come to sacrifice to Yahweh. {16:3} And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do: and you shall anoint unto me him whom I name unto you. {16:4} And Samuel did that which Yahweh spoke, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, Come you peaceably? {16:5} And he said, Peaceably; I am come to sacrifice unto Yahweh: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice. {16:6} And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely Yahweh's anointed is before him. {16:7} But Yahweh said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have rejected him: for [Yahweh sees] not as man sees; for man looks on the outward appearance, but Yahweh looks on the heart. {16:8} Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, Neither has Yahweh chosen this. {16:9} Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither has Yahweh chosen this. {16:10} And Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Yahweh has not chosen these. {16:11} And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all your children? And he said, There remains yet the youngest, and, behold, he is keeping the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and get him; for we will not sit down till he come here. {16:12} And he

sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and with a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look upon. And Yahweh said, Arise, anoint him; for this is he. {16:13} Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of Yahweh came mightily upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah. {16:14} Now the Spirit of Yahweh departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from Yahweh troubled him. {16:15} And Saul's servants said unto him, Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubles you. {16:16} Let our lord now command your servants, that are before you, to seek out a man who is a skilful player on the harp: and it shall come to pass, when the evil spirit from God is upon you, that he shall play with his hand, and you shall be well. {16:17} And Saul said unto his servants, Provide me now a man that can play well, and bring him to me. {16:18} Then answered one of the young men, and said, Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Beth-lehemite, that is skilful in playing, and a mighty man of valor, and a man of war, and prudent in speech, and a attractive person; and Yahweh is with him. {16:19} Therefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, Send me David your son, who is with the sheep. {16:20} And Jesse took an donkey [loaded] with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a kid, and sent them by David his son unto Saul. {16:21} And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and he loved him greatly; and he became his armor bearer. {16:22} And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, Let David, I pray you, stand before me; for he has found favor in my sight. {16:23} And it came to pass, when the [evil] spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took the harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.

{o9}17} First Samuel Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle; and they were gathered together at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. {17:2} And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and encamped in the vale of Elah, and set the battle in array against the Philistines. {17:3} And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side: and there was a valley between them. {17:4} And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. {17:5} And he had a helmet of brass upon his head, and he was covered with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of brass. {17:6} And he had greaves of brass [amour] upon his legs, and a javelin of brass between his shoulders. {17:7} And the staff of his spear was like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head [weighed] six hundred shekels of iron: and his shield-bearer went before him. {17:8} And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are you come out to set your battle in array? am not I a Philistine, and you slaves to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me. {17:9} If he be able to fight with me, and kill me, then will we be your slaves; but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall you be our slaves, and serve us. {17:10} And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together. {17:11} And when Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and greatly afraid. {17:12} Now David was the son of that Ephrathite of Beth-lehem-judah, whose name was Jesse; and he had eight sons: and the man was an old man in the days of Saul, stricken [in years] among men. {17:13} And the three eldest sons of Jesse had gone after Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle were Eliab the first-born, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. {17:14} And David was the youngest; and the three eldest followed Saul. {17:15} Now David went to and fro from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Beth-lehem. {17:16} And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days. {17:17} And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for your brethren an ephah of this parched grain, and these ten loaves, and carry [them] quickly to the camp to your brethren; {17:18} and bring these ten cheeses unto the captain of their thousand, and look how your brethren fare, and take their pledge. {17:19} Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the vale of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. {17:20} And David rose up early in the morning, and left the

sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the place of the wagons, as the host which was going forth to the fight shouted for the battle. {17:21} And Israel and the Philistines put the battle in array, army against army. {17:22} And David left his baggage in the hand of the keeper of the baggage, and ran to the army, and came and saluted his brethren. {17:23} And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke according to the same words: and David heard them. {17:24} And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid. {17:25} And the men of Israel said, Have you seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the man who kills him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel. {17:26} And David spoke to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that kills this Philistine, and takes away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God? {17:27} And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that kills him. {17:28} And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spoke unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why are you come down? and with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your pride, and the naughtiness of your heart; for you are come down that you might see the battle. {17:29} And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause? {17:30} And he turned away from him toward another, and spoke after the same manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner. {17:31} And when the words were heard which David spoke, they rehearsed them before Saul; and he sent for him. {17:32} And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine. {17:33} And Saul said to David, you are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. {17:34} And David said unto Saul, Your servant was keeping his father's sheep; and when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock, {17:35} I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth; and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. {17:36} Your servant smote both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he has defied the armies of the living God. {17:37} And David said, Yahweh that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and Yahweh shall be with you. {17:38} And Saul covered David with his apparel, and he put a helmet of brass upon his head, and he covered him with a coat of mail. {17:39} And David girded his sword upon his apparel, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved it. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved them. And David put them off him. {17:40} And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in the shepherd's bag which he had, even in his wallet; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine. {17:41} And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield went before him. {17:42} And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him; for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and with a fair countenance. {17:43} And the Philistine said unto David, Am I a dog, that you come to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. {17:44} And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give your flesh unto the birds of the heavens, and to the beasts of the field. {17:45} Then said David to the Philistine, you come to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a javelin: but I come to you in the name of Yahweh of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. {17:46} This day will Yahweh deliver you into my hand; and I will smite you, and take your head from off you; and I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day unto the birds of the heavens, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, {17:47} and that all this Ekklesia may know that Yahweh saves not with sword and spear: for the battle is Yahweh's, and he will give you into our hand. {17:48} And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew

near to meet David, that David hurried, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. {17:49} And David put his hand in his bag, and took there a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead; and the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell upon his face to the earth. {17:50} So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and defeated the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David. {17:51} Then David ran, and stood over the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath there, and slew him, and cut off his head with. And when the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. {17:52} And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until you come to Gai, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Goth, and unto Ekron. {17:53} And the children of Israel returned from chasing after the Philistines, and they plundered their camp. {17:54} And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his armor in his tent. {17:55} And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, whose son is this youth? And Abner said, As your soul lives, O king, I cannot tell. {17:56} And the king said, Inquire you whose son the stripling is. {17:57} And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand. {17:58} And Saul said to him, Whose son are you, you young man? And David answered, I am the son of your servant Jesse the Beth-lehemite.

{O9}18} First Samuel Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. {18:2} And Saul took him that day, and would let him go no more home to his father's house. {18:3} Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul. {18:4} And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was upon him, and gave it to David, and his apparel, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle. {18:5} And David went out wherever Saul sent him, [and] behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and it was good in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul's servants. {18:6} And it came to pass as they came, when David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with timbrels, with joy, and with instruments of music. {18:7} And the women sang one to another as they played, and said, Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands. {18:8} And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed but thousands: and what can he have more but the kingdom? {18:9} And Saul eyed David from that day and forward. {18:10} And it came to pass on the morrow, that an evil spirit from God came mightily upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as he did day by day. And Saul had his spear in his hand; {18:11} and Saul cast the spear; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall. And David avoided out of his presence twice. {18:12} And Saul was afraid of David, because Yahweh was with him, and was departed from Saul. {18:13} Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain over a thousand; and he went out and came in before the people. {18:14} And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and Yahweh was with him. {18:15} And when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he stood in awe of him. {18:16} But all Israel and Judah loved David; for he went out and came in before them.

{18:17} And Saul said to David, Behold, my elder daughter Merab, her will I give you to wife: only be you valiant for me, and fight Yahweh's battles. For Saul said, Let not my hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him. {18:18} And David said unto Saul, Who am I, and what is my life, [or] my father's family in Israel, that I should be son-in-law to the king? {18:19} But it came to pass at the time when Merab, Saul's daughter, should have been given to David, that she was given unto Adriel the Meholathite to wife. {18:20} And Michal, Saul's daughter, loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him. {18:21} And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may

be against him. Therefore Saul said to David, you shall this day be my son-in-law a second time. {18:22} And Saul commanded his servants, [saying], Commune with David secretly, and say, Behold, the king has delight in you, and all his servants love you: now therefore be the king's son-in-law. {18:23} And Saul's servants spoke those words in the ears of David. And David said, Seems it to you a light thing to be the king's son-in-law, seeing that I am a poor man, and lightly esteemed? {18:24} And the servants of Saul told him, saying, On this manner spoke David. {18:25} And Saul said, Thus shall you say to David, The king desires not any dowry, but a hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies. Now Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines. {18:26} And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son-in-law. And the days were not expired; {18:27} and David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full number to the king, that he might be the king's son-in-law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife. {18:28} And Saul saw and knew that Yahweh was with David; and Michal, Saul's daughter, loved him. {18:29} And Saul was yet the more afraid of David; and Saul was David's enemy continually. {18:30} Then the princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to pass, as often as they went forth, that David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so that his name was much set by.

{O9}19} First Samuel Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And Saul spoke to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that they should slay David. But Jonathan, Saul's son, delighted much in David. {19:2} And Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my father seeks to slay you: now therefore, I pray you, take heed to yourself in the morning, and abide in a secret place, and hide yourself: {19:3} and I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where you are, and I will commune with my father of you; and if I see anything, I will tell you. {19:4} And Jonathan spoke good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him, Let not the king sin against his servant, against David; because he has not sinned against you, and because his works have been to you-ward very good: {19:5} for he put his life in his hand, and defeated the Philistine, and Yahweh wrought a great victory for all Israel: you saw it, and did rejoice; Therefore then will you sin against innocent blood, to slay David outside a cause? {19:6} And Saul heard unto the voice of Jonathan: and Saul swore, As Yahweh lives, he shall not be put to death. {19:7} And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan showed him all those things. And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, as before. {19:8} And there was war again: and David went out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter; and they fled before him. {19:9} And an evil spirit from Yahweh was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his spear in his hand; and David was playing with his hand. {19:10} And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the spear; but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he defeated the spear into the wall: and David fled, and escaped that night. {19:11} And Saul sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal, David's wife, told him, saying, If you save not your life to-night, to-morrow you will be slain. {19:12} So Michal let David down through the window: and he went, and fled, and escaped. {19:13} And Michal took the teraphim, and laid it in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' [hair] at the head there, and covered it with the clothes. {19:14} And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He is sick. {19:15} And Saul sent the messengers to see David, saying, Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him. {19:16} And when the messengers came in, behold, the teraphim was in the bed, with the pillow of goats' [hair] at the head there. {19:17} And Saul said unto Michal, Why have you deceived me thus, and let mine enemy go, so that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; why should I kill you? {19:18} Now David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and lived in Naioth. {19:19} And it was told Saul, saying, Behold, David is at Naioth in Ramah. {19:20} And Saul sent messengers to take David: and when they saw the company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as head over them, the Spirit of God came upon the

messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied. {19:21} And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers, and they also prophesied. And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they also prophesied. {19:22} Then went he also to Ramah, and came to the great well that is in Secu: and he asked and said, Where are Samuel and David? And one said, Behold, they are at Naioth in Ramah. {19:23} And he went there to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God came upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah. {19:24} And he also stripped off his clothes, and he also prophesied before Samuel, and lay down naked all that day and all that night. Therefore they say, Is Saul also among the prophets?

{O9}20} First Samuel Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said before Jonathan, What have I done? what is mine works against law? and what is my sin before your father, that he seeks my life? {20:2} And he said unto him, Far from it; you shall not die: behold, my father does nothing either great or small, but that he discloses it unto me; and why should my father hide this thing from me? it is not so. {20:3} And David swore, and said, Your father knows well that I have also found favor in your eyes; and he said, Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved: but truly as Yahweh lives, and as your soul lives, there is but a step between me and death. {20:4} Then said Jonathan unto David, Whatever your soul desires, I will even do it for you. {20:5} And David said unto Jonathan, Behold, to-morrow is the new moon, and I should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field unto the [start of the] third day at even. {20:6} If your father miss me at all, then say, David earnestly asked leave of me that he might run to Beth-lehem his city; for it is the yearly sacrifice there for all the family. {20:7} If he say thus, It is well; your servant shall have peace: but if he be angry, then know that evil is determined by him. {20:8} Therefore deal kindly with your servant; for you have brought your servant into a covenant of Yahweh with you: but if there be in me works against law, slay me yourself; for why should you bring me to your father? {20:9} And Jonathan said, Far be it from you; for if I should at all know that evil were determined by my father to come upon you, then would not I tell it you? {20:10} Then said David to Jonathan, Who shall tell me if perchance your father answer you roughly? {20:11} And Jonathan said unto David, Come, and let us go out into the field. And they went out both of them into the field.

{20:12} And Jonathan said unto David, Yahweh, the God of Israel, [be witness]: when I have sounded my father about this time to-morrow, [or] the third day, behold, if there be good toward David, shall I not then send unto you, and disclose it unto you? {20:13} Yahweh do so to Jonathan, and more also, should it please my father to do you evil, if I disclose it not unto you, and send you away, that you may go in peace: and Yahweh be with you, as he has been with my father. {20:14} And you shall not only while yet I live show me the agape loving kindness of Yahweh, that I die not; {20:15} but also you shall not cut off your kindness from my house forever; no, not when Yahweh has cut off the enemies of David everyone from the face of the earth. {20:16} So Jonathan made a covenant with the house of David, [saying], And Yahweh will require it at the hand of David's enemies.

{20:17} And Jonathan caused David to swear again, for the love that he had to him; for he loved him as he loved his own soul. {20:18} Then Jonathan said unto him, To-morrow is the new moon: and you will be missed, because your seat will be empty. {20:19} And when you have stayed three days, you shall go down quickly, and come to the place where you did hide yourself when the business was in hand, and shall remain by the stone Ezel. {20:20} And I will shoot three arrows on the side there, as though I shot at a mark. {20:21} And, behold, I will send the young man, [saying], Go, find the arrows. If I say unto the young man, Behold, the arrows are on this side of you; take them, and come; for there is peace to you and no hurt, as Yahweh lives. {20:22} But if I say thus unto the boy, Behold, the arrows are beyond you; go your way; for Yahweh has sent you away. {20:23} And as touching the matter which you and I have spoken of, behold, Yahweh is between you and me forever. {20:24} So David hid himself in the field: and

when the new moon was come, the king sat him down to eat food. {20:25} And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, even upon the seat by the wall; and Jonathan stood up, and Abner sat by Saul's side: but David's place was empty. {20:26} Nevertheless Saul spoke not anything that day: for he thought, Something has befallen him, he is not clean; surely he is not clean. {20:27} And it came to pass on the morrow after the new moon, [which was] the second [day], that David's place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son, Therefore comes not the son of Jesse to meat, neither yesterday, nor to-day? {20:28} And Jonathan answered Saul, David earnestly asked leave of me to go to Beth-lehem: {20:29} and he said, Let me go, I pray you; for our family has a sacrifice in the city; and my brother, he has commanded me [to be there]: and now, if I have found favor in your eyes, let me get away, I pray you, and see my brethren. Therefore he is not come unto the king's table. {20:30} Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, you son of a perverse rebellious woman, do not I know that you have chosen the son of Jesse to your own shame, and unto the shame of your mother's nakedness? {20:31} For as long as the son of Jesse lives upon the ground, you shall not be established, nor your kingdom. Therefore now send and get him unto me, for he shall surely die. {20:32} And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, Therefore should he be put to death? what has he done? {20:33} And Saul cast his spear at him to smite him; whereby Jonathan knew that it was determined of his father to put David to death. {20:34} So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no food the second day of the moon; for he was grieved for David, because his father had done him shame. {20:35} And it came to pass in the morning, that Jonathan went out into the field at the time appointed with David, and a little young man with him. {20:36} And he said unto his young man, Run, find now the arrows which I shoot. And as the young man ran, he shot an arrow beyond him. {20:37} And when the young man was come to the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot, Jonathan cried after the young man, and said, Is not the arrow beyond you? {20:38} And Jonathan cried after the young man, Make speed, haste, stay not. And Jonathan's young man gathered up the arrows, and came to his master. {20:39} But the young man knew not anything: only Jonathan and David knew the matter. {20:40} And Jonathan gave his weapons unto his young man, and said unto him, Go, carry them to the city. {20:41} And as soon as the young man was gone, David arose out of [a place] toward the South, and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed himself three times: and they kissed one another, and wept one with another, until David exceeded. {20:42} And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the name of Yahweh, saying, Yahweh shall be between me and you, and between my seed and your seed, forever. And he arose and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.

{O9}21} First Samuel Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} Then came David to Nob to Ahimelech the priest: and Ahimelech came to meet David trembling, and said unto him, Why are you alone, and no man with you? {21:2} And David said unto Ahimelech the priest, The king has commanded me a business, and has said unto me, Let no man know anything of the business about I send you, and what I have commanded you: and I have appointed the young men to such and such a place. {21:3} Now therefore what is under your hand? give me five loaves of bread in my hand, or whatever there is present. {21:4} And the priest answered David, and said, There is no common bread under my hand, but there is holy bread; if only the young men have kept themselves from women. {21:5} And David answered the priest, and said unto him, Of a truth women have been kept from us about these three days; when I came out, the vessels of the young men were holy, though it was but a common journey; how much more then to-day shall their vessels be holy? {21:6} So the priest gave him holy [bread]; for there was no bread there but the showbread, that was taken from before Yahweh, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away. {21:7} Now a certain man of the servants of Saul was there that day, detained before Yahweh; and his name was Doeg the Edomite, the chief of the herdsmen that belonged to Saul. {21:8} And David said unto Ahimelech, And is there not here under your hand spear or sword?

for I have neither brought my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's business required haste. {21:9} And the priest said, The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom you slew in the vale of Elah, behold, it is here wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod: if you will take that, take it; for there is no other save that here. And David said, There is none like that; give it me. {21:10} And David arose, and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to Achish the king of Goth. {21:11} And the servants of Achish said unto him, Is not this David the king of the land? did they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying, Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands? {21:12} And David laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid of Achish the king of Goth. {21:13} And he changed his behavior before them, and feigned himself mad in their hands, and scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard. {21:14} Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, you see the man is mad; Therefore then have you brought him to me? {21:15} Do I lack madmen, that you have brought this fellow to play the madman in my presence? shall this fellow come into my house?

{09}22} First Samuel Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} David therefore departed there, and escaped to the cave of Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down there to him. {22:2} And everyone that was in distress, and everyone that was in debt, and everyone that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men. {22:3} And David went there to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the king of Moab, Let my father and my mother, I pray you, come forth, [and be] with you, till I know what God will do for me. {22:4} And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they lived with him all the while that David was in the stronghold. {22:5} And the prophet Gad said unto David, Abide not in the stronghold; depart, and get you into the land of Judah. Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hereth. {22:6} And Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men that were with him: now Saul was sitting in Gibeah, under the tamarisk-tree in Ramah, with his spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing about him. {22:7} And Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, you Benjamites; will the son of Jesse give everyone of you fields and vineyards, will he make you all captains of thousands and captains of hundreds, {22:8} that all of you have conspired against me, and there is none that discloses to me when my son makes a league with the son of Jesse, and there is none of you that is sorry for me, or discloses unto me that my son has stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day? {22:9} Then answered Doeg the Edomite, who stood by the servants of Saul, and said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub. {22:10} And he inquired of Yahweh for him, and gave him victuals, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine. {22:11} Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that were in Nob: and they came all of them to the king. {22:12} And Saul said, Hear now, you son of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I am, my lord. {22:13} And Saul said unto him, Why have you conspired against me, you and the son of Jesse, in that you have given him bread, and a sword, and have inquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day? {22:14} Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who among all your servants is so faithful as David, who is the king's son-in-law, and is taken into your council, and is honorable in your house? {22:15} Have I to-day begun to inquire of God for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute anything unto his servant, nor to all the house of my father; for your servant knows nothing of all this, less or more. {22:16} And the king said, you shall surely die, Ahimelech, you, and all your father's house. {22:17} And the king said unto the guard that stood about him, Turn, and slay the priests of Yahweh; because their hand also is with David, and because they knew that he fled, and did not disclose it to me. But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to fall upon the priests of Yahweh. {22:18} And the king said to Doeg, Turn you, and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and he slew on that day sixty five persons that did wear a linen ephod. {22:19} And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both

men and women, children and infants, and oxen and donkeys and sheep, with the edge of the sword. {22:20} And one of the sons of Ahimelech, the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David. {22:21} And Abiathar told David that Saul had slain Yahweh's priests. {22:22} And David said unto Abiathar, I knew on that day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned [the death] of all the persons of your father's house. {22:23} Abide you with me, fear not; for he that seeks my life seeks your life: for with me you shall be in safeguard.

{O9}23} First Samuel Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} And they told David, saying, Behold, the Philistines are fighting against Keilah, and are robbing the threshing-floors. {23:2} Therefore David inquired of Yahweh, saying, shall I go and smite these Philistines? And Yahweh said unto David, Go, and smite the Philistines, and save Keilah. {23:3} And David's men said unto him, Behold, we are afraid here in Judah: how much more then if we go to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines? {23:4} Then David inquired of Yahweh yet again. And Yahweh answered him, and said, Arise, go down to Keilah; for I will deliver the Philistines into your hand. {23:5} And David and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistines, and brought away their cattle, and slew them with a great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah. {23:6} And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech fled to David to Keilah, that he came down with an ephod in his hand. {23:7} And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul said, God has delivered him into my hand; for he is shut in, by entering into a town that has gates and bars. {23:8} And Saul summoned all the people to war, to go down to Keilah, to besiege David and his men. {23:9} And David knew that Saul was devising mischief against him; and he said to Abiathar the priest, Bring here the ephod. {23:10} Then said David, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, your servant has surely heard that Saul seeks to come to Keilah, to destroy the city for my sake. {23:11} Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul come down, as your servant has heard? O Yahweh, the God of Israel, I ask you, tell your servant. And Yahweh said, He will come down. {23:12} Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver up to me and my men into the hand of Saul? And Yahweh said, They will deliver you up. {23:13} Then David and his men, who were about six hundred, arose and departed out of Keilah, and went whereever they could go. And it was told Saul that David was escaped from Keilah; and he declined to go forth. {23:14} And David abode in the wilderness in the strongholds, and remained in the hill-country in the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every day, but God delivered him not into his hand. {23:15} And David saw that Saul was come out to seek his life: and David was in the wilderness of Ziph in the wood. {23:16} And Jonathan, Saul's son, arose, and went to David into the wood, and strengthened his hand in God. {23:17} And he said unto him, Fear not; for the hand of Saul my father shall not find you; and you shall be king over Israel, and I shall be next unto you; and that also Saul my father knows. {23:18} And they two made a covenant before Yahweh: and David abode in the wood, and Jonathan went to his house. {23:19} Then came up the Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah, saying, Does not David hide himself with us in the strongholds in the wood, in the hill of Hachilah, which is on the south of the desert? {23:20} Now therefore, O king, come down, according to all the desire of your soul to come down; and our part shall be to deliver him up into the king's hand. {23:21} And Saul said, Blessed be you of Yahweh; for you have had compassion on me. {23:22} Go, I pray you, make yet more sure, and know and see his place where his stay is, [and] who has seen him there; for it is told me that he deals very subtly. {23:23} See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking-places where he hides himself, and come you again to me of a certainty, and I will go with you: and it shall come to pass, if he be in the land, that I will search him out among all the thousands of Judah. {23:24} And they arose, and went to Ziph before Saul: but David and his men were in the wilderness of Maon, in the Arabah on the south of the desert. {23:25} And Saul and his men went to seek him. And they told David: Therefore he came down to the rock, and abode in the wilderness of Maon. And when Saul heard [that], he pursued after David in the wilderness of

Maon. {23:26} And Saul went on this side of the mountain, and David and his men on that side of the mountain: and David made haste to get away for fear of Saul; for Saul and his men around David and his men round about to take them. {23:27} But there came a messenger unto Saul, saying, Haste you, and come; for the Philistines have made a raid upon the land. {23:28} So Saul returned from pursuing after David, and went against the Philistines: therefore they called that place Sela-hammahlekoth Selahammahle. {23:29} And David went up from there, and lived in the strongholds of En-gedi.

{09}24} First Samuel Chapter TwentyFour. {24:1} And it came to pass, when Saul was returned from following the Philistines, that it was told him, saying, Behold, David is in the wilderness of En-gedi. {24:2} Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seek David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats. {24:3} And he came to the sheepcotes by the way, where was a cave; and Saul went in to cover his feet. Now David and his men were abiding in the innermost parts of the cave. {24:4} And the men of David said unto him, Behold, the day of which Yahweh said unto you, Behold, I will deliver your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it shall seem good unto you. Then David arose, and cut off the skirt of Saul's robe privately. {24:5} And it came to pass afterward, that David's heart smote him, because he had cut off Saul's skirt. {24:6} And he said unto his men, Yahweh forbid that I should do this thing unto my lord, Yahweh's anointed, to put forth my hand against him, seeing he is Yahweh's anointed. {24:7} So David checked his men with these words, and suffered them not to rise against Saul. And Saul rose up out of the cave, and went on his way. {24:8} David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his face to the earth, and did obeisance. {24:9} And David said to Saul, Therefore hear you to men's words, saying, Behold, David seeks our hurt? {24:10} Behold, this day your eyes have seen how that Yahweh had delivered you to-day into my hand in the cave: and some bade me kill you; but [mine eye] spared you; and I said, I will not put forth my hand against my lord; for he is Yahweh's anointed. {24:11} My father, also see, behold, see the skirt of your robe in my hand; for in that I cut off the skirt of your robe, and killed you not, know you and see that there is neither evil nor transgression of the law in my hand, and I have not sinned against you, though you hunt after my life to take it. {24:12} Yahweh judge between me and you, and Yahweh avenge me of you; but my hand shall not be upon you. {24:13} As said the proverb of the ancients, Out of the wicked comes forth wickedness; but my hand shall not be upon you. {24:14} After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom do you pursue? after a dead dog, after a flea. {24:15} Yahweh therefore be judge, and give sentence between me and you, and see, and plead my cause, and deliver me out of your hand. {24:16} And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking these words unto Saul, that Saul said, Is this your voice, my son David? And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept. {24:17} And he said to David, you are more lawful in works than I; for you have rendered unto me good, whereas I have rendered unto you evil. {24:18} And you have declared this day how that you have dealt well with me, forasmuch as when Yahweh had delivered me up into your hand, you killed me not. {24:19} For if a man find his enemy, will he let him go well away? Therefore Yahweh reward you good for that which you have done unto me this day. {24:20} And now, behold, I know that you shall surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in your hand. {24:21} Swear now therefore unto me by Yahweh, that you will not cut off my seed after me, and that you will not destroy my name out of my father's house. {24:22} And David swore unto Saul. And Saul went home; but David and his men went up unto the stronghold.

{09}25} First Samuel Chapter TwentyFive. {25:1} And Samuel died; and all Israel gathered themselves together, and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. And David arose, and went down to the wilderness of Paran. {25:2} And there was a man in Maon, whose possessions were in Carmel; and the man was very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a

thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel. {25:3} Now the name of the man was Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail; and the woman was of good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he was of the house of Caleb. {25:4} And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal was shearing his sheep. {25:5} And David sent ten young men, and David said unto the young men, Get you up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and greet him in my name: {25:6} and thus shall you say to him that lives [in prosperity], Peace be unto you, and peace be to your house, and peace be unto all that you have. {25:7} And now I have heard that you have shearers: your shepherds have now been with us, and we did them no hurt, neither was there anything missing unto them, all the while they were in Carmel. {25:8} Ask your young men, and they will tell you: Therefore let the young men find favor in your eyes; for we come in a good day: give, I pray you, whatever comes to your hand, unto your servants, and to your son David. {25:9} And when David's young men came, they spoke to Nabal according to all those words in the name of David, and ceased. {25:10} And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, Who is David? and who is the son of Jesse? there are many servants now-a-days that break away every man from his master. {25:11} shall I then take my bread, and my water, and my flesh that I have killed for my shearers, and give it unto men of whom I know not where they are? {25:12} So David's young men turned on their way, and went back, and came and told him according to all these words. {25:13} And David said unto his men, Gird you on every man his sword. And they girded on every man his sword; and David also girded on his sword: and there went up after David about four hundred men; and two hundred abode by the baggage. {25:14} But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying, Behold, David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master; and he railed at them. {25:15} But the men were very good unto us, and we were not hurt, neither missed we anything, as long as we went with them, when we were in the fields: {25:16} they were a wall unto us both by night and by day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep. {25:17} Now therefore know and consider what you will do; for evil is determined against our master, and against all his house: for he is such a worthless fellow, that one cannot speak to him. {25:18} Then Abigail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched grain, and a hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid them on donkeys. {25:19} And she said unto her young men, Go on before me; behold, I come after you. But she told not her husband Nabal. {25:20} And it was so, as she rode on her donkey, and came down by the covert of the mountain, that, behold, David and his men came down toward her; and she met them. {25:21} Now David had said, Surely in vain have I kept all that this fellow has in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that pertained unto him: and he has returned me evil for good. {25:22} God do so unto the enemies of David, and more also, if I leave of all that pertain to him by the morning light so much as one man-child. {25:23} And when Abigail saw David, she hurried, and alighted from her donkey, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground. {25:24} And she fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, upon me be the works against law; and let your handmaid, I pray you, speak in your ears, and hear you the words of your handmaid. {25:25} Let not my lord, I pray you, regard this worthless fellow, even Nabal; for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him: but I your handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom you did send. {25:26} Now therefore, my lord, as Yahweh lives, and as your soul lives, seeing Yahweh has withheld you from blood guiltiness, and from avenging yourself with your own hand, now therefore let your enemies, and them that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal. {25:27} And now this present which your servant has brought unto my lord, let it be given unto the young men that follow my lord. {25:28} Forgive, I pray you, the trespass of your handmaid: for Yahweh will certainly make my lord a sure house, because my lord fights the battles of Yahweh; and evil shall not be found in you all your days. {25:29} And though men be risen up to pursue you, and to seek your soul, yet the soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with Yahweh your God; and the souls of your enemies, them shall he sling out, as from the hollow of a sling. {25:30} And it shall come to

pass, when Yahweh shall have done to my lord according to all the good that he has spoken concerning you, and shall have appointed you prince over Israel, {25:31} that this shall be no grief unto you, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that you have shed blood outside cause, or that my lord has avenged himself. And when Yahweh shall have dealt well with my lord, then remember your handmaid. {25:32} And David said to Abigail, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, who sent you this day to meet me: {25:33} and blessed be your discretion, and blessed be you, that have kept me this day from blood guiltiness, and from avenging myself with mine own hand. {25:34} For in very deed, as Yahweh, the God of Israel, lives, who has withheld me from hurting you, except you had hurried and come to meet me, surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning light so much as one man-child. {25:35} So David received of her hand that which she had brought him: and he said unto her, Go up in peace to your house; see, I have heard your voice, and have accepted your person. {25:36} And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart was merry within him, for he was very drunk: Therefore she told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light. {25:37} And it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, that his wife told him these things, and his heart died within him, and he became as a stone. {25:38} And it came to pass about ten days after, that Yahweh smote Nabal, so that he died. {25:39} And when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, Blessed be Yahweh, that has pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and has kept back his servant from evil: and the evil-doing of Nabal has Yahweh returned upon his own head. And David sent and spoke concerning Abigail, to take her to him to wife. {25:40} And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spoke unto her, saying, David has sent us unto you, to take you to him to wife. {25:41} And she arose, and bowed herself with her face to the earth, and said, Behold, your handmaid is a servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord. {25:42} And Abigail hurried, and arose, and rode upon an donkey, with five maids of hers that followed her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became his wife. {25:43} David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel; and they became both of them his wives. {25:44} Now Saul had given Michal his daughter, David's wife, to Palti the son of Laish, who was of Gallim.

{09}26} First Samuel Chapter TwentySix. {26:1} And the Ziphites came unto Saul to Gibeah, saying, Does not David hide himself in the hill of Hachilah, which is before the desert? {26:2} Then Saul arose, and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, having three thousand chosen men of Israel with him, to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph. {26:3} And Saul encamped in the hill of Hachilah, which is before the desert, by the way. But David abode in the wilderness, and he saw that Saul came after him into the wilderness. {26:4} David therefore sent out spies, and understood that Saul was to come of a certainty. {26:5} And David arose, and came to the place where Saul had encamped; and David watched the place where Saul lay, and Abner the son of Ner, the captain of his host: and Saul lay within the place of the wagons, and the people were encamped round about him. {26:6} Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai the son of Zeruiah, brother to Joab, saying, Who will go down with me to Saul to the camp? And Abishai said, I will go down with you. {26:7} So David and Abishai came to the people by night: and, behold, Saul lay sleeping within the place of the wagons, with his spear stuck in the ground at his head; and Abner and the people lay round about him. {26:8} Then said Abishai to David, God has delivered up your enemy into your hand this day: now therefore let me smite him, I pray you, with the spear to the earth at one stroke, and I will not smite him the second time. {26:9} And David said to Abishai, Destroy him not; for who can put forth his hand against Yahweh's anointed, and be guiltless? {26:10} And David said, As Yahweh lives, Yahweh will smite him; or his day shall come to die; or he shall go down into battle and perish. {26:11} Yahweh forbid that I should put forth my hand against Yahweh's anointed: but now take, I pray you, the spear that is at his head, and the cruse of water, and let us go. {26:12} So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's head; and they got them away: and no man saw it, nor

knew it, neither did any awake; for they were all asleep, because a deep sleep from Yahweh was fallen upon them. {26:13} Then David went over to the other side, and stood on the top of the mountain afar off; a great space being between them; {26:14} and David cried to the people, and to Abner the son of Ner, saying, Answer you not, Abner? Then Abner answered and said, Who are you that cry to the king? {26:15} And David said to Abner, are not you a [valiant] man? and who is like to you in Israel? Therefore then have you not kept watch over your lord the king? for there came one of the people in to destroy the king your lord. {26:16} This thing is not good that you have done. As Yahweh lives, you are worthy to die, because you have not kept watch over your lord, Yahweh's anointed. And now see where the king's spear is, and the cruse of water that was at his head. {26:17} And Saul knew David's voice, and said, Is this your voice, my son David? And David said, It is my voice, my lord, O king. {26:18} And he said, Therefore does my lord pursue after his servant? for what have I done? or what evil is in my hand? {26:19} Now therefore, I pray you, let my lord the king hear the words of his servant. If it be Yahweh that has stirred you up against me, let him accept an offering: but if it be the children of men, cursed be they before Yahweh: for they have driven me out this day that I should not cleave unto the inheritance of Yahweh, saying, Go, serve other gods. {26:20} Now therefore, let not my blood fall to the earth away from the presence of Yahweh: for the king of Israel is come out to seek a flea, as when one does hunt a partridge in the mountains. {26:21} Then said Saul, I have sinned: return, my son David; for I will no more do you harm, because my life was precious in your eyes this day: behold, I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly. {26:22} And David answered and said, Behold the spear, O king! let then one of the young men come over and get it. {26:23} And Yahweh will render to every man his lawful works and his faithfulness; forasmuch as Yahweh delivered you into my hand to-day, and I would not put forth my hand against Yahweh's anointed. {26:24} And, behold, as your life was much set by this day in mine eyes, so let my life be much set by in the eyes of Yahweh, and let him deliver me out of all tribulation. {26:25} Then Saul said to David, Blessed be you, my son David: you shall both do mightily, and shall surely prevail. So David went his way, and Saul returned to his place.

{o}27} First Samuel Chapter Twenty-Seven. {27:1} And David said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul: there is nothing better for me than that I should escape into the land of the Philistines; and Saul will despair of me, to seek me any more in all the borders of Israel: so shall I escape out of his hand. {27:2} And David arose, and passed over, he and the six hundred men that were with him, unto Achish the son of Maach, king of Gath. {27:3} And David lived with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man with his household, even David with his two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess, Nabal's wife. {27:4} And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought no more again for him. {27:5} And David said unto Achish, If now I have found favor in your eyes, let them give me a place in one of the cities in the country, that I may dwell there: for why should your servant dwell in the royal city with you? {27:6} Then Achish gave him Ziklag that day: Therefore Ziklag pertains unto the kings of Judah unto this day. {27:7} And the number of the days that David lived in the country of the Philistines was a full year and four moons. {27:8} And David and his men went up, and made a raid upon the Geshurites, and the Girzites, and the Amalekites; for those [nations] were the inhabitants of the land, who were of old, as you go to Shur, even unto the land of Egypt. {27:9} And David smote the land, and saved neither man nor woman alive, and took away the sheep, and the oxen, and the donkeys, and the camels, and the apparel; and he returned, and came to Achish. {27:10} And Achish said, Against whom have you made a raid to-day? And David said, Against the South of Judah, and against the South of the Jerahmeelites, and against the South of the Kenites. {27:11} And David saved neither man nor woman alive, to bring them to Gath, saying, Lest they should tell of us, saying, So did David, and so has been his manner all the while he has lived in the country of the Philistines. {27:12} And Achish believed David, saying, He has made his people Israel utterly to abhor him; therefore he shall be my servant forever.

{09}28} First Samuel Chapter Twenty-Eight. {28:1} And it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered their hosts together for warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish said unto David, Know you assuredly, that you shall go out with me in the host, you and your men. {28:2} And David said to Achish, Therefore you shall know what your servant will do. And Achish said to David, Therefore will I make you keeper of my head forever. {28:3} Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land. {28:4} And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and encamped in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they encamped in Gilboa. {28:5} And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart trembled greatly. {28:6} And when Saul inquired of Yahweh, Yahweh answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets. {28:7} Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that has a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and inquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that has a familiar spirit at En-dor. {28:8} And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and went, he and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, Divine unto me, I pray you, by the familiar spirit, and bring me up whom soever I shall name unto you. {28:9} And the woman said unto him, Behold, you know what Saul has done, how he has cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: Therefore then lay you a snare for my life, to cause me to die? {28:10} And Saul swore to her by Yahweh, saying, As Yahweh lives, there shall no punishment happen to you for this thing. {28:11} Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto you? And he said, Bring me up Samuel. {28:12} And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice; and the woman spoke to Saul, saying, Why have you deceived me? for you are Saul. {28:13} And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what see you? And the woman said unto Saul, I see a god coming up out of the earth. {28:14} And he said unto her, What form is he of? And she said, An old man comes up; and he is covered with a robe. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel, and he bowed with his face to the ground, and did obeisance. {28:15} And Samuel said to Saul, Why have you disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answers me no more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called you, that you may make known unto me what I shall do. {28:16} And Samuel said, Therefore then do you ask of me, seeing Yahweh is departed from you, and is become your adversary? {28:17} And Yahweh has done unto you, as he spoke by me: and Yahweh has rent the kingdom out of your hand, and given it to your neighbor, even to David. {28:18} Because you obeyed not the voice of Yahweh, and did not execute his fierce Anger upon Amalek, therefore has Yahweh done this thing unto you this day. {28:19} Yahweh will deliver Israel also with you into the hand of the Philistines; and to-morrow shall you and your sons be with me: Yahweh will deliver the host of Israel also into the hand of the Philistines. {28:20} Then Saul fell immediately his full length upon the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night. {28:21} And the woman came unto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled, and said unto him, Behold, your handmaid has heard unto your voice, and I have put my life in my hand, and have heard unto your words which you spoke unto me. {28:22} Now therefore, I pray you, hear you also unto the voice of your handmaid, and let me set a morsel of bread before you; and eat, that you may have strength, when you go on your way. {28:23} But he refused, and said, I will not eat. But his servants, together with the woman, constrained him; and he heard unto their voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat upon the bed. {28:24} And the woman had a fatted calf in the house; and she hurried, and killed it; and she took flour, and kneaded it, and did bake unleavened bread there: {28:25} and she brought it before Saul, and before his servants; and they did eat. Then they rose up, and went away that night.

{9}29} First Samuel Chapter TwentyNine. {29:1} Now the Philistines gathered together all their hosts to Aphek: and the Israelites encamped by the fountain which is in Jezreel. {29:2} And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by thousands; and David and his men passed on in the rearward with Achish. {29:3} Then said the princes of the Philistines, What [do] these Hebrews [here]? And Achish said unto the princes of the Philistines, Is not this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel, who has been with me these days, or [rather] these years, and I have found no fault in him since he fell away [unto me] unto this day? {29:4} But the princes of the Philistines were angry with him; and the princes of the Philistines said unto him, Make the man return, that he may go back to his place where you have appointed him, and let him not go down with us to battle, lest in the battle he become an adversary to us: for why should this [fellow] reconcile himself unto his lord? should it not be with the heads of these men? {29:5} Is not this David, of whom they sang one to another in dances, saying, Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands? {29:6} Then Achish called David, and said unto him, As Yahweh lives, you have been upright, and your going out and your coming in with me in the host is good in my sight; for I have not found evil in you since the day of your coming unto me unto this day: nevertheless the lords favor you not. {29:7} Therefore now return, and go in peace, that you displease not the lords of the Philistines. {29:8} And David said unto Achish, But what have I done? and what have you found in your servant so long as I have been before you unto this day, that I may not go and fight against the enemies of my lord the king? {29:9} And Achish answered and said to David, I know that you are good in my sight, as an messenger of God: notwithstanding the princes of the Philistines have said, He shall not go up with us to the battle. {29:10} Therefore now rise up early in the morning with the servants of your lord that are come with you; and as soon as you are up early in the morning, and have light, depart. {29:11} So David rose up early, he and his men, to depart in the morning, to return into the land of the Philistines. And the Philistines went up to Jezreel.

{09}30} First Samuel Chapter Thirty. {30:1} And it came to pass, when David and his men were come to Ziklag on the third day, that the Amalekites had made a raid upon the South, and upon Ziklag, and had smitten Ziklag, and burned it with fire, {30:2} and had taken captive the women [and all] that were therein, both small and great: they slew not any, but carried them off, and went their way. {30:3} And when David and his men came to the city, behold, it was burned with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captive. {30:4} Then David and the people that were with him lifted up their voice and wept, until they had no more power to weep. {30:5} And David's two wives were taken captive, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite. {30:6} And David was greatly distressed; for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David strengthened himself in Yahweh his God. {30:7} And David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelech, I pray you, bring me here the ephod. And Abiathar brought there the ephod to David. {30:8} And David inquired of Yahweh, saying, If I pursue after this troop, shall I overtake them? And he answered him, Pursue; for you shall surely overtake [them], and shall outside fail recover [all]. {30:9} So David went, he and the six hundred men that were with him, and came to the brook Besor, where those that were left behind stayed. {30:10} But David pursued, he and four hundred men; for two hundred stayed behind, who were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor. {30:11} And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David, and gave him bread, and he did eat; and they gave him water to drink. {30:12} And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of raisins: and when he had eaten, his spirit came again to him; for he had eaten no bread, nor drunk any water, three days and three nights. {30:13} And David said unto him, To whom belongs you? and where are you? And he said, I am a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite; and my master left me, because three days ago I fell sick. {30:14} We made a raid upon the South of the Cherethites, and upon that which belongs to Judah, and upon the South of Caleb; and we burned Ziklag with

fire. {30:15} And David said to him, Will you bring me down to this troop? And he said, Swear unto me by God, that you will neither kill me, nor deliver me up into the hands of my master, and I will bring you down to this troop. {30:16} And when he had brought him down, behold, they were spread abroad over all the ground, eating and drinking, and dancing, because of all the great spoil that they had taken out of the land of the Philistines, and out of the land of Judah. {30:17} And David smote them from the twilight even unto the evening of the next day: and there escaped not a man of them, save four hundred young men, who rode upon camels and fled. {30:18} And David recovered all that the Amalekites had taken; and David rescued his two wives. {30:19} And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great, neither sons nor daughters, neither spoil, nor anything that they had taken to them: David brought back all. {30:20} And David took all the flocks and the herds, [which] they drove before those [other] cattle, and said, This is David's spoil. {30:21} And David came to the two hundred men, who were so faint that they could not follow David, whom also they had made to abide at the brook Besor; and they went forth to meet David, and to meet the people that were with him: and when David came near to the people, he saluted them. {30:22} Then answered all the wicked men and base fellows, of those that went with David, and said, Because they went not with us, we will not give them anything of the spoil that we have recovered, save to every man his wife and his children, that he may lead them away, and depart. {30:23} Then said David, you shall not do so, my brethren, with that which Yahweh has given unto us, who has preserved us, and delivered the troop that came against us into our hand. {30:24} And who will hear unto you in this matter? for as his share is that goes down to the battle, so shall his share be that tarries by the baggage: they shall share alike. {30:25} And it was so from that day forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance for Israel unto this day. {30:26} And when David came to Ziklag, he sent of the spoil unto the elders of Judah, even to his friends, saying, Behold, a present for you of the spoil of the enemies of Yahweh: {30:27} To them that were in Beth-el, and to them that were in Ramoth of the South, and to them that were in Jattir, {30:28} and to them that were in Aroer, and to them that were in Siphmoth, and to them that were in Eshtemoa, {30:29} and to them that were in Racal, and to them that were in the cities of the Jerahmeelites, and to them that were in the cities of the Kenites, {30:30} and to them that were in Hormah, and to them that were in Bor-ashan, and to them that were in Athach, {30:31} and to them that were in Hebron, and to all the places where David himself and his men were wont to stay.

{09}31} First Samuel Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa. {31:2} And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul. {31:3} And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers overtook him; and he was greatly distressed by reason of the archers. {31:4} Then said Saul to his armor bearer, Draw your sword, and thrust me through with, lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and abuse me. But his armor bearer would not; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took his sword, and fell upon it. {31:5} And when his armor bearer saw that Saul was dead, he likewise fell upon his sword, and died with him. {31:6} So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armor bearer, and all his men, that same day together. {31:7} And when the men of Israel that were on the other side of the valley, and they that were beyond the Jordan, saw that the men of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and lived in them. {31:8} And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his three sons fallen in mount Gilboa. {31:9} And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armor, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry the tidings unto the house of their idols, and to the people. {31:10} And they put his armor in the house of the Ashtaroth; and they fastened his body to the wall of Beth-Shan. {31:11} And when the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard concerning him that which the Philistines had done to Saul, {31:12} all the valiant men

arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons from the wall of Beth-shan; and they came to Jabesh, and burnt them there. {31:13} And they took their bones, and buried them under the tamarisk-tree in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

The Book of Second Samuel

{O10}1} Second Samuel Chapter One. {1:1} And it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag; {1:2} it came to pass on the third day, that, behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul, with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and so it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance. {1:3} And David said unto him, From where do you come? And he said unto him, Out of the camp of Israel I am escaped. {1:4} And David said unto him, How went the matter? I pray you, tell me. And he answered, The people are fled from the battle, and many of the people also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also. {1:5} And David said unto the young man that told him, How know you that Saul and Jonathan his son are dead? {1:6} And the young man that told him said, As I happened by chance upon mount Gilboa, behold, Saul was leaning upon his spear; and, lo, the chariots and the horsemen followed hard after him. {1:7} And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered, Here am I. {1:8} And he said unto me, Who are you? And I answered him, I am an Amalekite. {1:9} And he said unto me, Stand, I pray you, beside me, and slay me; for anguish has taken hold of me, because my life is yet whole in me. {1:10} So I stood beside him, and slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that he was fallen: and I took the crown that was upon his head, and the bracelet that was on his arm, and have brought them here unto my lord.

{1:11} Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the men that were with him: {1:12} and they grieved, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of Yahweh, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword. {1:13} And David said unto the young man that told him, Where are you? And he answered, I am the son of a alien, an Amalekite. {1:14} And David said unto him, How was you not afraid to put forth your hand to destroy Yahweh's anointed? {1:15} And David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, and fall upon him. And he smote him, so that he died. {1:16} And David said unto him, Your blood be upon your head; for your mouth has testified against you, saying, I have slain Yahweh's anointed.

{1:17} And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son {1:18} (and he bade them teach the children of Judah [the song of] the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jashar): {1:19} Your glory, O Israel, is slain upon your high places! How are the mighty fallen! {1:20} Tell it not in Goth, Publish it not in the streets of Ashkelon; Lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, Lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph. {1:21} You mountains of Gilboa, Let there be no dew nor rain upon you, neither fields of offerings: For there the shield of the mighty was vilely cast away, The shield of Saul, not anointed with oil. {1:22} From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, The bow of Jonathan turned not back, And the sword of Saul returned not empty. {1:23} Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, And in their death they were not divided: They were swifter than eagles, They were stronger than lions. {1:24} You daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, Who clothed you in scarlet delicately, Who put ornaments of gold upon your apparel. {1:25} How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan is slain upon your high places. {1:26} I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan: Very pleasant have you been unto me: Your agape love to me was wonderful, Passing the passionate love of women. {1:27} How are the mighty fallen, And the weapons of war perished!

{O10}2} Second Samuel Chapter two. {2:1} And it came to pass after this, that David inquired of Yahweh, saying, shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And Yahweh said unto him, Go up. And David said, Where shall I go up? And he said, Unto Hebron. {2:2} So David went up

there, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite. {2:3} And his men that were with him did David bring up, every man with his household: and they lived in the cities of Hebron. {2:4} And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, The men of Jabesh-gilead were they that buried Saul. {2:5} And David sent messengers unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, and said unto them, Blessed be you of Yahweh, that you have showed this kindness unto your lord, even unto Saul, and have buried him. {2:6} And now Yahweh show agape loving kindness and truth unto you: and I also will repay you this kindness, because you have done this thing. {2:7} Now therefore let your hands be strong, and be you valiant; for Saul your lord is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them. {2:8} Now Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, had taken Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim; {2:9} and he made him king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel. {2:10} Ish-bosheth, Saul's son, was forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and he reigned two years. But the house of Judah followed David. {2:11} And the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six moons. {2:12} And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon. {2:13} And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out, and met them by the pool of Gibeon; and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool. {2:14} And Abner said to Joab, Let the young men, I pray you, arise and play before us. And Joab said, Let them arise. {2:15} Then they arose and went over by number: twelve for Benjamin, and for Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David. {2:16} And they caught everyone his fellow by the head, and [thrust] his sword in his fellow's side; so they fell down together: Therefore that place was called Helkath-hazzurim, which is in Gibeon. {2:17} And the battle was very sore that day: and Abner was beaten, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David. {2:18} And the three sons of Zeruiah were there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel was as light of foot as a wild roe. {2:19} And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to the left from following Abner. {2:20} Then Abner looked behind him, and said, Is it you, Asahel? And he answered, It is I. {2:21} And Abner said to him, Turn you aside to your right hand or to your left, and lay you hold on one of the young men, and take you his armor. But Asahel would not turn aside from following him. {2:22} And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn you aside from following me: Therefore should I smite you to the ground? how then should I hold up my face to Joab your brother? {2:23} However he refused to turn aside: Therefore Abner with the pointed end of the spear smote him in the body, so that the spear came out behind him; and he fell down there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, that as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died stood still. {2:24} But Joab and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down when they were come to the hill of Ammah, that lies before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon. {2:25} And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became one band, and stood on the top of a hill. {2:26} Then Abner called to Joab, and said, shall the sword devour forever? know you not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? how long shall it be then, ere you bid the people return from following their brethren? {2:27} And Joab said, As God lives, if you had not spoken, surely then in the morning the people had gone away, nor followed everyone his brother. {2:28} So Joab blew the trumpet; and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more, neither fought they any more. {2:29} And Abner and his men went all that night through the Arabah; and they passed over the Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and came to Mahanaim. {2:30} And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the people together, there lacked of David's servants nineteen men and Asahel. {2:31} But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's men, [so that] three hundred and sixty men died. {2:32} And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulcher of his father, which was in Beth-lehem. And Joab and his men went all night, and the day brake upon them at Hebron.

{O10}3 Second Samuel Chapter Three. {3:1} Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: and David waxed stronger and stronger, but the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker. {3:2} And unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his first-born was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; {3:3} and his second, Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur; {3:4} and the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital; {3:5} and the sixth, Ithream, of Eglah, David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron. {3:6} And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong in the house of Saul. {3:7} Now Saul had a concubine, whose name was Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and [Ish-bosheth] said to Abner, Therefore have you gone in unto my father's concubine? {3:8} Then was Abner very angry for the words of Ish-bosheth, and said, Am I a dog's head that belongs to Judah? This day do I show kindness unto the house of Saul your father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered you into the hand of David; and yet you charge me this day with a fault concerning this woman. {3:9} God do so to Abner, and more also, if, as Yahweh has sworn to David, I do not even so to him; {3:10} to transfer the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba. {3:11} And he could not answer Abner another word, because he feared him. {3:12} And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose is the land? saying [also], Make your league with me, and, behold, my hand shall be with you, to bring about all Israel unto you. {3:13} And he said, Well; I will make a league with you; but one thing I require of you: that is, you shall not see my face, except you first bring Michal, Saul's daughter, when you come to see my face. {3:14} And David sent messengers to Ish-bosheth, Saul's son, saying, Deliver me my wife Michal, whom I betrothed to me for a hundred foreskins of the Philistines. {3:15} And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from her husband, even from Paltiel the son of Laish. {3:16} And her husband went with her, weeping as he went, and followed her to Bahurim. Then said Abner unto him, Go, return: and he returned. {3:17} And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, In times past you sought for David to be king over you: {3:18} now then do it; for Yahweh has spoken of David, saying, By the hand of my servant David I will save my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies. {3:19} And Abner also spoke in the ears of Benjamin: and Abner went also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and to the whole house of Benjamin. {3:20} So Abner came to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him. And David made Abner and the men that were with him a feast. {3:21} And Abner said unto David, I will arise and go, and will gather all Israel unto my lord the king, that they may make a covenant with you, and that you may reign over all that your soul desires. And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace. {3:22} And, behold, the servants of David and Joab came from a foray, and brought in a great spoil with them: but Abner was not with David in Hebron; for he had sent him away, and he was gone in peace. {3:23} When Joab and all the host that was with him were come, they told Joab, saying, Abner the son of Ner came to the king, and he has sent him away, and he is gone in peace. {3:24} Then Joab came to the king, and said, What have you done? behold, Abner came unto you; why is it that you have sent him away, and he is quite gone? {3:25} You know Abner the son of Ner, that he came to deceive you, and to know your going out and your coming in, and to know all that you do. {3:26} And when Joab was come out from David, he sent messengers after Abner, and they brought him back from the well of Sirah: but David knew it not. {3:27} And when Abner was returned to Hebron, Joab took him aside into the midst of the gate to speak with him quietly, and smote him there in the body, so that he died, for the blood of Asahel his brother. {3:28} And afterward, when David heard it, he said, I and my kingdom are guiltless before Yahweh forever of the blood of Abner the son of Ner: {3:29} let it fall upon the head of Joab, and upon all his father's house; and let there not fail from the house of Joab one that has an issue, or that is a leper, or that leans on a staff, or that falls by the sword, or

that lacks bread. {3:30} So Joab and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because he had killed their brother Asahel at Gibeon in the battle. {3:31} And David said to Joab, and to all the people that were with him, Rend your clothes, and gird you with sackcloth, and grieve before Abner. And king David followed the bier. {3:32} And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his voice, and wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept. {3:33} And the king lamented for Abner, and said, Should Abner die as a fool dies? {3:34} Your hands were not bound, nor your feet put into fetters: As a man falls before the children of [doing] works against law, so did you fall. And all the people wept again over him. {3:35} And all the people came to cause David to eat bread while it was yet day; but David swore, saying, God do so to me, and more also, if I taste bread, or anything else, till the sun be down. {3:36} And all the people took notice of it, and it pleased them; as whatever the king did pleased all the people. {3:37} So all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to slay Abner the son of Ner. {3:38} And the king said unto his servants, Know you not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel? {3:39} And I am this day weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah are too hard for me: Yahweh reward the evil-doer according to his wickedness.

{O10}4} Second Samuel Chapter Four. {4:1} And when [Ish-bosheth], Saul's son, heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands became feeble, and all the Israelites were troubled. {4:2} And [Ish-bosheth], Saul's son, [had] two men that were captains of bands: the name of the one was Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin (for Beeroth also is reckoned to Benjamin: {4:3} and the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and have been aliens there until this day). {4:4} Now Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son that was lame of his feet. He was five years old when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel; and his nurse took him up, and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name was Mephibosheth. {4:5} And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth, as he took his rest at noon. {4:6} And they came there into the midst of the house, as though they would have gotten wheat; and they smote him in the body: and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped. {4:7} Now when they came into the house, as he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, they defeated him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, and went by the way of the Arabah all night. {4:8} And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth unto David to Hebron, and said to the king, Behold, the head of Ish-bosheth, the son of Saul, your enemy, who sought your life; and Yahweh has avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed. {4:9} And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said unto them, As Yahweh lives, who has redeemed my soul out of all adversity, {4:10} when one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, thinking to have brought good tidings, I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, which was the reward I gave him for his tidings. {4:11} How much more, when wicked men have slain a lawful working person in his own house upon his bed, shall I not now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth? {4:12} And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged them up beside the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ish-bosheth, and buried it in the grave of Abner in Hebron.

{O10}5} Second Samuel Chapter Five. {5:1} Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spoke, saying, Behold, we are your bone and your flesh. {5:2} In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you that led out and brought in Israel: and Yahweh said to you, You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel. {5:3} So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a covenant with them in Hebron before Yahweh: and they anointed David king over Israel. {5:4} David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. {5:5} In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six moons; and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.

{5:6} And the king and his men went to Jerusalem against the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land, who spoke unto David, saying, Except you take away the blind and the lame, you shall not come in here; thinking, David cannot come in here. {5:7} Nevertheless David took the stronghold of Zion; the same is the city of David. {5:8} And David said on that day, Anyone who smites the Jebusites, let him get up to the watercourse, and [smite] the lame and the blind, that are hated of David's soul. Therefore they say, There are the blind and the lame; he cannot come into the house. {5:9} And David lived in the stronghold, and called it the city of David. And David built round about from Millo and inward. {5:10} And David waxed greater and greater; for Yahweh, the God of hosts, was with him. {5:11} And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar-trees, and carpenters, and masons; and they built David a house. {5:12} And David perceived that Yahweh had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake. {5:13} And David took him more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he was come from Hebron; and there were yet sons and daughters born to David. {5:14} And these are the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem: Shammua, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, {5:15} and Ibhar, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia, {5:16} and Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet. {5:17} And when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David; and David heard of it, and went down to the stronghold. {5:18} Now the Philistines had come and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim. {5:19} And David inquired of Yahweh, saying, shall I go up against the Philistines? will you deliver them into my hand? And Yahweh said unto David, Go up; for I will certainly deliver the Philistines into your hand. {5:20} And David came to Baal-perazim, and David defeated them there; and he said, Yahweh has broken mine enemies before me, like the breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place Baal-perazim. {5:21} And they left their images there; and David and his men took them away. {5:22} And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim. {5:23} And when David inquired of Yahweh, he said, You shall not go up: make a circuit behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry-trees. {5:24} And it shall be, when you hear the sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry-trees, that then you shall bestir yourself; for then is Yahweh gone out before you to smite the host of the Philistines. {5:25} And David did so, as Yahweh commanded him, and smote the Philistines from Geba until you come to Gezer.

{O10}6} Second Samuel Chapter Six. {6:1} And David again gathered together all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. {6:2} And David arose, and went with all the people that were with him, from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the Name, even the name of Yahweh of hosts that sits [above] the cherubim. {6:3} And they set the ark of God upon a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab that was in the hill: and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drove the new cart. {6:4} And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was in the hill, with the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark. {6:5} And David and all the house of Israel played before Yahweh with all manner of [instruments made of] fir-wood, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with castanets, and with cymbals. {6:6} And when they came to the threshing-floor of Nacon, Uzzah put forth [his hand] to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen stumbled. {6:7} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Uzzah; and God smote him there for his error; and there he died by the ark of God. {6:8} And David was displeased, because Yahweh had broken forth upon Uzzah; and he called that place Perez-uzzah, unto this day. {6:9} And David was afraid of Yahweh that day; and he said, How shall the ark of Yahweh come unto me? {6:10} So David would not remove the ark of Yahweh unto him into the city of David; but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite. {6:11} And the ark of Yahweh remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three moons: and Yahweh blessed Obed-edom, and all his house. {6:12} And it was told king David, saying, Yahweh has blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that pertains unto him, because of the ark of God. And David went and brought up the ark of God

from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with joy. {6:13} And it was so, that, when they that bare the ark of Yahweh had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. {6:14} And David danced before Yahweh with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod. {6:15} So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of Yahweh with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. {6:16} And it was so, as the ark of Yahweh came into the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looked out at the window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before Yahweh; and she despised him in her heart. {6:17} And they brought in the ark of Yahweh, and set it in its place, in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings before Yahweh. {6:18} And when David had made an end of offering the burnt-offering and the peace-offerings, he blessed the people in the name of Yahweh of hosts. {6:19} And he dealt among all the people, even among the whole multitude of Israel, both to men and women, to everyone a cake of bread, and a portion [of flesh], and a cake of raisins. So all the people departed everyone to his house. {6:20} Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to-day, who uncovered himself to-day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovers himself! {6:21} And David said unto Michal, [It was] before Yahweh, who chose me above your father, and above all his house, to appoint me prince over the people of Yahweh, over Israel: therefore will I play before Yahweh. {6:22} And I will be yet more vile than this, and will be base in mine own sight: but of the handmaids of whom you have spoken, of them shall I be had in honor. {6:23} And Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death.

{O10}7} Second Samuel Chapter Seven. {7:1} And it came to pass, when the king lived in his house, and Yahweh had given him rest from all his enemies round about, {7:2} that the king said unto Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells within curtains. {7:3} And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that is in your heart; for Yahweh is with you. {7:4} And it came to pass the same night, that the word of Yahweh came unto Nathan, saying, {7:5} Go and tell my servant David, Thus say Yahweh, shall you build me a house for me to dwell in? {7:6} for I have not lived in a house since the day that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle. {7:7} In all places wherein I have walked with all the children of Israel, spoke I a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to be shepherd of my people Israel, saying, Why have you not built me a house of cedar? {7:8} Now therefore thus shall you say unto my servant David, Thus say Yahweh of hosts, I took you from the sheeppcote, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people, over Israel; {7:9} and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make you a great name, like unto the name of the great ones that are in the earth. {7:10} And I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as at the first, {7:11} and [as] from the day that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel; and I will cause you to rest from all your enemies. Yahweh also tells you that Yahweh will make you a house. {7:12} When your days are fulfilled, and you shall sleep with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, that shall proceed out of your bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. {7:13} He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. {7:14} I will be his father, and he shall be my son: if he commit works against law, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men; {7:15} but my agape loving kindness shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before you. {7:16} And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before you: your throne shall be established forever. {7:17} According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

{7:18} Then David the king went in, and sat before Yahweh; and he said, Who am I, O Lord Yahweh, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? {7:19} And this was yet a

small thing in your eyes, O Lord Yahweh; but you have spoken also of your servant's house for a great while to come; and this [too] after the manner of men, O Lord Yahweh! {7:20} And what can David say more unto you? for you know your servant, O Lord Yahweh. {7:21} For your word's sake, and according to your own heart, have you wrought all this greatness, to make your servant know it. {7:22} Therefore you are great, O The God Yahweh: for there is none like you, neither is there any God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears. {7:23} And what one nation in the earth is like your people, even like Israel, whom God went to redeem unto himself for a people, and to make him a name, and to do great things for you, and terrible things for your land, before your people, whom you redeems to you out of Egypt, [from] the nations and their gods? {7:24} And you did establish to yourself your people Israel to be a people unto you forever; and you, Yahweh, became their God. {7:25} And now, O The God Yahweh, the word that you have spoken concerning your servant, and concerning his house, confirm you it forever, and do as you have spoken. {7:26} And let your name be magnified forever, saying, Yahweh of hosts is God over Israel; and the house of your servant David shall be established before you. {7:27} For you, O Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, have revealed to your servant, saying, I will build you a house: therefore has your servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto you. {7:28} And now, O Lord Yahweh, you are God, and your words are truth, and you have promised this good thing unto your servant: {7:29} now therefore let it please you to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever before you; for you, O Lord Yahweh, have spoken it: and with your blessing let the house of your servant be blessed forever.

{O10}8} Second Samuel Chapter Eight {8:1} And after this it came to pass, that David defeated the Philistines, and subdued them: and David took the bridle of the mother city out of the hand of the Philistines. {8:2} And he defeated Moab, and measured them with the line, making them to lie down on the ground; and he measured two lines to put to death, and one full line to keep alive. And the Moabites became servants to David, and brought tribute. {8:3} David defeated also Hadadezer the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to recover his dominion at the River. {8:4} And David took from him a thousand and seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David hocked all the chariot horses, but reserved of them for a hundred chariots. {8:5} And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succor Hadadezer king of Zobah, David defeated of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men. {8:6} Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus; and the Syrians became servants to David, and brought tribute. And Yahweh gave victory to David wherever he went. {8:7} And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem. {8:8} And from Betah and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David took exceeding much brass. {8:9} And when Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadadezer, {8:10} then Toi sent Joram his son unto king David, to salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer and smitten him: for Hadadezer had wars with Toi. And [Joram] brought with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass: {8:11} These also did king David dedicate unto Yahweh, with the silver and gold that he dedicated of all the nations which he subdued; {8:12} of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer, son of Rehob, king of Zobah. {8:13} And David got him a name when he returned from smiting the Syrians in the Valley of Salt, even eighteen thousand men. {8:14} And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons, and all the Edomites became servants to David. And Yahweh gave victory to David whereever he went. {8:15} And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed justice and lawful works unto all his people. {8:16} And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder; {8:17} and Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, were priests; and Seraiah was scribe; {8:18} and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada [was over] the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were chief ministers.

{O10}9} Second Samuel Chapter Nine. {9:1} And David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake? {9:2} And there was of the house of Saul a servant whose name was Ziba, and they called him unto David; and the king said unto him, are you Ziba? And he said, Your servant is he. {9:3} And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king, Jonathan has yet a son, who is lame of his feet. {9:4} And the king said unto him, Where is he? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he is in the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, in Lo-debar. {9:5} Then king David sent, and gotten him out of the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, from Lo-debar. {9:6} And Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came unto David, and fell on his face, and did obeisance. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold, your servant! {9:7} And David said unto him, Fear not; for I will surely show you kindness for Jonathan your father's sake, and will restore you all the land of Saul your father; and you shall eat bread at my table continually. {9:8} And he did obeisance, and said, What is your servant, that you should look upon such a dead dog as I am? {9:9} Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, All that pertained to Saul and to all his house have I given unto your master's son. {9:10} And you shall till the land for him, you, and your sons, and your servants; and you shall bring in [the fruits], that your master's son may have bread to eat: but Mephibosheth's your master's son shall eat bread always at my table. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants. {9:11} Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king commands his servant, so shall your servant do. As for Mephibosheth, [said the king], he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons. {9:12} And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Mica. And all that lived in the house of Ziba were servants unto Mephibosheth. {9:13} So Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem; for he did eat continually at the king's table. And he was lame in both his feet.

{O10}10} Second Samuel Chapter Ten. {10:1} And it came to pass after this, that the king of the children of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead. {10:2} And David said, I will show kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, as his father showed kindness unto me. So David sent by his servants to comfort him concerning his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon. {10:3} But the princes of the children of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord, do you think that David will honor your father, in that he has sent comforters unto you? has not David sent his servants unto you to search the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it? {10:4} So Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, even to their buttocks, and sent them away. {10:5} When they told it unto David, he sent to meet them; for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and then return. {10:6} And when the children of Ammon saw that they were become odious to David, the children of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Beth-rehob, and the Syrians of Zobah, twenty thousand footmen, and the king of Maacah with a thousand men, and the men of Tob twelve thousand men. {10:7} And when David heard of it, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men. {10:8} And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entrance of the gate: and the Syrians of Zobah and of Rehob, and the men of Tob and Maacah, were by themselves in the field. {10:9} Now when Joab saw that the battle was set against him before and behind, he chose of all the choice men of Israel, and put them in array against the Syrians: {10:10} And the rest of the people he committed into the hand of Abishai his brother; and he put them in array against the children of Ammon. {10:11} And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then you shall help me; but if the children of Ammon be too strong for you, then I will come and help you. {10:12} Be of good courage, and let us play the man for our people, and for the cities of our God: and Yahweh do that which seems him good. {10:13} So Joab and the people that were with him drew near unto the battle against the Syrians: and they fled before him. {10:14} And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before Abishai, and entered into the city. Then

Joab returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Jerusalem. {10:15} And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they gathered themselves together. {10:16} And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that were beyond the River: and they came to Helam, with Shobach the captain of the host of Hadarezer at their head. {10:17} And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel together, and passed over the Jordan, and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against David, and fought with him. {10:18} And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians [the men of] seven hundred chariots, and forty thousand horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host, so that he died there. {10:19} And when all the kings that were servants to Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and served them. So the Syrians feared to help the children of Ammon any more.

{O10}11} Second Samuel Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And it came to pass, at the return of the year, at the time when kings go out [to battle], that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried at Jerusalem. {11:2} And it came to pass at eventide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon. {11:3} And David sent and inquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bath-sheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite? {11:4} And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her (for she was purified from her uncleanness); and she returned unto her house. {11:5} And the woman conceived; and she sent and told David, and said, I am with child. {11:6} And David sent to Joab, [saying], Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David. {11:7} And when Uriah was come unto him, David asked of him how Joab did, and how the people fared, and how the war prospered. {11:8} And David said to Uriah, Go down to your house, and wash your feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there followed him a mess [of food] from the king. {11:9} But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house. {11:10} And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David said unto Uriah, are you not come from a journey? Therefore did you not go down unto your house? {11:11} And Uriah said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in Temporary Shelters; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open field; shall I then go into my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? as you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do this thing. {11:12} And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to-day also, and to-morrow I will let you depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow. {11:13} And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house. {11:14} And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. {11:15} And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set you Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire you from him, that he may be smitten, and die. {11:16} And it came to pass, when Joab kept watch upon the city, that he assigned Uriah unto the place where he knew that valiant men were. {11:17} And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell some of the people, even of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also. {11:18} Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war; {11:19} and he charged the messenger, saying, When you have made an end of telling all the things concerning the war unto the king, {11:20} it shall be that, if the king's Anger arise, and he say unto you, Therefore went you so near unto the city to fight? knew you not that they would shoot from the wall? {11:21} who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubesheth? did not a woman cast an upper millstone upon him from the wall, so that he died at Thebez? why went you so near the wall? then shall you say, Your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also. {11:22} So the messenger went, and came and showed David all that Joab had sent him for. {11:23} And the messenger said unto David, The men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them

even unto the entrance of the gate. {11:24} And the shooters shot at your servants from off the wall; and some of the king's servants are dead, and your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also. {11:25} Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shall you say unto Joab, Let not this thing displease you, for the sword devours one as well as another; make your battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage you him. {11:26} And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she made lamentation for her husband. {11:27} And when the grieving was past, David sent and took her home to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased Yahweh.

{O10}12} Second Samuel Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And Yahweh sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor. {12:2} The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds; {12:3} but the poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own morsel, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter. {12:4} And there came a traveler unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him, but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him. {12:5} And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, As Yahweh lives, the man that has done this is worthy to die: {12:6} and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity. {12:7} And Nathan said to David, You are the man. Thus say Yahweh, the God of Israel, I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul; {12:8} and I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added unto you such and such things. {12:9} Therefore have you despised the word of Yahweh, to do that which is evil in his sight? you have smitten Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon. {12:10} Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. {12:11} Thus say Yahweh, Behold, I will raise up evil against you out of your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them unto your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun. {12:12} For you did it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun. {12:13} And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against Yahweh. And Nathan said unto David, Yahweh also has put away your sin; you shall not die. {12:14} However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of Yahweh to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto you shall surely die. {12:15} And Nathan departed unto his house. And Yahweh struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick. {12:16} David therefore beg God for the child; and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth. {12:17} And the elders of his house arose, [and stood] beside him, to raise him up from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with them. {12:18} And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead; for they said, Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke unto him, and he heard not unto our voice: how will he then vex himself, if we tell him that the child is dead! {12:19} But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David perceived that the child was dead; and David said unto his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead. {12:20} Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed himself, and changed his apparel; and he came into the house of Yahweh, and worshipped: then he came to his own house; and when he required, they set bread before him, and he did eat. {12:21} Then said his servants unto him, What thing is this that you have done? you did fast and weep for the child, while it was alive; but when the child was dead, you did rise and eat bread. {12:22} And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, Who knows whether Yahweh will not be gracious to me, that the child may live? {12:23} But now he is dead, Therefore should I fast? can

I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he will not return to me. {12:24} And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon. And Yahweh agape loved him; {12:25} and he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his name Jedidiah, for Yahweh's sake. {12:26} Now Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city. {12:27} And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah; behold, I have taken the city of waters. {12:28} Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encamp against the city, and take it; lest I take the city, and it be called after my name. {12:29} And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and took it. {12:30} And he took the crown of their king from off his head; and the weight there was a talent of gold, and [in it were] precious stones; and it was set on David's head. And he brought forth the spoil of the city, exceeding much. {12:31} And he brought forth the people that were therein, and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brick kiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem.

{o10}13} Second Samuel Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her. {13:2} And Amnon was so vexed that he fell sick because of his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and it seemed hard to Amnon to do anything unto her. {13:3} But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah, David's brother; and Jonadab was a very subtle man. {13:4} And he said unto him, Why, O son of the king, art you thus lean from day to day? will you not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister. {13:5} And Jonadab said unto him, Lay you down on your bed, and feign yourself sick: and when your father comes to see you, say unto him, Let my sister Tamar come, I pray you, and give me bread to eat, and dress the food in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it from her hand. {13:6} So Amnon lay down, and feigned himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, Let my sister Tamar come, I pray you, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat from her hand. {13:7} Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to your brother Amnon's house, and dress him food. {13:8} So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took dough, and kneaded it, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes. {13:9} And she took the pan, and poured them out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him. {13:10} And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the food into the chamber, that I may eat from your hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother. {13:11} And when she had brought them near unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, Come, lie with me, my sister. {13:12} And she answered him, No, my brother, do not force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not you this folly. {13:13} And I, where shall I carry my shame? and as for you, you will be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray you, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from you. {13:14} However he would not hear unto her voice; but being stronger than she, he forced her, and lay with her. {13:15} Then Amnon hated her with exceeding great hatred; for the hatred by which he hated her was greater than the love by which he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone. {13:16} And she said unto him, Not so, because this great wrong in putting me forth is [worse] than the other that you did unto me. But he would not hear unto her. {13:17} Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her. {13:18} And she had a garment of different colors upon her; for with such robes were the king's daughters that were virgins dressed. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her. {13:19} And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of different colors that was on her; and she laid her hand on her head, and went her way, crying aloud as she went. {13:20} And Absalom her brother said unto her, Has Amnon your brother

been with you? but now hold your peace, my sister: he is your brother; take not this thing to heart. So Tamar remained desolate in her brother Absalom's house. {13:21} But when king David heard of all these things, he was very angry. {13:22} And Absalom spoke unto Amnon neither good nor bad; for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar. {13:23} And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheep-shearers in Baal-hazor, which is beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons. {13:24} And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, your servant has sheep-shearers; let the king, I pray you, and his servants go with your servant. {13:25} And the king said to Absalom, No, my son, let us not all go, lest we be burdensome unto you. And he pressed him: however he would not go, but blessed him. {13:26} Then said Absalom, If not, I pray you, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king said unto him, Why should he go with you? {13:27} But Absalom pressed him, and he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him. {13:28} And Absalom commanded his servants, saying, Mark you now, when Amnon's heart is merry with wine; and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon, then kill him; fear not; have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant. {13:29} And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man got him up upon his mule, and fled. {13:30} And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that the tidings came to David, saying, Absalom has slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left. {13:31} Then the king arose, and rent his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by with their clothes rent. {13:32} And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah, David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord suppose that they have killed all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead; for by the appointment of Absalom this has been determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar. {13:33} Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead; for Amnon only is dead. {13:34} But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came much people by the way of the hill-side behind him. {13:35} And Jonadab said unto the king, Behold, the king's sons are come: as your servant said, so it is. {13:36} And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that, behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice, and wept: and the king also and all his servants wept very sore. {13:37} But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai the son of Ammihur, king of Geshur. And [David] grieved for his son every day. {13:38} So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years. {13:39} And [the soul of] king David longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

{O10}14} Second Samuel Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Now Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart was toward Absalom. {14:2} And Joab sent to Tekoa, and gotten there a wise woman, and said unto her, I pray you, feign yourself to be a griever, and put on grieving apparel, I pray you, and anoint not yourself with oil, but be as a woman that has a long time grieved for the dead: {14:3} and go in to the king, and speak on this manner unto him. So Joab put the words in her mouth. {14:4} And when the woman of Tekoa spoke to the king, she fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, Help, O king. {14:5} And the king said unto her, What ails you? And she answered, Of a truth I am a widow, and my husband is dead. {14:6} And your handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and there was none to part them, but the one defeated the other, and killed him. {14:7} And, behold, the whole family is risen against your handmaid, and they say, Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may kill him for the life of his brother whom he slew, and so destroy the heir also. Thus will they quench my coal which is left, and will leave to my husband neither name nor remainder upon the face of the earth. {14:8} And the king said unto the woman, Go to your house, and I will give charge concerning you. {14:9} And the woman of Tekoa said unto the king, My lord, O king, the works against law be on me, and on my father's house; and the king and his throne be guiltless. {14:10} And the king said, Anyone who say anything unto you, bring him to me, and he shall not touch you any more. {14:11} Then said she, I pray you, let the king remember Yahweh your God, that

the avenger of blood destroy not any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said, As Yahweh lives, there shall not one hair of your son fall to the earth. {14:12} Then the woman said, Let your handmaid, I pray you, speak a word unto my lord the king. And he said, Say on. {14:13} And the woman said, Therefore then have you devised such a thing against the people of God? for in speaking this word the king is as one that is guilty, in that the king does not get home again his banished one. {14:14} For we must needs die, and are as water split on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither does God take away life, but devises means, that he that is banished be not an outcast from him. {14:15} Now therefore seeing that I am come to speak this word unto my lord the king, it is because the people have made me afraid: and your handmaid said, I will now speak unto the king; it may be that the king will perform the request of his servant. {14:16} For the king will hear, to deliver his servant out of the hand of the man that would destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God. {14:17} Then your handmaid said, Let, I pray you, the word of my lord the king be comfortable; for as an messenger of God, so is my lord the king to discern good and bad: and Yahweh your God be with you. {14:18} Then the king answered and said unto the woman, Hide not from me, I pray you, anything that I shall ask you. And the woman said, Let my lord the king now speak. {14:19} And the king said, Is the hand of Joab with you in all this? And the woman answered and said, As your soul lives, my lord the king, none can turn to the right hand or to the left from anything that my lord the king has spoken; for your servant Joab, he bade me, and he put all these words in the mouth of your handmaid; {14:20} to change the face of the matter has your servant Joab done this thing: and my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an messenger of God, to know all things that are in the earth. {14:21} And the king said unto Joab, Behold now, I have done this thing: go therefore, bring the young man Absalom back. {14:22} And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and did obeisance, and blessed the king: and Joab said, To-day your servant knows that I have found favor in your sight, my lord, O king, in that the king has performed the request of his servant. {14:23} So Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem. {14:24} And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, but let him not see my face. So Absalom turned to his own house, and saw not the king's face. {14:25} Now in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him. {14:26} And when he cut the hair of his head (now it was at every year's end that he cut it; because it was heavy on him, therefore he cut it); he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels, after the king's weight. {14:27} And unto Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name was Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance. {14:28} And Absalom lived two full years in Jerusalem; and he saw not the king's face. {14:29} Then Absalom sent for Joab, to send him to the king; but he would not come to him: and he sent again a second time, but he would not come. {14:30} Therefore he said unto his servants, See, Joab's field is near mine, and he has barley there; go and set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the field on fire. {14:31} Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto his house, and said unto him, Therefore have your servants set my field on fire? {14:32} And Absalom answered Joab, Behold, I sent unto you, saying, Come here, that I may send you to the king, to say, Therefore am I come from Geshur? it were better for me to be there still. Now therefore let me see the king's face; and if there be works against law in me, let him kill me. {14:33} So Joab came to the king, and told him; and when he had called for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king: and the king kissed Absalom.

{O10}15} Second Samuel Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him a chariot and horses, and fifty men to run before him. {15:2} And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was so, that, when any man had a suit which should come to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, Of what city art you? And he said, Your servant is of one of the tribes of Israel. {15:3} And

Absalom said unto him, See, your matters are good and right; but there is no man deputed of the king to hear you. {15:4} Absalom also said, Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man who has any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice! {15:5} And it was so, that, when any man came near to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took hold of him, and kissed him. {15:6} And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.

{15:7} And it came to pass at the end of forty years, that Absalom said unto the king, I pray you, let me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed unto Yahweh, in Hebron. {15:8} For your servant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, If Yahweh shall indeed bring me again to Jerusalem, then I will serve Yahweh. {15:9} And the king said unto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and went to Hebron. {15:10} But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as you hear the sound of the trumpet, then you shall say, Absalom is king in Hebron. {15:11} And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, that were invited, and went in their simplicity; and they knew not anything. {15:12} And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counselor, from his city, even from Giloh, while he was offering the sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased continually with Absalom. {15:13} And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom. {15:14} And David said unto all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for else none of us shall escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us quickly, and bring down evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword. {15:15} And the king's servants said unto the king, Behold, your servants are ready to do whatever my lord the king shall choose. {15:16} And the king went forth, and all his household after him. And the king left ten women, that were concubines, to keep the house. {15:17} And the king went forth, and all the people after him; and they tarried in Beth-merhak. {15:18} And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men that came after him from Goth, passed on before the king. {15:19} Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, Therefore go you also with us? return, and abide with the king: for you are a foreigner, and also an exile; [return] to your own place. {15:20} Whereas you came but yesterday, should I this day make you go up and down with us, seeing I go where I may? return you, and take back your brethren; mercy and truth be with you. {15:21} And Ittai answered the king, and said, As Yahweh lives, and as my lord the king lives, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether for death or for life, even there also will your servant be. {15:22} And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that were with him. {15:23} And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness. {15:24} And, lo, Zadok also [came], and all the Levites with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of God; and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city. {15:25} And the king said unto Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the city: if I shall find favor in the eyes of Yahweh, he will bring me again, and show me both it, and his habitation: {15:26} but if he say thus, I have no delight in you; behold, here am I, let him do to me as seems good unto him. {15:27} The king said also unto Zadok the priest, are you [not] a seer? return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz your son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar. {15:28} See, I will tarry at the fords of the wilderness, until there come word from you to certify me. {15:29} Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to Jerusalem: and they abode there. {15:30} And David went up by the ascent of the [mount of] Olives, and wept as he went up; and he had his head covered, and went barefoot: and all the people that were with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up. {15:31} And one told David, saying, Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. And David said, O Yahweh, I pray you, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness. {15:32} And it came to pass, that, when David was come to the top [of the ascent], where God was worshipped, behold, Hushai the

Archite came to meet him with his coat rent, and earth upon his head. {15:33} And David said unto him, If you pass on with me, then you will be a burden unto me: {15:34} but if you return to the city, and say unto Absalom, I will be your servant, O king; as I have been your father's servant in time past, so will I now be your servant; then will you defeat for me the counsel of Ahithophel. {15:35} And have you not there with you Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, that what thing so ever you shall hear out of the king's house, you shall tell it to Zadok and Abiathar the priests. {15:36} Behold, they have there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz, Zadok's son, and Jonathan, Abiathar's son; and by them you shall send unto me everything that you shall hear. {15:37} So Hushai, David's friend, came into the city; and Absalom came into Jerusalem.

{O10}16} Second Samuel Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And when David was a little past the top [of the ascent], behold, Ziba the servant of Mephiboshets met him, with a couple of donkeys saddled, and upon them two hundred loaves of bread, and a hundred clusters of raisins, and a hundred of summer fruits, and a bottle of wine. {16:2} And the king said unto Ziba, What meanest you by these? And Ziba said, The donkeys are for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as are faint in the wilderness may drink. {16:3} And the king said, And where is your master's son? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he abides at Jerusalem; for he said, To-day will the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father. {16:4} Then said the king to Ziba, Behold, your is all that pertains unto Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, I do obeisance; let me find favor in your sight, my lord, O king. {16:5} And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, there came out there a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei, the son of Gera; he came out, and cursed still as he came. {16:6} And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right hand and on his left. {16:7} And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Be gone, be gone, you man of blood, and base fellow: {16:8} Yahweh has returned upon you all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead you have reigned; and Yahweh has delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom your son; and, behold, you are [taken] in your own mischief, because you art a man of blood. {16:9} Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray you, and take off his head. {16:10} And the king said, What have I to do with you, you sons of Zeruiah? Because he cursed, and because Yahweh has said unto him, curse David; who then shall say, Therefore have you done so? {16:11} And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, who came forth from my bowels, seeks my life: how much more [may] this Benjamite now [do it]? let him alone, and let him curse; for Yahweh has bidden him. {16:12} It may be that Yahweh will look on the wrong done unto me, and that Yahweh will reward me good for [his] cursing of me this day. {16:13} So David and his men went by the way; and Shimei went along on the hill-side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and cast dust. {16:14} And the king, and all the people that were with him, came weary; and he refreshed himself there. {16:15} And Absalom, and all the people, the men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him. {16:16} And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David's friend, was come unto Absalom, that Hushai said unto Absalom, [Long] live the king, [Long] live the king. {16:17} And Absalom said to Hushai, Is this your kindness to your friend? why went you not with your friend? {16:18} And Hushai said unto Absalom, No; but whom Yahweh, and this people, and all the men of Israel have chosen, his will I be, and with him will I abide. {16:19} And again, whom should I serve? [should I] not [serve] in the presence of his son? as I have served in your father's presence, so will I be in your presence. {16:20} Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give your counsel what we shall do. {16:21} And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto your father's concubines, that he has left to keep the house; and all Israel will hear that you are abhorred of your father: then will the hands of all that are with you be strong. {16:22} So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in

unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel. {16:23} And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he gave in those days, was as if a man inquired at the oracle of God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.

{O10}17} Second Samuel Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} Ahithophel also said unto Absalom, Let me now choose out twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue after David this night: {17:2} and I will come upon him while he is weary and weak-handed, and will make him afraid; and all the people that are with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only; {17:3} and I will bring back all the people unto you: the man whom you seek is as if all returned: [so] all the people shall be in peace. {17:4} And the saying pleased Absalom well, and all the elders of Israel. {17:5} Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear likewise what he say. {17:6} And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spoke unto him, saying, Ahithophel has spoken after this manner: shall we do [after] his saying? if not, speak you. {17:7} And Hushai said unto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel has given this time is not good. {17:8} Hushai also said, You know your father and his men, that they are mighty men, and they are chafed in their minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field; and your father is a man of war, and will not lodge with the people. {17:9} Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some [other] place: and it will come to pass, when some of them are fallen at the first, that anyone who hears it will say, There is a slaughter among the people that follow Absalom. {17:10} And even he that is valiant, whose heart is as the heart of a lion, will utterly melt; for all Israel knows that your father is a mighty man, and they that are with him are valiant men. {17:11} But I counsel that all Israel be gathered together unto you, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, as the sand that is by the sea for multitude; and that you go to battle in your own person. {17:12} So shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him as the dew falls on the ground; and of him and of all the men that are with him we will not leave so much as one. {17:13} Also, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, until there be not one small stone found there. {17:14} And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of Hushai the Archite is better than the counsel of Ahithophel. For Yahweh had ordained to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, to the intent that Yahweh might bring evil upon Absalom. {17:15} Then said Hushai unto Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counseled. {17:16} Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, Lodge not this night at the fords of the wilderness, but by all means pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that are with him. {17:17} Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz were staying by En-rogel; and a maid-servant used to go and tell them; and they went and told king David: for they might not be seen to come into the city. {17:18} But a young man saw them, and told Absalom: and they went both of them away quickly, and came to the house of a man in Bahurim, who had a well in his court; and they went down there. {17:19} And the woman took and spread the covering over the well's mouth, and strewed bruised grain thereon; and nothing was known. {17:20} And Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house; and they said, Where are Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said unto them, They are gone over the brook of water. And when they had sought and could not find them, they returned to Jerusalem. {17:21} And it came to pass, after they were departed, that they came up out of the well, and went and told king David; and they said unto David, Arise you, and pass quickly over the water; for thus has Ahithophel counseled against you. {17:22} Then David arose, and all the people that were with him, and they passed over the Jordan: by the morning light there lacked not one of them that was not gone over the Jordan. {17:23} And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his donkey, and arose, and got him home, unto his city, and set his house in order, and hanged himself; and he died, and was buried in the sepulcher of his father. {17:24} Then David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over the Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him. {17:25} And Absalom set Amasa over the host instead of Joab. Now

Amasa was the son of a man, whose name was Ithra the Israelite, that went in to Abigail the daughter of Nahash, sister to Zeruiah, Joab's mother. {17:26} And Israel and Absalom encamped in the land of Gilead. {17:27} And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the son of Ammiel of Lodebar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim, {17:28} brought beds, and basins, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and meal, and parched [grain], and beans, and lentils, and parched [vegetables], {17:29} and honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of the herd, for David, and for the people that were with him, to eat: for they said, The people are hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the wilderness.

{O10}18} Second Samuel Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And David numbered the people that were with him, and set captains of thousands and captains of hundreds over them. {18:2} And David sent forth the people, a third part under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite. And the king said unto the people, I will surely go forth with you myself also. {18:3} But the people said, You shall not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not care for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us: but you are worth ten thousand of us; therefore now it is better that you be ready to succor us out of the city. {18:4} And the king said unto them, What seems you best I will do. And the king stood by the gate-side, and all the people went out by hundreds and by thousands. {18:5} And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Deal gently for my sake with the young man, even with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom. {18:6} So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the forest of Ephraim. {18:7} And the people of Israel were smitten there before the servants of David, and there was a great slaughter there that day of twenty thousand men. {18:8} For the battle was there spread over the face of all the country; and the forest devoured more people that day than the sword devoured. {18:9} And Absalom chanced to meet the servants of David. And Absalom was riding upon his mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between heaven and earth; and the mule that was under him went on. {18:10} And a certain man saw it, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanging in an oak. {18:11} And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, you saw it, and why did you not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given you ten [pieces of] silver, and a girdle. {18:12} And the man said unto Joab, Though I should receive a thousand [pieces of] silver in my hand, yet would I not put forth my hand against the king's son; for in our hearing the king charged you and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none touch the young man Absalom. {18:13} Otherwise if I had dealt falsely against his life (and there is no matter hid from the king), then you yourself would have set yourself against [me]. {18:14} Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with you. And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak. {18:15} And ten young men that bare Joab's armor around about and defeated Absalom, and slew him. {18:16} And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing after Israel; for Joab held back the people. {18:17} And they took Absalom, and cast him into the great pit in the forest, and raised over him a very great heap of stones: and all Israel fled everyone to his tent. {18:18} Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself the pillar, which is in the king's dale; for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own name; and it is called Absalom's monument, unto this day. {18:19} Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and bear the king tidings, how that Yahweh has avenged him of his enemies. {18:20} And Joab said unto him, You shall not be the bearer of tidings this day, but you shall bear tidings another day; but this day you shall bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead. {18:21} Then said Joab to the Cushite, Go, tell the king what you have seen. And the Cushite bowed himself unto Joab, and ran. {18:22} Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, But come what may, let me, I pray you,

also run after the Cushite. And Joab said, Therefore will you run, my son, seeing that you will have no reward for the tidings? {18:23} But come what may, [said he], I will run. And he said unto him, Run. Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the Plain, and outran the Cushite. {18:24} Now David was sitting between the two gates: and the watchman went up to the roof of the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, a man running alone. {18:25} And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he be alone, there is tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near. {18:26} And the watchman saw another man running; and the watchman called unto the porter, and said, Behold, [another] man running alone. And the king said, He also brings tidings. {18:27} And the watchman said, I think the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He is a good man, and comes with good tidings. {18:28} And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, All is well. And he bowed himself before the king with his face to the earth, and said, Blessed be Yahweh your God, who has delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king. {18:29} And the king said, Is it well with the young man Absalom? And Ahimaaz answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, even me your servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what it was. {18:30} And the king said, Turn aside, and stand here. And he turned aside, and stood still. {18:31} And, behold, the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, Tidings for my lord the king; for Yahweh has avenged you this day of all them that rose up against you. {18:32} And the king said unto the Cushite, Is it well with the young man Absalom? And the Cushite answered, The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise up against you to do you hurt, be as that young man is. {18:33} And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would I had died for you, O Absalom, my son, my son!

{O10}19} Second Samuel Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And it was told Joab, Behold, the king weeps and grieves for Absalom. {19:2} And the victory that day was turned into grieving unto all the people; for the people heard say that day, The king grieves for his son. {19:3} And the people got them by stealth that day into the city, as people that are ashamed steal away when they flee in battle. {19:4} And the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son! {19:5} And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, You have shamed this day the faces of all your servants, who this day have saved your life, and the lives of your sons and of your daughters, and the lives of your wives, and the lives of your concubines; {19:6} in that you love them that hate you, and hates them that love you. For you have declared this day, that princes and servants are nothing unto you: for this day I perceive, that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had pleased you well. {19:7} Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak comfortably unto your servants; for I swear by Yahweh, if you go not forth, there will not tarry a man with you this night: and that will be worse unto you than all the evil that has befallen you from your youth until now. {19:8} Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told unto all the people, saying, Behold, the king is sitting in the gate: and all the people came before the king. Now Israel had fled every man to his tent. {19:9} And all the people were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, The king delivered us out of the hand of our enemies, and he saved us out of the hand of the Philistines; and now he is fled out of the land from Absalom. {19:10} And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now therefore why speak you not a word of bringing the king back? {19:11} And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, Speak unto the elders of Judah, saying, Why are you the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing the speech of all Israel is come to the king, [to bring him] to his house. {19:12} You are my brethren, you are my bone and my flesh: Therefore then are you the last to bring back the king? {19:13} And say you to Amasa, are you not my bone and my flesh? God do so to me, and more also, if you be not captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab. {19:14} And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as [the heart of] one man; so that they sent unto the king, [saying], Return you, and

all your servants. {19:15} So the king returned, and came to the Jordan. And Judah came to Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to bring the king over the Jordan. {19:16} And Shimei the son of Gera, the Benjamite, who was of Bahurim, hurried and came down with the men of Judah to meet king David. {19:17} And there were a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went through the Jordan in the presence of the king. {19:18} And there went over a ferry-boat to bring over the king's household, and to do what he thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, when he was come over the Jordan. {19:19} And he said unto the king, Let not my lord impute works against law unto me, neither do you remember that which your servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart. {19:20} For your servant does know that I have sinned: therefore, behold, I am come this day the first of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king. {19:21} But Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, shall not Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed Yahweh's anointed? {19:22} And David said, What have I to do with you, you sons of Zeruiah, that you should this day be adversaries unto me? shall there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not I know that I am this day king over Israel? {19:23} And the king said unto Shimei, You shall not die. And the king swore unto him. {19:24} And Mephiboshets the son of Saul came down to meet the king; and he had neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came home in peace. {19:25} And it came to pass, when he was come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king said unto him, Therefore went not you with me, Mephibosheth? {19:26} And he answered, My lord, O king, my servant deceived me: for your servant said, I will saddle me an donkey, that I may ride thereon, and go with the king; because your servant is lame. {19:27} And he has slandered your servant unto my lord the king; but my lord the king is as an messenger of God: do therefore what is good in your eyes. {19:28} For all my father's house were but dead men before my lord the king; yet did you set your servant among them that did eat at your own table. What right therefore have I yet that I should cry any more unto the king? {19:29} And the king said unto him, Why speak you any more of your matters? I say, You and Ziba divide the land. {19:30} And Mephiboshets said unto the king, behold, let him take all, forasmuch as my lord the king is come in peace unto his own house. {19:31} And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim; and he went over the Jordan with the king, to conduct him over the Jordan. {19:32} Now Barzillai was a very aged man, even eighty years old: and he had provided the king with sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim; for he was a very great man. {19:33} And the king said unto Barzillai, Come you over with me, and I will sustain you with me in Jerusalem. {19:34} And Barzillai said unto the king, How many are the days of the years of my life, that I should go up with the king unto Jerusalem? {19:35} I am this day eighty years old: can I discern between good and bad? can your servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more the voice of singing men and singing women? Therefore then should your servant be yet a burden unto my lord the king? {19:36} Your servant would but just go over the Jordan with the king: and why should the king recompense it me with such a reward? {19:37} Let your servant, I pray you, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, by the grave of my father and my mother. But behold, your servant Chimham; let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what shall seem good unto you. {19:38} And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which shall seem good unto you: and whatever you shall require of me, that will I do for you. {19:39} And all the people went over the Jordan, and the king went over: and the king kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned unto his own place. {19:40} So the king went over to Gilgal, and Chimham went over with him: and all the people of Judah brought the king over, and also half the people of Israel. {19:41} And, behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said unto the king, Why have our brethren the men of Judah stolen you away, and brought the king, and his household, over the Jordan, and all David's men with him? {19:42} And all the men of Judah answered the men of Israel, Because the king is near of kin to us: Therefore

then are you angry for this matter? have we eaten at all at the king's cost? or has he given us any gift? {19:43} And the men of Israel answered the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the king, and we have also more [right] in David than you: why then did you despise us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king? And the words of the men of Judah were fiercer than the words of the men of Israel.

{O10}20} Second Samuel Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And there happened to be there a base fellow, whose name was Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew the trumpet, and said, We have no portion in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents, O Israel. {20:2} So all the men of Israel went up from following David, and followed Sheba the son of Bichri; but the men of Judah clave unto their king, from the Jordan even to Jerusalem. {20:3} And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women his concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them in ward, and provided them with sustenance, but went not in unto them. So they were shut up unto the day of their death, living in widowhood. {20:4} Then said the king to Amasa, Call me the men of Judah together within three days, and be you here present. {20:5} So Amasa went to call [the men of] Judah together; but he tarried longer than the set time which he had appointed him. {20:6} And David said to Abishai, Now will Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than did Absalom: take you your lord's servants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fortified cities, and escape out of our sight. {20:7} And there went out after him Joab's men, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men; and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri. {20:8} When they were at the great stone which is in Gibeon, Amasa came to meet them. And Joab was girded with his apparel of war that he had put on, and thereon was a girdle with a sword fastened upon his loins in the sheath there; and as he went forth it fell out. {20:9} And Joab said to Amasa, Is it well with you, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the beard with his right hand to kiss him. {20:10} But Amasa took no heed to the sword that was in Joab's hand: so he smote him with in the body, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and struck him not again; and he died. And Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri. {20:11} And there stood by him one of Joab's young men, and said, He that favors Joab, and he that is for David, let him follow Joab. {20:12} And Amasa lay wallowing in his blood in the midst of the highway. And when the man saw that all the people stood still, he carried Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast a garment over him, when he saw that everyone that came by him stood still. {20:13} When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri. {20:14} And he went through all the tribes of Israel unto Abel, and to Beth-maacah, and all the Berites: and they were gathered together, and went also after him. {20:15} And they came and besieged him in Abel of Beth-maacah, and they cast up a mound against the city, and it stood against the rampart; and all the people that were with Joab battered the wall, to throw it down. {20:16} Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come near here, that I may speak with you. {20:17} And he came near unto her; and the woman said, are you Joab? And he answered, I am. Then she said unto him, Hear the words of your handmaid. And he answered, I do hear. {20:18} Then she spoke, saying, They were wont to speak in old time, saying, They shall surely ask [counsel] at Abel: and so they ended [the matter]. {20:19} I am of them that are peaceable and faithful in Israel: you seek to destroy a city and a mother in Israel: why will you swallow up the inheritance of Yahweh? {20:20} And Joab answered and said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or destroy. {20:21} The matter is not so: but a man of the hill-country of Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name, has lifted up his hand against the king, even against David; deliver him only, and I will depart from the city. And the woman said unto Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to you over the wall. {20:22} Then the woman went unto all the people in her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and threw it out to Joab. And he blew the trumpet, and they were dispersed from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned

to Jerusalem unto the king. {20:23} Now Joab was over all the host of Israel; and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites; {20:24} and Adoram was over the men subject to task work; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was the recorder; {20:25} and Sheva was scribe; and Zadok and Abiathar were priests; {20:26} and also Ira the Jairite was chief minister unto David.

{O10}21} Second Samuel Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David sought the face of Yahweh. And Yahweh said, It is for Saul, and for his bloody house, because he put to death the Gibeonites. {21:2} And the king called the Gibeonites, and said unto them (now the Gibeonites were not of the children of Israel, but of the remnant of the Amorites; and the children of Israel had sworn unto them: and Saul sought to slay them in his zeal for the children of Israel and Judah); {21:3} and David said unto the Gibeonites, What shall I do for you? and by which shall I make atonement, that you may bless the inheritance of Yahweh? {21:4} And the Gibeonites said unto him, It is no matter of silver or gold between us and Saul, or his house; neither is it for us to put any man to death in Israel. And he said, What you shall say, that will I do for you. {21:5} And they said unto the king, The man that consumed us, and that devised against us, [that] we should be destroyed from remaining in any of the borders of Israel, {21:6} let seven men of his sons be delivered unto us, and we will hang them up unto Yahweh in Gibeah of Saul, the chosen of Yahweh. And the king said, I will give them. {21:7} But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of Yahweh's oath that was between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul. {21:8} But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bare unto Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she bare to Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite: {21:9} And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the mountain before Yahweh, and they fell [all] seven together. And they were put to death in the days of harvest, in the first days, at the beginning of barley harvest. {21:10} And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock, from the beginning of harvest until water was poured upon them from heaven; and she suffered neither the birds of the heavens to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night. {21:11} And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had done. {21:12} And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from the men of Jabesh-gilead, who had stolen them from the street of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, in the day that the Philistines slew Saul in Gilboa; {21:13} and he brought up from there the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son: and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged. {21:14} And they buried the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son in the country of Benjamin in Zela, in the sepulcher of Kish his father: and they performed all that the king commanded. And after that God was entreated for the land. {21:15} And the Philistines had war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines. And David waxed faint; {21:16} and Ishbibenob, who was of the sons of the giant, the weight of whose spear was three hundred [shekels] of brass in weight, he being girded with a new [sword], thought to have slain David. {21:17} But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succored him, and defeated the Philistine, and killed him. Then the men of David swore unto him, saying, You shall go no more out with us to battle, that you quench not the lamp of Israel. {21:18} And it came to pass after this, that there was again war with the Philistines at Gob: then Sibbecai the Hushasite slew Saph, who was of the sons of the giant. {21:19} And there was again war with the Philistines at Gob; and Elhanan the son of Jaareoregim the Beth-lehemite slew Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose spear was like a weaver's beam. {21:20} And there was again war at Goth, where was a man of great stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to the giant. {21:21} And when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimei, David's brother, slew him. {21:22} These four

were born to the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

{O10}22} Second Samuel Chapter Twenty Two. {22:1} And David spoke unto Yahweh the words of this song in the day that Yahweh delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul: {22:2} and he said, Yahweh is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer, even mine; {22:3} God, my rock, in him will I take refuge; My shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge; My savior, you save me from violence. {22:4} I will call upon Yahweh, who is worthy to be praised: So shall I be saved from mine enemies. {22:5} For the waves of death around me; The floods of ungodliness made me afraid: {22:6} The cords of Sheol were round about me; The snares of death came upon me. {22:7} In my distress I called upon Yahweh; Behold, I called unto my God: And he heard my voice out of his temple, And my cry [came] into his ears. {22:8} Then the earth shook and trembled, The foundations of heaven quaked And were shaken, because he was angry. {22:9} There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, And fire out of his mouth devoured: Coals were kindled by it. {22:10} He bowed the heavens also, and came down; And thick darkness was under his feet. {22:11} And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly; Behold, he was seen upon the wings of the wind. {22:12} And he made darkness pavilions round about him, Gathering of waters, thick clouds of the skies. {22:13} At the brightness before him Coals of fire were kindled. {22:14} Yahweh thundered from heaven, And the Most High uttered his voice. {22:15} And he sent out arrows, and scattered them; Lightning, and discomfited them. {22:16} Then the channels of the sea appeared, The foundations of the world were laid bare, By the rebuke of Yahweh, At the blast of the breath of his nostrils. {22:17} He sent from on high, he took me; He drew me out of many waters; {22:18} He delivered me from my strong enemy, From them that hated me; for they were too mighty for me. {22:19} They came upon me in the day of my calamity; But Yahweh was my stay. {22:20} He brought me forth also into a large place; He delivered me, because he delighted in me. {22:21} Yahweh rewarded me according to my lawful works; According to the cleanness of my hands has he recompensed me. {22:22} For I have kept the ways of Yahweh, And have not wickedly departed from my God. {22:23} For all his ordinances were before me; And as for his statutes, I did not depart from them. {22:24} I was also perfect toward him; And I kept myself from mine works against law. {22:25} Therefore has Yahweh recompensed me according to my lawful works, According to my cleanness in his eyesight. {22:26} With the merciful you will show yourself merciful; With the perfect man you will show yourself perfect; {22:27} With the pure you will show yourself pure; And with the perverse you will show yourself contrary. {22:28} And the afflicted people you will save; But your eyes are upon the haughty, that you may bring them down. {22:29} For you are my lamp, O Yahweh; And Yahweh will lighten my darkness. {22:30} For by you I run upon a troop; By my God do I leap over a wall. {22:31} As for God, his way is perfect: The word of Yahweh is tried; He is a shield unto all them that take refuge in him. {22:32} For who is God, save Yahweh? And who is a rock, save our God? {22:33} God is my strong fortress; And he guides the perfect in his way. {22:34} He makes his feet like hinds' [feet], And sets me upon my high places. {22:35} He teaches my hands to make war, So that mine arms do bend a bow of brass. {22:36} You have also given me the shield of your salvation; And your gentleness has made me great. {22:37} You have enlarged my steps under me; And my feet have not slipped. {22:38} I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; Neither did I turn again till they were consumed. {22:39} And I have consumed them, and smitten them through, so that they cannot arise: Behold, they are fallen under my feet. {22:40} For you have girded me with strength unto the battle; You have subdued under me those that rose up against me. {22:41} You have also made mine enemies turn their backs unto me, That I might cut off them that hate me. {22:42} They looked, but there was none to save; Even unto Yahweh, but he answered them not. {22:43} Then did I beat them small as the dust of the earth, I did crush them as the mire of the streets, and did spread them abroad. {22:44} You also

have delivered me from the strivings of my people; You have kept me to be the head of the nations: A people whom I have not known shall serve me. {22:45} The foreigners shall submit themselves unto me: As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me. {22:46} The foreigners shall fade away, And shall come trembling out of their close places. {22:47} Yahweh lives; And blessed be my rock; And exalted be God, the rock of my salvation, {22:48} Even the God that executes vengeance for me, And that brings down peoples under me, {22:49} And that brings me forth from mine enemies: Behold, you lifts me up above them that rise up against me; You deliver me from the violent man. {22:50} Therefore I will give thanks unto you, O Yahweh, among the nations, And will sing praises unto your name. {22:51} Great deliverance he gives to his king, And shows agape loving kindness to his anointed, To David and to his seed, forevermore.

{O10}23} Second Samuel Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} Now these are the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, And the man who was raised on high said, The anointed of the God of Jacob, And the sweet Psalmist of Israel: {23:2} The Spirit of Yahweh spoke by me, And his word was upon my tongue. {23:3} The God of Israel said, The Rock of Israel spoke to me: One that rules over men working lawfully, That rules in the fear of God, {23:4} [He shall be] as the light of the morning, when the sun rises, A morning with out clouds, [When] the tender grass [springs] out of the earth, Through clear shining after rain. {23:5} Verily my house is not so with God; Yet he has made with me an everlasting covenant, Ordered in all things, and sure: For it is all my salvation, and all [my] desire, Although he makes it not to grow. {23:6} But the ungodly shall be all of them as thorns to be thrust away, Because they cannot be taken with the hand; {23:7} But the man that touches them Must be armed with iron and the staff of a spear: And they shall be utterly burned with fire in [their] place. {23:8} These are the names of the mighty men whom David had: Josheb-basshebtsetsa Tahchemonite, chief of the captains; the same was Adino the Eznite, against eight hundred slain at one time. {23:9} And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodai the son of an Ahohite, one of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away. {23:10} He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword; and Yahweh wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to take spoil. {23:11} And after him was Shammah the son of Agee a Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where was a plot of ground full of lentils; and the people fled from the Philistines. {23:12} But he stood in the midst of the plot, and defended it, and slew the Philistines; and Yahweh wrought a great victory. {23:13} And three of the thirty chief men went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam; and the troop of the Philistines was encamped in the valley of Rephaim. {23:14} And David was then in the stronghold; and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Beth-lehem [city of bread]. {23:15} And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me water to drink of the well of Beth-lehem, which is by the gate! {23:16} And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: but he would not drink there, but poured it out unto Yahweh. {23:17} And he said, Be it far from me, O Yahweh, that I should do this: [shall I drink] the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did the three mighty men. {23:18} And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruijah, was chief of the three. And he lifted up his spear against three hundred and slew them, and had a name among the three. {23:19} Was he not most honorable of the three? therefore he was made their captain: however he attained not unto the [first] three. {23:20} And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done mighty deeds, he slew the two [sons of] Ariel of Moab: he went down also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow. {23:21} And he slew an Egyptian, a goodly man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand; but he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear. {23:22} These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had a name among the three mighty men. {23:23} He

was more honorable than the thirty, but he attained not to the [first] three. And David set him over his guard. {23:24} Asahel the brother of Joab was one of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem, {23:25} Shammah the Harodite, Elikah the Harodite, {23:26} Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkeiah the Tekoite, {23:27} Abiezer the Anathothite, Mebunnai the Hushasite, {23:28} Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophasite, {23:29} Heleb the son of Baanah the Netophasite, Ittai the son of Ribai of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin, {23:30} Benaiah a Pirathonite, Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash. {23:31} Abialbon the Arbathite, Azmavets the Barhumite, {23:32} Eliahba the Shaalbonite, the sons of Jashen, Jonathan, {23:33} Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Ararite, {23:34} Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maacathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel the Gilonite, {23:35} Hezro the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite, {23:36} Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite, {23:37} Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, armor bearers to Joab the son of Zeruiah, {23:38} Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite, {23:39} Uriah the Hittite: thirty and seven in all.

{O10}24} Second Samuel Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} And again the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them, saying, Go, number Israel and Judah. {24:2} And the king said to Joab the captain of the host, who was with him, Go now to and fro through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number you the people, that I may know the sum of the people. {24:3} And Joab said unto the king, Now Yahweh your God add unto the people, how many so ever they may be, a hundredfold; and may the eyes of my lord the king see it: but why does my lord the king delight in this thing? {24:4} Notwithstanding, the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the people of Israel. {24:5} And they passed over the Jordan, and encamped in Aroer, on the right side of the city that is in the middle of the valley of Gad, and unto Jazer: {24:6} then they came to Gilead, and to the land of Tahtim-hodshi; and they came to Dan-jaan, and round about to Sidon, {24:7} and came to the stronghold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the Canaanites; and they went out to the south of Judah, at Beer-sheba. {24:8} So when they had gone to and fro through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine moons and twenty days. {24:9} And Joab gave up the sum of the numbering of the people unto the king: and there were in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew the sword; and the men of Judah were five hundred thousand men. {24:10} And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto Yahweh, I have sinned greatly in that which I have done: but now, O Yahweh, put away, I ask you, the works against law of your servant; for I have done very foolishly. {24:11} And when David rose up in the morning, the word of Yahweh came unto the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying, {24:12} Go and speak unto David, Thus said Yahweh, I offer you three things: choose you one of them, that I may do it unto you. {24:13} So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, shall seven years of famine come unto you in your land? or will you flee three moons before your foes while they pursue you? or shall there be three days' pestilence in your land? now advise you, and consider what answer I shall return to him that sent me. {24:14} And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of Yahweh; for his mercies are great; and let me not fall into the hand of man. {24:15} So Yahweh sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed; and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men. {24:16} And when the messenger stretched out his hand toward Jerusalem to destroy it, Yahweh repented him of the evil, and said to the messenger that destroyed the people, It is enough; now stay your hand. And the messenger of Yahweh was by the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite. {24:17} And David spoke unto Yahweh when he saw the messenger that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done perversely; but these sheep, what have they done? let your hand, I pray you, be against me, and against my father's house. {24:18} And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Go up, rear an altar unto Yahweh in the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite. {24:19}

And David went up according to the saying of Gad, as Yahweh commanded. {24:20} And Araunah looked forth, and saw the king and his servants coming on toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground. {24:21} And Araunah said, Therefore is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshing-floor of you, to build an altar unto Yahweh, that the plague may be stayed from the people. {24:22} And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what seems good unto him: behold, the oxen for the burnt-offering, and the threshing instruments and the yokes of the oxen for the wood: {24:23} all this, O king, does Araunah give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the king, Yahweh your God accept you. {24:24} And the king said unto Araunah, No; but I will verily buy it of you at a price. Neither will I offer burnt-offerings unto Yahweh my God which cost me nothing. So David bought the threshing-floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver. {24:25} And David built there an altar unto Yahweh, and offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings. So Yahweh was entreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.

The Book Of First Kings

O11)1) First kings Chapter One. {1:1} Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he got no heat. {1:2} Therefore his servants said unto him, Let there be sought for my lord the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and cherish him; and let her lie in your bosom, that my lord the king may get heat. {1:3} So they sought for a fair maid throughout all the borders of Israel, and found Abishag the Shunammite, and brought her to the king. {1:4} And the maid was very fair; and she cherished the king, and ministered to him; but the king joined not with her.

{1:5} Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him. {1:6} And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why have you done so? and he was also a very goodly man; and he was born after Absalom. {1:7} And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him. {1:8} But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men that belonged to David, were not with Adonijah. {1:9} And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fatlings by the stone of Zoheleth, which is beside En-rogel; and he called all his brethren, the king's sons, and all the men of Judah, the king's servants: {1:10} but Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he called not. {1:11} Then Nathan spoke unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Have you not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith does reign, and David our lord knows it not? {1:12} Now therefore come, let me, I pray you, give you counsel, that you may save your own life, and the life of your son Solomon. {1:13} Go and get you in unto king David, and say unto him, Did not you, my lord, O king, swear unto your handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? why then does Adonijah reign? {1:14} Behold, while you yet talk there with the king, I also will come in after you, and confirm your words. {1:15} And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the chamber: and the king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite was ministering unto the king. {1:16} And Bath-sheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And the king said, What would you? {1:17} And she said unto him, My lord, you swore by Yahweh your God unto your handmaid, [saying], Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne. {1:18} And now, behold, Adonijah reigns; and you, my lord the king, knows it not: {1:19} and he has slain oxen and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host; but Solomon your servant has he not called. {1:20} And you, my lord the king, the eyes of all Israel are upon you, that you should tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him. {1:21} Otherwise it will come to pass, when my lord the king shall sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted offenders. {1:22} And, lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet came in. {1:23} And they told the king, saying, Behold, Nathan the prophet.

And when he was come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground. {1:24} And Nathan said, My lord, O king, have you said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? {1:25} For he is gone down this day, and has slain oxen and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has called all the king's sons, and the captains of the host, and Abiathar the priest; and, behold, they are eating and drinking before him, and say, [Long] live king Adonijah. {1:26} But me, even me your servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and your servant Solomon, has he not called. {1:27} Is this thing done by my lord the king, and you have not showed unto your servants who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him? {1:28} Then king David answered and said, Call to me Bath-sheba. And she came into the king's presence, and stood before the king. {1:29} And the king swore, and said, As Yahweh lives, who has redeemed my soul out of all adversity, {1:30} verily as I swear unto you by Yahweh, the God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; verily so will I do this day. {1:31} Then Bath-sheba bowed with her face to the earth, and did obeisance to the king, and said, Let my lord king David live forever. {1:32} And king David said, Call to me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king. {1:33} And the king said unto them, Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause Solomon my son to ride upon mine own mule, and bring him down to Gihon: {1:34} and let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel; and blow you the trumpet, and say, [Long] live king Solomon. {1:35} Then you shall come up after him, and he shall come and sit upon my throne; for he shall be king in my stead; and I have appointed him to be prince over Israel and over Judah. {1:36} And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, Amen: Yahweh, the God of my lord the king, say so [too]. {1:37} As Yahweh has been with my lord the king, even so be he with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David. {1:38} So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon. {1:39} And Zadok the priest took the horn of oil out of the Tent, and anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said, [Long] live king Solomon. {1:40} And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with pipes, and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them. {1:41} And Adonijah and all the guests that were with him heard it as they had made an end of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, Therefore is this noise of the city being in an uproar? {1:42} While he yet spoke, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said, Come in; for you are a worthy man, and brings good tidings. {1:43} And Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, Verily our lord king David has made Solomon king: {1:44} and the king has sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule; {1:45} and Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon; and they are come up from there rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This is the noise that you have heard. {1:46} And also Solomon sits on the throne of the kingdom. {1:47} And the king's servants also came to bless our lord king David, saying, Your God make the name of Solomon better than your name, and make his throne greater than your throne: and the king bowed himself upon the bed. {1:48} And also thus said the king, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, who has given one to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing it. {1:49} And all the guests of Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and went every man his way. {1:50} And Adonijah feared because of Solomon; and he arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar. {1:51} And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah fears king Solomon; for, lo, he has laid hold on the horns of the altar, saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me first that he will not slay his servant with the sword. {1:52} And Solomon said, If he shall show himself a worthy man, there shall not a hair of him fall to the earth; but if wickedness be found in him, he shall die. {1:53} So king Solomon sent, and they brought him

down from the altar. And he came and did obeisance to king Solomon; and Solomon said unto him, Go to your house.

{O11}2} First Kings Chapter Two. {2:1} Now the days of David drew near that he should die; and he charged Solomon his son, saying, {2:2} I am going the way of all the earth: be you strong therefore, and show yourself a man; {2:3} and keep the charge of Yahweh your God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, [and] his commandments, and his ordinances, and his testimonies, according to that which is written in the law of Moses, that you may prosper in all that you do, and wherever you turn yourself. {2:4} That Yahweh may establish his word which he spoke concerning me, saying, If your children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, there shall not fail you (said he) a man on the throne of Israel. {2:5} You know also what Joab the son of Zeruiah did unto me, even what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto Abner the son of Ner, and unto Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his girdle that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his feet. {2:6} Do therefore according to your wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to Sheol in peace. {2:7} But show kindness unto the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that eat at your table; for so they came to me when I fled from Absalom your brother. {2:8} And, behold, there is with you Shimei the son of Gera, the Benjamite, of Bahurim, who cursed me with a grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim; but he came down to meet me at the Jordan, and I swore to him by Yahweh, saying, I will not put you to death with the sword. {2:9} Now therefore hold him not guiltless, for you are a wise man; and you will know what you ought to do unto him, and you shall bring his hoar head down to Sheol with blood. {2:10} And David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David. {2:11} And the days that David reigned over Israel were forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem. {2:12} And Solomon sat upon the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was established greatly. {2:13} Then Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon. And she said, do you come peaceably? And he said, Peaceably. {2:14} He also said, I have somewhat to say unto you. And she said, Say on. {2:15} And he said, you know that the kingdom was mine, and that all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign: however the kingdom is turned about, and is become my brother's; for it was his from Yahweh. {2:16} And now I ask one petition of you; deny me not. And she said unto him, Say on. {2:17} And he said, Speak, I pray you, unto Solomon the king (for he will not say to you No), that he give me Abishag the Shunammite to wife. {2:18} And Bath-sheba said, Well; I will speak for you unto the king. {2:19} Bath-sheba therefore went unto king Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto her, and sat down on his throne, and caused a throne to be set for the king's mother; and she sat on his right hand. {2:20} Then she said, I ask one small petition of you; deny me not. And the king said unto her, Ask on, my mother; for I will not deny you. {2:21} And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given to Adonijah your brother to wife. {2:22} And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, And why do you ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom also; for he is mine elder brother; even for him, and for Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah. {2:23} Then king Solomon swore by Yahweh, saying, God do so to me, and more also, if Adonijah has not spoken this word against his own life. {2:24} Now therefore as Yahweh lives, who has established me, and set me on the throne of David my father, and who has made me a house, as he promised, surely Adonijah shall be put to death this day. {2:25} And king Solomon sent by Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he fell upon him, so that he died. {2:26} And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, Get you to Anathoth, unto your own fields; for you are worthy of death: but I will not at this time put you to death, because you barest the ark of the Lord Yahweh before David my father, and because you was afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted. {2:27} So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto Yahweh, that he might fulfill the word of Yahweh, which he spoke concerning

the house of Eli in Shiloh. {2:28} And the tidings came to Joab; for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the Tent of Yahweh, and caught hold on the horns of the altar. {2:29} And it was told king Solomon, Joab is fled unto the Tent of Yahweh, and, behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him. {2:30} And Benaiah came to the Tent of Yahweh, and said unto him, Thus said the king, Come forth. And he said, No; but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me. {2:31} And the king said unto him, Do as he has said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that you may take away the blood, which Joab shed without cause, from me and from my father's house. {2:32} And Yahweh will return his blood upon his own head, because he fell upon two men more lawful in their works and better than he, and slew them with the sword, and my father David knew it not, [to wit], Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah. {2:33} So shall their blood return upon the head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed forever: but unto David, and unto his seed, and unto his house, and unto his throne, shall there be peace forever from Yahweh. {2:34} Then Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and slew him; and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness. {2:35} And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the host; and Zadok the priest the king put in the room of Abiathar. {2:36} And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Build you a house in Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth there any where. {2:37} For on the day you go out, and passes over the brook Kidron, know you for certain that you shall surely die: your blood shall be upon your own head. {2:38} And Shimei said unto the king, The saying is good: as my lord the king has said, so will your servant do. And Shimei lived in Jerusalem many days. {2:39} And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the servants of Shimei ran away unto Achish, son of Maacah, king of Goth. And they told Shimei, saying, Behold, your servants are in Goth. {2:40} And Shimei arose, and saddled his donkey, and went to Goth to Achish, to seek his servants; and Shimei went, and brought his servants from Goth. {2:41} And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Goth, and was come again. {2:42} And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Did I not adjure you by Yahweh, and protest unto you, saying, Know for certain, that on the day you go out, and walk abroad any where, you shall surely die? and you said unto me, The saying that I have heard is good. {2:43} Why then have you not kept the oath of Yahweh, and the commandment that I have charged you with? {2:44} The king said to Shimei, you know all the wickedness which your heart is privy to, that you did to David my father: therefore Yahweh shall return your wickedness upon your own head. {2:45} But king Solomon shall be blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before Yahweh forever. {2:46} So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he went out, and fell upon him, so that he died. And the kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.

{011}3} First kings Chapter Three. {3:1} And Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the city of David, until he had made an end of building his own house, and the house of Yahweh, and the wall of Jerusalem round about. {3:2} Only the people sacrificed in the high places, because there was no house built for the name of Yahweh until those days. {3:3} And Solomon agape loved Yahweh, walking in the statutes of David his father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places. {3:4} And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; for that was the great high place: a thousand burnt-offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar. {3:5} In Gibeon Yahweh appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, Ask what I shall give you. {3:6} And Solomon said, you have showed unto your servant David my father great agape loving kindness, according as he walked before you in truth, and in lawful works, and in uprightness of heart with you; and you have kept for him this great agape loving kindness, that you have given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is this day. {3:7} And now, O Yahweh my God, you have made your servant king instead of David my

father: and I am but a little child; I know not how to go out or come in. {3:8} And your servant is in the midst of your people which you have chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. {3:9} Give your servant therefore an understanding heart to judge your people, that I may discern between good and evil; for who is able to judge this your great people? {3:10} And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing. {3:11} And God said unto him, Because you have asked this thing, and have not asked for yourself long life, neither have asked riches for yourself, nor have asked the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern justice; {3:12} behold, I have done according to your word: lo, I have given you a wise and an understanding heart; so that there has been none like you before you, neither after you shall any arise like unto you. {3:13} And I have also given you that which you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto you, all your days. {3:14} And if you will walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as your father David did walk, then I will lengthen your days. {3:15} And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream: and he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and offered up burnt-offerings, and offered peace-offerings, and made a feast to all his servants. {3:16} Then there came two women that were prostitutes, unto the king, and stood before him. {3:17} And the one woman said, Oh, my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house. {3:18} And it came to pass the third day after I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also; and we were together; there was no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house. {3:19} And this woman's child died in the night, because she lay upon it. {3:20} And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while your handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. {3:21} And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead; but when I had looked at it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, whom I did bear. {3:22} And the other woman said, No; but the living is my son, and the dead is your son. And this said, No; but the dead is your son, and the living is my son. Thus they spoke before the king. {3:23} Then said the king, The one said, This is my son that lives, and your son is the dead: and the other said, No; but your son is the dead, and my son is the living. {3:24} And the king said, Get me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king. {3:25} And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other. {3:26} Then spoke the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her heart yearned over her son, and she said, Oh, my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, It shall be neither mine nor your; divide it. {3:27} Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother there. {3:28} And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him, to do justice.

{O11}4} First Kings Chapter Four. {4:1} And king Solomon was king over all Israel. {4:2} And these were the princes whom he had: Azariah the son of Zadok, the priest; {4:3} Elihoreph and Ahijah, the sons of Shisha, scribes; Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the recorder; {4:4} and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the host; and Zadok and Abiathar were priests; {4:5} and Azariah the son of Nathan was over the officers; and Zabud the son of Nathan was chief minister, [and] the king's friend; {4:6} and Ahishar was over the household; and Adoniram the son of Abda was over the men subject to task work. {4:7} And Solomon had twelve officers over all Israel, who provided victuals for the king and his household: each man had to make provision for a moon in the year. {4:8} And these are their names: Ben-hur, in the hill-country of Ephraim; {4:9} Ben-deker, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Beth-shemesh, and Elon-beth-hanan; {4:10} Ben-hesed, in Arubboth (to him [pertained] Socoh, and all the land of Hephher); {4:11} Ben-abinadab, in all the height of Dor (he had Taphas the daughter of Solomon to wife); {4:12} Baana the son of Ahilud, in Taanach and Megiddo, and all Beth-shean which is beside Zarethan, beneath Jezreel, from Beth-shean to Abel-meholah, as far as beyond Jokmeam; {4:13} Ben-geber, in Ramoth-

gilead (to him [pertained] the towns of Jair the son of Manasseh, which are in Gilead; [even] to him [pertained] the region of Argob, which is in Bashan, sixty great cities with walls and brazen bars); {4:14} Ahinadab the son of Iddo, in Mahanaim; {4:15} Ahimaaz, in Naphtali (he also took Basemath the daughter of Solomon to wife); {4:16} Baana the son of Hushai, in Asher and Bealoth; {4:17} Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar; {4:18} Shimei the son of Ela, in Benjamin; {4:19} Geber the son of Uri, in the land of Gilead, the country of Sihon king of the Amorites and of Og king of Bashan; and [he was] the only officer that was in the land. {4:20} Judah and Israel were many as the sand which is by the sea in multitude, eating and drinking and making merry. {4:21} And Solomon ruled over all the kingdoms from the River unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they brought tribute, and served Solomon all the days of his life. {4:22} And Solomon's provision for one day was thirty measures of fine flour, and sixty measures of meal, {4:23} ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and a hundred sheep, besides hares, and gazelles, and roebucks, and fatted fowl. {4:24} For he had dominion over all [the region] on this side the River, from Tiphseh even to Gaza, over all the kings on this side the River: and he had peace on all sides round about him. {4:25} And Judah and Israel lived safely, every man under his vine and under his fig-tree, from Dan even to Beersheba, all the days of Solomon. {4:26} And Solomon had forty thousand stalls of horses for his chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen. {4:27} And those officers provided victuals for king Solomon, and for all that came unto king Solomon's table, every man in his month; they let nothing be lacking. {4:28} Barley also and straw for the horses and swift steeds brought they unto the place where [the officers] were, every man according to his charge. {4:29} And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea-shore. {4:30} And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east, and all the wisdom of Egypt. {4:31} For he was wiser than all men; than Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Calcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in all the nations round about. {4:32} And he spoke three thousand proverbs; and his songs were a thousand and five. {4:33} And he spoke of trees, from the cedar that is in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that springs out of the wall; he spoke also of beasts, and of birds, and of creeping things, and of fishes. {4:34} And there came of all peoples to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth, who had heard of his wisdom.

{011}5} First Kings Chapter Five. {5:1} And Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants unto Solomon; for he had heard that they had anointed him king in the room of his father: for Hiram was ever an agape lover of David. {5:2} And Solomon sent to Hiram, saying, {5:3} you know how that David my father could not build a house for the name of Yahweh his God for the wars which were about him on every side, until Yahweh put them under the soles of his feet. {5:4} But now Yahweh my God has given me rest on every side; there is neither adversary, nor evil occurrence. {5:5} And, behold, I purpose to build a house for the name of Yahweh my God, as Yahweh spoke unto David my father, saying, Your son, whom I will set upon your throne in your room, he shall build the house for my name. {5:6} Now therefore command you that they cut me cedar-trees out of Lebanon; and my servants shall be with your servants; and I will give you hire for your servants according to all that you shall say: for you know that there is not among us any that knows how to cut timber like unto the Sidonians. {5:7} And it came to pass, when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that he rejoiced greatly, and said, Blessed be Yahweh this day, who has given unto David a wise son over this great people. {5:8} And Hiram sent to Solomon, saying, I have heard [the message] which you have sent unto me: I will do all your desire concerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber of fir. {5:9} My servants shall bring them down from Lebanon unto the sea; and I will make them into rafts to go by sea unto the place that you shall appoint me, and will cause them to be broken up there, and you shall receive them; and you shall accomplish my desire, in giving food for my household. {5:10} So Hiram gave Solomon timber of cedar and timber of fir according to all his desire. {5:11} And Solomon gave

Hiram twenty thousand measures of wheat for food to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year. {5:12} And Yahweh gave Solomon wisdom, as he promised him; and there was peace between Hiram and Solomon; and they two made a league together. {5:13} And king Solomon raised a levy out of all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand men. {5:14} And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses; a month they were in Lebanon, and two months at home; and Adoniram was over the men subject to task work. {5:15} And Solomon had seventy thousand that bare burdens, and eighty thousand that were hewers in the mountains; {5:16} besides Solomon's chief officers that were over the work, three thousand and three hundred, who bare rule over the people that wrought in the work. {5:17} And the king commanded, and they hewed out great stones, costly stones, to lay the foundation of the house with wrought stone. {5:18} And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders and the Gebalites did fashion them, and prepared the timber and the stones to build the house.

{O11}6} First Kigs Chapter Six. {6:1} And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Ziv, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of Yahweh. {6:2} And the house which king Solomon built for Yahweh, the length there was sixty cubits, and the breadth of it twenty [cubits], and the height of it thirty cubits. {6:3} And the porch before the temple of the house, twenty cubits was the length there, according to the breadth of the house; [and] ten cubits was the breadth of it before the house. {6:4} And for the house he made windows of fixed lattice-work. {6:5} And against the wall of the house he built stories round about, against the walls of the house round about, both of the temple and of the oracle; and he made side-chambers round about. {6:6} The nethermost story was five cubits broad, and the middle was six cubits broad, and the third was seven cubits broad; for on the outside he made offsets [in the wall] of the house round about, that [the beams] should not have hold in the walls of the house. {6:7} And the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made ready at the quarry; and there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building. {6:8} The door for the middle side-chambers was in the right side of the house: and they went up by winding stairs into the middle [story], and out of the middle into the third. {6:9} So he built the house, and finished it; and he covered the house with beams and planks of cedar. {6:10} And he built the stories against all the house, each five cubits high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar. {6:11} And the word of Yahweh came to Solomon, saying, {6:12} Concerning this house which you are building, if you will walk in my statutes, and execute mine ordinances, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; then will I establish my word with you, which I spoke unto David your father. {6:13} And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not forsake my people Israel. {6:14} So Solomon built the house, and finished it. {6:15} And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar: from the floor of the house unto the walls of the ceiling, he covered them on the inside with wood; and he covered the floor of the house with boards of fir. {6:16} And he built twenty cubits on the rear part of the house with boards of cedar from the floor unto the walls [of the ceiling]: he built [them] for it within, for an oracle, even for the most holy place. {6:17} And the house, that is, the temple before [the oracle], was forty cubits [long]. {6:18} And there was cedar on the house within, carved with buds and open flowers: all was cedar; there was no stone seen. {6:19} And he prepared an oracle in the midst of the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of Yahweh. {6:20} And within the oracle was [a space of] twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height there; and he overlaid it with pure gold: and he covered the altar with cedar. {6:21} So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he drew chains of gold across before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold. {6:22} And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until all the house was finished: also the whole altar that belonged to the oracle he overlaid with gold. {6:23} And in the oracle he made two cherubim of olive-wood, each ten cubits high. {6:24} And five cubits was the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the

other wing of the cherub: from the outermost part of the one wing unto the outermost part of the other were ten cubits. {6:25} And the other cherub was ten cubits: both the cherubim were of one measure and one form. {6:26} The height of the one cherub was ten cubits, and so was it of the other cherub. {6:27} And he set the cherubim within the inner house; and the wings of the cherubim were stretched forth, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house. {6:28} And he overlaid the cherubim with gold. {6:29} And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubim and palm-trees and open flowers, within and with out. {6:30} And the floor of the house he overlaid with gold, within and with out. {6:31} And for the entrance of the oracle he made doors of olive-wood: the lintel [and] door-posts were a fifth part [of the wall]. {6:32} So [he made] two doors of olive-wood; and he carved upon them carvings of cherubim and palm-trees and open flowers, and overlaid them with gold; and he spread the gold upon the cherubim, and upon the palm-trees. {6:33} So also made he for the entrance of the temple door-posts of olive-wood, out of a fourth part [of the wall]; {6:34} and two doors of fir-wood: the two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding. {6:35} And he carved [thereon] cherubim and palm-trees and open flowers; and he overlaid them with gold fitted upon the graven work. {6:36} And he built the inner court with three courses of hewn stone, and a course of cedar beams. {6:37} In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of Yahweh laid, in the moon Ziv. {6:38} And in the eleventh year, in the moon Bull, which is the eighth moon, was the house finished throughout all the parts there, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he seven years in building it.

{O11}7} First Kings Chapter Seven. {7:1} And Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he finished all his house. {7:2} For he built the house of the forest of Lebanon; the length of it was a hundred cubits, and the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits, upon four rows of cedar pillars, with cedar beams upon the pillars. {7:3} And it was covered with cedar above over the forty and five beams, that were upon the pillars; fifteen in a row. {7:4} And there were beams in three rows, and window was over against window in three ranks. {7:5} And all the doors and posts were made square with beams: and window was over against window in three ranks. {7:6} And he made the porch of pillars; the length of it was fifty cubits, and the breadth of it thirty cubits; and a porch before them; and pillars and a threshold before them. {7:7} And he made the porch of the throne where he was to judge, even the porch of judgment: and it was covered with cedar from floor to floor. {7:8} And his house where he was to dwell, the other court within the porch, was of the like work. He made also a house for Pharaoh's daughter (whom Solomon had taken to wife), like unto this porch. {7:9} All these were of costly stones, even of hewn stone, according to measure, sawed with saws, within and with out, even from the foundation unto the coping, and so on the outside unto the great court. {7:10} And the foundation was of costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits, and stones of eight cubits. {7:11} And above were costly stones, even hewn stone, according to measure, and cedar-wood. {7:12} And the great court round about had three courses of hewn stone, and a course of cedar beams; like as the inner court of the house of Yahweh, and the porch of the house. {7:13} And king Solomon sent and gotten Hiram out of Tyre. {7:14} He was the son of a widow of the tribe of Naphtali, and his father was a man of Tyre, a worker in brass; and he was filled with wisdom and understanding and skill, to work all works in brass. And he came to king Solomon, and wrought all his work. {7:15} For he fashioned the two pillars of brass, eighteen cubits high apiece: and a line of twelve cubits around either of them about. {7:16} And he made two capitals of molten brass, to set upon the tops of the pillars: the height of the one capital was five cubits, and the height of the other capital was five cubits. {7:17} There were nets of checker-work, and wreaths of chain-work, for the capitals which were upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one capital, and seven for the other capital. {7:18} So he made the pillars; and there were two rows round about upon the one network, to cover the capitals that were upon the top of the

pillars: and so did he for the other capital. {7:19} And the capitals that were upon the top of the pillars in the porch were of lily-work, four cubits. {7:20} And there were capitals above also upon the two pillars, close by the belly which was beside the network: and the pomegranates were two hundred, in rows round about upon the other capital. {7:21} And he set up the pillars at the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name of it Jachin; and he set up the left pillar, and called the name of it Boaz. {7:22} And upon the top of the pillars was lily-work: so was the work of the pillars finished. {7:23} And he made the molten sea of ten cubits from brim to brim, round in compass, and the height of it was five cubits; and a line of thirty cubits around it round about. {7:24} And under the brim of it round about there were buds which did compass it, for ten cubits, compassing the sea round about: the buds were in two rows, cast when it was cast. {7:25} It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east; and the sea was set upon them above, and all their rear parts were inward. {7:26} And it was a handbreadth thick: and the brim of it was wrought like the brim of a cup, like the flower of a lily: it held two thousand baths. {7:27} And he made the ten bases of brass; four cubits was the length of one base, and four cubits the breadth there, and three cubits the height of it. {7:28} And the work of the bases was on this manner: they had panels; and there were panels between the ledges; {7:29} and on the panels that were between the ledges were lions, oxen, and cherubim; and upon the ledges there was a pedestal above; and beneath the lions and oxen were wreaths of hanging work. {7:30} And every base had four brazen wheels, and axles of brass; and the four feet of it had under setters: beneath the laver were the under setters molten, with wreaths at the side of each. {7:31} And the mouth of it within the capital and above was a cubit: and the mouth of it was round after the work of a pedestal, a cubit and a half; and also upon the mouth of it were engravings, and their panels were foursquare, not round. {7:32} And the four wheels were underneath the panels; and the axletrees of the wheels were in the base: and the height of a wheel was a cubit and half a cubit. {7:33} And the work of the wheels was like the work of a chariot wheel: their axletrees, and their felloes, and their spokes, and their naves, were all molten. {7:34} And there were four under setters at the four corners of each base: the under setters of it were of the base itself. {7:35} And in the top of the base was there a round compass half a cubit high; and on the top of the base the stays of it and the panels of it were of the same. {7:36} And on the plates of the stays there, and on the panels there, he graved cherubim, lions, and palm-trees, according to the space of each, with wreaths round about. {7:37} After this manner he made the ten bases: all of them had one casting, one measure, and one form. {7:38} And he made ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty baths; and every laver was four cubits; and upon every one of the ten bases one laver. {7:39} And he set the bases, five on the right side of the house, and five on the left side of the house: and he set the sea on the right side of the house eastward, toward the south. {7:40} And Hiram made the lavers, and the shovels, and the basins. So Hiram made an end of doing all the work that he wrought for king Solomon in the house of Yahweh: {7:41} the two pillars, and the two bowls of the capitals that were on the top of the pillars; and the two networks to cover the two bowls of the capitals that were on the top of the pillars; {7:42} and the four hundred pomegranates for the two networks; two rows of pomegranates for each network, to cover the two bowls of the capitals that were upon the pillars; {7:43} and the ten bases, and the ten lavers on the bases; {7:44} and the one sea, and the twelve oxen under the sea; {7:45} and the pots, and the shovels, and the basins: even all these vessels, which Hiram made for king Solomon, in the house of Yahweh, were of burnished brass. {7:46} In the plain of the Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and Zarethan. {7:47} And Solomon left all the vessels [un-weighed], because they were exceeding many: the weight of the brass could not be found out. {7:48} And Solomon made all the vessels that were in the house of Yahweh: the golden altar, and the table whereupon the showbread was, of gold; {7:49} and the candlesticks, five on the right side, and five on the left, before the oracle, of pure gold; and the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs, of gold; {7:50} and

the cups, and the snuffers, and the basins, and the spoons, and the fire pans, of pure gold; and the hinges, both for the doors of the inner house, the most holy place, and for the doors of the house, [to wit], of the temple, of gold. {7:51} Thus all the work that king Solomon wrought in the house of Yahweh was finished. And Solomon brought in the things which David his father had dedicated, [even] the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, and put them in the treasuries of the house of Yahweh.

{O11}8} First Kings Chapter Eight. {8:1} Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the princes of the fathers' [houses] of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of Yahweh out of the city of David, which is Zion. {8:2} And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast, in the moon Ethanim, which is the seventh moon. {8:3} And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the ark. {8:4} And they brought up the ark of Yahweh, and the tent of meeting, and all the holy vessels that were in the Tent; even these did the priests and the Levites bring up. {8:5} And king Solomon and all the congregation of Israel, that were assembled unto him, were with him before the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be counted nor numbered for multitude. {8:6} And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of Yahweh unto its place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubim. {8:7} For the cherubim spread forth their wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubim covered the ark and the staves of it above. {8:8} And the staves were so long that the ends of the staves were seen from the holy place before the oracle; but they were not seen without: and there they are unto this day. {8:9} There was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone which Moses put there at Horeb, when Yahweh made a covenant with the children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt. {8:10} And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy place, that the cloud filled the house of Yahweh, {8:11} so that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud; for the glory of Yahweh filled the house of Yahweh. {8:12} Then spoke Solomon, Yahweh has said that he would dwell in the thick darkness. {8:13} I have surely built you a house of habitation, a place for you to dwell in forever. {8:14} And the king turned his face about, and blessed all the Ekklesia of Israel: and all the Ekklesia of Israel stood. {8:15} And he said, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, who spoke with his mouth unto David your father, and has with his hand fulfilled it, saying, {8:16} Since the day that I brought forth my people Israel out of Egypt, I chose no city out of all the tribes of Israel to build a house, that my name might be there; but I chose David to be over my people Israel. {8:17} Now it was in the heart of David my father to build a house for the name of Yahweh, the God of Israel. {8:18} But Yahweh said unto David my father, Whereas it was in your heart to build a house for my name, you did well that it was in your heart: {8:19} nevertheless you shall not build the house; but your son that shall come forth out of your loins, he shall build the house for my name. {8:20} And Yahweh has established his word that he spoke; for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as Yahweh promised, and have built the house for the name of Yahweh, the God of Israel. {8:21} And there have I set a place for the ark, wherein is the covenant of Yahweh, which he made with our fathers, when he brought them out of the land of Egypt. {8:22} And Solomon stood before the altar of Yahweh in the presence of all the Ekklesias of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven; {8:23} and he said, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above, or on earth beneath; who keeps covenant and agape loving kindness with your servants, that walk before you with all their heart; {8:24} who have kept with your servant David my father that which you did promise him: behold, you spoke with your mouth, and have fulfilled it with your hand, as it is this day. {8:25} Now therefore, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, keep with your servant David my father that which you have promised him, saying, There shall not fail you a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children take heed to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me. {8:26} Now therefore, O God of Israel, let your word, I pray you, be verified, which you

spoke unto your servant David my father. {8:27} But will God in very deed dwell on the earth? behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built! {8:28} yet have you respect unto the prayer of your servant, and to his supplication, O Yahweh my God, to hear unto the cry and to the prayer which your servant prayed before you this day; {8:29} that your eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place where you have said, My name shall be there; to hear unto the prayer which your servant shall pray toward this place. {8:30} And hear you to the supplication of your servant, and of your people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: behold, hear you in heaven your dwelling-place; and when you hear, forgive. {8:31} If a man sin against his neighbor, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and he come [and] swear before your altar in this house; {8:32} then hear you in heaven, and do, and judge your servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his own head, and justifying the lawful worker, to give him according to his good works of the law. {8:33} When your people Israel are smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against you; if they turn again to you, and confess your name, and pray and make supplication unto you in this house: {8:34} then hear you in heaven, and forgive the sin of your people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which you gave unto their fathers. {8:35} When heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against you; if they pray toward this place, and confess your name, and turn from their sin, when you do afflict them: {8:36} then hear you in heaven, and forgive the sin of your servants, and of your people Israel, when you teach them the good way where in they should walk; and send rain upon your land, which you have given to your people for an inheritance. {8:37} If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting [or] mildew, locust [or] caterpillar; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their cities; whatever plague, whatever sickness there be; {8:38} what prayer and supplication so ever be made by any man, [or] by all your people Israel, who shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house: {8:39} then hear you in heaven your dwelling-place, and forgive, and do, and render unto every man according to all his ways, whose heart you know; (for you, even you only, know the hearts of all the children of men;) {8:40} that they may fear you all the days that they live in the land which you gave unto our fathers. {8:41} Also concerning the foreigner, that is not of your people Israel, when he shall come out of a far country for your name's sake {8:42} (for they shall hear of your great name, and of your mighty hand, and of your outstretched arm); when he shall come and pray toward this house; {8:43} hear you in heaven your dwelling-place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls form you; that all the peoples of the earth may know your name, to fear you, as does your people Israel, and that they may know that this house which I have built is called by your name. {8:44} If your people go out to battle against their enemy, by whatever way you shall send them, and they pray unto Yahweh toward the city which you have chosen, and toward the house which I have built for your name; {8:45} then hear you in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause. {8:46} If they sin against you (for there is no man that sins not), and you be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captive unto the land of the enemy, far off or near; {8:47} yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land where they are carried captive, and turn again, and make supplication unto you in the land of them that carried them captive, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have dealt wickedly; {8:48} if they return unto you with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their enemies, who carried them captive, and pray unto you toward their land, which you gave unto their fathers, the city which you have chosen, and the house which I have built for your name: {8:49} then hear you their prayer and their supplication in heaven your dwelling-place, and maintain their cause; {8:50} and forgive your people who have sinned against you, and all their transgression of the law wherein they have transgressed against you; and give them compassion before those who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them {8:51} (for they are your people, and your inheritance, which you brought forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron); {8:52} that your eyes may

be open unto the supplication of your servant, and unto the supplication of your people Israel, to hear unto them whenever they cry unto you. {8:53} For you did separate them from among all the peoples of the earth, to be your inheritance, as you spoke by Moses your servant, when you brought our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord Yahweh.

{8:54} And it was so, that, when Solomon had made an end of praying all this prayer and supplication unto Yahweh, he arose from before the altar of Yahweh, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread forth toward heaven. {8:55} And he stood, and blessed all the Ekklesia of Israel with a loud voice, saying, {8:56} Blessed be Yahweh, that has given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there has not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by Moses his servant. {8:57} Yahweh our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us; {8:58} that he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes, and his ordinances, which he commanded our fathers. {8:59} And let these my words, by which I have made supplication before Yahweh, be near unto Yahweh our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people Israel, as every day shall require; {8:60} that all the peoples of the earth may know that Yahweh, he is God; there is none else. {8:61} Let your heart therefore be perfect with Yahweh our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

{8:62} And the king, and all Israel with him, offered sacrifice before Yahweh. {8:63} And Solomon offered for the sacrifice of peace-offerings, which he offered unto Yahweh, two and twenty thousand oxen, and a hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the children of Israel dedicated the house of Yahweh. {8:64} The same day did the king hallow the middle of the court that was before the house of Yahweh; for there he offered the burnt-offering, and the meal-offering, and the fat of the peace-offerings, because the brazen altar that was before Yahweh was too little to receive the burnt-offering, and the meal-offering, and the fat of the peace-offerings. {8:65} So Solomon held the feast at that time, and all Israel with him, a great Ekklesia, from the entrance of Hamath unto the brook of Egypt, before Yahweh our God, seven days and seven days, even fourteen days. {8:66} On the eighth day he sent the people away; and they blessed the king, and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that Yahweh had showed unto David his servant, and to Israel his people.

{O11}9} First kings Chapter Nine. {9:1} And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of Yahweh, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do, {9:2} that Yahweh appeared to Solomon the second time, as he had appeared unto him at Gibeon. {9:3} And Yahweh said unto him, I have heard your prayer and your supplication, that you have made before me: I have hallowed this house, which you have built, to put my name there forever; and mine eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually. {9:4} And as for you, if you will walk before me, as David your father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded you, and will keep my statutes and mine ordinances; {9:5} then I will establish the throne of your kingdom over Israel forever, according as I promised to David your father, saying, There shall not fail you a man upon the throne of Israel. {9:6} But if you shall turn away from following me, you or your children, and not keep my commandments and my statutes which I have set before you, but shall go and serve other gods, and worship them; {9:7} then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them; and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all peoples. {9:8} And though this house is so high, yet shall everyone that passes by it be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, Why has Yahweh done thus unto this land, and to this house? {9:9} and they shall answer, Because they forsook Yahweh their God, who brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore has Yahweh brought all this evil upon them. {9:10} And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, wherein Solomon had built the

two houses, the house of Yahweh and the king's house {9:11} (now Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar-trees and fir-trees, and with gold, according to all his desire), that then king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee. {9:12} And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had given him; and they pleased him not. {9:13} And he said, What cities are these which you have given me, my brother? And he called them the land of Cabul unto this day. {9:14} And Hiram sent to the king six sixty talents of gold. {9:15} And this is the reason of the levy which king Solomon raised, to build the house of Yahweh, and his own house, and Millo, and the wall of Jerusalem, and Hazor, and Megiddo, and Gezer. {9:16} Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up, and taken Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and slain the Canaanites that lived in the city, and given it for a portion unto his daughter, Solomon's wife. {9:17} And Solomon built Gezer, and the lower Beth-horon, {9:18} and Balata, and Tamar in the wilderness, in the land, {9:19} and all the store-cities that Solomon had, and the cities for his chariots, and the cities for his horsemen, and that which Solomon desired to build for his pleasure in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion. {9:20} As for all the people that were left of the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, who were not of the children of Israel; {9:21} their children that were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel were not able utterly to destroy, of them did Solomon raise a levy of bondservants unto this day. {9:22} But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no bondservants; but they were the men of war, and his servants, and his princes, and his captains, and rulers of his chariots and of his horsemen. {9:23} These were the chief officers that were over Solomon's work, five hundred and fifty, who bare rule over the people that wrought in the work. {9:24} But Pharaoh's daughter came up out of the city of David unto her house which [Solomon] had built for her: then did he build Millo. {9:25} And three times a year did Solomon offer burnt-offerings and peace-offerings upon the altar which he built unto Yahweh, burning incense with, [upon the altar] that was before Yahweh. So he finished the house. {9:26} And king Solomon made a navy of ships in Zion-geber, which is beside Eoloth, on the shore of the Red Sea, in the land of Edom. {9:27} And Hiram sent in the navy his servants, shipmen that had knowledge of the sea, with the servants of Solomon. {9:28} And they came to Ophir, and gotten from there gold, four hundred and twenty talents, and brought it to king Solomon.

{O11}10} First Kings Chapter Ten. {10:1} And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of Yahweh, she came to prove him with hard questions. {10:2} And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones; and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart. {10:3} And Solomon told her all her questions: there was not anything hid from the king which he told her not. {10:4} And when the queen of Sheba had seen all the wisdom of Solomon, and the house that he had built, {10:5} and the food of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of Yahweh; there was no more spirit in her. {10:6} And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of your acts, and of your wisdom. {10:7} However I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, behold, the half was not told me; your wisdom and prosperity exceed the fame which I heard. {10:8} Happy are your men, happy are these your servants, that stand continually before you, [and] that hear your wisdom. {10:9} Blessed be Yahweh your God, who delighted in you, to set you on the throne of Israel: because Yahweh agape loved Israel forever, therefore made he you king, to do justice and lawful works. {10:10} And she gave the king a hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.

{10:11} And the ships also of Hiram, that brought gold from Ophir, brought in from Ophir great plenty of alum-trees and precious stones. {10:12} And the king made of the alum-trees

pillars for the house of Yahweh, and for the king's house, harps also and psalteries for the singers: there came no such alum-trees, nor were seen, unto this day. {10:13} And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatever she asked, besides that which Solomon gave her of his royal bounty. So she turned, and went to her own land, she and her servants.

{10:14} Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred sixty six talents of gold, {10:15} besides [that which] the traders [brought], and the traffic of the merchants, and of all the kings of the mingled people, and of the governors of the country. {10:16} And king Solomon made two hundred bucklers of beaten gold; six hundred [shekels] of gold went to one buckler. {10:17} And [he made] three hundred shields of beaten gold; three pounds of gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon. {10:18} The king also made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with the finest gold. {10:19} There were six steps to the throne, and the top of the throne was round behind; and there were stays on either side by the place of the seat, and two lions standing beside the stays. {10:20} And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps: there was not the like made in any kingdom. {10:21} And all king Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold: none were of silver; it was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon. {10:22} For the king had at sea a navy of Tarshish with the navy of Hiram: once every three years came the navy of Tarshish, bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks. {10:23} So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth in riches and in wisdom. {10:24} And all the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his heart. {10:25} And they brought every man his tribute, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and raiment, and armor, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year. {10:26} And Solomon gathered together chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, that he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem. {10:27} And the king made silver to be in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he to be as the sycamore-trees that are in the lowland, for abundance. {10:28} And the horses which Solomon had were brought out of Egypt; and the king's merchants received them in droves, each drove at a price. {10:29} And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred [shekels] of silver, and a horse for a hundred and fifty; and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, did they bring them out by their means.

{O11}11} First Kings Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Now king Solomon loved many foreign women, together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, and Hittites; {11:2} of the nations concerning which Yahweh said unto the children of Israel, you shall not go among them, neither shall they come among you; for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: Solomon clave unto these [women] in love.

{11:3} And he [Solomon] had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned away his heart. {11:4} For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods; and his heart was not perfect with Yahweh his God, as was the heart of David his father. {11:5} For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. {11:6} And Solomon did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and went not fully after Yahweh, as did David his father. {11:7} Then did Solomon build a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, in the mount that is before Jerusalem, and for Molech the abomination of the children of Ammon. {11:8} And so did he for all his foreign wives, who burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods. {11:9} And Yahweh was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned away from Yahweh, the God of Israel, who had appeared unto him twice, {11:10} and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which Yahweh commanded. {11:11} Therefore Yahweh said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done of you, and you have not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely rend the

kingdom from you, and will give it to your servant. {11:12} Notwithstanding in your days I will not do it, for David your father's sake: but I will rend it out of the hand of your son. {11:13} However I will not rend away all the kingdom; but I will give one tribe to your son, for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen. {11:14} And Yahweh raised up an adversary unto Solomon, Hadad the Edomite: he was of the king's seed in Edom. {11:15} For it came to pass, when David was in Edom, and Joab the captain of the host was gone up to bury the slain, and had smitten every male in Edom {11:16} (for Joab and all Israel remained there six moons, until he had cut off every male in Edom); {11:17} that Hadad fled, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with him, to go into Egypt, Hadad being yet a little child. {11:18} And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran; and they took men with them out of Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, who gave him a house, and appointed him victuals, and gave him land. {11:19} And Hadad found great favor in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he gave him to wife the sister of his own wife, the sister of Tahpenes the queen. {11:20} And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his son, whom Tahpenes weaned in Pharaoh's house; and Genubath was in Pharaoh's house among the sons of Pharaoh. {11:21} And when Hadad heard in Egypt that David slept with his fathers, and that Joab the captain of the host was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh, Let me depart, that I may go to mine own country. {11:22} Then Pharaoh said unto him, But what have you lacked with me, that, behold, you seek to go to your own country? And he answered, Nothing: however only let me depart. {11:23} And God raised up [another] adversary unto him, Rezon the son of Eliada, who had fled from his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah. {11:24} And he gathered men unto him, and became captain over a troop, when David slew them [of Zobah]: and they went to Damascus, and lived therein, and reigned in Damascus. {11:25} And he was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon, besides the mischief that Hadad [did]: and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria. {11:26} And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephraimite of Zeredah, a servant of Solomon, whose mother's name was Zeruah, a widow, he also lifted up his hand against the king. {11:27} And this was the reason why he lifted up his hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, and repaired the breach of the city of David his father. {11:28} And the man Jeroboam was a mighty man of valor; and Solomon saw the young man that he was industrious, and he gave him charge over all the labor of the house of Joseph. {11:29} And it came to pass at that time, when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; now [Ahijah] had covered himself with a new garment; and they two were alone in the field. {11:30} And Ahijah laid hold of the new garment that was on him, and rent it in twelve pieces. {11:31} And he said to Jeroboam, Take you ten pieces; for thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to you {11:32} (but he shall have one tribe, for my servant David's sake and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel); {11:33} because that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of Moab, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon; and they have not walked in my ways, to do that which is right in mine eyes, and [to keep] my statutes and mine ordinances, as did David his father. {11:34} However I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand; but I will make him prince all the days of his life, for David my servant's sake whom I chose, who kept my commandments and my statutes; {11:35} but I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it unto you, even ten tribes. {11:36} And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a lamp always before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there. {11:37} And I will take you, and you shall reign according to all that your soul desires, and shall be king over Israel. {11:38} And it shall be, if you will hear unto all that I command you, and will walk in my ways, and do that which is right in mine eyes, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with you, and will build you a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto you. {11:39} And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not forever. {11:40} Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam; but Jeroboam arose, and fled into

Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon. {11:41} Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, are they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon? {11:42} And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was forty years. {11:43} And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

{O11}12} First Kings Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king. {12:2} And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard of it (for he was yet in Egypt, where he had fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam lived in Egypt, {12:3} and they sent and called him), that Jeroboam and all the assembly of Israel came, and spoke unto Rehoboam, saying, {12:4} Your father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make you the grievous service of your father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve you. {12:5} And he said unto them, Depart yet for three days, then come again to me. And the people departed. {12:6} And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men, that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, What counsel give you me to return answer to this people? {12:7} And they spoke unto him, saying, If you will be a servant unto this people this day, and will serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be your servants forever. {12:8} But he forsook the counsel of the old men which they had given him, and took counsel with the young men that were grown up with him, that stood before him. {12:9} And he said unto them, What counsel give you, that we may return answer to this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke that your father did put upon us lighter? {12:10} And the young men that were grown up with him spoke unto him, saying, Thus shall you say unto this people that spoke unto you, saying, Your father made our yoke heavy, but make you it lighter unto us; thus shall you speak unto them, My little finger is thicker than my father's loins. {12:11} And now whereas my father did lay on you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions. {12:12} So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king bade, saying, Come to me again the third day. {12:13} And the king answered the people roughly, and forsook the counsel of the old men which they had given him, {12:14} and spoke to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions. {12:15} So the king heard not unto the people; for it was a thing brought about of Yahweh, that he might establish his word, which Yahweh spoke by Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat. {12:16} And when all Israel saw that the king heard not unto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to your own house, David. So Israel departed unto their tents. {12:17} But as for the children of Israel that lived in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them. {12:18} Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who was over the men subject to task work; and all Israel stoned him to death with stones. And king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem. {12:19} So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day. {12:20} And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was returned, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only. {12:21} And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah, and the tribe of Benjamin, a hundred and eighty thousand chosen men, that were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon. {12:22} But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying, {12:23} Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the rest of the people, saying, {12:24} Thus said Yahweh, you shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is of me. So they heard unto the word of Yahweh, and returned and went their way, according to the word of

Yahweh. {12:25} Then Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill-country of Ephraim, and lived therein; and he went out from there, and built Peniel. {12:26} And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now will the kingdom return to the house of David: {12:27} if this people go up to offer sacrifices in the house of Yahweh at Jerusalem, then will the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah; and they will kill me, and return to Rehoboam king of Judah. {12:28} Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold; and he said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold your gods, O Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt. {12:29} And he set the one in Beth-el, and the other put he in Dan. {12:30} And this thing became a sin; for the people went [to worship] before the one, even unto Dan. {12:31} And he made houses of high places, and made priests from among all the people, that were not of the sons of Levi. {12:32} And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth moon, on the fifteenth day of the moon, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he went up unto the altar; so did he in Beth-el, sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places that he had made. {12:33} And he went up unto the altar which he had made in Beth-el on the fifteenth day in the eighth moon, even in the moon which he had devised of his own heart: and he ordained a feast for the children of Israel, and went up unto the altar, to burn incense.

{O11}13} First kings Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of Yahweh unto Beth-el: and Jeroboam was standing by the altar to burn incense. {13:2} And he cried against the altar by the word of Yahweh, and said, O altar, altar, thus said Yahweh: Behold, a son shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name; and upon you shall he sacrifice the priests of the high places that burn incense upon you, and men's bones shall they burn upon you. {13:3} And he gave a sign the same day, saying, This is the sign which Yahweh has spoken: Behold, the altar shall be rent, and the ashes that are upon it shall be poured out. {13:4} And it came to pass, when the king heard the saying of the man of God, which he cried against the altar in Beth-el, that Jeroboam put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him. And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not draw it back again to him. {13:5} The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of God had given by the word of Yahweh. {13:6} And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Entreat now the favor of Yahweh your God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again. And the man of God entreated Yahweh, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as it was before. {13:7} And the king said unto the man of God, Come home with me, and refresh yourself, and I will give you a reward. {13:8} And the man of God said unto the king, If you will give me half your house, I will not go in with you, neither will I eat bread nor drink water in this place; {13:9} for so was it charged me by the word of Yahweh, saying, you shall eat no bread, nor drink water, neither return by the way that you came. {13:10} So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came to Beth-el. {13:11} Now there lived an old prophet in Beth-el; and one of his sons came and told him all the works that the man of God had done that day in Beth-el: the words which he had spoken unto the king, them also they told unto their father. {13:12} And their father said unto them, What way went he? Now his sons had seen what way the man of God went, that came from Judah. {13:13} And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass. So they saddled him the ass; and he rode thereon. {13:14} And he went after the man of God, and found him sitting under an oak; and he said unto him, are you the man of God that came from Judah? And he said, I am. {13:15} Then he said unto him, Come home with me, and eat bread. {13:16} And he said, I may not return with you, nor go in with you; neither will I eat bread nor drink water with you in this place: {13:17} for it was said to me by the word of Yahweh, you shall eat no bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that you came. {13:18} And he said unto him, I also am a prophet as you are; and an messenger spoke unto me by the word of Yahweh, saying, Bring him back with you into your house, that he may eat bread and drink water. [But] he lied unto him. {13:19} So he

went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and drank water. {13:20} And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of Yahweh came unto the prophet that brought him back; {13:21} and he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus said Yahweh, Forasmuch as you have been disobedient unto the mouth of Yahweh, and have not kept the commandment which Yahweh your God commanded you, {13:22} but came back, and have eaten bread and drunk water in the place of which he said to you, Eat no bread, and drink no water; your body shall not come unto the sepulcher of your fathers. {13:23} And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled for him the donkey, [to wit], for the prophet whom he had brought back. {13:24} And when he was gone, a lion met him by the way, and slew him: and his body was cast in the way, and the donkey stood by it; the lion also stood by the body. {13:25} And, behold, men passed by, and saw the body cast in the way, and the lion standing by the body; and they came and told it in the city where the old prophet dwelt. {13:26} And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard there, he said, It is the man of God, who was disobedient unto the mouth of Yahweh: therefore Yahweh has delivered him unto the lion, which has torn him, and slain him, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke unto him. {13:27} And he spoke to his sons, saying, Saddle me the ass. And they saddled it. {13:28} And he went and found his body cast in the way, and the donkey and the lion standing by the body: the lion had not eaten the body, nor torn the ass. {13:29} And the prophet took up the body of the man of God, and laid it upon the donkey, and brought it back; and he came to the city of the old prophet, to grieve, and to bury him. {13:30} And he laid his body in his own grave; and they grieved over him, [saying], Alas, my brother! {13:31} And it came to pass, after he had buried him, that he spoke to his sons, saying, When I am dead, then bury me in the sepulcher wherein the man of God is buried; lay my bones beside his bones. {13:32} For the saying which he cried by the word of Yahweh against the altar in Beth-el, and against all the houses of the high places which are in the cities of Samaria, shall surely come to pass. {13:33} After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again from among all the people priests of the high places: anyone who would, he consecrated him, that there might be priests of the high places. {13:34} And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth.

{O11}14} First Kings Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick. {14:2} And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray you, and disguise yourself, that you be not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and get you to Shiloh: behold, there is Ahijah the prophet, who spoke concerning me that I should be king over this people. {14:3} And take with you ten loaves, and cakes, and a cruse of honey, and go to him: he will tell you what shall become of the child. {14:4} And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. Now Ahijah could not see; for his eyes were set by reason of his age. {14:5} And Yahweh said unto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Jeroboam comes to inquire of you concerning her son; for he is sick: thus and thus shall you say unto her; for it will be, when she comes in, that she will feign herself to be another woman. {14:6} And it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the door, that he said, Come in, you wife of Jeroboam; why feign you yourself to be another? for I am sent to you with heavy tidings. {14:7} Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel: Forasmuch as I exalted you from among the people, and made you prince over my people Israel, {14:8} and rent the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it you; and yet you have not been as my servant David, who kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do that only which was right in mine eyes, {14:9} but have done evil above all that were before you, and have gone and made you other gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and have cast me behind your back: {14:10} therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam every man-child, him that is shut up and him that is left at large in Israel, and will utterly sweep away the house of Jeroboam, as a man sweeps away dung, till it be all gone. {14:11} Him that dies of

Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dies in the field shall the birds of the heavens eat: for Yahweh has spoken it. {14:12} Arise you therefore, get you to your house: [and] when your feet enter into the city, the child shall die. {14:13} And all Israel shall grieve for him, and bury him; for he only of Jeroboam shall come to the grave, because in him there is found some good thing toward Yahweh, the God of Israel, in the house of Jeroboam. {14:14} Yahweh will also raise him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam that day: but what? even now. {14:15} For Yahweh will smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water; and he will root up Israel out of this good land which he gave to their fathers, and will scatter them beyond the River, because they have made their Asherim, provoking Yahweh to anger. {14:16} And he will give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, which he has sinned, and by which he has made Israel to sin. {14:17} And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: [and] as she came to the threshold of the house, the child died. {14:18} And all Israel buried him, and grieved for him, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke by his servant Ahijah the prophet. {14:19} And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. {14:20} And the days which Jeroboam reigned were two and twenty years: and he slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead. {14:21} And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which Yahweh had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there: and his mother's name was Naamah the Ammonitess. {14:22} And Judah did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and they provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they committed, above all that their fathers had done. {14:23} For they also built them high places, and pillars, and Asherim, on every high hill, and under every green tree; {14:24} and there were also homosexuals in the land: they did according to all the abominations of the nations which Yahweh drove out before the children of Israel. {14:25} And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem; {14:26} and he took away the treasures of the house of Yahweh, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields of gold which Solomon had made. {14:27} And king Rehoboam made in their stead shields of brass, and committed them to the hands of the captains of the guard, who kept the door of the king's house. {14:28} And it was so, that, as oft as the king went into the house of Yahweh, the guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard-chamber. {14:29} Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {14:30} And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually. {14:31} And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and his mother's name was Naamah the Ammonitess. And Abijam his son reigned in his stead.

{O11}15} First Kings Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat began Abijam to reign over Judah. {15:2} Three years reigned he in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Maacah the daughter of Abishalom. {15:3} And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him; and his heart was not perfect with Yahweh his God, as the heart of David his father. {15:4} Nevertheless for David's sake did Yahweh his God give him a lamp in Jerusalem, to set up his son after him, and to establish Jerusalem; {15:5} because David did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, and turned not aside from anything that he commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the Hittite. {15:6} Now there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life. {15:7} And the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam. {15:8} And Abijam slept with his fathers; and they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead. {15:9} And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel began Asa to reign over Judah. {15:10} And forty and one years reigned he in Jerusalem: and his

mother's name was Maacah the daughter of Abishalom. {15:11} And Asa did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, as did David his father. {15:12} And he put away the homosexuals out of the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made. {15:13} And also Maacah his mother he removed from being queen, because she had made an abominable image for an Asherah; and Asa cut down her image, and burnt it at the brook Kidron. {15:14} But the high places were not taken away: nevertheless the heart of Asa was perfect with Yahweh all his days. {15:15} And he brought into the house of Yahweh the things that his father had dedicated, and the things that himself had dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels. {15:16} And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days. {15:17} And Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and built Ramah, that he might not suffer any one to go out or come in to Asa king of Judah. {15:18} Then Asa took all the silver and the gold that were left in the treasures of the house of Yahweh, and the treasures of the king's house, and delivered them into the hand of his servants; and king Asa sent them to Ben-hadad, the son of Tabrimmon, the son of Hezion, king of Syria, that lived at Damascus, saying, {15:19} [There is] a league between me and you, between my father and your father: behold, I have sent unto you a present of silver and gold; go, break your league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me. {15:20} And Ben-hadad heard unto king Asa, and sent the captains of his armies against the cities of Israel, and defeated Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-beth-maacah, and all Chinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali. {15:21} And it came to pass, when Baasha heard there, that he left off building Ramah, and lived in Tirzah. {15:22} Then king Asa made a proclamation unto all Judah; none was exempted: and they carried away the stones of Ramah, and the timber there, by which Baasha had built; and king Asa built with Geba of Benjamin, and Mizpah. {15:23} Now the rest of all the acts of Asa, and all his might, and all that he did, and the cities which he built, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? But in the time of his old age he was diseased in his feet. {15:24} And Asa slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father; and Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead. {15:25} And Nadab the son of Jeroboam began to reign over Israel in the second year of Asa king of Judah; and he reigned over Israel two years. {15:26} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and walked in the way of his father, and in his sin by which he made Israel to sin. {15:27} And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar, conspired against him; and Baasha defeated him at Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel were laying siege to Gibbethon. {15:28} Even in the third year of Asa king of Judah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his stead. {15:29} And it came to pass that, as soon as he was king, he smote all the house of Jeroboam: he left not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he had destroyed him; according unto the saying of Yahweh, which he spoke by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite; {15:30} for the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and by which he made Israel to sin, because of his provocation by which he provoked Yahweh, the God of Israel, to anger. {15:31} Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {15:32} And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days. {15:33} In the third year of Asa king of Judah began Baasha the son of Ahijah to reign over all Israel in Tirzah, [and reigned] twenty and four years. {15:34} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin by which he made Israel to sin.

{O11}16} First Kings Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And the word of Yahweh came to Jehu the son of Hanani against Baasha, saying, {16:2} Forasmuch as I exalted you out of the dust, and made you prince over my people Israel, and you have walked in the way of Jeroboam, and have made my people Israel to sin, to provoke me to anger with their sins; {16:3} behold, I will utterly sweep away Baasha and his house; and I will make your house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat. {16:4} Him that dies of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dies of his in the field shall the birds of the heavens eat. {16:5} Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

{16:6} And Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buried in Tirzah; and Elah his son reigned in his stead. {16:7} And also by the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of Yahweh against Baasha, and against his house, both because of all the evil that he did in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam, and because he smote him. {16:8} In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, [and reigned] two years. {16:9} And his servant Zimri, captain of half his chariots, conspired against him. Now he was in Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza, who was over the household in Tirzah: {16:10} and Zimri went in and defeated him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead. {16:11} And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that he smote all the house of Baasha: he left him not a single man-child, neither of his kinfolks, nor of his friends. {16:12} Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke against Baasha by Jehu the prophet, {16:13} for all the sins of Baasha, and the sins of Elah his son, which they sinned, and by which they made Israel to sin, to provoke Yahweh, the God of Israel, to anger with their vanities. {16:14} Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {16:15} In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah did Zimri reign seven days in Tirzah. Now the people were encamped against Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines. {16:16} And the people that were encamped heard say, Zimri has conspired, and has also smitten the king: Therefore all Israel made Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel that day in the camp. {16:17} And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah. {16:18} And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that he went into the castle of the king's house, and burnt the king's house over him with fire, and died, {16:19} for his sins which he sinned in doing that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin which he did, to make Israel to sin. {16:20} Now the rest of the acts of Zimri, and his treason that he wrought, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {16:21} Then were the people of Israel divided into two parts: half of the people followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king; and half followed Omri. {16:22} But the people that followed Omri prevailed against the people that followed Tibni the son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri reigned. {16:23} In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to reign over Israel, [and reigned] twelve years: six years reigned he in Tirzah. {16:24} And he bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two talents of silver; and he built on the hill, and called the name of the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, the owner of the hill, Samaria. {16:25} And Omri did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and dealt wickedly above all that were before him. {16:26} For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sins by which he made Israel to sin, to provoke Yahweh, the God of Israel, to anger with their vanities. {16:27} Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might that he showed, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {16:28} So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria; and Ahab his son reigned in his stead. {16:29} And in the thirty and eighth year of Asa king of Judah began Ahab the son of Omri to reign over Israel: and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty and two years. {16:30} And Ahab the son of Omri did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh above all that were before him. {16:31} And it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal, and worshipped him. {16:32} And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria. {16:33} And Ahab made the Asherah; and Ahab did yet more to provoke Yahweh, the God of Israel, to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him. {16:34} In his days did Hiel the Beth-elite build Jericho: he laid the foundation of it with the loss of Abiram his first-born, and set up the gates of it with the loss of his youngest son Segub, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke by Joshua the son of Nun.

{O11}17} First Kings Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the aliens of Gilead, said unto Ahab, As Yahweh, the God of Israel, lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word. {17:2} And the word of Yahweh came unto him, saying, {17:3} Get you from here, and turn you eastward, and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, that is before the Jordan. {17:4} And it shall be, that you shall drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there. {17:5} So he went and did according unto the word of Yahweh; for he went and lived by the brook Cherith, that is before the Jordan. {17:6} And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook. {17:7} And it came to pass after a while, that the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land. {17:8} And the word of Yahweh came unto him, saying, {17:9} Arise, get you to Zarephas, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow there to sustain you. {17:10} So he arose and went to Zarephas; and when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks: and he called to her, and said, Get me, I pray you, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. {17:11} And as she was going to get it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray you, a morsel of bread in your hand. {17:12} And she said, As Yahweh your God lives, I have not a cake, but a handful of meal in the jar, and a little oil in the cruse: and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die. {17:13} And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as you have said; but make me of it a little cake first, and bring it forth unto me, and afterward make for you and for your son. {17:14} For thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, The jar of meal shall not cease, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that Yahweh sends rain upon the earth. {17:15} And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat [many] days. {17:16} The jar of meal ceased not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke by Elijah. {17:17} And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him. {17:18} And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with you, O you man of God? you are come unto me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son! {17:19} And he said unto her, Give me your son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into the chamber, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed. {17:20} And he cried unto Yahweh, and said, O Yahweh my God, have you also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son? {17:21} And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto Yahweh, and said, O Yahweh my God, I pray you, let this child's soul come into him again. {17:22} And Yahweh heard unto the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. {17:23} And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother; and Elijah said, See, your son lives. {17:24} And the woman said to Elijah, Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of Yahweh in your mouth is truth.

{O11}18} First Kings Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And it came to pass after many days, that the word of Yahweh came to Elijah, in the third year, saying, Go, show yourself unto Ahab; and I will send rain upon the earth. {18:2} And Elijah went to show himself unto Ahab. And the famine was sore in Samaria. {18:3} And Ahab called Obadiah, who was over the household. (Now Obadiah feared Yahweh greatly: {18:4} for it was so, when Jezebel cut off the prophets of Yahweh, that Obadiah took a hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.) {18:5} And Ahab said unto Obadiah, Go through the land, unto all the fountains of water, and unto all the brooks: perhaps we may find grass and save the horses and mules alive, that we lose not all the beasts. {18:6} So they divided the land between them to pass throughout it: Ahab went one way by himself, and Obadiah went another way by himself. {18:7} And as Obadiah was in the way, behold, Elijah met him: and he knew him, and fell on his face, and said, Is it you, my lord Elijah? {18:8} And he answered him, It is I: go, tell your lord,

Behold, Elijah [is here]. {18:9} And he said, Wherein have I sinned, that you would deliver your servant into the hand of Ahab, to slay me? {18:10} As Yahweh your God lives, there is no nation or kingdom, where my lord has not sent to seek you: and when they said, He is not here, he took an oath of the kingdom and nation, that they found you not. {18:11} And now you say, Go, tell your lord, Behold, Elijah [is here]. {18:12} And it will come to pass, as soon as I am gone from you, that the Spirit of Yahweh will carry you where I know not; and so when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find you, he will slay me: but I your servant fear Yahweh from my youth. {18:13} Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of Yahweh, how I hid a hundred men of Yahweh's prophets by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water? {18:14} And now you say, Go, tell your lord, Behold, Elijah [is here]; and he will slay me. {18:15} And Elijah said, As Yahweh of hosts lives, before whom I stand, I will surely show myself unto him to-day. {18:16} So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him; and Ahab went to meet Elijah. {18:17} And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, Is it you, you trouble maker of Israel? {18:18} And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but you, and your father's house, in that you have forsaken the commandments of Yahweh, and you have followed the Baalim. {18:19} Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of the Asherah four hundred, that eat at Jezebel's table. {18:20} So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together unto mount Carmel. {18:21} And Elijah came near unto all the people, and said, How long go you limping between the two sides? if Yahweh be God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word. {18:22} Then said Elijah unto the people, I, even I only, am left a prophet of Yahweh; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men. {18:23} Let them therefore give us two bulls; and let them choose one bull for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, and put no fire under; and I will dress the other bull, and lay it on the wood, and put no fire under. {18:24} And call you on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of Yahweh; and the God that answers by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken. {18:25} And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one bull for yourselves, and dress it first; for you are many; and call on the name of your god, but put no fire under. {18:26} And they took the bull which was given them, and they dressed it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, hear us. But there was no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped about the altar which was made. {18:27} And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud; for he is a god: either he is musing, or he is gone aside, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he sleeps and must be awaked. {18:28} And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lances, till the blood gushed out upon them. {18:29} And it was so, when midday was past, that they prophesied until the time of the offering of the [evening] oblation; but there was neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that regarded. {18:30} And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me; and all the people came near unto him. And he repaired the altar of Yahweh that was thrown down. {18:31} And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of Yahweh came, saying, Israel shall be your name. {18:32} And with the stones he built an altar in the name of Yahweh; and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed. {18:33} And he put the wood in order, and cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood. And he said, Fill four jars with water, and pour it on the burnt-offering, and on the wood. {18:34} And he said, Do it the second time; and they did it the second time. And he said, Do it the third time; and they did it the third time. {18:35} And the water ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water. {18:36} And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the [evening] oblation, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, O Yahweh, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. {18:37} Hear me, O Yahweh, hear me, that this people may know that you, Yahweh, are God, and [that] you have turned their heart back again. {18:38} Then

the fire of Yahweh fell, and consumed the burnt-offering, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. {18:39} And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, Yahweh, he is God; Yahweh, he is God. {18:40} and Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them; and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there. {18:41} And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get you up, eat and drink; for there is the sound of abundance of rain. {18:42} So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and he bowed himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees. {18:43} And he said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up, and looked, and said, There is nothing. And he said, Go again seven times. {18:44} And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold, there arises a cloud out of the sea, as small as a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Make ready [your chariot], and get you down, that the rain stop you not. {18:45} And it came to pass in a little while, that the heavens grew black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel: {18:46} and the hand of Yahweh was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

{O11}19) First Kings Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and with how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. {19:2} Then Jezebel send a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not your life as the life of one of them by to-morrow about this time. {19:3} And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. {19:4} But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper-tree: and he requested for himself that he might die, and said, It is enough; now, O Yahweh, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers. {19:5} And he lay down and slept under a juniper-tree; and, behold, an messenger touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat. {19:6} And he looked, and, behold, there was at his head a cake baked on the coals, and a cruse of water. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. {19:7} And the messenger of Yahweh came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat, because the journey is too great for you. {19:8} And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God. {19:9} And he came there unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of Yahweh came to him, and he said unto him, What do you here, Elijah? {19:10} And he said, I have been very jealous for Yahweh, the God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and slain your prophets with the sword: and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. {19:11} And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before Yahweh. And, behold, Yahweh passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before Yahweh; but Yahweh was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but Yahweh was not in the earthquake: {19:12} and after the earthquake a fire; but Yahweh was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice. {19:13} And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entrance of the cave. And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What do you here, Elijah? {19:14} And he said, I have been very jealous for Yahweh, the God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and slain your prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. {19:15} And Yahweh said unto him, Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when you come, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria; {19:16} and Jehu the son of Nimshi shall you anoint to be king over Israel; and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shall you anoint to be prophet in your room. {19:17} And it shall come to pass, that him that escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay; and him that escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay. {19:18} yet will I leave [me] seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which has not kissed him. {19:19} So he departed there, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing, with

twelve yoke [of oxen] before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed over unto him, and cast his mantle upon him. {19:20} And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I pray you, kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you. And he said unto him, Go back again; for what have I done to you? {19:21} And he returned from following him, and took the yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gave unto the people, and they did eat. Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him.

{O11}20) First Kings Chapter Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And Ben-hadad the king of Syria gathered all his host together; and there were thirty and two kings with him, and horses and chariots: and he went up and besieged Samaria, and fought against it. {20:2} And he sent messengers to Ahab king of Israel, into the city, and said unto him, Thus said Ben-hadad, {20:3} Your silver and your gold is mine; your wives also and your children, even the best, are mine. {20:4} And the king of Israel answered and said, It is according to your saying, my lord, O king; I am your, and all that I have. {20:5} And the messengers came again, and said, Thus speaks Ben-hadad, saying, I sent indeed unto you, saying, you shall deliver me your silver, and your gold, and your wives, and your children; {20:6} but I will send my servants unto you to-morrow about this time, and they shall search your house, and the houses of your servants; and it shall be, that whatever is pleasant in your eyes, they shall put it in their hand, and take it away. {20:7} Then the king of Israel called all the elders of the land, and said, Mark, I pray you, and see how this man seeks mischief: for he sent unto me for my wives, and for my children, and for my silver, and for my gold; and I denied him not. {20:8} And all the elders and all the people said unto him, Hear you not, neither consent. {20:9} Therefore he said unto the messengers of Ben-hadad, Tell my lord the king, All that you did send for to your servant at the first I will do; but this thing I may not do. And the messengers departed, and brought him word again. {20:10} And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and said, The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that follow me. {20:11} And the king of Israel answered and said, Tell him, Let not him that put on [his armor] boast himself as he that puts it off. {20:12} And it came to pass, when [Ben-hadad] heard this message, as he was drinking, he and the kings, in the pavilions, that he said unto his servants, Set [yourselves in array]. And they set [themselves in array] against the city. {20:13} And, behold, a prophet came near unto Ahab king of Israel, and said, Thus said Yahweh, Have you seen all this great multitude? behold, I will deliver it into your hand this day; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {20:14} And Ahab said, By whom? And he said, Thus said Yahweh, By the young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who shall begin the battle? And he answered, you. {20:15} Then he mustered the young men of the princes of the provinces, and they were two hundred and thirty-two: and after them he mustered all the people, even all the children of Israel, being seven thousand. {20:16} And they went out at noon. But Ben-hadad was drinking himself drunk in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him. {20:17} And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out first; and Ben-hadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men come out from Samaria. {20:18} And he said, Whether they are come out for peace, take them alive, or whether they are come out for war, taken them alive. {20:19} So these went out of the city, the young men of the princes of the provinces, and the army which followed them. {20:20} And they slew everyone his man; and the Syrians fled, and Israel pursued them: and Ben-hadad the king of Syria escaped on a horse with horsemen. {20:21} And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and chariots, and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter. {20:22} And the prophet came near to the king of Israel, and said unto him, Go, strengthen yourself, and mark, and see what you do; for at the return of the year the king of Syria will come up against you. {20:23} And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their god is a god of the hills; therefore they were stronger than we: but let us fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than they. {20:24} And do this thing: take the kings away, every man out of his place, and put captains in their room; {20:25} and number you an army, like the army that you have lost, horse

for horse, and chariot for chariot; and we will fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than they. And he heard unto their voice, and did so. {20:26} And it came to pass at the return of the year, that Ben-hadad mustered the Syrians, and went up to Aphek, to fight against Israel. {20:27} And the children of Israel were mustered, and were armed, and went against them: and the children of Israel encamped before them like two little flocks of kids; but the Syrians filled the country. {20:28} And a man of God came near and spoke unto the king of Israel, and said, Thus said Yahweh, Because the Syrians have said, Yahweh is a god of the hills, but he is not a god of the valleys; therefore will I deliver all this great multitude into your hand, and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {20:29} And they encamped one over against the other seven days. And so it was, that in the seventh day the battle was joined; and the children of Israel slew of the Syrians a hundred thousand footmen in one day. {20:30} But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city; and the wall fell upon twenty and seven thousand men that were left. And Ben-hadad fled, and came into the city, into an inner chamber. {20:31} And his servants said unto him, Behold now, we have heard that the kings of the house of Israel are merciful kings: let us, we pray you, put sackcloth on our loins, and ropes upon our heads, and go out to the king of Israel: perhaps he will save your life. {20:32} So they girded sackcloth on their loins, and [put] ropes on their heads, and came to the king of Israel, and said, Your servant Ben-hadad said, I pray you, let me live. And he said, Is he yet alive? he is my brother. {20:33} Now the men observed diligently, and hurried to catch whether it were his mind; and they said, Your brother Ben-hadad. Then he said, Go you, bring him. Then Ben-hadad came forth to him; and he caused him to come up into the chariot. {20:34} And [Ben-hadad] said unto him, The cities which my father took from your father I will restore; and you shall make streets for you in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. And I, [said Ahab], will let you go with this covenant. So he made a covenant with him, and let him go. {20:35} And a certain man of the sons of the prophets said unto his fellow by the word of Yahweh, Smite me, I pray you. And the man refused to smite him. {20:36} Then said he unto him, Because you have not obeyed the voice of Yahweh, behold, as soon as you are departed from me, a lion shall slay you. And as soon as he was departed from him, a lion found him, and slew him. {20:37} Then he found another man, and said, Smite me, I pray you. And the man defeated him, smiting and wounding him. {20:38} So the prophet departed, and waited for the king by the way, and disguised himself with his headband over his eyes. {20:39} And as the king passed by, he cried unto the king; and he said, Your servant went out into the midst of the battle; and, behold, a man turned aside, and brought a man unto me, and said, Keep this man: if by any means he be missing, then shall your life be for his life, or else you shall pay a talent of silver. {20:40} And as your servant was busy here and there, he was gone. And the king of Israel said unto him, So shall your judgment be; yourself have decided it. {20:41} And he hurried, and took the head band away from his eyes; and the king of Israel recognized him that he was of the prophets. {20:42} And he said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Because you have let go out of your hand the man whom I had devoted to destruction, therefore your life shall go for his life, and your people for his people. {20:43} And the king of Israel went to his house heavy and displeased, and came to Samaria.

{O11}21} First Kings Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And it came to pass after these things, that Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard, which was in Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria. {21:2} And Ahab spoke unto Naboth, saying, Give me your vineyard, that I may have it for a garden of herbs, because it is near unto my house; and I will give you for it a better vineyard than it: or, if it seem good to you, I will give you the worth of it in money. {21:3} And Naboth said to Ahab, Yahweh forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto you. {21:4} And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him; for he had said, I will not give you the inheritance of my fathers. And he laid him down upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread. {21:5} But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is your spirit so sad, that you

eat no bread? {21:6} And he said unto her, Because I spoke unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, Give me your vineyard for money; or else, if it please you, I will give you [another] vineyard for it: and he answered, I will not give you my vineyard. {21:7} And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Do you now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let your heart be merry: I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. {21:8} So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were in his city, [and] that lived with Naboth. {21:9} And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people: {21:10} and set two men, base fellows, before him, and let them bear witness against him, saying, you did curse God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him to death. {21:11} And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who lived in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, according as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them. {21:12} They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people. {21:13} And the two men, the base fellows, came in and sat before him: and the base fellows bare witness against him, even against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, Naboth did curse God and the king. Then they carried him forth out of the city, and stoned him to death with stones. {21:14} Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead. {21:15} And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give you for money; for Naboth is not alive, but dead. {21:16} And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it. {21:17} And the word of Yahweh came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, {21:18} Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, who dwells in Samaria: behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, where he is gone down to take possession of it. {21:19} And you shall speak unto him, saying, Thus said Yahweh, Have you killed and also taken possession? And you shall speak unto him, saying, Thus said Yahweh, In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick your blood, even your. {21:20} And Ahab said to Elijah, Have you found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found you, because you have sold yourself to do that which is evil in the sight of Yahweh. {21:21} Behold, I will bring evil upon you, and will utterly sweep you away and will cut off from Ahab every man-child, and him that is shut up and him that is left at large in Israel: {21:22} and I will make your house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah for the provocation by which you have provoked me to anger, and have made Israel to sin. {21:23} And of Jezebel also spoke Yahweh, saying, The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the ramparts of Jezreel. {21:24} Him that dies of Ahab in the city, the dogs shall eat; and him that dies in the field, shall the birds of the heavens eat. {21:25} (But there was none like unto Ahab, who did sell himself to do that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up. {21:26} And he did very disgusting [to Yahweh] in following idols, according to all that the Amorites did, whom Yahweh cast out before the children of Israel.) {21:27} And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly. {21:28} And the word of Yahweh came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, {21:29} See you how Ahab humbles himself before me? because he humbles himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days; but in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.

{O11}22) First Kings Chapter Two. {22:1} And they continued three years with out war between Syria and Israel. {22:2} And it came to pass in the third year, that Jehoshaphat the king of Judah came down to the king of Israel. {22:3} And the king of Israel said unto his servants, Know you that Ramoth-gilead is ours, and we are still, and take it not out of the hand of the king of Syria? {22:4} And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Will you go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead? And Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, I am as you are, my people as your people, my horses as your horses. {22:5} And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Inquire first, I pray you,

for the word of Yahweh. {22:6} Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets together, about four hundred men, and said unto them, shall I go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up; for the Lord will deliver it into the hand of the king. {22:7} But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of Yahweh besides, that we may inquire of him? {22:8} And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, there is yet one man by whom we may inquire of Yahweh, Micaiah the son of Imlah: but I hate him; for he does not prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so. {22:9} Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, Get quickly Micaiah the son of Imlah. {22:10} Now the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah were sitting each on his throne, arrayed in their robes, in an open place at the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets were prophesying before them. {22:11} And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron, and said, Thus said Yahweh, With these shall you push the Syrians, until they be consumed. {22:12} And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper; for Yahweh will deliver it into the hand of the king. {22:13} And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spoke unto him, saying, Behold now, the words of the prophets [declare] good unto the king with one mouth: let your word, I pray you, be like the word of one of them, and speak you good. {22:14} And Micaiah said, As Yahweh lives, what Yahweh said unto me, that will I speak. {22:15} And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And he answered him, Go up and prosper; and Yahweh will deliver it into the hand of the king. {22:16} And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure you that you speak unto me nothing but the truth in the name of Yahweh? {22:17} And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd: and Yahweh said, These have no master; let them return every man to his house in peace. {22:18} And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell you that he would not prophesy good concerning me, but evil? {22:19} And [Micaiah] said, Therefore hear you the word of Yahweh: I saw Yahweh sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left. {22:20} And Yahweh said, Who shall entice Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one said on this manner; and another said on that manner. {22:21} And there came forth a spirit, and stood before Yahweh, and said, I will entice him. {22:22} And Yahweh said unto him, By which? And he said, I will go forth, and will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, you shall entice him, and shall prevail also: go forth, and do so. {22:23} Now therefore, behold, Yahweh has put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these your prophets; and Yahweh has spoken evil concerning you. {22:24} Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of Yahweh from me to speak unto you? {22:25} And Micaiah said, Behold, you shall see on that day, when you shall go into an inner chamber to hide yourself. {22:26} And the king of Israel said, Take Micaiah, and carry him back unto Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son; {22:27} and say, Thus said the king, Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I come in peace. {22:28} And Micaiah said, If you return at all in peace, Yahweh has not spoken by me. And he said, Hear, you peoples, all of you. {22:29} So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead. {22:30} And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and go into the battle; but put you on your robes. And the king of Israel disguised himself, and went into the battle. {22:31} Now the king of Syria had commanded the thirty and two captains of his chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor great, save only with the king of Israel. {22:32} And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, Surely it is the king of Israel; and they turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat cried out. {22:33} And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw that it was not the king of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing him. {22:34} And a certain man drew his bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the armor: Therefore he said unto the driver of his chariot, Turn your hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am sore wounded. {22:35} And the battle increased that day: and the king was

stayed up in his chariot against the Syrians, and died at even; and the blood ran out of the wound into the bottom of the chariot. {22:36} And there went a cry throughout the host about the going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his country. {22:37} So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria. {22:38} And they washed the chariot by the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood (now the prostitutes washed themselves [there]); according unto the word of Yahweh which he spoke. {22:39} Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the ivory house which he built, and all the cities that he built, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {22:40} So Ahab slept with his fathers; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead. {22:41} And Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab king of Israel. {22:42} Jehoshaphat was thirty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi. {22:43} And he walked in all the way of Asa his father; He turned not aside from it, doing that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh: however the high places were not taken away; the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places. {22:44} And Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel. {22:45} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, and his might that he showed, and how he warred, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {22:46} And the remnant of the homosexuals, that remained in the days of his father Asa, he put away out of the land. {22:47} And there was no king in Edom: a deputy was king. {22:48} Jehoshaphat made ships of Tarshish to go to Ophir for gold: but they went not; for the ships were broken at Ezion-geber. {22:49} Then said Ahaziah the son of Ahab unto Jehoshaphat, Let my servants go with your servants in the ships. But Jehoshaphat would not. {22:50} And Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father; And Jehoram his son reigned in his stead. {22:51} Ahaziah the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria in the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and he reigned two years over Israel. {22:52} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, wherein he made Israel to sin. {22:53} And he served Baal, and worshipped him, and provoked to anger Yahweh, the God of Israel, according to all that his father had done.

The Book of Second Kings

{O12}1} Second Kings Chapter One. {1:1} And Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab. {1:2} And Ahaziah fell down through the lattice in his upper chamber that was in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover of this sickness. {1:3} But the messenger of Yahweh said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, Is it because there is no God in Israel, that you go to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron? {1:4} Now therefore thus said Yahweh, You shall not come down from the bed where you are gone up, but shall surely die. And Elijah departed. {1:5} And the messengers returned unto him, and he said unto them, Why is it that you are returned? {1:6} And they said unto him, There came up a man to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Is it because there is no God in Israel, that you send to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron? therefore you shall not come down from the bed where you are gone up, but shall surely die. {1:7} And he said unto them, What manner of man was he that came up to meet you, and told you these words? {1:8} And they answered him, He was a hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loins. And he said, It is Elijah the Tishbite. {1:9} Then [the king] sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and, behold, he was sitting on the top of the hill. And he spoke unto him, O man of God, the king has said, Come down. {1:10} And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I be a man of God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume you and your fifty. And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty. {1:11} And again he sent unto him another captain

of fifty and his fifty. And he answered and said unto him, O man of God, thus has the king said, Come down quickly. {1:12} And Elijah answered and said unto them, If I be a man of God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume you and your fifty. And the fire of God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty. {1:13} And again he sent the captain of a third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and beg him, and said unto him, O man of God, I pray you, let my life, and the life of these fifty your servants, be precious in your sight. {1:14} Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and consumed the two former captains of fifty with their fifties; but now let my life be precious in your sight. {1:15} And the messenger of Yahweh said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not afraid of him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king. {1:16} And he said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Forasmuch as you have sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron, is it because there is no God in Israel to inquire of his word? therefore you shall not come down from the bed where you are gone up, but shall surely die. {1:17} So he died according to the word of Yahweh which Elijah had spoken. And Jehoram began to reign in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son. {1:18} Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

{O12}2} Second Kings Chapter Two. {2:1} And it came to pass, when Yahweh would take up Elijah by a whirlwind into heaven, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. {2:2} And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray you; for Yahweh has sent me as far as Beth-el. And Elisha said, As Yahweh lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you. So they went down to Beth-el. {2:3} And the sons of the prophets that were at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, You know that Yahweh will take away your master from your head to-day? And he said, Behold, I know it; hold you your peace. {2:4} And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray you; for Yahweh has sent me to Jericho. And he said, As Yahweh lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you. So they came to Jericho. {2:5} And the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came near to Elisha, and said unto him, You know that Yahweh will take away your master from your head to-day? And he answered, Behold, I know it; hold you your peace. {2:6} And Elijah said unto him, Tarry here, I pray you; for Yahweh has sent me to the Jordan. And he said, As Yahweh lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you. And they two went on. {2:7} And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood over against them afar off: and they two stood by the Jordan. {2:8} And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the waters, and they were divided here and there, so that they two went over on dry ground. {2:9} And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you. And Elisha said, I pray you, let a double portion of your spirit be upon me. {2:10} And he said, You have asked a hard thing: [nevertheless], if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so unto you; but if not, it shall not be so. {2:11} And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, [there appeared] a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, which parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. {2:12} And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariots of Israel and the horsemen there! And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces. {2:13} He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of the Jordan. {2:14} And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where is Yahweh, the God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they were divided here and there; and Elisha went over. {2:15} And when the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho over against him saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah does rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him. {2:16} And they said unto him, Behold now, there are with your servants fifty strong men; let them go, we pray you, and seek your master, lest the Spirit of Yahweh has taken him up, and cast him upon some mountain, or into some valley. And he said, You shall not send. {2:17} And when they urged him

till he was ashamed, he said, Send. They sent therefore fifty men; and they sought three days, but found him not. {2:18} And they came back to him, while he tarried at Jericho; and he said unto them, Did I not say unto you, Go not? {2:19} And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, we pray you, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord sees: but the water is bad, and the land miscarries. {2:20} And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought it to him. {2:21} And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast salt therein, and said, Thus said Yahweh, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from there any more death or miscarrying. {2:22} So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the word of Elisha which he spoke. {2:23} And he went up from there unto Beth-el; and as he was going up by the way, there came forth young men out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, you baldhead; go up, you baldhead. {2:24} And he looked behind him and saw them, and cursed them in the name of Yahweh. And there came forth two she-bears out of the wood, and tore forty and two young men of them. {2:25} And he went from there to mount Carmel, and from there he returned to Samaria.

{O12}3} Second Kings Chapter Three. {3:1} Now Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria in the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned twelve years. {3:2} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, but not like his father, and like his mother; for he put away the pillar of Baal that his father had made. {3:3} Nevertheless he cleaved unto the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin; he departed not there from. {3:4} Now Mesha king of Moab was a sheep-master; and he rendered unto the king of Israel the wool of a hundred thousand lambs, and of a hundred thousand rams. {3:5} But it came to pass, when Ahab was dead, that the king of Moab rebelled against the king of Israel. {3:6} And king Jehoram went out of Samaria at that time, and mustered all Israel. {3:7} And he went and sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, saying, The king of Moab has rebelled against me: will you go with me against Moab to battle? And he said, I will go up: I am as you are, my people as your people, my horses as your horses. {3:8} And he said, Which way shall we go up? And he answered, The way of the wilderness of Edom. {3:9} So the king of Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of Edom; and they made a circuit of seven days' journey: and there was no water for the host, nor for the beasts that followed them. {3:10} And the king of Israel said, Alas! for Yahweh has called these three kings together to deliver them into the hand of Moab. {3:11} But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of Yahweh, that we may inquire of Yahweh by him? And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, Elisha the son of Shaphat is here, who poured water on the hands of Elijah. {3:12} And Jehoshaphat said, The word of Yahweh is with him. So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him. {3:13} And Elisha said unto the king of Israel, What have I to do with you? get you to the prophets of your father, and to the prophets of your mother. And the king of Israel said unto him, No; for Yahweh has called these three kings together to deliver them into the hand of Moab. {3:14} And Elisha said, As Yahweh of hosts lives, before whom I stand, surely, were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, I would not look toward you, nor see you. {3:15} But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of Yahweh came upon him. {3:16} And he said, Thus said Yahweh, Make this valley full of trenches. {3:17} For thus said Yahweh, You shall not see wind, neither shall you see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, and you shall drink, both you and your cattle and your beasts. {3:18} And this is but a light thing in the sight of Yahweh: he will also deliver the Moabites into your hand. {3:19} And you shall smite every fortified city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all fountains of water, and mar every good piece of land with stones. {3:20} And it came to pass in the morning, about the time of offering the oblation, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water. {3:21} Now when all the Moabites heard that the kings were come up to fight against them, they gathered themselves together, all that were able to put on armor, and upward, and stood on the

border. {3:22} And they rose up early in the morning, and the sun shone upon the water, and the Moabites saw the water over against them as red as blood: {3:23} and they said, This is blood; the kings are surely destroyed, and they have smitten each man his fellow: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil. {3:24} And when they came to the camp of Israel, the Israelites rose up and defeated the Moabites, so that they fled before them; and they went forward into the land smiting the Moabites. {3:25} And they beat down the cities; and on every good piece of land they cast every man his stone, and filled it; and they stopped all the fountains of water, and felled all the good trees, until in Kir-haressets [only] they left the stones there; however the slingers went about it, and defeated it. {3:26} And when the king of Moab saw that the battle was too sore for him, he took with him seven hundred men that drew sword, to break through unto the king of Edom; but they could not. {3:27} Then he took his eldest son that should have reigned in his stead, and offered him for a burnt-offering upon the wall. And there was great Anger against Israel: and they departed from him, and returned to their own land.

{O12}4} Second Kings Chapter Four. {4:1} Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Your servant my husband is dead; and you know that your servant did fear Yahweh: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two children to be bondmen. {4:2} And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for you? tell me; what have you in the house? And she said, Your handmaid has not anything in the house, save a pot of oil. {4:3} Then he said, Go, borrow you vessels abroad of all your neighbors, even empty vessels; borrow not a few. {4:4} And you shall go in, and shut the door upon you and upon your sons, and pour out into all those vessels; and you shall set aside that which is full. {4:5} So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons; they brought [the vessels] to her, and she poured out. {4:6} And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed. {4:7} Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay your debt, and live you and your sons of the rest. {4:8} And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that as oft as he passed by, he turned in there to eat bread. {4:9} And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this is a holy man of God, that passes by us continually. {4:10} Let us make, I pray you, a little chamber on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a seat, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he comes to us, that he shall turn in there. {4:11} And it fell on a day, that he came there, and he turned into the chamber and lay there. {4:12} And he said to Gehazi his servant, Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her, she stood before him. {4:13} And he said unto him, Say now unto her, Behold, you have been careful for us with all this care; what is to be done for you? would you be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host? And she answered, I dwell among mine own people. {4:14} And he said, What then is to be done for her? And Gehazi answered, Verily she has no son, and her husband is old. {4:15} And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door. {4:16} And he said, At this season, when the time comes round, you shall embrace a son. And she said, No, my lord, you man of God, do not lie unto your handmaid. {4:17} And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season, when the time came round, as Elisha had said unto her. {4:18} And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the reapers. {4:19} And he said unto his father, My head, my head. And he said to his servant, Carry him to his mother. {4:20} And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till noon, and then died. {4:21} And she went up and laid him on the bed of the man of God, and shut [the door] upon him, and went out. {4:22} And she called unto her husband, and said, Send me, I pray you, one of the servants, and one of the donkeys, that I may run to the man of God, and come again. {4:23} And he said, Therefore will you go to him to-day? it is neither new moon nor Sabbath. And she said, It shall be well. {4:24} Then she saddled an donkey, and said to her servant, Drive, and go forward; slacken me not the riding, except I bid you. {4:25} So she went, and came unto the man of God to mount

Carmel. And it came to pass, when the man of God saw her afar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant, Behold, yonder is the Shunammite: {4:26} run, I pray you, now to meet her, and say unto her, Is it well with you? is it well with your husband? is it well with the child? And she answered, It is well. {4:27} And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught hold of his feet. And Gehazi came near to thrust her away; but the man of God said, Let her alone: for her soul is vexed within her; and Yahweh has hid it from me, and has not told me. {4:28} Then she said, Did I desire a son of my lord? did I not say, Do not deceive me? {4:29} Then he said to Gehazi, Gird up your loins, and take my staff in your hand, and go your way: if you meet any man, salute him not; and if any salute you, answer him not again: and lay my staff upon the face of the child. {4:30} And the mother of the child said, As Yahweh lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you. And he arose, and followed her. {4:31} And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the face of the child; but there was neither voice, nor hearing. Therefore he returned to meet him, and told him, saying, The child is not awaked. {4:32} And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, and laid upon his bed. {4:33} He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto Yahweh. {4:34} And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon him; and the flesh of the child waxed warm. {4:35} Then he returned, and walked in the house once to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes. {4:36} And he called Gehazi, and said, Call this Shunammite. So he called her. And when she was come in unto him, he said, Take up your son. {4:37} Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground; and she took up her son, and went out. {4:38} And Elisha came again to Gilgal. And there was a dearth in the land; and the sons of the prophets were sitting before him; and he said unto his servant, Set on the great pot, and boil pottage for the sons of the prophets. {4:39} And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered there wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage; for they knew them not. {4:40} So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, O man of God, there is death in the pot. And they could not eat there. {4:41} But he said, Then bring meal. And he cast it into the pot; and he said, Pour out for the people, that they may eat. And there was no harm in the pot. {4:42} And there came a man from Baal-shalishah, and brought the man of God bread of the first-fruits, twenty loaves of barley, and fresh ears of grain in his sack. And he said, Give unto the people, that they may eat. {4:43} And his servant said, What, should I set this before a hundred men? But he said, Give the people, that they may eat; for thus said Yahweh, They shall eat, and shall leave there. {4:44} So he set it before them, and they did eat, and left there, according to the word of Yahweh.

{O12}5} Second Kings Chapter Five. {5:1} Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honorable, because by him Yahweh had given victory unto Syria: he was also a mighty man of valor, [but he was] a leper. {5:2} And the Syrians had gone out in bands, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maiden; and she waited on Naaman's wife. {5:3} And she said unto her mistress, Would that my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! then would he recover him of his leprosy. {5:4} And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maiden that is of the land of Israel. {5:5} And the king of Syria said, Go now, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand [pieces] of gold, and ten changes of raiment. {5:6} And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, And now when this letter is come unto you, behold, I have sent Naaman my servant to you, that you may recover him of his leprosy. {5:7} And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man does send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? but consider, I pray you, and see how he seeks a quarrel against me. {5:8} And it was so, when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had rent his

clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Therefore have you rent your clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel. {5:9} So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariots, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha. {5:10} And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall come again to you, and you shall be clean. {5:11} But Naaman was angry, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of Yahweh his God, and wave his hand over the place, and recover the leper. {5:12} Are not Abanah and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage. {5:13} And his servants came near, and spoke unto him, and said, My father, if the prophet had bid you do some great thing, would you not have done it? how much rather then, when he said to you, Wash, and be clean? {5:14} Then went he down, and dipped [himself] seven times in the Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God; and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. {5:15} And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him; and he said, Behold now, I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray you, take a present of your servant. {5:16} But he said, As Yahweh lives, before whom I stand, I will receive none. And he urged him to take it; but he refused. {5:17} And Naaman said, If not, yet, I pray you, let there be given to your servant two mules' burden of earth; for your servant will from here on offer neither burnt-offering nor sacrifice unto other gods, but unto Yahweh. {5:18} In this thing Yahweh pardon your servant: when my master goes into the house of Rimmon to worship there, and he leans on my hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, when I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, Yahweh pardon your servant in this thing. {5:19} And he said unto him, Go in peace. So he departed from him a little way. {5:20} But Gehazi the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master has spared this Naaman the Syrian, in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: as Yahweh lives, I will run after him, and take somewhat of him. {5:21} So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw one running after him, he alighted from the chariot to meet him, and said, Is all well? {5:22} And he said, All is well. My master has sent me, saying, Behold, even now there are come to me from the hill-country of Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets; give them, I pray you, a talent of silver, and two changes of raiment. {5:23} And Naaman said, Be pleased to take two talents. And he urged him, and bound two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of raiment, and laid them upon two of his servants; and they bare them before him. {5:24} And when he came to the hill, he took them from their hand, and bestowed them in the house; and he let the men go, and they departed. {5:25} But he went in, and stood before his master. And Elisha said unto him, Where do you come, Gehazi? And he said, Your servant went no where. {5:26} And he said unto him, Went not my heart [with you], when the man turned from his chariot to meet you? Is it a time to receive money, and to receive garments, and olive yards and vineyards, and sheep and oxen, and men-servants and maid-servants? {5:27} The leprosy therefore of Naaman shall cleave unto you, and unto your seed forever. And he went out from his presence a leper [as white] as snow.

{O12}6} Second Kings Chapter Six. {6:1} And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell before you is too strait for us. {6:2} Let us go, we pray you, unto the Jordan, and take there every man a beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go you. {6:3} And one said, Be pleased, I pray you, to go with your servants. And he answered, I will go. {6:4} So he went with them. And when they came to the Jordan, they cut down wood. {6:5} But as one was felling a beam, the axe-head fell into the water; and he cried, and said, Alas, my master! for it was borrowed. {6:6} And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he showed him the place. And he cut down a stick, and cast it in there, and made the iron to swim. {6:7} And he said, Take it up to you. So he put out his hand, and took it. {6:8} Now the king of Syria was warring against Israel; and he took counsel with his

servants, saying, In such and such a place shall be my camp. {6:9} And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware that you pass not such a place; for there the Syrians are coming down. {6:10} And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of; and he saved himself there, not once nor twice. {6:11} And the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will you not show me which of us is for the king of Israel? {6:12} And one of his servants said, No, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedchamber. {6:13} And he said, Go and see where he is, that I may send and get him. And it was told him, saying, Behold, he is in Doesan. {6:14} Therefore sent he there horses, and chariots, and a great host: and they came by night, and around the city about. {6:15} And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, a host with horses and chariots was round about the city. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do? {6:16} And he answered, Fear not; for they that are with us are more than they that are with them. {6:17} And Elisha prayed, and said, Yahweh, I pray you, open his eyes, that he may see. And Yahweh opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. {6:18} And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto Yahweh, and said, Smite this people, I pray you, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha. {6:19} And Elisha said unto them, This is not the way, neither is this the city: follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom you seek. And he led them to Samaria. {6:20} And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, Yahweh, open the eyes of these men, that they may see. And Yahweh opened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, they were in the midst of Samaria. {6:21} And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, My father, shall I smite them? shall I smite them? {6:22} And he answered, You shall not smite them: would you smite those whom you have taken captive with your sword and with your bow? set bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master. {6:23} And he prepared great provision for them; and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. And the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel. {6:24} And it came to pass after this, that Benhadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria. {6:25} And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's head was sold for eighty [pieces] of silver, and the fourth part of a dab of dove's dung for five [pieces] of silver. {6:26} And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king. {6:27} And he said, If Yahweh do not help you, where shall I help you? out of the threshing-floor, or out of the winepress? {6:28} And the king said unto her, What ails you? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give your son, that we may eat him to-day, and we will eat my son to-morrow. {6:29} So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give your son, that we may eat him; and she has hid her son. {6:30} And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he rent his clothes (now he was passing by upon the wall); and the people looked, and, behold, he had sackcloth within upon his flesh. {6:31} Then he said, God do so to me, and more also, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat shall stand on him this day. {6:32} But Elisha was sitting in his house, and the elders were sitting with him; and [the king] sent a man from before him: but ere the messenger came to him, he said to the elders, See you how this son of a murderer has sent to take away my head? look, when the messenger comes, shut the door, and hold the door fast against him: is not the sound of his master's feet behind him? {6:33} And while he was yet talking with them, behold, the messenger came down unto him: and he said, Behold, this evil is of Yahweh; why should I wait for Yahweh any longer?

{O12}7} Second Kings Chapter Seven. {7:1} And Elisha said, Hear you the word of Yahweh: thus said Yahweh, To-morrow about this time shall a measure of fine flour be [sold] for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria. {7:2} Then the captain

on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God, and said, Behold, if Yahweh should make windows in heaven, might this thing be? And he said, Behold, you shall see it with your eyes, but shall not eat there of. {7:3} Now there were four leprous men at the entrance of the gate: and they said one to another, Why sit we here until we die? {7:4} If we say, We will enter into the city, then the famine is in the city, and we shall die there; and if we sit still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die. {7:5} And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians; and when they were come to the outermost part of the camp of the Syrians, behold, there was no man there. {7:6} For the Lord had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses, even the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel has hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon us. {7:7} Therefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and their donkeys, even the camp as it was, and fled for their life. {7:8} And when these lepers came to the outermost part of the camp, they went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried there silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid it; and they came back, and entered into another tent, and carried there also, and went and hid it. {7:9} Then they said one to another, We do not well; this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, punishment will overtake us; now therefore come, let us go and tell the king's household. {7:10} So they came and called unto the porter of the city; and they told them, saying, We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, there was no man there, neither voice of man, but the horses tied, and the donkeys tied, and the tents as they were. {7:11} And he called the porters; and they told it to the king's household within. {7:12} And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, I will now show you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we are hungry; therefore are they gone out of the camp to hide themselves in the field, saying, When they come out of the city, we shall take them alive, and get into the city. {7:13} And one of his servants answered and said, Let some take, I pray you, five of the horses that remain, which are left in the city (behold, they are as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it; behold, they are as all the multitude of Israel that are consumed); and let us send and see. {7:14} They took therefore two chariots with horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians, saying, Go and see. {7:15} And they went after them unto the Jordan: and, lo, all the way was full of garments and vessels, which the Syrians had cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king. {7:16} And the people went out, and plundered the camp of the Syrians. So a measure of fine flour was [sold] for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, according to the word of Yahweh. {7:17} And the king appointed the captain on whose hand he leaned to have the charge of the gate: and the people trod upon him in the gate, and he died as the man of God had said, who spoke when the king came down to him. {7:18} And it came to pass, as the man of God had spoken to the king, saying, Two measures of barley for a shekel, and a measure of fine flour for a shekel, shall be to-morrow about this time in the gate of Samaria; {7:19} and that captain answered the man of God, and said, Now, behold, if Yahweh should make windows in heaven, might such a thing be? and he said, Behold, you shall see it with your eyes, but shall not eat there: {7:20} it came to pass even so unto him; for the people trod upon him in the gate, and he died.

{O12}8} Second Kings Chapter Eight. {8:1} Now Elisha had spoken unto the woman, whose son he had restored to life, saying, Arise, and go you and your household, and sojourn where so ever you Can sojourn: for Yahweh has called for a famine; and it shall also come upon the land seven years. {8:2} And the woman arose, and did according to the word of the man of God; and she went with her household, and sojourned in the land of the Philistines seven years. {8:3} And it came to pass at the seven years' end, that the woman returned out of the land of the Philistines: and she went forth to cry unto the king for her house and for her land. {8:4} Now the king was talking with Gehazi the servant of the man of God, saying, Tell me, I pray you, all the great

things that Elisha has done. {8:5} And it came to pass, as he was telling the king how he had restored to life him that was dead, that, behold, the woman, whose son he had restored to life, cried to the king for her house and for her land. And Gehazi said, My lord, O king, this is the woman, and this is her son, whom Elisha restored to life. {8:6} And when the king asked the woman, she told him. So the king appointed unto her a certain officer, saying, Restore all that was hers, and all the fruits of the field since the day that she left the land, even until now. {8:7} And Elisha came to Damascus; and Benhadad the king of Syria was sick; and it was told him, saying, The man of God is come here. {8:8} And the king said unto Hazael, Take a present in your hand, and go, meet the man of God, and inquire of Yahweh by him, saying, shall I recover of this sickness? {8:9} So Hazael went to meet him, and took a present with him, even of every good thing of Damascus, forty camels' burden, and came and stood before him, and said, Your son Benhadad king of Syria has sent me to you, saying, shall I recover of this sickness? {8:10} And Elisha said unto him, Go, say unto him, You shall surely recover; however Yahweh has showed me that he shall surely die. {8:11} And he settled his countenance in a fixed gaze [upon him], until he was ashamed: and the man of God wept. {8:12} And Hazael said, Why weep my lord? And he answered, Because I know the evil that you will do unto the children of Israel: their strongholds will you set on fire, and their young men will you slay with the sword, and will dash in pieces their little ones, and rip up their women with child. {8:13} And Hazael said, But what is your servant, who is but a dog, that he should do this great thing? And Elisha answered, Yahweh has showed me that you shall be king over Syria. {8:14} Then he departed from Elisha, and came to his master; who said to him, What said Elisha to you? And he answered, He told me that you would surely recover. {8:15} And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took the coverlet, and dipped it in water, and spread it on his face, so that he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead. {8:16} And in the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat being then king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah began to reign. {8:17} Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. {8:18} And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife; and he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh. {8:19} However Yahweh would not destroy Judah, for David his servant's sake, as he promised him to give unto him a lamp for his children always. {8:20} In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a king over themselves. {8:21} Then Joram passed over to Zair, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up by night, and defeated the Edomites that around him about, and the captains of the chariots; and the people fled to their tents. {8:22} So Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. Then did Libnah revolt at the same time. {8:23} And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {8:24} And Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead. {8:25} In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign. {8:26} Two and twenty years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Athaliah the daughter of Omri king of Israel. {8:27} And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, as did the house of Ahab; for he was the son-in-law of the house of Ahab. {8:28} And he went with Joram the son of Ahab to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians wounded Joram. {8:29} And king Joram returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was sick.

{O12}9} Second Kings Chapter Nine. {9:1} And Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets, and said unto him, Gird up your loins, and take this vial of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead. {9:2} And when you come there, look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat

the son of Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an inner chamber. {9:3} Then take the vial of oil, and pour it on his head, and say, Thus said Yahweh, I have anointed you king over Israel. Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not. {9:4} So the young man, even the young man the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead. {9:5} And when he came, behold, the captains of the host were sitting; and he said, I have an errand to you, O captain. And Jehu said, Unto which of us all? And he said, To you, O captain. {9:6} And he arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on his head, and said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, I have anointed you king over the people of Yahweh, even over Israel. {9:7} And you shall smite the house of Ahab your master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of Yahweh, at the hand of Jezebel. {9:8} For the whole house of Ahab shall perish; and I will cut off from Ahab every man-child, and him that is shut up and him that is left at large in Israel. {9:9} And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah. {9:10} And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and there shall be none to bury her. And he opened the door, and fled. {9:11} Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and one said unto him, Is all well? Therefore came this mad fellow to you? And he said unto them, You know the man and what his talk was. {9:12} And they said, It is false; tell us now. And he said, Thus and thus spoke he to me, saying, Thus say Yahweh, I have anointed you king over Israel. {9:13} Then they hurried, and took every man his garment, and put it under him on the top of the stairs, and blew the trumpet, saying, Jehu is king. {9:14} So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram was keeping Ramoth-gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria; {9:15} but king Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.) And Jehu said, If this be your mind, then let none escape and go forth out of the city, to go to tell it in Jezreel. {9:16} So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down to see Joram. {9:17} Now the watchman was standing on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram said, Take a horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, Is it peace? {9:18} So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said, Thus say the king, Is it peace? And Jehu said, What have you to do with peace? turn you behind me. And the watchman told, saying, The messenger came to them, but he comes not back. {9:19} Then he sent out a second on horseback, who came to them, and said, Thus say the king, Is it peace? And Jehu answered, What have you to do with peace? turn you behind me. {9:20} And the watchman told, saying, He came even unto them, and comes not back: and the driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he drives furiously. {9:21} And Joram said, Make ready. And they made ready his chariot. And Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out to meet Jehu, and found him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite. {9:22} And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, Is it peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the prostitutions of your mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many? {9:23} And Joram turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, There is treachery, O Ahaziah. {9:24} And Jehu drew his bow with his full strength, and smote Joram between his arms; and the arrow went out at his heart, and he sunk down in his chariot. {9:25} Then said [Jehu] to Bidkar his captain, Take up, and cast him in the portion of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite; for remember how that, when I and you rode together after Ahab his father, Yahweh laid this burden upon him: {9:26} Surely I have seen yesterday the blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, say Yahweh; and I will reward you in this plat, say Yahweh. Now therefore take and cast him into the plat [of ground], according to the word of Yahweh. {9:27} But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled by the way of the garden-house. And Jehu followed after him, and said, Smite him also in the chariot: [and they smote him] at the ascent of Gur, which is by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo, and died there. {9:28} And his servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulcher with his fathers in the city of David. {9:29} And in the eleventh year of Joram the

son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah. {9:30} And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she painted her eyes, and attired her head, and looked out at the window. {9:31} And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Is it peace, you Zimri, your master's murderer? {9:32} And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. {9:33} And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down; and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trod her under foot. {9:34} And when he was come in, he did eat and drink; and he said, See now to this cursed woman, and bury her; for she is a king's daughter. {9:35} And they went to bury her; but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands. {9:36} Therefore they came back, and told him. And he said, This is the word of Yahweh, which he spoke by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall the dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel; {9:37} and the body of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel, so that they shall not say, This is Jezebel.

{O12}10} Second Kings Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria, unto the rulers of Jezreel, even the elders, and unto them that brought up [the sons of] Ahab, saying, {10:2} And now as soon as this letter comes to you, seeing your master's sons are with you, and there are with you chariots and horses, a fortified city also, and armor; {10:3} look you out the best and meet the sons of your master, and set him on his father's throne, and fight for your master's house. {10:4} But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, the two kings stood not before him: how then shall we stand? {10:5} And he that was over the household, and he that was over the city, the elders also, and they that brought up [the children], sent to Jehu, saying, We are your servants, and will do all that you shall bid us; we will not make any man king: do you that which is good in your eyes. {10:6} Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If you be on my side, and if you will hear unto my voice, take you the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to-morrow this time. Now the king's sons, being seventy persons, were with the great men of the city, who brought them up. {10:7} And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew them, even seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent them unto him to Jezreel. {10:8} And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay you them in two heaps at the entrance of the gate until the morning. {10:9} And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, You are a lawful worker: behold, I conspired against my master, and slew him; but who smote all these? {10:10} Know now that there shall fall unto the earth nothing of the word of Yahweh, which Yahweh spoke concerning the house of Ahab: for Yahweh has done that which he spoke by his servant Elijah. {10:11} So Jehu smote all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his familiar friends, and his priests, until he left him none remaining. {10:12} And he arose and departed, and went to Samaria. And as he was at the shearing-house of the shepherds in the way, {10:13} Jehu met with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, Who are you? And they answered, We are the brethren of Ahaziah: and we go down to salute the children of the king and the children of the queen. {10:14} And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing-house, even two and forty men; neither left he any of them. {10:15} And when he was departed there, he lighted on Jehonadab the son of Rechab coming to meet him; and he saluted him, and said to him, Is your heart right, as my heart is with your heart? And Jehonadab answered, It is. If it be, give me your hand. And he gave him his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot. {10:16} And he said, Come with me, and see my zeal for Yahweh. So they made him ride in his chariot. {10:17} And when he came to Samaria, he smote all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke to Elijah. {10:18} And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them, Ahab served Baal a little; but Jehu will serve him much. {10:19} Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all

his worshippers, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great sacrifice [to do] to Baal; anyone who shall be wanting, he shall not live. But Jehu did it in subtlety, to the intent that he might destroy the worshippers of Baal. {10:20} And Jehu said, Sanctify a solemn assembly for Baal. And they proclaimed it. {10:21} And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshippers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was filled from one end to another. {10:22} And he said unto him that was over the vestry, Bring forth vestments for all the worshippers of Baal. And he brought them forth vestments. {10:23} And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal; and he said unto the worshippers of Baal, Search, and look that there be here with you none of the servants of Yahweh, but the worshippers of Baal only. {10:24} And they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt-offerings. Now Jehu had appointed him eighty men outside, and said, If any of the men whom I bring into your hands escape, [he that lets him go], his life shall be for the life of him. {10:25} And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt-offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, Go in, and slay them; let none come forth. And they smote them with the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast them out, and went to the city of the house of Baal. {10:26} And they brought forth the pillars that were in the house of Baal, and burned them. {10:27} And they brake down the pillar of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made it a draught-house, unto this day. {10:28} Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel. {10:29} However from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, [to wit], the golden calves that were in Beth-el, and that were in Dan. {10:30} And Yahweh said unto Jehu, Because you have done well in executing that which is right in mine eyes, [and] have done unto the house of Ahab according to all that was in my heart, your sons of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel. {10:31} But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of Yahweh, the God of Israel, with all his heart: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, by which he made Israel to sin. {10:32} In those days Yahweh began to cut off from Israel: and Hazael smote them in all the borders of Israel; {10:33} from the Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the valley of the Arnon, even Gilead and Bashan. {10:34} Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {10:35} And Jehu slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehovah his son reigned in his stead. {10:36} And the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty and eight years.

{O12}11} Second Kings Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Now when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal. {11:2} But Jehoshaphat, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him away from among the king's sons that were slain, even him and his nurse, [and put them] in the bedchamber; and they hid him from Athaliah, so that he was not slain; {11:3} And he was with her hid in the house of Yahweh six years. And Athaliah reigned over the land. {11:4} And in the seventh year Jehoiada sent and gotten the captains over hundreds of the Caritas and of the guard, and brought them to him into the house of Yahweh; and he made a covenant with them, and took an oath of them in the house of Yahweh, and showed them the king's son. {11:5} And he commanded them, saying, This is the thing that you shall do: a third part of you, that come in on the Sabbath, shall be keepers of the watch of the king's house; {11:6} And a third part shall be at the gate Sure; and a third part at the gate behind the guard: so shall you keep the watch of the house, and be a barrier. {11:7} And the two companies of you, even all that go forth on the Sabbath, shall keep the watch of the house of Yahweh about the king. {11:8} And you shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand; and he that comes within the ranks, let him be slain: and be you with the king when he goes out, and when he comes in. {11:9} And the captains over hundreds did according to all that Jehoiada the priest commanded; and they took every man his men, those that were to come in on the Sabbath, with those that were

to go out on the Sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest. {11:10} And the priest delivered to the captains over hundreds the spears and shields that had been king David's, which were in the house of Yahweh. {11:11} And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, from the right side of the house to the left side of the house, along by the altar and the house, by the king round about. {11:12} Then he brought out the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and [gave him] the testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and said, [Long] live the king. {11:13} And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard [and of] the people, she came to the people into the house of Yahweh: {11:14} and she looked, and, behold, the king stood by the pillar, as the manner was, and the captains and the trumpets by the king; and all the people of the land rejoiced, and blew trumpets. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, Treason! treason! {11:15} And Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of hundreds that were set over the host, and said unto them, Have her forth between the ranks; and him that follows her slay with the sword. For the priest said, Let her not be slain in the house of Yahweh. {11:16} So they made way for her; and she went by the way of the horses' entry to the king's house: and there she was slain. {11:17} And Jehoiada made a covenant between Yahweh and the king and the people, that they should be Yahweh's people; between the king also and the people. {11:18} And all the people of the land went to the house of Baal, and brake it down; his altars and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Matthan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest appointed officers over the house of Yahweh. {11:19} And he took the captains over hundreds, and the Caritas, and the guard, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king from the house of Yahweh, and came by the way of the gate of the guard unto the king's house. And he sat on the throne of the kings. {11:20} So all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was quiet. And Athaliah they had slain with the sword at the king's house. {11:21} Jehoash was seven years old when he began to reign.

{O12}12} Second Kings Chapter Twelve. {12:1} In the seventh year of Jehu began Jehoash to reign; and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Zebah of Beer-sheba. {12:2} And Jehoash did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh all his days wherein Jehoiada the priest instructed him. {12:3} However the high places were not taken away; the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places. {12:4} And Jehoash said to the priests, All the money of the hallowed things that is brought into the house of Yahweh, in current money, the money of the persons for whom each man is rated, and all the money that it comes into any man's heart to bring into the house of Yahweh, {12:5} let the priests take it to them, every man from his acquaintance; and they shall repair the breaches of the house, where so ever any breach shall be found. {12:6} But it was so, that in the three and twentieth year of king Jehoash the priests had not repaired the breaches of the house. {12:7} Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and for the [other] priests, and said unto them, Why repair you not the breaches of the house? now therefore take no [more] money from your acquaintance, but deliver it for the breaches of the house. {12:8} And the priests consented that they should take no [more] money from the people, neither repair the breaches of the house. {12:9} But Jehoiada the priest took a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as one comes into the house of Yahweh: and the priests that kept the threshold put therein all the money that was brought into the house of Yahweh. {12:10} And it was so, when they saw that there was much money in the chest, that the king's scribe and the high priest came up, and they put up in bags and counted the money that was found in the house of Yahweh. {12:11} And they gave the money that was weighed out into the hands of them that did the work, that had the oversight of the house of Yahweh: and they paid it out to the carpenters and the builders, that wrought upon the house of Yahweh, {12:12} and to the masons and the hewers of stone, and for buying timber and hewn stone to repair the breaches of the house of Yahweh, and for all that was laid out for the house to repair it. {12:13} But there were not made for the house of Yahweh cups of silver, snuffers, basins, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money that was brought

into the house of Yahweh; {12:14} for they gave that to them that did the work, and repaired with the house of Yahweh. {12:15} they also reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they delivered the money to give to them that did the work; for they dealt faithfully. {12:16} The money for the trespass-offerings, and the money for the sin-offerings, was not brought into the house of Yahweh: it was the priests'. {12:17} Then Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought against Goth, and took it; and Hazael set his face to go up to Jerusalem. {12:18} And Jehoash king of Judah took all the hallowed things that Jehoshaphat and Jehoram and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold that was found in the treasures of the house of Yahweh, and of the king's house, and sent it to Hazael king of Syria: and he went away from Jerusalem. {12:19} Now the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {12:20} And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and smote Joash at the house of Millo, [on the way] that goes down to Sill. {12:21} For Oscar the son of Shimeah, and Jehonadab the son of Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}13} Second Kings Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} In the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah, king of Judah, Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] seventeen years. {13:2} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, and followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin; he departed not there from. {13:3} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the hand of Hazael king of Syria, and into the hand of Benhadad the son of Hazael, continually. {13:4} And Jehoahaz beg Yahweh, and Yahweh heard unto him; for he saw the oppression of Israel, how that the king of Syria oppressed them. {13:5} (And Yahweh gave Israel a savior, so that they went out from under the hand of the Syrians; and the children of Israel lived in their tents as before. {13:6} Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, by which he made Israel to sin, but walked therein: and there remained the Asherah also in Samaria.) {13:7} For he left not to Jehoahaz of the people save fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand footmen; for the king of Syria destroyed them, and made them like the dust in threshing. {13:8} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {13:9} And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and Joash his son reigned in his stead. {13:10} In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] sixteen years. {13:11} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh; he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin; but he walked [the same] therein. {13:12} Now the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his might by which he fought against Amaziah king of Judah, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {13:13} And Joash slept with his fathers; and Jeroboam sat upon his throne: and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel. {13:14} Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness where he died: and Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over him, and said, My father, my father, the chariots of Israel and the horsemen there! {13:15} And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows; and he took unto him bow and arrows. {13:16} And he said to the king of Israel, Put your hand upon the bow; and he put his hand [upon it]. And Elisha laid his hands upon the king's hands. {13:17} And he said, Open the window eastward; and he opened it. Then Elisha said, Shoot; and he shot. And he said, Yahweh's arrow of victory, even the arrow of victory over Syria; for you shall smite the Syrians in Aphek, till you have consumed them. {13:18} And he said, Take the arrows; and he took them. And he said unto the king of Israel, Smite upon the ground; and he smote three, and stayed. {13:19} And the man of God was angry with him, and said, You should have smitten five or six times: then had you smitten Syria till you had consumed it, whereas now you shall smite Syria but three. {13:20} And Elisha died, and they buried him. Now the bands of the Moabites

invaded the land at the coming in of the year. {13:21} And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band; and they cast the man into the sepulcher of Elisha: and as soon as the man touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet. {13:22} And Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz. {13:23} But Yahweh was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and had respect unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither did he cast them from his presence as yet. {13:24} And Hazael king of Syria died; and Benhadad his son reigned in his stead. {13:25} And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz took again out of the hand of Benhadad the son of Hazael the cities which he had taken out of the hand of Jehoahaz his father by war. Three times did Joash smite him, and recovered the cities of Israel.

{O12}14} Second Kings Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} In the second year of Joash son of Joahaz king of Israel began Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah to reign. {14:2} He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jehoaddin of Jerusalem. {14:3} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, yet not like David his father: he did according to all that Joash his father had done. {14:4} However the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places. {14:5} And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was established in his hand, that he slew his servants who had slain the king his father: {14:6} but the children of the murderers he put not to death; according to that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, as Yahweh commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall die for his own sin. {14:7} He slew of Edom in the Valley of Salt ten thousand, and took Sela by war [Petra], and called the name of it Yoqthē'el, unto this day. {14:8} Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face. {14:9} And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon, saying, Give your daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trod down the thistle. {14:10} You have indeed smitten Edom, and your heart has lifted you up: glory there, and abide at home; for why should you meddle to [your] hurt, that you should fall, even you, and Judah with you? {14:11} But Amaziah would not hear. So Jehoash king of Israel went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at Beth-shemesh, which belonged to Judah. {14:12} And Judah was put to the worse before Israel; and they fled every man to his tent. {14:13} And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred cubits. {14:14} And he took all the gold and silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of Yahweh, and in the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria. {14:15} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might, and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {14:16} And Jehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel; and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead. {14:17} And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years. {14:18} Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {14:19} And they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there. {14:20} And they brought him upon horses; and he was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in the city of David. {14:21} And all the people of Judah took Azariah, who was sixteen years old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah. {14:22} He built Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers. {14:23} In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel began to reign

in Samaria, [and reigned] forty and one years. {14:24} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin. {14:25} He restored the border of Israel from the entrance of Hamath unto the sea of the Arabah, according to the word of Yahweh, the God of Israel, which he spoke by his servant Jonah the son of Amittai, the prophet, who was of Goth-hepher. {14:26} For Yahweh saw the affliction of Israel, that it was very bitter; for there was none shut up nor left at large, neither was there any helper for Israel. {14:27} And Yahweh said not that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven; but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash. {14:28} Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, [which had belonged] to Judah, for Israel, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {14:29} And Jeroboam slept with his fathers, even with the kings of Israel; and Zechariah his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}15} Second Kings Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} In the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign. {15:2} Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jecoliah of Jerusalem. {15:3} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, according to all that his father Amaziah had done. {15:4} However the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places. {15:5} And Yahweh smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and lived in a separate house. And Jotham the king's son was over the household, judging the people of the land. {15:6} Now the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {15:7} And Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead. {15:8} In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zechariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six moons. {15:9} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin. {15:10} And shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead. {15:11} Now the rest of the acts of Zechariah, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. {15:12} This was the word of Yahweh which he spoke unto Jehu, saying, Your sons to the fourth generation shall sit upon the throne of Israel. And so it came to pass. {15:13} In the ninth year of Shallum son of Jabesh began Menahem the son of Gadi to reign in the ninth year of Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned the space of a moon in Samaria. {15:14} And Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and defeated shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead. {15:15} Now the rest of the acts of shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. {15:16} Then Menahem defeated Tiphshah, and all that were therein, and the borders there, from Tirzah: because they opened not to him, therefore he smote it; and all the women therein that were with child he ripped up. {15:17} In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, [and reigned] ten years in Samaria. {15:18} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh: he departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin. {15:19} There came against the land Pul the king of Assyria; and Menahem gave Pul a thousand talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand. {15:20} And Menahem exacted the money of Israel, even of all the mighty men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not there in the land. {15:21} Now the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {15:22} And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead. {15:23} In the fiftieth year the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] two years. {15:24} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of

Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin. {15:25} And Pekah the son of Remaliah, his captain, conspired against him, and defeated him in Samaria, in the castle of the king's house, with Argob and Arie; and with him were fifty men of the Gileadites: and he slew him, and reigned in his stead. {15:26} Now the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. {15:27} In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] twenty years. {15:28} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, by which he made Israel to sin. {15:29} In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon, and Abel-beth-maacah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali; and he carried them captive to Assyria. {15:30} And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and defeated him, and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah. {15:31} Now the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. {15:32} In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign. {15:33} Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jerusha the daughter of Zadok. {15:34} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh; he did according to all that his father Uzziah had done. {15:35} However the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burned incense in the high places. He built the upper gate of the house of Yahweh. {15:36} Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {15:37} In those days Yahweh began to send against Judah Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah. {15:38} And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}16} Second Kings Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign. {16:2} Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and he did not that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh his God, like David his father. {16:3} But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, behold, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the nations, whom Yahweh cast out from before the children of Israel. {16:4} And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree. {16:5} Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome him. {16:6} At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria, and drove the Jews from Elath; and the Syrians came to Elath, and lived there, unto this day. {16:7} So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I am your servant and your son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, who rise up against me. {16:8} And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of Yahweh, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent it for a present to the king of Assyria. {16:9} And the king of Assyria heard unto him; and the king of Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried [the people of] it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin. {16:10} And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw the altar that was at Damascus; and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship there. {16:11} And Urijah the priest built an altar: according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus, so did Urijah the priest make it against the coming of king Ahaz from Damascus. {16:12} And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king drew near unto the altar, and offered thereon. {16:13} And he burnt his burnt-offering and his meal-offering, and poured his drink-offering, and sprinkled the blood of his peace-offerings, upon the altar. {16:14} And the brazen altar, which was before Yahweh, he

brought from the forefront of the house, from between his altar and the house of Yahweh, and put it on the north side of his altar. {16:15} And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt-offering, and the evening meal-offering, and the king's burnt-offering, and his meal-offering, with the burnt-offering of all the people of the land, and their meal-offering, and their drink-offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt-offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: but the brazen altar shall be for me to inquire by. {16:16} Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded. {16:17} And king Ahaz cut off the panels of the bases, and removed the laver from off them, and took down the sea from off the brazen oxen that were under it, and put it upon a pavement of stone. {16:18} And the covered way for the Sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry outside, turned he unto the house of Yahweh, because of the king of Assyria. {16:19} Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {16:20} And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}17} Second Kings Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in Samaria over Israel, [and reigned] nine years. {17:2} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, but not as the kings of Israel that were before him. {17:3} Against him came up Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant, and brought him tribute. {17:4} And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea; for he had sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and offered no tribute to the king of Assyria, as he had done year by year: therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison. {17:5} Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years. {17:6} In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away unto Assyria, and placed them in Halah, and on the Habor, the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes. {17:7} And it was so, because the children of Israel had sinned against Yahweh their God, who brought them up out of the land of Egypt from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods, {17:8} and walked in the statutes of the nations, whom Yahweh cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they made. {17:9} And the children of Israel did secretly things that were not right against Yahweh their God: and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fortified city; {17:10} and they set them up pillars and Asherim upon every high hill, and under every green tree; {17:11} and there they burnt incense in all the high places, as did the nations whom Yahweh carried away before them; and they wrought wicked things to provoke Yahweh to anger; {17:12} and they served idols, where Yahweh had said unto them, You shall not do this thing. {17:13} Still Yahweh testified unto Israel, and unto Judah, by every prophet, and every seer, saying, Turn you from your evil ways, and keep my commandments and my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets. {17:14} Notwithstanding, they would not hear, but hardened their neck, like to the neck of their fathers, who believed not in Yahweh their God. {17:15} And they rejected his statutes, and his covenant that he made with their fathers, and his testimonies which he testified unto them; and they followed vanity, and became vain, and [went] after the nations that were round about them, concerning whom Yahweh had charged them that they should not do like them. {17:16} And they forsook all the commandments of Yahweh their God, and made them molten images, even two calves, and made an Asherah, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal. {17:17} And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire, and used divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger. {17:18} Therefore Yahweh was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of his sight: there was none left but the tribe of Judah only. {17:19} Also Judah kept not the commandments of Yahweh their God, but walked in the statutes of Israel which they made. {17:20} And Yahweh rejected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted

them, and delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast them out of his sight. {17:21} For he rent Israel from the house of David; and they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drove Israel from following Yahweh, and made them sin a great sin. {17:22} And the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them; {17:23} until Yahweh removed Israel out of his sight, as he spoke by all his servants the prophets. So Israel was carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day. {17:24} And the king of Assyria brought men from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from Avva, and from Hamath and Sepharvaim, and placed them in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel; and they possessed Samaria, and lived in the cities there. {17:25} And so it was, at the beginning of their dwelling there, that they feared not Yahweh: therefore Yahweh sent lions among them, which killed some of them. {17:26} Therefore they spoke to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations which you have carried away, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not the law of the god of the land: therefore he has sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them, because they know not the law of the god of the land. {17:27} Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, Carry there one of the priests whom you brought from there; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the law of the god of the land. {17:28} So one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria came and lived in Beth-el, and taught them how they should fear Yahweh. {17:29} However every nation made gods of their own, and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt. {17:30} And the men of Babylon made Succoth-benoth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima, {17:31} and the Avvites made Nibhaz and Tartak; and the Sepharvites burnt their children in the fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim. {17:32} So they feared Yahweh, and made unto them from among themselves priests of the high places, who sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places. {17:33} They feared Yahweh, and served their own gods, after the manner of the nations from among whom they had been carried away. {17:34} Unto this day they do after the former manner: they fear not Yahweh, neither do they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the law or after the commandment which Yahweh commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel; {17:35} with whom Yahweh had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, You shall not fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them: {17:36} but Yahweh, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and with an outstretched arm, him shall you fear, and unto him shall you bow yourselves, and to him shall you sacrifice: {17:37} and the statutes and the ordinances, and the law and the commandment, which he wrote for you, you shall observe to do forevermore; and you shall not fear other gods: {17:38} and the covenant that I have made with you that you shall not forget; neither shall you fear other gods: {17:39} but Yahweh your God shall you fear; and he will deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies. {17:40} However they did not hear, but they did after their former manner. {17:41} So these nations feared Yahweh, and served their graven images; their children likewise, and their children's children, as did their fathers, so do they unto this day.

{O12}18} Second Kings Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign. {18:2} Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Abi the daughter of Zechariah. {18:3} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, according to all that David his father had done. {18:4} He removed the high places, and brake the pillars, and cut down the Asherah: and he brake in pieces the brazen serpent that Moses had made; for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it; and he called it Nehushtan. {18:5} He trusted in Yahweh, the God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor [among them] that were before him. {18:6} For he clave to Yahweh; he departed not from following him, but kept his commandments, which Yahweh commanded Moses. {18:7} And Yahweh was with him;

wherever he went forth he prospered: and he rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not. {18:8} He defeated the Philistines unto Gaza and the borders there, from the tower of the watchmen to the fortified city. {18:9} And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which was the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it. {18:10} And at the end of three years they took it: in the sixth year of Hezekiah, which was the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken. {18:11} And the king of Assyria carried Israel away unto Assyria, and put them in Halah, and on the Habor, the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes, {18:12} because they obeyed not the voice of Yahweh their God, but transgressed his covenant, even all that Moses the servant of Yahweh commanded, and would not hear it, nor do it. {18:13} Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did Sennacherib king of Assyria come up against all the fortified cities of Judah, and took them. {18:14} And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I have offended; return from me: that which you put on me I will bear. And the king of Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold. {18:15} And Hezekiah gave [him] all the silver that was found in the house of Yahweh, and in the treasures of the king's house. {18:16} At that time did Hezekiah cut off [the gold from] the doors of the temple of Yahweh, and [from] the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave it to the king of Assyria. {18:17} And the king of Assyria sent Tartan and Rab-saris and Rabshakeh from Lachish to king Hezekiah with a great army unto Jerusalem. And they went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the upper pool, which is in the highway of the fuller's field. {18:18} And when they had called to the king, there came out to them Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder. {18:19} And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say you now to Hezekiah, Thus say the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this wherein you trust? {18:20} You say (but they are but vain words), [There is] counsel and strength for the war. Now on whom do you trust, that you have rebelled against me? {18:21} Now, behold, you trust upon the staff of this bruised reed, even upon Egypt; whereon if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so is Pharaoh king of Egypt unto all that trust on him. {18:22} But if you say unto me, We trust in Yahweh our God; is not that he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah has taken away, and has said to Judah and to Jerusalem, You shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem? {18:23} Now therefore, I pray you, give pledges to my master the king of Assyria, and I will give you two thousand horses, if you be able on your part to set riders upon them. {18:24} How then can you turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put your trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen? {18:25} Am I now come up outside Yahweh against this place to destroy it? Yahweh said unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it. {18:26} Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray you, to your servants in the Syrian language; for we understand it: and speak not with us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the people that are on the wall. {18:27} But Rabshakeh said unto them, Has my master sent me to your master, and to you, to speak these words? [has he] not [sent me] to the men that sit on the wall, to eat their own dung, and to drink their own water with you? {18:28} Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spoke, saying, Hear you the word of the great king, the king of Assyria. {18:29} Thus say the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you; for he will not be able to deliver you out of his hand: {18:30} neither let Hezekiah make you trust in Yahweh, saying, Yahweh will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria. {18:31} Hear not to Hezekiah: for thus say the king of Assyria, Make your peace with me, and come out to me; and eat you everyone of his vine, and everyone of his fig-tree, and drink you everyone the waters of his own cistern; {18:32} Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of olive-trees and of honey, that you may live, and not die: and hear not unto Hezekiah, when he persuades you, saying, Yahweh will deliver us. {18:33} Has any of the gods of the

nations ever delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria? {18:34} Where are the gods of Hamath, and of Arpad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim, of Hena, and Ivvah? have they delivered Samaria out of my hand? {18:35} Who are they among all the gods of the countries, that have delivered their country out of my hand, that Yahweh should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand? {18:36} But the people held their peace, and answered him not a word; for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not. {18:37} Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

{O12}19} Second Kings Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of Yahweh. {19:2} And he sent Eliakim, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, unto Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz. {19:3} And they said unto him, Thus say Hezekiah, This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of contempt; for the children are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth. {19:4} It may be Yahweh your God will hear all the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master has sent to defy the living God, and will rebuke the words which Yahweh your God has heard: Therefore lift up your prayer for the remnant that is left. {19:5} So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah. {19:6} And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall you say to your master, Thus say Yahweh, Be not afraid of the words that you have heard, by which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me. {19:7} Behold, I will put a spirit in him, and he shall hear tidings, and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land. {19:8} So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah; for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish. {19:9} And when he heard say of Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, Behold, he is come out to fight against you, he sent messengers again unto Hezekiah, saying, {19:10} Thus shall you speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not your God in whom you trust deceive you, saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria. {19:11} Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, by destroying them utterly: and shall you be delivered? {19:12} Have the gods of the nations delivered them, which my fathers have destroyed, Gozan, and Haran, and Rezech, and the children of Eden that were in Telassar? {19:13} Where is the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of Hena, and Ivvah? {19:14} And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it; and Hezekiah went up unto the house of Yahweh, and spread it before Yahweh. {19:15} And Hezekiah prayed before Yahweh, and said, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, that sits [above] the cherubim, you are the God, even you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth. {19:16} Incline your ear, O Yahweh, and hear; open your eyes, O Yahweh, and see; and hear the words of Sennacherib, by which he has sent him to defy the living God. {19:17} Of a truth, Yahweh, the kings of Assyria have laid waste the nations and their lands, {19:18} and have cast their gods into the fire; for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone; therefore they have destroyed them. {19:19} Now therefore, O Yahweh our God, save you us, I ask you, out of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you Yahweh art God alone. {19:20} Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus say Yahweh, the God of Israel, Whereas you have prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria, I have heard [you]. {19:21} This is the word that Yahweh has spoken concerning him: The virgin daughter of Zion has despised you and laughed you to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem has shaken her head at you. {19:22} Whom have you defied and blasphemed? and against whom have you exalted your voice and lifted up your eyes on high? [even] against the Holy One of Israel. {19:23} By your messengers you have defied the Lord, and have said, With the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the innermost parts of Lebanon; and I will cut down the tall cedars there, and the choice fir-trees there; and I will enter into his farthest lodging-place,

the forest of his fruitful field. {19:24} I have dug and drunk strange waters, and with the sole of my feet will I dry up all the rivers of Egypt. {19:25} Have you not heard how I have done it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? now have I brought it to pass, that it should be your to lay waste fortified cities into ruinous heaps. {19:26} Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were dismayed and confounded; they were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, and as grain blasted before it is grown up. {19:27} But I know your sitting down, and your going out, and your coming in, and your raging against me. {19:28} Because of your raging against me, and because your arrogance is come up into mine ears, therefore will I put my hook in your nose, and my bridle in your lips, and I will turn you back by the way by which you came. {19:29} And this shall be the sign unto you: You shall eat this year that which grows of itself, and in the second year that which springs of the same; and in the third year sow you, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit there. {19:30} And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward. {19:31} For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and out of mount Zion they that shall escape: the zeal of Yahweh shall perform this. {19:32} Therefore thus say Yahweh concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come unto this city, nor shoot an arrow there, neither shall he come before it with shield, nor cast up a mound against it. {19:33} By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and he shall not come unto this city, say Yahweh. {19:34} For I will defend this city to save it, for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake. {19:35} And it came to pass that night, that the messenger of Yahweh went forth, and in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred eighty five thousand: and when men arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies. {19:36} So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and lived at Nineveh. {19:37} And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer smote him with the sword: and they escaped into the land of Ararat. And Esar-haddon his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}20} Second Kings Chapter Twenty. {20:1} In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus say Yahweh, Set your house in order: for you shall die, and not live. {20:2} Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto Yahweh, saying, {20:3} Remember now, O Yahweh, I ask you, how I have walked before you in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in your sight. And Hezekiah wept sore. {20:4} And it came to pass, before Isaiah was gone out into the middle part of the city, that the word of Yahweh came to him, saying, {20:5} Turn back, and say to Hezekiah the prince of my people, Thus say Yahweh, the God of David your father, I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears: behold, I will heal you; on the third day you shall go up unto the house of Yahweh. {20:6} And I will add unto your days fifteen years; and I will deliver you and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake. {20:7} And Isaiah said, Take a cake of figs. And they took and laid it on the boil, and he recovered. {20:8} And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, What shall be the sign that Yahweh will heal me, and that I shall go up unto the house of Yahweh the third day? {20:9} And Isaiah said, This shall be the sign unto you from Yahweh, that Yahweh will do the thing that he has spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten steps, or go back ten steps? {20:10} And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to decline ten steps: No, but let the shadow return backward ten steps. {20:11} And Isaiah the prophet cried unto Yahweh; and he brought the shadow ten steps backward, by which it had gone down on the dial of Ahaz. {20:12} At that time Berodach--baladan the son of Baladan, the king of Babylon, sent letters and a present unto Hezekiah; for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick. {20:13} And Hezekiah heard unto them, and showed them all the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious oil, and the house of his armor, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah showed them not. {20:14} Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these

men? and from where came they unto you? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country, even from Babylon. {20:15} And he said, What have they seen in your house? And Hezekiah answered, All that is in my house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not showed them. {20:16} And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of Yahweh. {20:17} Behold, the days come, that all that is in your house, and that which your fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, say Yahweh. {20:18} And of your sons that shall issue from you, whom you shall beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon. {20:19} Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, Good is the word of Yahweh which you have spoken. He said also, Is it not so, if peace and truth shall be in my days? {20:20} Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he made the pool, and the conduit, and brought water into the city, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {20:21} And Hezekiah slept with his fathers; and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}21} Second Kings Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign; and he reigned five and fifty years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Hephzibah. {21:2} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, after the abominations of the nations whom Yahweh cast out before the children of Israel. {21:3} For he built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made an Asherah, as did Ahab king of Israel, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them. {21:4} And he built altars in the house of Yahweh, where Yahweh said, In Jerusalem will I put my name. {21:5} And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of Yahweh. {21:6} And he made his son to pass through the fire, and practiced augury, and used enchantments, and dealt with them that had familiar spirits, and with wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger. {21:7} And he set the graven image of Asherah, that he had made, in the house of which Yahweh said to David and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, will I put my name forever; {21:8} neither will I cause the feet of Israel to wander any more out of the land which I gave their fathers, if only they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them. {21:9} But they heard not: and Manasseh seduced them to do that which is evil more than did the nations whom Yahweh destroyed before the children of Israel. {21:10} And Yahweh spoke by his servants the prophets, saying, {21:11} Because Manasseh king of Judah has done these abominations, and has done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, that were before him, and has made Judah also to sin with his idols; {21:12} therefore thus say Yahweh, the God of Israel, Behold, I bring such evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that anyone who hears of it, both his ears shall tingle. {21:13} And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab; and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipes a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down. {21:14} And I will cast off the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies; {21:15} because they have done that which is evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day. {21:16} Manasseh also shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another; besides his sin by which he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh. {21:17} Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his sin that he sinned, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {21:18} And Manasseh slept with his fathers, and was buried in the garden of his own house, in the garden of Uzza: and Amon his son reigned in his stead. {21:19} Amon was twenty and two years old when he began to reign; and he reigned two years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Meshullemeth the daughter of Haruz of Jotbah. {21:20} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, as did Manasseh his father. {21:21} And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, and served the idols that his father served, and worshipped

them: {21:22} and he forsook Yahweh, the God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of Yahweh. {21:23} And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and put the king to death in his own house. {21:24} But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead. {21:25} Now the rest of the acts of Amon which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {21:26} And he was buried in his sepulcher in the garden of Uzza: and Josiah his son reigned in his stead.

{O12}22} Second Kings Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign; and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jedidah the daughter of Adaiah of Bozkath. {22:2} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left. {22:3} And it came to pass in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, that the king sent Shaphan, the son of Azaliah the son of Meshullam, the scribe, to the house of Yahweh, saying, {22:4} Go up to Hilkiah the high priest, that he may sum the money which is brought into the house of Yahweh, which the keepers of the threshold have gathered of the people: {22:5} and let them deliver it into the hand of the workmen that have the oversight of the house of Yahweh; and let them give it to the workmen that are in the house of Yahweh, to repair the breaches of the house, {22:6} unto the carpenters, and to the builders, and to the masons, and for buying timber and hewn stone to repair the house. {22:7} However there was no reckoning made with them of the money that was delivered into their hand; for they dealt faithfully. {22:8} And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the law in the house of Yahweh. And Hilkiah delivered the book to Shaphan, and he read it. {22:9} And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king word again, and said, Your servants have emptied out the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of the workmen that have the oversight of the house of Yahweh. {22:10} And Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest has delivered me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king. {22:11} And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that he rent his clothes. {22:12} And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Achbor the son of Micaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah the king's servant, saying, {22:13} Go you, inquire of Yahweh for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that is found; for great is the Anger of Yahweh that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not heard unto the words of this book, to do according unto all that which is written concerning us. {22:14} So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asaiah, went unto Huldah the prophetess, the wife of shallum the son of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe (now she lived in Jerusalem in the second quarter); and they communed with her. {22:15} And she said unto them, Thus say Yahweh, the God of Israel: Tell you the man that sent you unto me, {22:16} Thus say Yahweh, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants there, even all the words of the book which the king of Judah has read. {22:17} Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the work of their hands, therefore my Anger shall be kindled against this place, and it shall not be quenched. {22:18} But unto the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of Yahweh, thus shall you say to him, Thus say Yahweh, the God of Israel: As touching the words which you have heard, {22:19} because your heart was tender, and you did humble yourself before Yahweh, when you heard what I spoke against this place, and against the inhabitants there, that they should become a desolation and woe, and have rent your clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard you, say Yahweh. {22:20} Therefore, behold, I will gather you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace, neither shall your eyes see all the evil which I will bring upon this place. And they brought the king word again.

{O12}23} Second Kings Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} And the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of Judah and of Jerusalem. {23:2} And the king went up to the house of Yahweh, and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people, both small and great: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant which was found in the house of Yahweh. {23:3} And the king stood by the pillar, and made a covenant before Yahweh, to walk after Yahweh, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all [his] heart, and all [his] soul, to confirm the words of this covenant that were written in this book: and all the people stood to the covenant. {23:4} And the king commanded Hilkiyah the high priest, and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the threshold, to bring forth out of the temple of Yahweh all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for the Asherah, and for all the host of heaven, and he burned them outside Jerusalem in the fields of the Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Beth-el. {23:5} And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets, and to all the host of heaven. {23:6} And he brought out the Asherah from the house of Yahweh, outside Jerusalem, unto the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron, and beat it to dust, and cast the dust there upon the graves of the common people. {23:7} And he brake down the houses of the homosexuals, that were in the house of Yahweh, where the women wove hangings for the Asherah. {23:8} And he brought all the priests out of the cities of Judah, and defiled the high places where the priests had burned incense, from Geba to Beer-sheba; and he brake down the high places of the gates that were at the entrance of the gate of Joshua the governor of the city, which were on a man's left hand at the gate of the city. {23:9} Nevertheless the priests of the high places came not up to the altar of Yahweh in Jerusalem, but they did eat unleavened bread among their brethren. {23:10} And he defiled Topheth, which is in the valley of the children of Hinnom, that no man might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to Molech. {23:11} And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the entrance of the house of Yahweh, by the chamber of Nathan-melech the chamberlain, which was in the precincts; and he burned the chariots of the sun with fire. {23:12} And the altars that were on the roof of the upper chamber of Ahaz, which the kings of Judah had made, and the altars which Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house of Yahweh, did the king break down, and beat [them] down from there, and cast the dust of them into the brook Kidron. {23:13} And the high places that were before Jerusalem, which were on the right hand of the mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of Israel had built for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Sidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, and for Milcom the abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile. {23:14} And he brake in pieces the pillars, and cut down the Asherim, and filled their places with the bones of men. {23:15} The altar that also was at Beth-el, and the high place which Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, had made, even that altar and the high place he brake down; and he burned the high place and beat it to dust, and burned the Asherah. {23:16} And as Josiah turned himself, he spied the sepulchers that were there in the mount; and he sent, and took the bones out of the sepulchers, and burned them upon the altar, and defiled it, according to the word of Yahweh which the man of God proclaimed, who proclaimed these things. {23:17} Then he said, What monument is that which I see? And the men of the city told him, It is the sepulcher of the man of God, who came from Judah, and proclaimed these things that you have done against the altar of Beth-el. {23:18} And he said, Let him be; let no man move his bones. So they let his bones alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria. {23:19} And all the houses also of the high places that were in the cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke [Yahweh] to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Beth-el. {23:20} And he slew all the priests of the high places that were there, upon the altars, and burned men's bones upon them; and he returned to Jerusalem. {23:21} And the king commanded all the people, saying, Keep the Passover unto

Yahweh your God, as it is written in this book of the covenant. {23:22} Surely there was not kept such a Passover from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah; {23:23} but in the eighteenth year of king Josiah was this Passover kept to Yahweh in Jerusalem. {23:24} Them that also had familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were seen in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah put away, that he might confirm the words of the law which were written in the book that Hilkiah the priest found in the house of Yahweh. {23:25} And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to Yahweh with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there any like him. {23:26} Notwithstanding, Yahweh turned not from the fierceness of his great Anger, by which his anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations by which Manasseh had provoked him. {23:27} And Yahweh said, I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed Israel, and I will cast off this city which I have chosen, even Jerusalem, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there. {23:28} Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {23:29} In his days Pharaoh-necoh king of Egypt went up against the king of Assyria to the river Euphrates: and king Josiah went against him; and [Pharaoh-necoh] slew him at Megiddo, when he had seen him. {23:30} And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and brought him to Jerusalem, and buried him in his own sepulcher. And the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and anointed him, and made him king in his father's stead. {23:31} Jehoahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three moons in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah. {23:32} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, according to all that his fathers had done. {23:33} And Pharaoh-necoh put him in bonds at Riblah in the land of Hamath, that he might not reign in Jerusalem; and put the land to a tribute of a hundred talents of silver, and a talent of gold. {23:34} And Pharaoh-necoh made Eliakim the son of Josiah king in the room of Josiah his father, and changed his name to Jehoiakim: but he took Jehoahaz away; and he came to Egypt, and died there. {23:35} And Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but he taxed the land to give the money according to the commandment of Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and the gold of the people of the land, of everyone according to his taxation, to give it unto Pharaoh-necoh. {23:36} Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Zebidah the daughter of Pedaiiah of Rumah. {23:37} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, according to all that his fathers had done.

{O12}24} Second Kings Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} In his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him. {24:2} And Yahweh sent against him bands of the Chaldeans, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Judah to destroy it, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spoke by his servants the prophets. {24:3} Surely at the commandment of Yahweh came this upon Judah, to remove them out of his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did, {24:4} and also for the innocent blood that he shed; for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood: and Yahweh would not pardon. {24:5} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {24:6} So Jehoiakim slept with his fathers; and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead. {24:7} And the king of Egypt came not again any more out of his land; for the king of Babylon had taken, from the brook of Egypt unto the river Euphrates, all that pertained to the king of Egypt. {24:8} Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he began to reign; and he reigned in Jerusalem three moons: and his mother's name was Nehushta the daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem. {24:9} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, according to all that his father had done. {24:10} At that time the servants of

Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up to Jerusalem, and the city was besieged. {24:11} And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came unto the city, while his servants were besieging it; {24:12} and Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his officers: and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign. {24:13} And he carried out there all the treasures of the house of Yahweh, and the treasures of the king's house, and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold, which Solomon king of Israel had made in the temple of Yahweh, as Yahweh had said. {24:14} And he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of valor, even ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and the smiths; none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land. {24:15} And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon; and the king's mother, and the king's wives, and his officers, and the chief men of the land, carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon. {24:16} And all the men of might, even seven thousand, and the craftsmen and the smiths a thousand, all of them strong and apt for war, even them the king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon. {24:17} And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah, [Jehoiachin's] father's brother, king in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah. {24:18} Zedekiah was twenty and one years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah. {24:19} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, according to all that Jehoiakim had done. {24:20} For through the anger of Yahweh did it come to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until he had cast them out from his presence. And Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

{O12}25} Second Kings Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth moon, in the tenth day of the moon, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and encamped against it; and they built forts against it round about. {25:2} So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah. {25:3} On the ninth day of the [fourth] moon the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land. {25:4} Then a breach was made in the city, and all the men of war [fled] by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which was by the king's garden (now the Chaldeans were against the city round about); and [the king] went by the way of the Arabah. {25:5} But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook him in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him. {25:6} Then they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Babylon to Riblah; and they gave judgment upon him. {25:7} And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him in fetters, and carried him to Babylon. {25:8} Now in the fifth moon, on the seventh day of the moon, which was the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem. {25:9} And he burnt the house of Yahweh, and the king's house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, even every great house, burnt he with fire. {25:10} And all the army of the Chaldeans, that were [with] the captain of the guard, brake down the walls of Jerusalem round about. {25:11} And the residue of the people that were left in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the residue of the multitude, did Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carry away captive. {25:12} But the captain of the guard left of the poorest of the land to be vinedressers and husbandmen. {25:13} And the pillars of brass that were in the house of Yahweh, and the bases and the brazen sea that were in the house of Yahweh, did the Chaldeans break in pieces, and carried the brass of them to Babylon. {25:14} And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass by which they ministered, took they away. {25:15} And the fire pans, and the basins, that which was of gold, in gold, and that which was of silver, in silver, the captain of the guard took away. {25:16} The two pillars, the one sea, and the bases, which Solomon had made for the house of Yahweh, the brass of all these vessels was outside weight. {25:17} The height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits, and a capital of brass was upon it; and the height of the capital was three cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the capital

round about, all of brass: and like unto these had the second pillar with network. {25:18} And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the threshold: {25:19} and out of the city he took an officer that was set over the men of war; and five men of them that saw the king's face, who were found in the city; and the scribe, the captain of the host, who mustered the people of the land; and sixty men of the people of the land, that were found in the city. {25:20} And Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah. {25:21} And the king of Babylon defeated them, and put them to death at Riblah in the land of Hamath. So Judah was carried away captive out of his land. {25:22} And as for the people that were left in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, governor. {25:23} Now when all the captains of the forces, they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah governor, they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite, and Jaazaniah the son of the Maachathite, they and their men. {25:24} And Gedaliah swore to them and to their men, and said unto them, Fear not because of the servants of the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you. {25:25} But it came to pass in the seventh moon, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, came, and ten men with him, and defeated Gedaliah, so that he died, and the Jews and the Chaldeans that were with him at Mizpah. {25:26} And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the forces, arose, and came to Egypt; for they were afraid of the Chaldeans. {25:27} And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth moon, on the seven and twentieth day of the moon, that Evil-merodach king of Babylon, in the year that he began to reign, did lift up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison; {25:28} and he spoke kindly to him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with him in Babylon, {25:29} and changed his prison garments. And [Jehoiachin] did eat bread before him continually all the days of his life: {25:30} and for his allowance, there was a continual allowance given him of the king, every day a portion, all the days of his life.

The Book Of First Chronicles

{O13}1} First Chronicles Chapter One. {1:1} Adam, Seth, Enosh, {1:2} Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared, {1:3} Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech, {1:4} Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. {1:5} The sons of Japheth: Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. {1:6} And the sons of Gomer: Ashkenaz, and Diphaz, and Togarmah. {1:7} And the sons of Javan: Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Rodanim. {1:8} The sons of Ham: Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan. {1:9} And the sons of Cush: Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raama, and Sabteca. And the sons of Raamah: Sheba, and Dedan. {1:10} And Cush begot Nimrod; he began to be a mighty one in the earth. {1:11} And Mizraim begot Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim, {1:12} and Pathrusim, and Casluhim (from where came the Philistines), and Caphtorim. {1:13} And Canaan begot Sidon his first-born, and Heth, {1:14} and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite, {1:15} and the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite, {1:16} and the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite. {1:17} The sons of Shem: Elam, and Asshur, and Arpachshad, and Lud, and Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Meshech. {1:18} And Arphaxad begot Shelah, and Shelah begot Eber. {1:19} And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one was Peleg; for in his days the earth was divided; and his brother's name was Joktan. {1:20} And Joktan begot Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah, {1:21} and Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah, {1:22} and Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba, {1:23} and Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these were the sons of Joktan. {1:24} Shem, Arpachshad, Shelah, {1:25} Eber, Peleg, Reu, {1:26} Serug, Nahor, Terah, {1:27} Abram (the same is Abraham). {1:28} The sons of Abraham: Isaac, and Ishmael. {1:29} These are their generations: the first-born of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam, {1:30}

Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, Hadad, and Tema, {1:31} Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael. {1:32} And the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan: Sheba, and Dedan. {1:33} And the sons of Midian: Ephah, and Ephraim, and Hanoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these were the sons of Keturah. {1:34} And Abraham begot Isaac. The sons of Isaac: Esau, and Israel. {1:35} The sons of Esau: Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jalam, and Korah. {1:36} The sons of Eliphaz: Teman, and Omar, Zephi, and Gotam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek. {1:37} The sons of Reuel: Nahas, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah. {1:38} And the sons of Seir: Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan. {1:39} And the sons of Lotan: Hori, and Homam; and Timna was Lotan's sister. {1:40} The sons of Shobal: Alian, and Manahas, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon: Aiah, and Anah. {1:41} The sons of Anah: Dishon. And the sons of Dishon: Hamran, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran. {1:42} The sons of Ezer: Bilhan, and Zaavan, Jaakan. The sons of Dishan: Uz, and Aran. {1:43} Now these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel: Bela the son of Beor; and the name of his city was Dinhabah. {1:44} And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead. {1:45} And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead. {1:46} And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who defeated Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead; and the name of his city was Avith. {1:47} And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead. {1:48} And Samlah died, and Shaul of Rehoboth by the River reigned in his stead. {1:49} And Shaul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead. {1:50} And Baal-hanan died, and Hadad reigned in his stead; and the name of his city was Pai: and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Me-zahab. {1:51} And Hadad died. And the chiefs of Edom were: chief Timna, chief Aliah, chief Jetheth, {1:52} chief Oholibamah, chief Elah, chief Pinon, {1:53} chief Kenaz, chief Teman, chief Mibzar, {1:54} chief Magdiel, chief Iram. These are the chiefs of Edom.

{o13}2} First Chronicles Chapter Two. {2:1} These are the sons of Israel: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun, {2:2} Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher. {2:3} The sons of Judah: Er, and Onan, and Shelah; which three were born unto him of Shua's daughter the Canaanitess. And Er, Judah's first-born, was wicked in the sight of Yahweh; and he slew him. {2:4} And Tamar his daughter-in-law bare him Perez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah were five. {2:5} The sons of Perez: Hezron, and Hamul. {2:6} And the sons of Zerah: Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dare; five of them in all. {2:7} And the sons of Carmi: Achar, the troubler of Israel, who committed a trespass in the devoted thing. {2:8} And the sons of Ethan: Azariah. {2:9} The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him: Jerahmeel, and Ram, and Chelubai. {2:10} And Ram begot Amminadab, and Amminadab begot Nahshon, prince of the children of Judah; {2:11} and Nahshon begot Salma, and Salma begot Boaz, {2:12} and Boaz begot Obed, and Obed begot Jesse; {2:13} and Jesse begot his first-born Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimea the third, {2:14} Nathanel the fourth, Raddai the fifth, {2:15} Ozem the sixth, David the seventh; {2:16} and their sisters were Zeruah and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruah: Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three. {2:17} And Abigail bare Amasa; and the father of Amasa was Jether the Ishmaelite. {2:18} And Caleb the son of Hezron begot [children] of Azubah [his] wife, and of Jerioth; and these were her sons: Jeshar, and Shobab, and Ardon. {2:19} And Azubah died, and Caleb took unto him Ephrath, who bare him Hur. {2:20} And Hur begot Uri, and Uri begot Bezalel. {2:21} And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir the father of Gilead, whom he took [to wife] when he was sixty years old; and she bare him Segub. {2:22} And Segub begot Jair, who had three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead. {2:23} And Geshur and Aram took the towns of Jair from them, with Kenath, and the villages there, even sixty cities. All these were the sons of Machir the father of Gilead. {2:24} And after that Hezron was dead in Caleb-ephrahah, then Abijah Hezron's wife bare him Ashhur

the father of Tekoa. {2:25} And the sons of Jerahmeel the first-born of Hezron were Ram the first-born, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, Ahijah. {2:26} And Jerahmeel had another wife, whose name was Atarah; she was the mother of Onam. {2:27} And the sons of Ram the first-born of Jerahmeel were Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker. {2:28} And the sons of Onam were Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of Shammai: Nadab, and Abishur. {2:29} And the name of the wife of Abishur was Abihail; and she bare him Ahban, and Molid. {2:30} And the sons of Nadab: Seled, and Appaim; but Seled died outside children. {2:31} And the sons of Appaim: Ishi. And the sons of Ishi: Sheshan. And the sons of Sheshan: Ahlai. {2:32} And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai: Jether, and Jonathan; and Jether died outside children. {2:33} And the sons of Jonathan: Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel. {2:34} Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian, whose name was Jarha. {2:35} And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai. {2:36} And Attai begot Nathan, and Nathan begot Zabad, {2:37} and Zabad begot Ephlal, and Ephlal begot Obed, {2:38} and Obed begot Jehu, and Jehu begot Azariah, {2:39} and Azariah begot Helez, and Helez begot Eleasah, {2:40} and Eleasah begot Sismai, and Sismai begot shallum, {2:41} and shallum begot Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begot Elishama. {2:42} And the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel were Mesha his first-born, who was the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron. {2:43} And the sons of Hebron: Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema. {2:44} And Shema begot Raham, the father of Jorkeam; and Rekem begot Shammai. {2:45} And the son of Shammai was Maon; and Maon was the father of Beth-zur. {2:46} And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez; and Haran begot Gazez. {2:47} And the sons of Jahdai: Regem, and Jothan, and Geshan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph. {2:48} Maacah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber and Tirhanah. {2:49} She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbena, and the father of Gibeaz; and the daughter of Caleb was Achsah. {2:50} These were the sons of Caleb, the son of Hur, the first-born of Ephrathah: Shobal the father of Kiriath-jearim, {2:51} Salma the father of Beth-lehem, Hareph the father of Beth-gader. {2:52} And Shobal the father of Kiriath-jearim had sons: Haroeh, half of the Menuhoth. {2:53} And the families of Kiriath-jearim: The Ithrites, and the Puthites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the Zorathites and the Eshtaoites. {2:54} The sons of Salma: Beth-lehem, and the Netophasites, Atroth-beth-joad, and half of the Manahasites, the Zorites. {2:55} And the families of scribes that lived at Jabez: the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, the Sucathites. These are the Kenites that came of Hammath, the father of the house of Rechab.

{O13}3} First Chronicles Chapter Three. {3:1} Now these were the sons of David, that were born unto him in Hebron: the first-born, Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second, Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess; {3:2} the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur; the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; {3:3} the fifth, Shephatiah of Abital; the sixth, Ithream by Eglah his wife: {3:4} six were born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six moons. And in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years; {3:5} and these were born unto him in Jerusalem: Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, four, of Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel; {3:6} and Ibhar, and Elishama, and Eliphelet, {3:7} and Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia, {3:8} and Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine. {3:9} All these were the sons of David, besides the sons of the concubines; and Tamar was their sister. {3:10} And Solomon's son was Rehoboam, Abijah his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son, {3:11} Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son, {3:12} Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son, {3:13} Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son, {3:14} Amon his son, Josiah his son. {3:15} And the sons of Josiah: the first-born Johanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth shallum. {3:16} And the sons of Jehoiakim: Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son. {3:17} And the sons of Jeconiah, the captive: Shealtiel his son, {3:18} and Malchiram, and Pedaiiah, and Shenazzar, Jekamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah. {3:19} And the sons of Pedaiiah: Zerubbabel, and Shimei. And the sons of Zerubbabel: Meshullam, and Hananiah; and Shelomith

was their sister; {3:20} and Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five. {3:21} And the sons of Hananiah: Pelatiah, and Jeshaiah; the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shecaniah. {3:22} And the sons of Shecaniah: Shemaiah. And the sons of Shemaiah: Hattush, and Igal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six. {3:23} And the sons of Neariah: Elioenai, and Hizkiah, and Azrikam, three. {3:24} And the sons of Elioenai: Hodaviah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Delaiah, and Anani, seven.

{O13}4} First Chronicles Chapter Four. {4:1} The sons of Judah: Perez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal. {4:2} And Reaiah the son of Shobal begot Jahas; and Jahas begot Ahumai and Lahad. These are the families of the Zorathites. {4:3} And these were [the sons of] the father of Etam: Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash; and the name of their sister was Hazzelelponi; {4:4} and Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sons of Hur, the first-born of Ephrathah, the father of Beth-lehem. {4:5} And Ashhur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah. {4:6} And Naarah bare him Ahuzzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These were the sons of Naarah. {4:7} And the sons of Helah were Zereth, Izhar, and Ethnan. {4:8} And Hakkoz begot Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum. {4:9} And Jabez was more honorable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow. {4:10} And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that you would bless me indeed, and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from evil, that it be not to my sorrow! And God granted him that which he requested. {4:11} And Chelub the brother of Shuhah begot Mehir, who was the father of Eshton. {4:12} And Eshton begot Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir-nahash. These are the men of Recah. {4:13} And the sons of Kenaz: Othniel, and Seraiah. And the sons of Othniel: Hasath. {4:14} And Meonothai begot Ophrah: and Seraiah begot Joab the father of Ge-harashim; for they were craftsmen. {4:15} And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh: Iru, Elah, and Naam; and the sons of Elah; and Kenaz. {4:16} And the sons of Jehallelel: Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asarel. {4:17} And the sons of Ezrah: Jether, and Mered, and Ephraim, and Jalon; and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa. {4:18} And his wife the Jewess bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Soco, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these are the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, whom Mered took. {4:19} And the sons of the wife of Hodiah, the sister of Naham, were the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maacathite. {4:20} And the sons of Shimon: Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi: Zoheth, and Ben-sheath. {4:21} The sons of Shelah the son of Judah: Er the father of Lecah, and Er the father of Leach, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linen, of the house of Ashbin; {4:22} and Joke, and the men of Casaba, and Joash, and Seraph, who had dominion in Moab, and Jashubilehem. And the records are ancient. {4:23} These were the potters, and the inhabitants of Netaim and Gederah: there they lived with the king for his work. {4:24} The sons of Simeon: Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerach, Shaul; {4:25} shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son. {4:26} And the sons of Mishma: Hammuel his son, Zaccur his son, Shimei his son. {4:27} And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many children, neither did all their family multiply like to the children of Judah. {4:28} And they lived at Beer-sheba, and Moladah and Hazarshual, {4:29} and at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad, {4:30} and at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag, {4:31} and at Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susim, and at Beth-biri, and at Shaaraim. These were their cities unto the reign of David. {4:32} And their villages were Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities; {4:33} and all their villages that were round about the same cities, unto Baal. These were their habitations, and they have their genealogy. {4:34} And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah, {4:35} and Joel, and Jehu the son of Joshibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel, {4:36} and Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and

Benaiah, {4:37} and Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah- {4:38} these mentioned by name were princes in their families: and their fathers' houses increased greatly. {4:39} And they went to the entrance of Gedor, even unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks. {4:40} And they found fat pasture and good, and the land was wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for they that lived there times past were of Ham. {4:41} And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their tents, and the Meunim that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and lived in their stead; because there was pasture there for their flocks. {4:42} And some of them, even of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi. {4:43} And they defeated the remnant of the Amalekites that escaped, and have lived there unto this day.

{O13}5} First Chronicles Chapter Five. {5:1} And the sons of Reuben the first-born of Israel (for he was the first-born; but, forasmuch as he defiled his father's couch, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel; and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright. {5:2} For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him came the prince; but the birthright was Joseph's:) {5:3} the sons of Reuben the first-born of Israel: Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi. {5:4} The sons of Joel: Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son, {5:5} Micah his son, Reaiah his son, Baal his son, {5:6} Bee rah his son, whom Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria carried away captive: he was prince of the Reubenites. {5:7} And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned: the chief, Jewel, and Zechariah, {5:8} and Bela the son of Azzan, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who lived in Aroer, even unto Nebo and Baal-meon: {5:9} and eastward he lived even unto the entrance of the wilderness from the river Euphrates, because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead. {5:10} And in the days of Saul, they made war with the Haggites, who fell by their hand; and they lived in their tents throughout all the [land] east of Gilead. {5:11} And the sons of Gad lived over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salecah: {5:12} Joel the chief, and Shepham the second, and Jana, and Shaphat in Bashan. {5:13} And their brethren of their fathers' houses: Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Joram, and Jacana, and Ziba, and Eber, seven. {5:14} These were the sons of Abihail, the son of Hur, the son of Janoah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshohaiah, the son of Jahdai, the son of Buz; {5:15} Ahio the son of Abiel, the son of Guni, chief of their fathers' houses. {5:16} And they lived in Gilead in Bashan, and in its towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, as far as their borders. {5:17} All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam king of Israel. {5:18} The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh, of valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, were forty and four thousand seven hundred and sixty, that were able to go forth to war. {5:19} And they made war with the Haggites, with Jetur, and Naphish, and Nadab. {5:20} And they were helped against them, and the Haggites were delivered into their hand, and all that were with them; for they cried to God in the battle, and he was entreated of them, because they put their trust in him. {5:21} And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of donkeys two thousand, and of men a hundred thousand. {5:22} For there fell many slain, because the war was of God. And they lived in their stead until the captivity. {5:23} And the children of the half-tribe of Manasseh lived in the land: they increased from Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir and mount Hermon. {5:24} And these were the heads of their fathers' houses: even Ephraim, and Ishi, and Elsie, and Asriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Adiel, mighty men of valor, famous men, heads of their fathers' houses. {5:25} And they trespassed against the God of their fathers, and played the prostitute after the gods of the peoples of the land, whom God destroyed before them. {5:26} And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites,

and the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto Halah, and Habor, and Hara, and to the river of Gozan, unto this day.

{O13}6 First Chronicles Chapter Chapter Six. {6:1} The sons of Levi: Gershon, Kohas, and Merari. {6:2} And the sons of Kohas: Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel. {6:3} And the children of Amram: Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. And the sons of Aaron: Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. {6:4} Eleazar begot Phinehas, Phinehas begot Abishur, {6:5} and Abishur begot Bukki, and Bukki begot Uzi, {6:6} and Uzi begot Zeruiah, and Zeruiah begot Jerioth, {6:7} Jerioth begot Amaziah, and Amaziah begot Ahitub, {6:8} and Ahitub begot Zadok, and Zadok begot Ahimaaz, {6:9} and Ahimaaz begot Azariah, and Azariah begot Johanan, {6:10} and Johanan begot Azariah, (he it is that executed the priest's office in the house that Solomon built in Jerusalem), {6:11} and Azariah begot Amaziah, and Amaziah begot Ahitub, {6:12} and Ahitub begot Zadok, and Zadok begot shallum, {6:13} and shallum begot Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begot Azariah, {6:14} and Azariah begot Seraiah, and Seraiah begot Jehoiada; {6:15} And Jehoiada went [into captivity], when Yahweh carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar. {6:16} The sons of Levi: Gershom, Kohas, and Merari. {6:17} And these are the names of the sons of Gershom: Libni and Shimei. {6:18} And the sons of Kohas were Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel. {6:19} The sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi. And these are the families of the Levites according to their fathers' [houses]. {6:20} Of Gershom: Libni his son, Jahas his son, Zima his son, {6:21} Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jether his son. {6:22} The sons of Kohas: Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son, {6:23} Elkanah his son, and Abiasaph his son, and Assir his son, {6:24} Tahas his son, Ariel his son, Uzziel his son, and Shaul his son. {6:25} And the sons of Elkanah: Amasa, and Azimuth. {6:26} As for Elkanah, the sons of Elkanah: Sophia his son, and Nahas his son, {6:27} Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son. {6:28} And the sons of Samuel: the first-born [Joel], and the second Abijah. {6:29} The sons of Merari: Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzzah his son, {6:30} Shimea his son, Haggish his son, Asaiah his son. {6:31} And these are they whom David set over the service of song in the house of Yahweh, after that the ark had rest. {6:32} And they ministered with song before the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, until Solomon had built the house of Yahweh in Jerusalem: and they waited on their office according to their order. {6:33} And these are they that waited, and their sons. Of the sons of the Kohasites: Heman the singer, the son of Joel, the son of Samuel, {6:34} the son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elsie, the son of Torah, {6:35} the son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mamas, the son of Amasa, {6:36} the son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah, {6:37} the son of Tahas, the son of Assir, the son of Abiasaph, the son of Korah, {6:38} the son of Izhar, the son of Kohas, the son of Levi, the son of Israel. {6:39} And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, even Asaph the son of Berechiah, the son of Shimea, {6:40} the son of Michael, the son of Basemath, the son of Malchiram, {6:41} the son of Ethnic, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah, {6:42} the son of Ethan, the son of Zima, the son of Shimei, {6:43} the son of Jahas, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi. {6:44} And on the left hand their brethren the sons of Merari: Ethan the son of Kasha, the son of Abda, the son of Melech, {6:45} the son of Hashubah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah, {6:46} the son of Ammi, the son of Bain, the son of Shemer, {6:47} the son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi. {6:48} And their brethren the Levites were appointed for all the service of the tabernacle of the house of God. {6:49} But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of burnt-offering, and upon the altar of incense, for all the work of the most holy place, and to make atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded. {6:50} And these are the sons of Aaron: Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishur his son, {6:51} Bukki his son, Uzi his son, Zeruiah his son, {6:52} Jerioth his son, Amaziah his son, Ahitub his son, {6:53} Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son. {6:54} Now these are their dwelling-places according to their encampments in their borders: to the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohasites (for theirs was the [first] lot),

{6:55} to them they gave Hebron in the land of Judah, and the suburbs of it round about it; {6:56} but the fields of the city, and the villages there, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh. {6:57} And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of refuge, Hebron; Libnah also with its suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa with its suburbs, {6:58} and Helen with its suburbs, Debir with its suburbs, {6:59} and Ashan with its suburbs, and Beth-shemesh with its suburbs; {6:60} and out of the tribe of Benjamin, Geba with its suburbs, and Clemet with its suburbs, and Anathoth with its suburbs. All their cities throughout their families were thirteen cities. {6:61} And unto the rest of the sons of Kohas [were given] by lot, out of the family of the tribe, out of the half-tribe, the half of Manasseh, ten cities. {6:62} And to the sons of Gershom, according to their families, out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities. {6:63} Unto the sons of Merari [were given] by lot, according to their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities. {6:64} And the children of Israel gave to the Levites the cities with their suburbs. {6:65} And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities which are mentioned by name. {6:66} And some of the families of the sons of Kohas had cities of their borders out of the tribe of Ephraim. {6:67} And they gave unto them the cities of refuge, Shechem in the hill-country of Ephraim with its suburbs; Gezer also with its suburbs, {6:68} and Jokmeam with its suburbs, and Beth-horon with its suburbs, {6:69} and Aijalon with its suburbs, and Goth-rimmon with its suburbs; {6:70} and out of the half-tribe of Manasseh, Anger with its suburbs, and Ibleam with its suburbs, for the rest of the family of the sons of Kohas. {6:71} Unto the sons of Gershom [were given], out of the family of the half-tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with its suburbs, and Ashtaroth with its suburbs; {6:72} and out of the tribe of Issachar, Kedesh with its suburbs, Daberath with its suburbs, {6:73} and Ramoth with its suburbs, and Amen with its suburbs; {6:74} and out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with its suburbs, and Abdon with its suburbs, {6:75} and Hukkok with its suburbs, and Rehob with its suburbs; {6:76} and out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with its suburbs, and Hammon with its suburbs, and Kiriathaim with its suburbs. {6:77} Unto the rest of [the Levites], the sons of Merari, [were given], out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with its suburbs, Tabor with its suburbs; {6:78} and beyond the Jordan at Jericho, on the east side of the Jordan, [were given them], out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with its suburbs, and Jahaz with its suburbs, {6:79} and Kedemoth with its suburbs, and Mephaath with its suburbs; {6:80} and out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with its suburbs, and Mahanaim with its suburbs, {6:81} and Heshbon with its suburbs, and Jazer with its suburbs.

{O13}7} First Chronicles Chapter Chapter Seven {7:1} And of the sons of Issachar: Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimron, four. {7:2} And the sons of Tola: Uzi, and Rephaiah, and Jezreel, and Jahdai, and Mibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their fathers' houses, [to wit], of Tola; mighty men of valor in their generations: their number in the days of David was two and twenty thousand and six hundred. {7:3} And the sons of Uzi: Isaiah. And the sons of Isaiah: Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Isaiah, five; all of them chief men. {7:4} And with them, by their generations, after their fathers' houses, were bands of the host for war, six and thirty thousand; for they had many wives and sons. {7:5} And their brethren among all the families of Issachar, mighty men of valor, reckoned in all by genealogy, were eighty seven thousand. {7:6} [The sons of] Benjamin: Bela, and Becher, and Jedaiah, three. {7:7} And the sons of Bela: Ezbon, and Uzi, and Uzziel, and Jerioth, and Iris, five; heads of fathers' houses, mighty men of valor; and they were reckoned by genealogy twenty and two thousand and thirty and four. {7:8} And the sons of Becher: Seirah, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerioth, and Abijah, and Anathoth, and Clemet. All these were the sons of Becher. {7:9} And they were reckoned by genealogy, after their generations, heads of their fathers' houses, mighty men of valor, twenty thousand and two hundred. {7:10} And the sons of Jedaiah: Bilhan. And the sons of Bilhan:

Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Ethan, and Tarshish, and Ahishahar. {7:11} All these were sons of Jediahel, according to the heads of their fathers' [houses], mighty men of valor, seventeen thousand and two hundred, that were able to go forth in the host for war. {7:12} Shuppim also, and Huppim, the sons of Ir, Hushim, the sons of Aher. {7:13} The sons of Naphtali: Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and shallum, the sons of Bilhah. {7:14} The sons of Manasseh: Asriel, whom his concubine the Aramitess bare: she bare Machir the father of Gilead: {7:15} and Machir took a wife of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name was Maacah; and the name of the second was Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters. {7:16} And Maacah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name of his brother was Sheresh; and his sons were Ulam and Rakem. {7:17} And the sons of Ulam: Bedan. These were the sons of Gilead the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh. {7:18} And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishhod, and Abiezer, and Mahlah. {7:19} And the sons of Shemida were Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam. {7:20} And the sons of Ephraim: Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahas his son, and Eleadah his son, and Tahas his son, {7:21} and Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Goth that were born in the land slew, because they came down to take away their cattle. {7:22} And Ephraim their father grieved many days, and his brethren came to comfort him. {7:23} And he went in to his wife, and she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name Beriah, because it went evil with his house. {7:24} And his daughter was Sheerah, who built Beth-horon the nether and the upper, and Uzzen-sheerah. {7:25} And Rephah was his son, and Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son, {7:26} Ladan his son, Ammihud his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son, {7:27} Nun his son, Joshua his son. {7:28} And their possessions and habitations were Beth-el and the towns there, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the towns there; Shechem also and the towns there, unto Azzah and the towns there; {7:29} and by the borders of the children of Manasseh, Beth-shean and its towns, Taanach and its towns, Megiddo and its towns, Dor and its towns. In these lived the children of Joseph the son of Israel. {7:30} The sons of Asher: Imnah, and Ishvah, and Ishvi, and Beriah, and Serah their sister. {7:31} And the sons of Beriah: Heber, and Malchiel, who was the father of Birzaith. {7:32} And Heber begot Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister. {7:33} And the sons of Japhlet: Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These are the children of Japhlet. {7:34} And the sons of Shemer: Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram. {7:35} And the sons of Helem his brother: Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal. {7:36} The sons of Zophah: Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah, {7:37} Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera. {7:38} And the sons of Jether: Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara. {7:39} And the sons of Ulla: Arah, and Hanniel, and Rizia. {7:40} All these were the children of Asher, heads of the fathers' houses, choice and mighty men of valor, chief of the princes. And the number of them reckoned by genealogy for service in war was twenty and six thousand men.

{O13}8} First Chronicles Chapter Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Benjamin begot Bela his first-born, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third, {8:2} Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth. {8:3} And Bela had sons: Addar, and Gera, and Abihud, {8:4} and Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah, {8:5} and Gera, and Shephuphan, and Hiram. {8:6} And these are the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of fathers' [houses] of the inhabitants of Geba, and they carried them captive to Manahas: {8:7} and Naaman, and Ahijah, and Gera, he carried them captive: and he begot Uzza and Ahihud. {8:8} And Shaharaim begot children in the field of Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara were his wives. {8:9} And he begot of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcam, {8:10} and Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirmah. These were his sons, heads of fathers' [houses]. {8:11} And of Hushim he begot Abitub and Elpaal. {8:12} And the sons of Elpaal: Eber, and Misham, and Shemed, who built Ono and Lod, with the towns there; {8:13} and Beriah, and Shema, who were heads of fathers' [houses] of the inhabitants of Aijalon, who put to flight the inhabitants of Goth; {8:14} and Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth, {8:15} and

Zebadiah, and Arad, and Eder, {8:16} and Michael, and Ishpah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah, {8:17} and Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hizki, and Heber, {8:18} and Ishmerai, and Izliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal, {8:19} and Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi, {8:20} and Elienai, and Zillethai, and Eliel, {8:21} and Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimei, {8:22} and Ishpan, and Eber, and Eliel, {8:23} and Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan, {8:24} and Hananiah, and Elam, and Anthothijah, {8:25} and Iphdeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak, {8:26} and Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah, {8:27} and Jareshiah, and Elijah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham. {8:28} These were heads of fathers' [houses] throughout their generations, chief men: these lived in Jerusalem. {8:29} And in Gibeon there lived the father of Gibeon, [Jeiel], whose wife's name was Maacah; {8:30} and his first-born son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab, {8:31} and Gedor, and Ahio, and Zecher. {8:32} And Mikloth begot Shimeah. And they also lived with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against their brethren. {8:33} And Ner begot Kish; and Kish begot Saul; and Saul begot Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal. {8:34} And the son of Jonathan was Merib-baal; and Merib-baal begot Micah. {8:35} And the sons of Micah: Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz. {8:36} And Ahaz begot Jehoaddah; and Jehoaddah begot Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begot Moza. {8:37} And Moza begot Binea; Raphah was his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son. {8:38} And Azel had six sons, whose names are these: Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these were the sons of Azel. {8:39} And the sons of Eshek his brother: Ulam his first-born, Jeush the second, and Eliphelet the third. {8:40} And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valor, archers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, a hundred and fifty. All these were of the sons of Benjamin.

{O13}9} First Chronicles Chapter Chapter Nine. {9:1} So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel: and Judah was carried away captive to Babylon for their transgression of the law. {9:2} Now the first inhabitants that lived in their possessions in their cities were Israel, the priests, the Levites, and the Nethinim. {9:3} And in Jerusalem lived of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim and Manasseh: {9:4} Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Perez the son of Judah. {9:5} And of the Shilonites: Asaiah the first-born, and his sons. {9:6} And of the sons of Zerah: Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred and ninety. {9:7} And of the sons of Benjamin: Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hassenuah, {9:8} and Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephatiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah; {9:9} and their brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and six. All these men were heads of fathers' [houses] by their fathers' houses. {9:10} And of the priests: Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, Jachin, {9:11} and Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God; {9:12} and Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashhur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer; {9:13} and their brethren, heads of their fathers' houses, a thousand and seven hundred and sixty; very able men for the work of the service of the house of God. {9:14} And of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari; {9:15} and Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Mica, the son of Zichri, the son of Asaph, {9:16} and Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, that lived in the villages of the Netophasites. {9:17} And the porters: shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren (shallum was the chief), {9:18} who here [waited] in the king's gate eastward: they were the porters for the camp of the children of Levi. {9:19} And shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of his father's house, the Korahites, were over the work of the service, keepers of the thresholds of the tent: and their fathers had been over the camp

of Yahweh, keepers of the entry. {9:20} And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was ruler over them in time past, [and] Yahweh was with him. {9:21} Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter of the door of the tent of meeting. {9:22} All these that were chosen to be porters in the thresholds were two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer did ordain in their office of trust. {9:23} So they and their children had the oversight of the gates of the house of Yahweh, even the house of the tent, by wards. {9:24} On the four sides were the porters, toward the east, west, north, and south. {9:25} And their brethren, in their villages, were to come in every seven days from time to time to be with them: {9:26} for the four chief porters, who were Levites, were in an office of trust, and were over the chambers and over the treasuries in the house of God. {9:27} And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge [there] was upon them; and to them pertained the opening of it morning by morning. {9:28} And certain of them had charge of the vessels of service; for by count were these brought in and by count were these taken out. {9:29} Some of them also were appointed over the furniture, and over all the vessels of the sanctuary, and over the fine flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices. {9:30} And some of the sons of the priests prepared the confection of the spices. {9:31} And Mattithiah, one of the Levites, who was the first-born of shallum the Korahite, had the office of trust over the things that were baked in pans. {9:32} And some of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohasites, were over the showbread, to prepare it every Sabbath. {9:33} And these are the singers, heads of fathers' [houses] of the Levites, [who dwelt] in the chambers [and were] free [from other service]; for they were employed in their work day and night. {9:34} These were heads of fathers' [houses] of the Levites, throughout their generations, chief men: these lived at Jerusalem. {9:35} And in Gibeon there lived the father of Gibeon, Jeiel, whose wife's name was Maacah: {9:36} and his first-born son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab, {9:37} and Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth. {9:38} And Mikloth begot Shimeam. And they also lived with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against their brethren. {9:39} And Ner begot Kish; and Kish begot Saul; and Saul begot Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal. {9:40} And the son of Jonathan was Merib-baal; and Merib-baal begot Micah. {9:41} And the sons of Micah: Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, [and Ahaz]. {9:42} And Ahaz begot Jarah; and Jarah begot Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begot Moza; {9:43} and Moza begot Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son. {9:44} And Azel had six sons, whose names are these: Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these were the sons of Azel.

{O13}10} First Chronicles Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa. {10:2} And the Philistines followed hard after Saul and after his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul. {10:3} And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers overtook him; and he was distressed by reason of the archers. {10:4} Then said Saul unto his armor-bearer, Draw your sword, and thrust me through with, lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me. But his armor-bearer would not; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took his sword, and fell upon it. {10:5} And when his armor-bearer saw that Saul was dead, he likewise fell upon his sword, and died. {10:6} So Saul died, and his three sons; and all his house died together. {10:7} And when all the men of Israel that were in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook their cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and lived in them. {10:8} And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa. {10:9} And they stripped him, and took his head, and his armor, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry the tidings unto their idols, and to the people. {10:10} And they put his armor in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the house of Dagon. {10:11} And when all Jabesh-gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul, {10:12} all the valiant

men arose, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days. {10:13} So Saul died for his trespass which he committed against Yahweh, because of the word of Yahweh, which he kept not; and also for that he asked counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to inquire [thereby], {10:14} and inquired not of Yahweh: therefore he slew him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.

{O13}11} First Chronicles Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Then all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying, Behold, we are your bone and your flesh. {11:2} In times past, even when Saul was king, it was you that led out and brought in Israel: and Yahweh your God said unto you, you shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over my people Israel. {11:3} So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before Yahweh; and they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of Yahweh by Samuel. {11:4} And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem (the same is Jebus); and the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land, were there. {11:5} And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, you shall not come in here. Nevertheless David took the stronghold of Zion; the same is the city of David. {11:6} And David said, Anyone who smites the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain. And Joab the son of Zeruiah went up first, and was made chief. {11:7} And David lived in the stronghold; therefore they called it the city of David. {11:8} And he built the city round about, from Millo even round about; and Joab repaired the rest of the city. {11:9} And David waxed greater and greater; for Yahweh of hosts was with him. {11:10} Now these are the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who showed themselves strong with him in his kingdom, together with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of Yahweh concerning Israel. {11:11} And this is the number of the mighty men whom David had: Jashobeam, the son of a Hachmonite, the chief of the thirty; he lifted up his spear against three hundred and slew them at one time. {11:12} And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who was one of the three mighty men. {11:13} He was with David at Pasdammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where was a plot of ground full of barley; and the people fled from before the Philistines. {11:14} And they stood in the midst of the plot, and defended it, and slew the Philistines; and Yahweh saved them by a great victory. {11:15} And three of the thirty chief men went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines were encamped in the valley of Rephaim. {11:16} And David was then in the stronghold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Beth-lehem. {11:17} And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me water to drink of the well of Beth-lehem, which is by the gate! {11:18} And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: but David would not drink there, but poured it out unto Yahweh, {11:19} and said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this: shall I drink the blood of these men that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with [the jeopardy of] their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did the three mighty men. {11:20} And Abishai, the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three; for he lifted up his spear against three hundred and slew them, and had a name among the three. {11:21} Of the three, he was more honorable than the two, and was made their captain: however he attained not to the [first] three. {11:22} Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done mighty deeds, he slew the two [sons of] Ariel of Moab: he went down also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow. {11:23} And he slew an Egyptian, a man of great stature, five cubits high; and in the Egyptian's hand was a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear. {11:24} These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had a name among the three mighty men. {11:25} Behold, he was more honorable than the thirty, but he attained not to the [first] three: and David set him over his guard. {11:26} Also the mighty men of the armies: Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem, {11:27}

Shammoth the Harorite, Helez the Pelonite, {11:28} Ira the son of Ikkes the Tekoite, Abiezer the Anathothite, {11:29} Sibbecai the Hushasite, Ilai the Ahohite, {11:30} Maharai the Netophasite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophasite, {11:31} Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeath of the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite, {11:32} Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite, {11:33} Azmavseth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite, {11:34} the sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shagee the Hararite, {11:35} Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur, {11:36} Hephher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite, {11:37} Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai, {11:38} Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Hagri, {11:39} Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armor bearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah, {11:40} Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite, {11:41} Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai, {11:42} Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a chief of the Reubenites, and thirty with him, {11:43} Hanan the son of Maacah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite, {11:44} Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jeiel the sons of Hotham the Aroerite, {11:45} Jediel the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite, {11:46} Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite, {11:47} Eliel, and Obed, and Jaasiel the Mezobaite.

{O13}12} First Chronicles Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Now these are they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because of Saul the son of Kish; and they were among the mighty men, his helpers in war. {12:2} They were armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in slinging stones and in shooting arrows from the bow: they were of Saul's brethren of Benjamin. {12:3} The chief was Ahiezer; then Joash, the sons of Shemaah the Gibeathite, and Zeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth, and Beracah, and Jehu the Anathothite, {12:4} and Ishmaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty, and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Jozabad the Gederathite, {12:5} Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite, {12:6} Elkanah, and Isshiah, and Azarel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korahites, {12:7} and Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor. {12:8} And of the Gadites there separated themselves unto David to the stronghold in the wilderness, mighty men of valor, men trained for war, that could handle shield and spear; whose faces were like the faces of lions, and they were as swift as the roes upon the mountains; {12:9} Ezer the chief, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third, {12:10} Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth, {12:11} Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh, {12:12} Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth, {12:13} Jeremiah the tenth, Machbannai the eleventh. {12:14} These of the sons of Gad were captains of the host: he that was least was equal to a hundred, and the greatest to a thousand. {12:15} These are they that went over the Jordan in the first moon [Abib], when it had overflowed all its banks; and they put to flight all them of the valleys, both toward the east, and toward the west. {12:16} And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the stronghold unto David. {12:17} And David went out to meet them, and answered and said unto them, If you be come peaceably unto me to help me, my heart shall be knit unto you; but if [you be come] to betray me to mine adversaries, seeing there is no wrong in my hands, the God of our fathers look thereon, and rebuke it. {12:18} Then the Spirit came upon Amasai, who was chief of the thirty, [and he said], your are we, David, and on your side, you son of Jesse: peace, peace be unto you, and peace be to your helpers; for your God helps you. Then David received them, and made them captains of the band. {12:19} Of Manasseh also there fell away some to David, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but they helped them not; for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall away to his master Saul to the jeopardy of our heads. {12:20} As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediel, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zillethai, captains of thousands that were of Manasseh. {12:21} And they helped David against the band of rovers: for they were all mighty men of valor, and were captains in the host. {12:22} For from day to day men came to David to help him, until there was a great host, like the host of God. {12:23} And these are the

numbers of the heads of them that were armed for war, who came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of Yahweh. {12:24} The children of Judah that bare shield and spear were six thousand and eight hundred, armed for war. {12:25} Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valor for the war, seven thousand and one hundred. {12:26} Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred. {12:27} And Jehoiada was the leader of [the house of] Aaron; and with him were three thousand and seven hundred, {12:28} and Zadok, a young man mighty of valor, and of his father's house twenty and two captains. {12:29} And of the children of Benjamin, the brethren of Saul, three thousand: for here the greatest part of them had kept their allegiance to the house of Saul. {12:30} And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of valor, famous men in their fathers' houses. {12:31} And of the half-tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, who were mentioned by name, to come and make David king. {12:32} And of the children of Issachar, men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do, the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment. {12:33} Of Zebulun, such as were able to go out in the host, that could set the battle in array, with all manner of instruments of war, fifty thousand, and that could order [the battle array, and were] not of double heart. {12:34} And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty and seven thousand. {12:35} And of the Danites that could set the battle in array, twenty and eight thousand and six hundred. {12:36} And of Asher, such as were able to go out in the host, that could set the battle in array, forty thousand. {12:37} And on the other side of the Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half-tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instruments of war for the battle, a hundred and twenty thousand. {12:38} All these being men of war, that could order the battle array, came with a perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel were of one heart to make David king. {12:39} And they were there with David three days, eating and drinking; for their brethren had made preparation for them. {12:40} Also they that were near unto them, [even] as far as Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on donkeys, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, victuals of meal, cakes of figs, and clusters of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep in abundance: for there was joy in Israel.

{O13}13} First Chronicles Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And David consulted [to hold Ekkesia] with the captains of thousands and of hundreds, even with every leader. {13:2} And David said unto all [the council of] the Ekklesia of Israel, If it seem good unto you, and if it be of Yahweh our God, let us send abroad every where unto our brethren that are left in all the land of Israel, with whom the priests and Levites are in their cities that have suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us; {13:3} and let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we sought not unto it in the days of Saul. {13:4} And all the Ekklesia said that they would do so; for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people. {13:5} So David assembled all Israel together, from the Shihor [the brook] of Egypt even unto the entrance of Hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kiriath-jearim. {13:6} And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, [that is], to Kiriath-jearim, which belonged to Judah, to bring up from there the ark of God Yahweh that sits [above] the cherubim, that is called by the Name. {13:7} And they carried the ark of God upon a new cart, [and brought it] out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drove the cart. {13:8} And David and all Israel played before God with all their might, even with songs, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets. {13:9} And when they came unto the threshing-floor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled. {13:10} And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put forth his hand to the ark; and there he died before God. {13:11} And David was displeased, because Yahweh had broken forth upon Uzza; and he called that place Perez-uzza, unto this day. {13:12} And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God home to me? {13:13} So David removed not the ark unto him into the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite. {13:14} And the ark of God remained

with the family of Obed-edom in his house three moons: and Yahweh blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that he had.

{O13}14} First Chronicles Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar-trees, and masons, and carpenters, to build him a house. {14:2} And David perceived that Yahweh had established him king over Israel; for his kingdom was exalted on high, for his people Israel's sake. {14:3} And David took more wives at Jerusalem; and David begot more sons and daughters. {14:4} And these are the names of the children whom he had in Jerusalem: Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon, {14:5} and Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpelet, {14:6} and Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia, {14:7} and Elishama, and Beeliada, and Eliphelet. {14:8} And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David: and David heard of it, and went out against them. {14:9} Now the Philistines had come and made a raid in the valley of Rephaim. {14:10} And David inquired of God, saying, shall I go up against the Philistines? and will you deliver them into my hand? And Yahweh said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into your hand. {14:11} So they came up to Baal-perazim, and David defeated them there; and David said, God has broken mine enemies by my hand, like the breach of waters. Therefore they called the name of that place Baal-perazim. {14:12} And they left their gods there; and David gave commandment, and they were burned with fire. {14:13} And the Philistines yet again made a raid in the valley. {14:14} And David inquired again of God; and God said unto him, you shall not go up after them: turn away from them, and come upon them over against the mulberry-trees. {14:15} And it shall be, when you hear the sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry-trees, that then you shall go out to battle; for God is gone out before you to smite the host of the Philistines. {14:16} And David did as God commanded him: and they defeated the host of the Philistines from Gibeon even to Gezer. {14:17} And the fame of David went out into all lands; and Yahweh brought the fear of him upon all nations.

{O13}15} First Chronicles Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And [David] made him houses in the city of David; and he prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent. {15:2} Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them has Yahweh chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him forever. {15:3} And David assembled all Israel at Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of Yahweh unto its place, which he had prepared for it. {15:4} And David gathered together the sons of Aaron, and the Levites: {15:5} of the sons of Kohas, Uriel the chief, and his brethren a hundred and twenty; {15:6} of the sons of Merari, Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty; {15:7} of the sons of Gershon, Joel the chief, and his brethren a hundred and thirty; {15:8} of the sons of Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred; {15:9} of the sons of Hebron, Eliel the chief, and his brethren eighty; {15:10} of the sons of Uzziel, Amminadab the chief, and his brethren a hundred and twelve. {15:11} And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab, {15:12} and said unto them, you are the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, both you and your brethren, that you may bring up the ark of Yahweh, the God of Israel, unto [the place] that I have prepared for it. {15:13} For because you [bare it] not at the first, Yahweh our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not according to the ordinance. {15:14} So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of Yahweh, the God of Israel. {15:15} And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, as Moses commanded according to the word of Yahweh. {15:16} And David spoke to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren the singers, with instruments of music, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding aloud and lifting up the voice with joy. {15:17} So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brethren, Ethan the son of Kushaiah; {15:18} and with them their brethren of the second

degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Eliphelehu, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the doorkeepers. {15:19} So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, [were appointed] with cymbals of brass to sound aloud; {15:20} and Zechariah, and Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries set to Alamoth; {15:21} and Mattithiah, and Eliphelehu, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps set to the Sheminith, to lead. {15:22} And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, was over the song: he instructed about the song, because he was skilful. {15:23} And Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for the ark. {15:24} And Shebaniah, and Joshaphat, and Nethanel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow the trumpets before the ark of God: and Obed-edom and Jehiah were doorkeepers for the ark. {15:25} So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of Yahweh out of the house of Obed-edom with joy. {15:26} And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, that they sacrificed seven bulls and seven rams. {15:27} And David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song [with] the singers: and David had upon him an ephod of linen. {15:28} Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of Yahweh with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, sounding aloud with psalteries and harps. {15:29} And it came to pass, as the ark of the covenant of Yahweh came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looked out at the window, and saw king David dancing and playing; and she despised him in her heart.

{O13}16) First Chronicles Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And they brought in the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it: and they offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings before God. {16:2} And when David had made an end of offering the burnt-offering and the peace-offerings, he blessed the people in the name of Yahweh. {16:3} And he dealt to everyone of Israel, both man and woman, to everyone a loaf of bread, and a portion [of flesh], and a cake of raisins. {16:4} And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of Yahweh, and to celebrate and to thank and praise Yahweh, the God of Israel: {16:5} Asaph the chief, and second to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, with psalteries and with harps; and Asaph with cymbals, sounding aloud; {16:6} and Benaiah and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually, before the ark of the covenant of God. {16:7} Then on that day did David first ordain to give thanks unto Yahweh, by the hand of Asaph and his brethren. {16:8} O give thanks unto Yahweh, call upon his name; Make known his doings among the peoples. {16:9} Sing unto him, sing praises unto him; Talk you of all his marvellous works. {16:10} Glory you in his holy name; Let the heart of them rejoice that seek Yahweh. {16:11} Seek you Yahweh and his strength; Seek his face evermore. {16:12} Remember his marvellous works that he has done, His wonders, and the judgments of his mouth, {16:13} O you seed of Israel his servant, you children of Jacob, his chosen ones. {16:14} He is Yahweh our God; His judgments are in all the earth. {16:15} Remember his covenant forever, The word which he commanded to a thousand generations, {16:16} [The covenant] which he made with Abraham, And his oath unto Isaac, {16:17} And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a statute, To Israel for an everlasting covenant, {16:18} Saying, Unto you will I give the land of Canaan, The lot of your inheritance; {16:19} When you were but a few men in number, behold, a very few, and aliens in it; {16:20} And they went about from nation to nation, And from one kingdom to another people. {16:21} He suffered no man to do them wrong; behold, he reproveth kings for their sakes, {16:22} [Saying], Touch not mine anointed ones, And do my prophets no harm. {16:23} Sing unto Yahweh, all the earth; Show forth his salvation from day to day. {16:24} Declare his glory among the nations, His marvellous works among all the peoples. {16:25} For great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised: He also is to be feared above all gods. {16:26} For all the gods of the peoples are idols: But

Yahweh made the heavens. {16:27} Honor and majesty are before him: Strength and gladness are in his place. {16:28} Ascribe unto Yahweh, you families of the nation, Ascribe unto Yahweh glory and strength; {16:29} Ascribe unto Yahweh the glory due unto his name: Bring an offering, and come before him: Worship Yahweh in holy array. {16:30} Tremble before him, all the earth: The world also is established that it cannot be moved. {16:31} Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; And let them say among the nations, Yahweh reigns. {16:32} Let the sea roar, and the fullness there; Let the field exult, and all that is therein; {16:33} Then shall the trees of the wood sing for joy before Yahweh; For he comes to judge the earth. {16:34} O give thanks unto Yahweh; for he is good; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {16:35} And say you, Save us, O God of our salvation, And gather us together and deliver us from the nations, To give thanks unto your holy name, And to triumph in your praise. {16:36} Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, From everlasting even to everlasting. And all the people said, Amen, and praised Yahweh. {16:37} So he left there, before the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required; {16:38} and Obed-edom with their brethren, sixty eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah to be doorkeepers; {16:39} and Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of Yahweh in the high place that was at Gibeon, {16:40} to offer burnt-offerings unto Yahweh upon the altar of burnt-offering continually morning and evening, even according to all that is written in the law of Yahweh, which he commanded unto Israel; {16:41} and with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were mentioned by name, to give thanks to Yahweh, because his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {16:42} and with them Heman and Jeduthun [with] trumpets and cymbals for those that should sound aloud, and [with] instruments for the songs of God; and the sons of Jeduthun to be at the gate. {16:43} And all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.

{O13}17} First Chronicles Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And it came to pass, when David lived in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of the covenant of Yahweh [dwells] under curtains. {17:2} And Nathan said unto David, Do all that is in your heart; for God is with you. {17:3} And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying, {17:4} Go and tell David my servant, Thus said Yahweh, you shall not build me a house to dwell in: {17:5} for I have not lived in a house since the day that I brought up Israel, unto this day, but have gone from tent to tent, and from [one] tabernacle [to another]. {17:6} In all places wherein I have walked with all Israel, spoke I a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to be shepherd of my people, saying, Why have you not built me a house of cedar? {17:7} Now therefore thus shall you say unto my servant David, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, I took you from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel: {17:8} and I have been with you whereever you have gone, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make you a name, like unto the name of the great ones that are in the earth. {17:9} And I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the first, {17:10} and [as] from the day that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel; and I will subdue all your enemies. Even more I tell you that Yahweh will build you a house. {17:11} And it shall come to pass, when your days are fulfilled that you must go to be with your fathers, that I will set up your seed after you, who shall be of your sons; and I will establish his kingdom. {17:12} He shall build me a house, and I will establish his throne forever. {17:13} I will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not take my agape loving kindness away from him, as I took it from him that was before you; {17:14} but I will settle him in my house and in my kingdom forever; and his throne shall be established forever. {17:15} According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

{17:16} Then David the king went in, and sat before Yahweh; and he said, Who am I, O The God Yahweh, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? {17:17} And this was a small thing in your eyes, O God; but you have spoken of your servant's house for a great while to come, and have regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O The God Yahweh. {17:18} What can David [say] yet more unto you concerning the honor which is done to your servant? for you know your servant. {17:19} O Yahweh, for your servant's sake, and according to your own heart, have you wrought all this greatness, to make known all [these] great things. {17:20} O Yahweh, there is none like you, neither is there any God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears. {17:21} And what one nation in the earth is like your people Israel, whom God went to redeem unto himself for a people, to make you a name by great and terrible things, in driving out nations from before your people, whom you redeemed out of Egypt? {17:22} For your people Israel did you make your own people forever; and you, Yahweh, became their God. {17:23} And now, O Yahweh, let the word that you have spoken concerning your servant, and concerning his house, be established forever, and do as you have spoken. {17:24} And let your name be established and magnified forever, saying, Yahweh of hosts is the God of Israel, even a God to Israel: and the house of David your servant is established before you. {17:25} For you, O my God, have revealed to your servant that you will build him a house: therefore has your servant found [in his heart] to pray before you. {17:26} And now, O Yahweh, you are God, and have promised this good thing unto your servant: {17:27} and now it has pleased you to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever before you: for you, O Yahweh, have blessed, and it is blessed forever.

{O13}18} First Chronicles Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} And after this it came to pass, that David defeated the Philistines, and subdued them, and took Gath and its towns out of the hand of the Philistines. {18:2} And he defeated Moab; and the Moabites became servants to David, and brought tribute. {18:3} And David defeated Hadarezer king of Zobah unto Hamath, as he went to establish his dominion by the river Euphrates. {18:4} And David took from him a thousand chariots, and seven thousand horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen; and David hocked all the chariot horses, but reserved of them for a hundred chariots. {18:5} And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succor Hadarezer king of Zobah, David defeated of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men. {18:6} Then David put [garrisons] in Syria of Damascus; and the Syrians became servants to David, and brought tribute. And Yahweh gave victory to David wherever he went. {18:7} And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Jerusalem. {18:8} And from Tibhas and from Cun, cities of Hadarezer, David took very much brass, by which Solomon made the brazen sea, and the pillars, and the vessels of brass. {18:9} And when Tou king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadarezer king of Zobah, {18:10} he sent Hadoram his son to king David, to salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadarezer and smitten him; (for Hadarezer had wars with Tou;) and [he had with him] all manner of vessels of gold and silver and brass. {18:11} These also did king David dedicate unto Yahweh, with the silver and the gold that he carried away from all the nations; from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek. {18:12} Furthermore Abishai the son of Zeruiah defeated of the Edomites in the Valley of Salt eighteen thousand. {18:13} And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became servants to David. And Yahweh gave victory to David wherever he went. {18:14} And David reigned over all Israel; and he executed justice and lawful works unto all his people. {18:15} And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder; {18:16} and Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Abimelech the son of Abiathar, were priests; and Shavsha was scribe; {18:17} and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and the sons of David were chief about the king.

{O13}19} First Chronicles Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And it came to pass after this, that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon died, and his son reigned in his stead. {19:2} And David said, I will show kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, because his father showed kindness to me. So David sent messengers to comfort him concerning his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun, to comfort him. {19:3} But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, you think that David does honor your father, in that he has sent comforters unto you? are not his servants come unto you to search, and to overthrow, and to spy out the land? {19:4} So Hanun took David's servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments in the middle, even to their buttocks, and sent them away. {19:5} Then there went certain persons, and told David how the men were served. And he sent to meet them; for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and then return. {19:6} And when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves odious to David, Hanun and the children of Ammon sent a thousand talents of silver to hire them chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia, and out of Arammaacah, and out of Zobah. {19:7} So they hired them thirty and two thousand chariots, and the king of Maacah and his people, who came and encamped before Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and came to battle. {19:8} And when David heard of it, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men. {19:9} And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the gate of the city: and the kings that were come were by themselves in the field. {19:10} Now when Joab saw that the battle was set against him before and behind, he chose of all the choice men of Israel, and put them in array against the Syrians. {19:11} And the rest of the people he committed into the hand of Abishai his brother; and they put themselves in array against the children of Ammon. {19:12} And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then you shall help me; but if the children of Ammon be too strong for you, then I will help you. {19:13} Be of good courage, and let us play the man for our people, and for the cities of our God: and Yahweh do that which seems him good. {19:14} So Joab and the people that were with him drew near before the Syrians unto the battle; and they fled before him. {19:15} And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before Abishai his brother, and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem. {19:16} And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that were beyond the River, with Shophach the captain of the host of Hadarezer at their head. {19:17} And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel together, and passed over the Jordan, and came upon them, and set the battle in array against them. So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians, they fought with him. {19:18} And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians [the men of] seven thousand chariots, and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host. {19:19} And when the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and served him: neither would the Syrians help the children of Ammon any more.

{O13}20} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And it came to pass, at the time of the return of the year, at the time when kings go out [to battle], that Joab led forth the army, and wasted the country of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried at Jerusalem. And Joab defeated Rabbah, and overthrew it. {20:2} And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent of gold, and there were precious stones in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought forth the spoil of the city, exceeding much. {20:3} And he brought forth the people that were therein, and cut [them] with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. And thus did David unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem. {20:4} And it came to pass after this, that there arose war at Gezer with the Philistines: then Sibbecai the Hushasite slew Sippai, of the sons of the giant; and they were subdued. {20:5} And there was again war with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose spear was

like a weaver's beam. {20:6} And there was again war at Goth, where was a man of great stature, whose fingers and toes were four and twenty, six [on each hand], and six [on each foot]; and he also was born unto the giant. {20:7} And when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea David's brother slew him. {20:8} These were born unto the giant in Goth; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

{O13}21} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel. {21:2} And David said to Joab and to the princes of the people, Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba even to Dan; and bring me word, that I may know the sum of them. {21:3} And Joab said, Yahweh make his people a hundred times as many as they are: but, my lord the king, are they not all my lord's servants? why does my lord require this thing? why will he be a cause of guilt unto Israel? {21:4} Nevertheless the king's word prevailed against Joab. Therefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem. {21:5} And Joab gave up the sum of the numbering of the people unto David. And all they of Israel were a thousand of thousand and a hundred of thousand men that drew sword: and Judah was four hundred seventy thousand men that drew sword. {21:6} But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them; for the king's word was abominable to Joab. {21:7} And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he defeated Israel. {21:8} And David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, in that I have done this thing: but now, put away, I ask you, the works against law of your servant; for I have done very foolishly. {21:9} And Yahweh spoke unto Gad, David's seer, saying, {21:10} Go and speak unto David, saying, Thus said Yahweh, I offer you three things: choose you one of them, that I may do it unto you. {21:11} So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Take which you will: {21:12} either three years of famine; or three moons to be consumed before your foes, while the sword of your enemies overtakes you; or else three days the sword of Yahweh, even pestilence in the land, and the messenger of Yahweh destroying throughout all the borders of Israel. Now therefore consider what answer I shall return to him that sent me. {21:13} And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall, I pray, into the hand of Yahweh; for very great are his mercies: and let me not fall into the hand of man. {21:14} So Yahweh sent a pestilence upon Israel; and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men. {21:15} And God sent an messenger unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was about to destroy, Yahweh watched, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the destroying messenger, It is enough; now stay your hand. And the messenger of Yahweh was standing by the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite. {21:16} And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the messenger of Yahweh standing between earth and heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders, clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces. {21:17} And David said unto God, Is it not I that commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done very wickedly; but these sheep, what have they done? let your hand, I pray you, O Yahweh my God, be against me, and against my father's house; but not against your people, that they should be plagued. {21:18} Then the messenger of Yahweh commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and rear an altar unto Yahweh in the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite. {21:19} And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spoke in the name of Yahweh. {21:20} And Ornan turned back, and saw the messenger; and his four sons that were with him hid themselves. Now Ornan was threshing wheat. {21:21} And as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and went out of the threshing-floor, and bowed himself to David with his face to the ground. {21:22} Then David said to Ornan, Give me the place of this threshing-floor, that I may build thereon an altar unto Yahweh: for the full price shall you give it me, that the plague may be stayed from the people. {21:23} And Ornan said unto David, Take it to you, and let my lord the king do that which is good in his eyes: lo, I give [you] the oxen for burnt-offerings, and the threshing instruments for wood, and the wheat for the meal-offering; I give it all. {21:24} And king David said to Ornan, No; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take that which is your for Yahweh, nor offer a burnt-offering outside cost. {21:25}

So David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight. {21:26} And David built there an altar unto Yahweh, and offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings, and called upon Yahweh; and he answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt-offering. {21:27} And Yahweh commanded the messenger; and he put up his sword again into the sheath there. {21:28} At that time, when David saw that Yahweh had answered him in the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there. {21:29} For the tabernacle of Yahweh, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of burnt-offering, were at that time in the high place at Gibeon. {21:30} But David could not go before it to inquire of God; for he was afraid because of the sword of the messenger of Yahweh.

{O13}22} First Chronicles Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} Then David said, This is the house of The God Yahweh, and this is the altar of burnt-offering for Israel. {22:2} And David commanded to gather together the aliens that were in the land of Israel; and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God. {22:3} And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the couplings; and brass in abundance outside weight; {22:4} and cedar-trees outside number: for the Sidonians and they of Tyre brought cedar-trees in abundance to David. {22:5} And David said, Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house that is to be built for Yahweh must be exceeding magnificent, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death. {22:6} Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build a house for Yahweh, the God of Israel. {22:7} And David said to Solomon his son, As for me, it was in my heart to build a house unto the name of Yahweh my God. {22:8} But the word of Yahweh came to me, saying, you have shed blood abundantly, and have made great wars: you shall not build a house unto my name, because you have shed much blood upon the earth in my sight. {22:9} Behold, a son shall be born to you, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about; for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days: {22:10} he shall build a house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever. {22:11} Now, my son, Yahweh be with you; and prosper you, and build the house of Yahweh your God, as he has spoken concerning you. {22:12} Only Yahweh give you discretion and understanding, and give you charge concerning Israel; that so you may keep the law of Yahweh your God. {22:13} Then shall you prosper, if you observe to do the statutes and the ordinances which Yahweh charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; fear not, neither be dismayed. {22:14} Now, behold, in my affliction I have prepared for the house of Yahweh a hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver, and of brass and iron outside weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and you may add there. {22:15} Furthermore there are workmen with you in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all men that are skilful in every manner of work: {22:16} of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, there is no number. Arise and be doing, and Yahweh be with you. {22:17} David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, [saying], {22:18} Is not Yahweh your God with you? and has he not given you rest on every side? for he has delivered the inhabitants of the land into my hand; and the land is subdued before Yahweh, and before his people. {22:19} Now set your heart and your soul to seek after Yahweh your God; arise therefore, and build you the sanctuary of The God Yahweh, to bring the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of Yahweh.

{O13}23} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} Now David was old and full of days; and he made Solomon his son king over Israel. {23:2} And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites. {23:3} And the Levites were numbered from thirty years old and upward: and their number by their polls, man by man, was thirty and eight thousand. {23:4} Of these, twenty and four thousand were to oversee the work of the house of

Yahweh; and six thousand were officers and judges; {23:5} and four thousand were doorkeepers; and four thousand praised Yahweh with the instruments which I made, [said David], to praise with. {23:6} And David divided them into courses according to the sons of Levi: Gershon, Kohas, and Merari. {23:7} Of the Gershonites: Ladan and Shimei. {23:8} The sons of Ladan: Jehiel the chief, and Zetham, and Joel, three. {23:9} The sons of Shimei: Shelomoth, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These were the heads of the fathers' [houses] of Ladan. {23:10} And the sons of Shimei: Jahas, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four were the sons of Shimei. {23:11} And Jahas was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah had not many sons; therefore they became a fathers' house in one reckoning. {23:12} The sons of Kohas: Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four. {23:13} The sons of Amram: Aaron and Moses; and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons, forever, to burn incense before Yahweh, to minister unto him, and to bless in his name, forever. {23:14} But as for Moses the man of God, his sons were named among the tribe of Levi. {23:15} The sons of Moses: Gershom and Eliezer. {23:16} The sons of Gershom: Shebuel the chief. {23:17} And the sons of Eliezer were: Rehabiah the chief; and Eliezer had no other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many. {23:18} The sons of Izhar: Shelomith the chief. {23:19} The sons of Hebron: Jeriah the chief, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth. {23:20} The sons of Uzziel: Micah the chief, and Isshiah the second.

{23:21} The sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi. The sons of Mahli: Eleazar and Kish. {23:22} And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters only: and their brethren the sons of Kish took them [to wife]. {23:23} The sons of Mushi: Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three. {23:24} These were the sons of Levi after their fathers' houses, even the heads of the fathers' [houses] of those of them that were counted, in the number of names by their polls, who did the work for the service of the house of Yahweh, from twenty years old and upward. {23:25} For David said, Yahweh, the God of Israel, has given rest unto his people; and he dwells in Jerusalem forever: {23:26} and also the Levites shall no more have need to carry the tabernacle and all the vessels of it for the service there. {23:27} For by the last words of David the sons of Levi were numbered, from twenty years old and upward. {23:28} For their office was to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of Yahweh, in the courts, and in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, even the work of the service of the house of God; {23:29} for the showbread also, and for the fine flour for a meal-offering, whether of unleavened wafers, or of that which is baked in the pan, or of that which is soaked, and for all manner of measure and size; {23:30} and to stand every morning to thank and praise Yahweh, and likewise at even; {23:31} and to offer all burnt-offerings unto Yahweh, on the Sabbaths, on the new moons, and on the set feasts, in number according to the ordinance concerning them, continually before Yahweh; {23:32} and that they should keep the charge of the tent of meeting, and the charge of the holy place, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, for the service of the house of Yahweh.

{O13}24} First Chronicles Chapter Twnty Four. {24:1} And the courses of the sons of Aaron [were these]. The sons of Aaron: Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. {24:2} But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office. {24:3} And David with Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, divided them according to their ordering in their service. {24:4} And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and [thus] were they divided: of the sons of Eleazar there were sixteen, heads of fathers' houses; and of the sons of Ithamar, according to their fathers' houses, eight. {24:5} Thus were they divided by lot, one sort with another; for there were princes of the sanctuary, and princes of God, both of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar. {24:6} And Shemaiah the son of Nethanel the scribe, who was of the Levites, wrote them in the presence of the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the priests and of the Levites; one fathers' house being taken for Eleazar, and one taken for Ithamar.

{24:7} Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah, {24:8} the third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim, {24:9} the fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin, {24:10} the seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah, {24:11} the ninth to Yeshuwa, the tenth to Shecaniah, {24:12} the eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim, {24:13} the thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab, {24:14} the fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer, {24:15} the seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Happizzez, {24:16} the nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezkel, {24:17} the one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul, {24:18} the three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah. {24:19} This was the ordering of them in their service, to come into the house of Yahweh according to the ordinance [given] unto them by Aaron their father, as Yahweh, the God of Israel, had commanded him. {24:20} And of the rest of the sons of Levi: of the sons of Amram, Shubael; of the sons of Shubael, Jehdeiah. {24:21} Of Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, Isshiah the chief. {24:22} Of the Izharites, Shelomoth; of the sons of Shelomoth, Jahas. {24:23} And the sons [of Hebron]: Jeriah [the chief], Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth. {24:24} The sons of Uzziel, Micah; of the sons of Micah, Shamir. {24:25} The brother of Micah, Isshiah; of the sons of Isshiah, Zechariah. {24:26} The sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi; the sons of Jaaziah: Beno. {24:27} The sons of Merari: of Jaaziah, Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri. {24:28} Of Mahli: Eleazar, who had no sons. {24:29} Of Kish; the sons of Kish: Jerahmeel. {24:30} And the sons of Mushi: Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These were the sons of the Levites after their fathers' houses. {24:31} These likewise cast lots even as their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the priests and of the Levites; the fathers' [houses] of the chief even as those of his younger brother.

{O13}25} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} Furthermore David and the captains of the host set apart for the service certain of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of them that did the work according to their service was: {25:2} of the sons of Asaph: Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asharel, the sons of Asaph, under the hand of Asaph, who prophesied after the order of the king. {25:3} Of Jeduthun; the sons of Jeduthun: Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshai, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun with the harp, who prophesied in giving thanks and praising Yahweh. {25:4} Of Heman; the sons of Heman: Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, Mahazioth. {25:5} All these were the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters. {25:6} All these were under the hands of their father for song in the house of Yahweh, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God; Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman being under the order of the king. {25:7} And the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in singing unto Yahweh, even all that were skilful, was two hundred sixty eight. {25:8} And they cast lots for their offices, all alike, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar. {25:9} Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah; he and his brethren and sons were twelve: {25:10} the third to Zaccur, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:11} the fourth to Izri, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:12} the fifth to Nethaniah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:13} the sixth to Bukkiah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:14} the seventh to Jesharel, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:15} the eighth to Jeshai, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:16} the ninth to Mattaniah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:17} the tenth to Shimei, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:18} the eleventh to Azarel, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:19} the twelfth to Hashabiah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:20} for the thirteenth, Shubael, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:21} for the fourteenth, Mattithiah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:22} for the fifteenth to Jeremoth, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:23}

for the sixteenth to Hananiah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:24} for the seventeenth to Joshbekashah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:25} for the eighteenth to Hanani, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:26} for the nineteenth to Mallothi, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:27} for the twentieth to Eliathah, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:28} for the one and twentieth to Hothir, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:29} for the two and twentieth to Giddalti, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:30} for the three and twentieth to Mahazioth, his sons and his brethren, twelve: {25:31} for the four and twentieth to Romamtiezer, his sons and his brethren, twelve.

{O13}26} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty Six. {26:1} For the courses of the doorkeepers: of the Korahites, Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph. {26:2} And Meshelemiah had sons: Zechariah the first-born, Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth, {26:3} Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Eliehoenai the seventh. {26:4} And Obed-edom had sons: Shemaiah the first-born, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethanel the fifth, {26:5} Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peullethai the eighth; for God blessed him. {26:6} Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled over the house of their father; for they were mighty men of valor. {26:7} The sons of Shemaiah: Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren were valiant men, Elihu, and Semachiah. {26:8} All these were of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able men in strength for the service; sixty two of Obed-edom. {26:9} And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, valiant men, eighteen. {26:10} Also Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons: Shimri the chief, (for though he was not the first-born, yet his father made him chief), {26:11} Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah were thirteen. {26:12} Of these were the courses of the doorkeepers, even of the chief men, having offices like their brethren, to minister in the house of Yahweh. {26:13} And they cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to their fathers' houses, foreverly gate. {26:14} And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a discreet counselor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward. {26:15} To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the store-house. {26:16} To Shuppim and Hosah westward, by the gate of shallecheth, at the causeway that goes up, watch against watch. {26:17} Eastward were six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and for the store-house two and two. {26:18} For Parbar westward, four at the causeway, and two at Parbar. {26:19} These were the courses of the doorkeepers; of the sons of the Korahites, and of the sons of Merari. {26:20} And of the Levites, Ahijah was over the treasures of the house of God, and over the treasures of the dedicated things. {26:21} The sons of Ladan, the sons of the Gershonites belonging to Ladan, the heads of the fathers' [houses] belonging to Ladan the Gershonite: Jehieli. {26:22} The sons of Jehieli: Zetham, and Joel his brother, over the treasures of the house of Yahweh. {26:23} Of the Amramites, of the Izharites, of the Hebronites, of the Uzzielites: {26:24} and Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, was ruler over the treasures. {26:25} And his brethren: of Eliezer [came] Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomoth his son. {26:26} This Shelomoth and his brethren were over all the treasures of the dedicated things, which David the king, and the heads of the fathers' [houses], the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host, had dedicated. {26:27} Out of the spoil won in battles did they dedicate to repair the house of Yahweh. {26:28} And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated, anyone who had dedicated anything, it was under the hand of Shelomoth, and of his brethren. {26:29} Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons were for the outward business over Israel, for officers and judges. {26:30} Of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, men of valor, a thousand and seven hundred, had the oversight of Israel beyond the Jordan westward, for all the business of Yahweh, and for the service of the king. {26:31} Of the Hebronites was Jerijah the chief, even of the Hebronites, according to their generations by fathers' [houses]. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there were found

among them mighty men of valor at Jazer of Gilead. {26:32} And his brethren, men of valor, were two thousand and seven hundred, heads of fathers' [houses], whom king David made overseers over the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half-tribe of the Manassites, forevery matter pertaining to God, and for the affairs of the king.

{O13}27} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty Seven. {27:1} Now the children of Israel after their number, [to wit], the heads of fathers' [houses] and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and their officers that served the king, in any matter of the courses which came in and went out moon by moon throughout all the moons of the year-of every course were twenty and four thousand. {27:2} Over the first cycle for the first moon [Abib] was Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:3} [He was] of the children of Perez, the chief of all the captains of the host for the first moon. {27:4} And over the course of the second moon was Dodai the Ahohite, and his course; and Mikloth the ruler: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:5} The third captain of the host for the third moon was Benaiah, the son of Jehoiada the priest, chief: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:6} This is that Benaiah, who was the mighty man of the thirty, and over the thirty: and [of] his course was Ammizabad his son. {27:7} The fourth [captain] for the fourth moon was Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:8} The fifth captain for this fifth moon was Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:9} The sixth [captain] for the sixth moon was Ira the son of Ikesh the Tekoite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:10} The seventh [captain] for the seventh moon was Helez the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:11} The eighth [captain] for the eighth moon was Sibbecai the Hushasite, of the Zerahites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:12} The ninth [captain] for the ninth moon was Abiezer the Anathothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:13} The tenth [captain] for the tenth moon was Maharai the Netophasite, of the Zerahites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:14} The eleventh [captain] for the eleventh moon was Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand. {27:15} The twelfth [captain] for the twelfth moon was Heldai the Netophasite, of Othniel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

{27:16} Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: of the Reubenites was Eliezer the son of Zichri the ruler: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maacah: {27:17} of Levi, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of Aaron, Zadok: {27:18} of Judah, Elihu, one of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael: {27:19} of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jeremoth the son of Azriel: {27:20} of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azariah: of the half-tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah: {27:21} of the half -[tribe] of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner: {27:22} of Dan, Azarel the son of Jeroham. These were the captains of the tribes of Israel. {27:23} But David took not the number of them from twenty years old and under, because Yahweh had said he would increase Israel like to the stars of heaven. {27:24} Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but finished not; and there came Anger for this upon Israel; neither was the number put into the account in the chronicles of king David. {27:25} And over the king's treasures was Azmavseth the son of Adiel: and over the treasures in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles, was Jonathan the son of Uzziah: {27:26} And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground was Ezri the son of Chelub: {27:27} and over the vineyards was Shimei the Ramathite: and over the increase of the vineyards for the wine-cellars was Zabdi the Shiphmite: {27:28} and over the olive-trees and the sycamore-trees that were in the lowland was Baal-hanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil was Joash: {27:29} and over the herds that fed in Sharon was Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds that were in the valleys was Shaphat the son of Adlai: {27:30} and over the camels was Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the donkeys was

Jehdeiah the Meronothite: and over the flocks was Jaziz the Hagrite. {27:31} All these were the rulers of the substance which was king David's. {27:32} Also Jonathan, David's uncle, was a counselor, a man of understanding, and a scribe: and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni was with the king's sons: {27:33} And Ahithophel was the king's counselor: and Hushai the Archite was the king's friend: {27:34} and after Ahithophel was Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the captain of the king's host was Joab.

{O13}28} First Chronicles Chapter Twenty Eight. {28:1} And David assembled all the princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the captains of the companies that served the king by course, and the captains of thousands, and the captains of hundreds, and the rulers over all the substance and possessions of the king and of his sons, with the officers, and the mighty men, even all the mighty men of valor, unto Jerusalem. {28:2} Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: as for me, it was in my heart to build a house of rest for the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and for the footstool of our God; and I had made ready for the building. {28:3} But God said unto me, you shall not build a house for my name, because you are a man of war, and have shed blood. {28:4} However Yahweh, the God of Israel, chose me out of all the house of my father to be king over Israel forever: for he has chosen Judah to be prince; and in the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father he took pleasure in me to make me king over all Israel; {28:5} And of all my sons (for Yahweh has given me many sons), he has chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of Yahweh over Israel. {28:6} And he said unto me, Solomon your son, he shall build my house and my courts; for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father. {28:7} And I will establish his kingdom forever, if he be constant to do my commandments and mine ordinances, as at this day. {28:8} Now therefore, in the sight of all Israel, the Ekklesia of Yahweh, and in the audience of our God, observe and seek out all the commandments of Yahweh your God; that you may possess this good land, and leave it for an inheritance to your children after you forever.

{28:9} And you, Solomon my son, know you the God of your father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind; for Yahweh searches all hearts, and understands all the imaginations of the thoughts: if you seek him, he will be found of you; but if you forsake him, he will cast you off forever. {28:10} Take heed now; for Yahweh has chosen you to build a house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do it. {28:11} Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch [of the temple], and of the houses there, and of the treasuries there, and of the upper rooms there, and of the inner chambers there, and of the place of the mercy-seat; {28:12} and the pattern of all that he had by the Spirit, for the courts of the house of Yahweh, and for all the chambers round about, for the treasuries of the house of God, and for the treasuries of the dedicated things; {28:13} also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of Yahweh, and for all the vessels of service in the house of Yahweh; {28:14} of gold by weight for the [vessels of] gold, for all vessels of every kind of service; [of silver] for all the vessels of silver by weight, for all vessels of every kind of service; {28:15} by weight also for the candlesticks of gold, and for the lamps there, of gold, by weight forevery candlestick and for the lamps there; and for the candlesticks of silver, [silver] by weight for [every] candlestick and for the lamps there, according to the use of every candlestick; {28:16} and the gold by weight for the tables of showbread, forevery table; and silver for the tables of silver; {28:17} and the flesh-hooks, and the basins, and the cups, of pure gold; and for the golden bowls by weight forevery bowl; and for the silver bowls by weight forevery bowl; {28:18} and for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot, [even] the cherubim, that spread out [their wings], and covered the ark of the covenant of Yahweh. {28:19} All this, [said David], have I been made to understand in writing from the hand of Yahweh, even all the works of this pattern.

{28:20} And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed; for The God Yahweh, even my God, is with you; he will not fail you, nor

forsake you, until all the work for the service of the house of Yahweh be finished. {28:21} And, behold, there are the courses of the priests and the Levites, for all the service of the house of God: and there shall be with you in all manner of work every willing man that has skill, for any manner of service: also the captains and all the people will be wholly at your commandment.

{O13}29) First Chronicles Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} And David the king said unto all the Ekklesia, Solomon my son, whom alone God has chosen, is yet young and tender, and the work is great; for the palace is not for man, but for The God Yahweh. {29:2} Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the gold for the [things of] gold, and the silver for the [things of] silver, and the brass for the [things of] brass, the iron for the [things of] iron, and wood for the [things of] wood; onyx stones, and [stones] to be set, stones for inlaid work, and of different colors, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance. {29:3} Furthermore also, because I have set my affection on the house of my God, seeing that I have a treasure of mine own of gold and silver, I give it unto the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house, {29:4} even three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, by which to overlay the walls of the houses; {29:5} of gold for the [things of] gold, and of silver for the [things of] silver, and for all manner of work [to be made] by the hands of craftsmen who then offered willingly to consecrate himself this day unto Yahweh?

{29:6} Then the princes of the fathers' [houses], and the princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers over the king's work, offered willingly; {29:7} and they gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and of iron a hundred thousand talents. {29:8} And they with whom [precious] stones were found gave them to the treasure of the house of Yahweh, under the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite. {29:9} Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with a perfect heart they offered willingly to Yahweh: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

{29:10} Therefore David blessed Yahweh before all the Ekklesia; and David said, Blessed be you, O Yahweh, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. {29:11} your, O Yahweh, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heavens and in the earth [is your]; your is the kingdom, O Yahweh, and you are exalted as head above all. {29:12} Both riches and honor come of you, and you rule over all; and in your hand is power and might; and in your hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. {29:13} Now therefore, our God, we thank you, and praise your glorious name. {29:14} But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of you, and of your own have we given you. {29:15} For we are strangers before you, and aliens, as all our fathers were: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is no abiding. {29:16} O Yahweh our God, all this store that we have prepared to build you a house for your holy name comes of your hand, and is all your own. {29:17} I know also, my God, that you test the heart, and have Agape love in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of my heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy your people, that are present here, offer willingly unto you. {29:18} O Yahweh, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this forever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of your people, and prepare their heart unto you; {29:19} and give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep your commandments, your testimonies, and your statutes, and to do all these things, and to build the palace, for which I have made provision. {29:20} And David said to all the Ekklesia, Now bless Yahweh your God. And all the Ekklesia blessed Yahweh, the God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshipped Yahweh, and the king. {29:21} And they sacrificed sacrifices unto Yahweh, and offered burnt-offerings unto Yahweh, on the morrow after that day, even a thousand bulls, a thousand rams, and a thousand lambs, with their drink-offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel, {29:22} and did eat and drink before Yahweh on that day

with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time, and anointed him unto Yahweh to be prince, and Zadok to be priest. {29:23} Then Solomon sat on the throne of Yahweh as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him. {29:24} And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, submitted themselves unto Solomon the king. {29:25} And Yahweh magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and bestowed upon him such royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel. {29:26} Now David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel. {29:27} And the time that he reigned over Israel was forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three [years] reigned he in Jerusalem. {29:28} And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honor: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead. {29:29} Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they are written in the history of Samuel the seer, and in the history of Nathan the prophet, and in the history of Gad the seer, {29:30} with all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries.

The Book of Second Chronicles

{O14}1} Second Chronicles Chapter One. {1:1} And Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and Yahweh his God was with him, and magnified him exceedingly. {1:2} And Solomon spoke unto [the Ekklesia] all Israel, to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every prince in all Israel, the heads of the fathers' [houses]. {1:3} So Solomon, and all the Ekklesia with him, went to the high place that was at Gibeon; for there was the tent of meeting of God, which Moses the servant of Yahweh had made in the wilderness. {1:4} But the ark of God had David brought up from Kiriath-jearim to [the place] that David had prepared for it; for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem. {1:5} Furthermore the brazen altar, that Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, was there before the tabernacle of Yahweh: and Solomon and the Ekklesia sought unto it. {1:6} And Solomon went up there to the brazen altar before Yahweh, which was at the tent of meeting, and offered a thousand burnt-offerings upon it. {1:7} In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give you. {1:8} And Solomon said unto God, you have showed great agape loving kindness unto David my father, and have made me king in his stead. {1:9} Now, O The God Yahweh, let your promise unto David my father be established; for you have made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude. {1:10} Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can judge this your people, that is so great? {1:11} And God said to Solomon, Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked riches, wealth, or honor, nor the life of them that hate you, neither yet have asked long life; but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself, that you may judge my people, over whom I have made you king: {1:12} wisdom and knowledge is granted unto you; and I will give you riches, and wealth, and honor, such as none of the kings have had that have been before you; neither shall there any after you have the like. {1:13} So Solomon came from the high place that was at Gibeon, from before the tent of meeting, unto Jerusalem; and he reigned over Israel. {1:14} And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, that he placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem. {1:15} And the king made silver and gold to be in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he to be as the sycamore-trees that are in the lowland, for abundance. {1:16} And the horses which Solomon had were brought out of Egypt; the king's merchants received them in droves, each drove at a price. {1:17} And they gotten up and brought out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred [shekels] of silver, and a horse for a hundred and fifty: and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of Syria, did they bring them out by their means.

{o14}2} Second Chronicles Chapter two. {2:1} Now Solomon purposed to build a house for the name of Yahweh, and a house for his kingdom. {2:2} And Solomon counted out seventy

thousand men to bear burdens, and eighty thousand men that were hewers in the mountains, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them. {2:3} And Solomon sent to Hiram the king of Tyre, saying, As you did deal with David my father, and did send him cedars to build him a house to dwell therein, [even so deal with me]. {2:4} Behold, I am about to build a house for the name of Yahweh my God, to dedicate it to him, and to burn before him incense of sweet spices, and for the continual showbread, and for the burnt-offerings morning and evening, on the Sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the set feasts of Yahweh our God. This is [an ordinance] forever to Israel. {2:5} And the house which I build is great; for great is our God above all gods. {2:6} But who is able to build him a house, seeing heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain him? who am I then, that I should build him a house, save only to burn incense before him? {2:7} Now therefore send me a man skilful to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that know-how to grave [all manner of] gravings, [to be] with the skilful men that are with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide. {2:8} Send me also cedar-trees, fir-trees, and algum-trees, out of Lebanon; for I know that your servants know how to cut timber in Lebanon: and, behold, my servants shall be with your servants, {2:9} even to prepare me timber in abundance; for the house which I am about to build shall be great and wonderful. {2:10} And, behold, I will give to your servants, the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil. {2:11} Then Hiram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon, Because Yahweh Agape loves his people, he has made you king over them. {2:12} Hiram said furthermore, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, that made heaven and earth, who has given to David the king a wise son, endued with discretion and understanding, that should build a house for Yahweh, and a house for his kingdom. {2:13} And now I have sent a skilful man, endued with understanding, of Hiram my father's, {2:14} the son of a woman of the daughters of Dan; and his father was a man of Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson, also to grave any manner of graving, and to devise any device; that there may be [a place] appointed unto him with your skilful men, and with the skilful men of my lord David your father. {2:15} Now therefore the wheat and the barley, the oil and the wine, which my lord has spoken of, let him send unto his servants: {2:16} and we will cut wood out of Lebanon, as much as you shall need; and we will bring it to you in floats by sea to Joppa; and you shall carry it up to Jerusalem. {2:17} And Solomon numbered all the aliens that were in the land of Israel, after the numbering by which David his father had numbered them; and they were found a hundred and fifty thousand and three thousand and six hundred. {2:18} And he set seventy thousand of them to bear burdens, and eighty thousand that were hewers in the mountains, and three thousand and six hundred overseers to set the people at work.

{O14}3} Second Chronicles Chapter Three. {3:1} Then Solomon began to build the house of Yahweh at Jerusalem on mount Moriah, where [Yahweh] appeared unto David his father, which he made ready in the place that David had appointed, in the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite. {3:2} And he began to build in the second [day] of the second moon, in the fourth year of his reign. {3:3} Now these are the foundations which Solomon laid for the building of the house of God. The length by cubits after the first measure was sixty cubits, and the breadth twenty cubits. {3:4} And the porch that was before [the house], the length of it, according to the breadth of the house, was twenty cubits, and the height a hundred and twenty; and he overlaid it within with pure gold. {3:5} And the greater house he ceiled with fir-wood, which he overlaid with fine gold, and wrought thereon palm-trees and chains. {3:6} And he garnished the house with precious stones for beauty: and the gold was gold of Parvaim. {3:7} He overlaid also the house, the beams, the thresholds, and the walls there, and the doors there, with gold; and graved cherubim on the walls. {3:8} And he made the most holy house: the length there, according to the breadth of the house, was twenty cubits, and the breadth of it twenty cubits; and he overlaid it with fine gold,

amounting to six hundred talents. {3:9} And the weight of the nails was fifty shekels of gold. And he overlaid the upper chambers with gold. {3:10} And in the most holy house he made two cherubim of image work; and they overlaid them with gold. {3:11} And the wings of the cherubim were twenty cubits long: the wing of the one [cherub] was five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house; and the other wing was [likewise] five cubits, reaching to the wing of the other cherub. {3:12} And the wing of the other cherub was five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house; and the other wing was five cubits [also], joining to the wing of the other cherub. {3:13} The wings of these cherubim spread themselves forth twenty cubits: and they stood on their feet, and their faces were toward the house. {3:14} And he made the veil of blue, and purple, and crimson, and fine linen, and wrought cherubim thereon. {3:15} Also he made before the house two pillars of thirty and five cubits high, and the capital that was on the top of each of them was five cubits. {3:16} And he made chains in the oracle, and put [them] on the tops of the pillars; and he made a hundred pomegranates, and put them on the chains. {3:17} And he set up the pillars before the temple, one on the right hand, and the other on the left; and called the name of that on the right hand Jachin, and the name of that on the left Boaz.

{O14}4} Second Chronicles Chapter Four. {4:1} Furthermore he made an altar of brass, twenty cubits the length there, and twenty cubits the breadth there, and ten cubits the height there. {4:2} Also he made the molten sea of ten cubits from brim to brim, round in compass; and the height of it was five cubits; and a line of thirty cubits around it round about. {4:3} And under it was the likeness of oxen, which did compass it round about, for ten cubits, compassing the sea round about. The oxen were in two rows, cast when it was cast. {4:4} It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea was set upon them above, and all their rear parts were inward. {4:5} And it was a handbreadth thick; and the brim of it was wrought like the brim of a cup, like the flower of a lily: it received and held three thousand baths. {4:6} He made also ten lavers, and put five on the right hand, and five on the left, to wash in them; such things as belonged to the burnt-offering they washed in them; but the sea was for the priests to wash in. {4:7} And he made the ten candlesticks of gold according to the ordinance concerning them; and he set them in the temple, five on the right hand, and five on the left. {4:8} He made also ten tables, and placed them in the temple, five on the right side, and five on the left. And he made a hundred basins of gold. {4:9} Furthermore he made the court of the priests, and the great court, and doors for the court, and overlaid the doors of them with brass. {4:10} And he set the sea on the right side [of the house] eastward, toward the south. {4:11} And Hiram made the pots, and the shovels, and the basins. So Hiram made an end of doing the work that he wrought for king Solomon in the house of God: {4:12} the two pillars, and the bowls, and the two capitals which were on the top of the pillars, and the two networks to cover the two bowls of the capitals that were on the top of the pillars, {4:13} and the four hundred pomegranates for the two networks; two rows of pomegranates for each network, to cover the two bowls of the capitals that were upon the pillars. {4:14} He made also the bases, and the lavers made he upon the bases; {4:15} one sea, and the twelve oxen under it. {4:16} The pots also, and the shovels, and the flesh-hooks, and all the vessels there, did Hiram his father make for king Solomon for the house of Yahweh of bright brass. {4:17} In the plain of the Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and Zeredah. {4:18} Thus Solomon made all these vessels in great abundance: for the weight of the brass could not be found out. {4:19} And Solomon made all the vessels that were in the house of God, the golden altar also, and the tables whereon was the showbread; {4:20} and the candlesticks with their lamps, to burn according to the ordinance before the oracle, of pure gold; {4:21} and the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs, of gold, and that perfect gold; {4:22} and the snuffers, and the basins, and the spoons, and the fire pans, of pure gold: and as for the entry of the house, the inner doors of it for the most holy place, and the doors of the house, [to wit], of the temple, were of gold.

{O14}5} Second Chronicles Chapter Five. {5:1} Thus all the work that Solomon wrought for the house of Yahweh was finished. And Solomon brought in the things that David his father had dedicated, even the silver, and the gold, and all the vessels, and put them in the treasuries of the house of God. {5:2} Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the princes of the fathers' [houses] of the children of Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of Yahweh out of the city of David, which is Zion. {5:3} And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto the king at the feast, which was [in] the seventh moon. {5:4} And all the elders of Israel came: and the Levites took up the ark; {5:5} and they brought up the ark, and the tent of meeting, and all the holy vessels that were in the Tent; these did the priests the Levites bring up. {5:6} And king Solomon and all the congregation of Israel, that were assembled unto him, were before the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be counted nor numbered for multitude. {5:7} And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of Yahweh unto its place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubim. {5:8} For the cherubim spread forth their wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubim covered the ark and the staves of it above. {5:9} And the staves were so long that the ends of the staves were seen from the ark before the oracle; but they were not seen outside: and there it is unto this day. {5:10} There was nothing in the ark save the two tables which Moses put [there] at Horeb, when Yahweh made a covenant with the children of Israel, when they came out of Egypt. {5:11} And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy place, (for all the priests that were present had sanctified themselves, and did not keep their courses; {5:12} also the Levites who were the singers, all of them, even Asaph, Heman, Jeduthun, and their sons and their brethren, arrayed in fine linen, with cymbals and psalteries and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, and with them a hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets;) {5:13} it came to pass, when the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking Yahweh; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised Yahweh, [saying], For he is good; for his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of Yahweh, {5:14} so that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of Yahweh filled the house of God.

{O14}6} Second Chronicles Chapter Six. {6:1} Then spoke Solomon, Yahweh has said that he would dwell in the thick darkness. {6:2} But I have built you a house of habitation, and a place for you to dwell in forever. {6:3} And the king turned his face, and blessed all the Ekklesia of Israel: and all the Ekklesia of Israel stood. {6:4} And he said, Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, who spoke with his mouth unto David my father, and has with his hands fulfilled it, saying, {6:5} Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the land of Egypt, I chose no city out of all the tribes of Israel to build a house in, that my name might be there; neither chose I any man to be prince over my people Israel: {6:6} but I have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there; and have chosen David to be over my people Israel. {6:7} Now it was in the heart of David my father to build a house for the name of Yahweh, the God of Israel. {6:8} But Yahweh said unto David my father, Whereas it was in your heart to build a house for my name, you did well that it was in your heart: {6:9} nevertheless you shall not build the house; but your son that shall come forth out of your loins, he shall build the house for my name. {6:10} And Yahweh has performed his word that he spoke; for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as Yahweh promised, and have built the house for the name of Yahweh, the God of Israel. {6:11} And there have I set the ark, wherein is the covenant of Yahweh, which he made with the children of Israel. {6:12} And he stood before the altar of Yahweh in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread forth his hands {6:13} (for Solomon had made a brazen scaffold, five cubits long, and five cubits broad, and three cubits high, and had set it in the midst of the court; and upon it he stood, and kneeled down upon his

knees before all the assembly of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven;) {6:14} and he said, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven, or on earth; who keeps covenant and agape loving kindness with your servants, that walk before you with all their heart; {6:15} who have kept with your servant David my father that which you did promise him: behold, you spoke with your mouth, and have fulfilled it with your hand, as it is this day. {6:16} Now therefore, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, keep with your servant David my father that which you have promised him, saying, There shall not fail you a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children take heed to their way, to walk in my law as you have walked before me. {6:17} Now therefore, O Yahweh, the God of Israel, let your word be verified, which you spoke unto your servant David. {6:18} But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain you; how much less this house which I have built! {6:19} yet have you respect unto the prayer of your servant, and to his supplication, O Yahweh my God, to hear unto the cry and to the prayer which your servant prays before you; {6:20} that your eyes may be open toward this house day and night, even toward the place where you have said that you would put your name there; to hear unto the prayer which your servant shall pray toward this place. {6:21} And hear you to the supplications of your servant, and of your people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: behold, hear you from your dwelling-place, even from heaven; and when you hear forgive. {6:22} If a man sin against his neighbor, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and he come [and] swear before your altar in this house; {6:23} then hear you from heaven, and do, and judge your servants, requiting the wicked, to bring his way upon his own head; and justifying the lawful worker, to give him according to his lawful works. {6:24} And if your people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against you, and shall turn again and confess your name, and pray and make supplication before you in this house; {6:25} then hear you from heaven, and forgive the sin of your people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which you gave to them and to their fathers. {6:26} When the heavens are shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against you; if they pray toward this place, and confess your name, and turn from their sin, when you do afflict them: {6:27} then hear you in heaven, and forgive the sin of your servants, and of your people Israel, when you teach them the good way wherein they should walk; and send rain upon your land, which you have given to your people for an inheritance. {6:28} If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting or mildew, locust or caterpillar; if their enemies besiege them in the land of their cities; whatever plague or whatever sickness there be; {6:29} what prayer and supplication so ever be made by any man, or by all your people Israel, who shall know every man his own plague and his own sorrow, and shall spread forth his hands toward this house: {6:30} then hear you from heaven your dwelling-place and forgive, and render unto every man according to all his ways, whose heart you know; (for you, even you only, know the hearts of the children of men;) {6:31} that they may fear you, to walk in your ways, so long as they live in the land which you gave unto our fathers. {6:32} Furthermore concerning the foreigner, that is not of your people Israel, when he shall come from a far country for your great name's sake, and your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm; when they shall come and pray toward this house: {6:33} then hear you from heaven, even from your dwelling-place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you for; that all the peoples of the earth may know your name, and fear you, as does your people Israel, and that they may know that this house which I have built is called by your name. {6:34} If your people go out to battle against their enemies, by whatever way you shall send them, and they pray unto you toward this city which you have chosen, and the house which I have built for your name; {6:35} then hear you from heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause. {6:36} If they sin against you (for there is no man that sins not), and you be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captive unto a land far off or near; {6:37} yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land where they are carried captive, and turn again, and make supplication unto you in the land of their captivity, saying, We have sinned, we have done perversely, and have dealt

wickedly; {6:38} if they return unto you with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity, where they have carried them captive, and pray toward their land, which you gave unto their fathers, and the city which you have chosen, and toward the house which I have built for your name: {6:39} then hear you from heaven, even from your dwelling-place, their prayer and their supplications, and maintain their cause, and forgive your people who have sinned against you. {6:40} Now, O my God, let, I ask you, your eyes be open, and let your ears be attend, unto the prayer that is made in this place. {6:41} Now therefore arise, O The God Yahweh, into your resting-place, you, and the ark of your strength: let your priests, O The God Yahweh, be clothed with salvation, and let your Holy People rejoice in goodness. {6:42} O The God Yahweh, turn not away the face of your anointed: remember [your] agape loving kindnesses to David your servant.

{O14}7} Second Chronicles Chapter Seven. {7:1} Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt-offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of Yahweh filled the house. {7:2} And the priests could not enter into the house of Yahweh, because the glory of Yahweh filled Yahweh's house. {7:3} And all the children of Israel looked on, when the fire came down, and the glory of Yahweh was upon the house; and they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and gave thanks unto Yahweh, [saying], For he is good; for his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {7:4} Then the king and all the people offered sacrifice before Yahweh. {7:5} And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and a hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the people dedicated the house of God. {7:6} And the priests stood, according to their offices; the Levites also with instruments of music of Yahweh, which David the king had made to give thanks unto Yahweh, (for his agape loving kindness [endures] forever,) when David praised by their ministry: and the priests sounded trumpets before them; and all Israel stood. {7:7} Furthermore Solomon hallowed the middle of the court that was before the house of Yahweh; for there he offered the burnt-offerings, and the fat of the peace-offerings, because the brazen altar which Solomon had made was not able to receive the burnt-offering, and the meal-offering, and the fat. {7:8} So Solomon held the feast at that time seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great, from the entrance of Hamath unto the brook of Egypt. {7:9} And on the eighth day they held a solemn assembly: for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days. {7:10} And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh moon ["Ethanin" harvest end] he sent the people away unto their tents, joyful and gladness of heart for the goodness that Yahweh had showed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people. {7:11} Thus Solomon finished the house of Yahweh, and the king's house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of Yahweh, and in his own house, he prosperously effected. {7:12} And Yahweh appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for a house of sacrifice. {7:13} If I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or if I command the locust to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; {7:14} if my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. {7:15} Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attend, unto the prayer that is made in this place. {7:16} For now have I chosen and hallowed this house, that my name may be there forever; and mine eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually. {7:17} And as for you, if you will walk before me as David your father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded you, and will keep my statutes and mine ordinances; {7:18} then I will establish the throne of your kingdom, according as I covenanted with David your father, saying, There shall not fail you a man to be ruler in Israel. {7:19} But if you turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments which I have set before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and worship them; {7:20} then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my land which I have given them; and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and I

will make it a proverb and a byword among all peoples. {7:21} And this house, which is so high, everyone that passes by it shall be astonished, and shall say, Why has Yahweh done thus unto this land, and to this house? {7:22} And they shall answer, Because they forsook Yahweh, the God of their fathers, who brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore has he brought all this evil upon them.

{O14}8} Second Chronicles Chapter Eight. {8:1} And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, wherein Solomon had built the house of Yahweh, and his own house, {8:2} that the cities which Hiram had given to Solomon, Solomon built them, and caused the children of Israel to dwell there. {8:3} And Solomon went to Hamath-zobah, and prevailed against it. {8:4} And he built Tadmor in the wilderness, and all the store-cities, which he built in Hamath. {8:5} Also he built Beth-horon the upper, and Beth-horon the nether, fortified cities, with walls, gates, and bars; {8:6} and Baalath, and all the store-cities that Solomon had, and all the cities for his chariots, and the cities for his horsemen, and all that Solomon desired to build for his pleasure in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion. {8:7} As for all the people that were left of the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, that were not of Israel; {8:8} of their children that were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel consumed not, of them did Solomon raise a levy [of bondservants] unto this day. {8:9} But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no servants for his work; but they were men of war, and chief of his captains, and rulers of his chariots and of his horsemen. {8:10} And these were the chief officers of king Solomon, even two hundred and fifty, that bare rule over the people. {8:11} And Solomon brought up the daughter of Pharaoh out of the city of David unto the house that he had built for her; for he said, My wife shall not dwell in the house of David king of Israel, because the places are holy, whereunto the ark of Yahweh has come. {8:12} Then Solomon offered burnt-offerings unto Yahweh on the altar of Yahweh, which he had built before the porch, {8:13} even as the duty of every day required, offering according to the commandment of Moses, on the Sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the set feasts, three times in the year, [even] in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of solar sevens, and in the feast of tabernacles. {8:14} And he appointed, according to the ordinance of David his father, the courses of the priests to their service, and the Levites to their offices, to praise, and to minister before the priests, as the duty of every day required; the doorkeepers also by their courses at every gate: for so had David the man of God commanded. {8:15} And they departed not from the commandment of the king unto the priests and Levites concerning any matter, or concerning the treasures. {8:16} Now all the work of Solomon was prepared unto the day of the foundation of the house of Yahweh, and until it was finished. [So] the house of Yahweh was completed. {8:17} Then went Solomon to Ezion-geber, and to Eloth, on the seashore in the land of Edom. {8:18} And Hiram sent him by the hands of his servants ships, and servants that had knowledge of the sea; and they came with the servants of Solomon to Ophir, and gotten from there four hundred and fifty talents of gold, and brought them to king Solomon.

{O14}9} Second Chronicles Chapter Nine. {9:1} And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great train, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart. {9:2} And Solomon told her all her questions; and there was not anything hid from Solomon which he told her not. {9:3} And when the queen of Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon, and the house that he had built, {9:4} and the food of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, his cupbearers also, and their apparel, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of Yahweh; there was no more spirit in her. {9:5} And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of your acts, and of your wisdom. {9:6} However I believed not their words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it; and, behold, the half of the

greatness of your wisdom was not told me: you exceed the fame that I heard. {9:7} Happy are your men, and happy are these your servants, that stand continually before you, and hear your wisdom. {9:8} Blessed be Yahweh your God, who delighted in you, to set you on his throne, to be king for Yahweh your God: because your God agape loved Israel, to establish them forever, therefore made he you king over them, to do justice and lawful works. {9:9} And she gave the king a hundred and twenty talents of gold, and spices in great abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon. {9:10} And the servants also of Hiram, and the servants of Solomon, that brought gold from Ophir, brought alnum-trees and precious stones. {9:11} And the king made of the alnum-trees terraces for the house of Yahweh, and for the king's house, and harps and psalteries for the singers: and there were none such seen before in the land of Judah. {9:12} And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatever she asked, besides that which she had brought unto the king. So she turned, and went to her own land, she and her servants. {9:13} Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred and sixty six talents of gold, {9:14} besides that which the traders and merchants brought: and all the kings of Arabia and the governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon. {9:15} And king Solomon made two hundred bucklers of beaten gold; six hundred [shekels] of beaten gold went to one buckler. {9:16} And [he made] three hundred shields of beaten gold; three hundred [shekels] of gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon. {9:17} Furthermore the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold. {9:18} And there were six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold, which were fastened to the throne, and stays on either side by the place of the seat, and two lions standing beside the stays. {9:19} And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps: there was not the like made in any kingdom. {9:20} And all king Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold: silver was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon. {9:21} For the king had ships that went to Tarshish with the servants of Hiram; once every three years came the ships of Tarshish, bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks. {9:22} So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom. {9:23} And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his heart. {9:24} And they brought every man his tribute, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and raiment, armor, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year. {9:25} And Solomon had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, that he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem. {9:26} And he ruled over all the kings from the River even unto the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt. {9:27} And the king made silver to be in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he to be as the sycamore-trees that are in the lowland, for abundance. {9:28} And they brought horses for Solomon out of Egypt, and out of all lands. {9:29} Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, are they not written in the history of Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo the seer concerning Jeroboam the son of Nebat? {9:30} And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years. {9:31} And Solomon slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

{O14}10} Second Chronicles Chapter Ten. {10:1} And Rehoboam went to Shechem; for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king. {10:2} And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard of it, (for he was in Egypt, where he had fled from the presence of king Solomon,) that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt. {10:3} And they sent and called him; and Jeroboam and all Ekklesia of Israel came, and they spoke to Rehoboam, saying, {10:4} Your father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make you the grievous service of your father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve you. {10:5} And he said unto them, Come again unto me after three days. And the people departed. {10:6} And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men, that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet

lived, saying, What counsel give you me to return answer to this people? {10:7} And they spoke unto him, saying, If you be kind to this people, and please them, and speak good words to them, then they will be your servants forever. {10:8} But he forsook the counsel of the old men which they had given him, and took counsel with the young men that were grown up with him, that stood before him. {10:9} And he said unto them, What counsel give you, that we may return answer to this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke that your father did put upon us lighter? {10:10} And the young men that were grown up with him spoke unto him, saying, Thus shall you say unto the people that spoke unto you, saying, Your father made our yoke heavy, but make you it lighter unto us; thus shall you say unto them, My little finger is thicker than my father's loins. {10:11} And now whereas my father did lay on you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father Chastised you with whips, but I [will chastise you] with scorpions. {10:12} So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king bade, saying, Come to me again the third day. {10:13} And the king answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men, {10:14} and spoke to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add there: my father Chastised you with whips, but I [will chastise you] with scorpions. {10:15} So the king heard not unto the people; for it was brought about of God, that Yahweh might establish his word, which he spoke by Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat. {10:16} And when all Israel saw that the king heard not unto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to your tents, O Israel: now see to your own house, David. So all Israel departed unto their tents. {10:17} But as for the children of Israel that lived in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them. {10:18} Then king Rehoboam sent Hadoram, who was over the men subject to task work; and the children of Israel stoned him to death with stones. And king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem. {10:19} So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

{O14}11} Second Chronicles Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled the house of Judah and Benjamin, a hundred and eighty thousand chosen men, that were warriors, to fight against Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam. {11:2} But the word of Yahweh came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying, {11:3} Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and to all Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saying, {11:4} Thus said Yahweh, you shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren: return every man to his house; for this thing is of me. So they heard unto the words of Yahweh, and returned from going against Jeroboam. {11:5} And Rehoboam lived in Jerusalem, and built cities for defense in Judah. {11:6} He built Beth-lehem, and Etam, and Tekoa, {11:7} And Beth-zur, and Soco, and Adullam, {11:8} and Goth, and Mareshah, and Ziph, {11:9} and Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah, {11:10} and Zorah, and Aijalon, and Hebron, which are in Judah and in Benjamin, fortified cities. {11:11} And he fortified the strongholds, and put captains in them, and stores of victuals, and oil and wine. {11:12} And in every city [he put] shields and spears, and made them exceeding strong. And Judah and Benjamin belonged to him. {11:13} And the priests and the Levites that were in all Israel resorted to him out of all their border. {11:14} For the Levites left their suburbs and their possession, and came to Judah and Jerusalem: for Jeroboam and his sons cast them off, that they should not execute the priest's office unto Yahweh; {11:15} and he appointed him priests for the high places, and for the he-goats, and for the calves which he had made. {11:16} And after them, out of all the tribes of Israel, such as set their hearts to seek Yahweh, the God of Israel, came to Jerusalem to sacrifice unto Yahweh, the God of their fathers. {11:17} So they strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam the son of Solomon strong, three years; for they walked three years in the way of David and Solomon. {11:18} And Rehoboam took him a wife, Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son of David, [and of] Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse; {11:19} and she bare him sons: Jeush, and Shemariah, and Zaham. {11:20} And after her he took Maacah the daughter of Absalom; and she bare him

Abijah, and Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith. {11:21} And Rehoboam loved Maacah the daughter of Absalom above all his wives and his concubines: (for he took eighteen wives, and sixty concubines, and begot twenty and eight sons and sixty daughters.) {11:22} And Rehoboam appointed Abijah the son of Maacah to be chief, [even] the prince among his brethren; for [he was intent] to make him king. {11:23} And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his sons throughout all the lands of Judah and Benjamin, unto every fortified city: and he gave them victuals in abundance. And he sought [for them] many wives.

{O14}12} Second Chronicles Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And it came to pass, when the kingdom of Rehoboam was established, and he was strong, that he forsook the law of Yahweh, and all Israel with him. {12:2} And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, because they had trespassed against Yahweh, {12:3} with twelve hundred chariots, and sixty thousand horsemen. And the people were outside number that came with him out of Egypt: the Lubim, the Sukkiim, and the Ethiopians. {12:4} And he took the fortified cities which pertained to Judah, and came unto Jerusalem. {12:5} Now Shemaiah the prophet came to Rehoboam, and to the princes of Judah, that were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak, and said unto them, Thus said Yahweh, you have forsaken me, therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak. {12:6} Then the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves; and they said, Yahweh is a lawful worker. {12:7} And when Yahweh saw that they humbled themselves, the word of Yahweh came to Shemaiah, saying, They have humbled themselves: I will not destroy them; but I will grant them some deliverance, and my Anger shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem by the hand of Shishak. {12:8} Nevertheless they shall be his servants, that they may know my service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries. {12:9} So Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, and took away the treasures of the house of Yahweh, and the treasures of the king's house: he took all away: he took away also the shields of gold which Solomon had made. {12:10} And king Rehoboam made in their stead shields of brass, and committed them to the hands of the captains of the guard, that kept the door of the king's house. {12:11} And it was so, that, as oft as the king entered into the house of Yahweh, the guard came and bare them, and brought them back into the guard-chamber. {12:12} And when he humbled himself, the Anger of Yahweh turned from him, so as not to destroy him altogether: and furthermore in Judah there were good things [found]. {12:13} So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned: for Rehoboam was forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which Yahweh had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there: and his mother's name was Naamah the Ammonitess. {12:14} And he did that which was evil, because he set not his heart to seek Yahweh. {12:15} Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, are they not written in the histories of Shemaiah the prophet and of Iddo the seer, after the manner of genealogies? And there were wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually. {12:16} And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David: and Abijah his son reigned in his stead. {

{O14}13} Second Chronicles Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} In the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah. {13:2} Three years reigned he in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Micaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam. {13:3} And Abijah joined battle with an army of valiant men of war, even four hundred thousand chosen men: and Jeroboam set the battle in array against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men, who were mighty men of valor. {13:4} And Abijah stood up upon mount Zemaraim, which is in the hill-country of Ephraim, and said, Hear me, O Jeroboam and all Israel: {13:5} Ought you not to know that Yahweh, the God of Israel, gave the kingdom over Israel to David forever, even to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt? {13:6} yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, rose up, and rebelled against his lord.

{13:7} And there were gathered unto him worthless men, base fellows, that strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tender-hearted, and could not withstand them. {13:8} And now you think to withstand the kingdom of Yahweh in the hand of the sons of David; and you are a great multitude, and there are with you the golden calves which Jeroboam made you for gods. {13:9} Have you not driven out the priests of Yahweh, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and made you priests after the manner of the peoples of [other] lands? so that anyone who comes to consecrate himself with a young bull and seven rams, the same may be a priest of [them that are] no gods. {13:10} But as for us, Yahweh is our God, and we have not forsaken him; and [we have] priests ministering unto Yahweh, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites in their work: {13:11} and they burn unto Yahweh every morning and every evening burnt-offerings and sweet incense: the showbread also [set they] in order upon the pure table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps there, to burn every evening: for we keep the charge of Yahweh our God; but you have forsaken him. {13:12} And, behold, God is with us at our head, and his priests with the trumpets of alarm to sound an alarm against you. O children of Israel, fight you not against Yahweh, the God of your fathers; for you shall not prosper. {13:13} But Jeroboam caused an ambush to come about behind them: so they were before Judah, and the ambush was behind them. {13:14} And when Judah looked back, behold, the battle was before and behind them; and they cried unto Yahweh, and the priests sounded with the trumpets. {13:15} Then the men of Judah gave a shout: and as the men of Judah shouted, it came to pass, that God defeated Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah. {13:16} And the children of Israel fled before Judah; and God delivered them into their hand. {13:17} And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men. {13:18} Thus the children of Israel were brought under at that time, and the children of Judah prevailed, because they relied upon Yahweh, the God of their fathers. {13:19} And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him, Beth-el with the towns there, and Jeshanah with the towns there, and Ephron with the towns there. {13:20} Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah: and Yahweh smote him, and he died. {13:21} But Abijah waxed mighty, and took unto himself fourteen wives, and begot twenty and two sons, and sixteen daughters. {13:22} And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his sayings, are written in the commentary of the prophet Iddo.

{O14}14} Second Chronicles Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} So Abijah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David; and Asa his son reigned in his stead. In his days the land was quiet ten years. {14:2} And Asa did that which was good and right in the eyes of Yahweh his God: {14:3} for he took away the foreign altars, and the high places, and brake down the pillars, and hewed down the Asherim, {14:4} and commanded Judah to seek Yahweh, the God of their fathers, and to do the law and the commandment. {14:5} Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the sun-images: and the kingdom was quiet before him. {14:6} And he built fortified cities in Judah; for the land was quiet, and he had no war in those years, because Yahweh had given him rest. {14:7} For he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars; the land is yet before us, because we have sought Yahweh our God; we have sought him, and he has given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered. {14:8} And Asa had an army that bare bucklers and spears, out of Judah three hundred thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields and drew bows, two hundred and eighty thousand: all these were mighty men of valor. {14:9} And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an army of a thousand of thousand, and three hundred chariots; and he came unto Mareshah. {14:10} Then Asa went out to meet him, and they set the battle in array in the valley of Zephasah at Mareshah. {14:11} And Asa cried unto Yahweh his God, and said, Yahweh, there is none besides you to help, between the mighty and him that has no strength: help us, O Yahweh our God; for we rely on you, and in your name are we come against this multitude. O Yahweh, you are our God; let not man prevail against you. {14:12} So Yahweh smote the Ethiopians

before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled. {14:13} And Asa and the people that were with him pursued them unto Gerar: and there fell of the Ethiopians so many that they could not recover themselves; for they were destroyed before Yahweh, and before his host; and they carried away very much booty. {14:14} And they defeated all the cities round about Gerar; for the fear of Yahweh came upon them: and they despoiled all the cities; for there was much spoil in them. {14:15} They smote also the tents of cattle, and carried away sheep in abundance, and camels, and returned to Jerusalem.

{O14}15} Second Chronicles Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded: {15:2} and he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear you me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin: Yahweh is with you, while you are with him; and if you seek him, he will be found of you; but if you forsake him, he will forsake you. {15:3} Now for a long season Israel was outside the true God, and outside a teaching priest, and outside law: {15:4} But when in their distress they turned unto Yahweh, the God of Israel, and sought him, he was found of them. {15:5} And in those times there was no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in; but great vexations were upon all the inhabitants of the lands. {15:6} And they were broken in pieces, nation against nation, and city against city; for God did vex them with all adversity. {15:7} But be you strong, and let not your hands be slack; for your work shall be rewarded. {15:8} And when Asa heard these words, and the prophecy of Oded the prophet, he took courage, and put away the abominations out of all the land of Judah and Benjamin, and out of the cities which he had taken from the hill-country of Ephraim; and he renewed the altar of Yahweh, that was before the porch of Yahweh. {15:9} And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and them that sojourned with them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that Yahweh his God was with him. {15:10} So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third moon, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa. {15:11} And they sacrificed unto Yahweh in that day, of the spoil which they had brought, seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep. {15:12} And they entered into the covenant to seek Yahweh, the God of their fathers, with all their heart and with all their soul; {15:13} and that anyone who would not seek Yahweh, the God of Israel, should be put to death, whether small or great, whether man or woman. {15:14} And they swore unto Yahweh with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets. {15:15} And all Judah rejoiced at the oath; for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire; and he was found of them: and Yahweh gave them rest round about. {15:16} And also Maacah, the mother of Asa the king, he removed from being queen, because she had made an abominable image for an Asherah; and Asa cut down her image, and made dust of it, and burnt it at the brook Kidron. {15:17} But the high places were not taken away out of Israel: nevertheless the heart of Asa was perfect all his days. {15:18} And he brought into the house of God the things that his father had dedicated, and that he himself had dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels. {15:19} And there was no more war unto the five and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa.

{O14}16} Second Chronicles Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} In the six and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa, Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and built Ramah, that he might not suffer any one to go out or come in to Asa king of Judah. {16:2} Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the treasures of the house of Yahweh and of the king's house, and sent to Ben-hadad king of Syria, that lived at Damascus, saying, {16:3} [There is] a league between me and you, as [there was] between my father and your father: behold, I have sent you silver and gold; go, break your league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me. {16:4} And Ben-hadad heard unto king Asa, and sent the captains of his armies against the cities of Israel; and they defeated Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the store-cities of Naphtali. {16:5} And it came to pass, when Baasha heard there, that he left off building Ramah, and let his work cease. {16:6} Then Asa the king took all Judah; and they carried away the stones of Ramah, and the timber

there, by which Baasha had built; and he built with Geba and Mizpah. {16:7} And at that time Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah, and said unto him, Because you have relied on the king of Syria, and have not relied on Yahweh your God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of your hand. {16:8} Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubim a huge host, with chariots and horsemen exceeding many? yet, because you did rely on Yahweh, he delivered them into your hand. {16:9} For the eyes of Yahweh run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein you have done foolishly; for from here on you shall have wars. {16:10} Then Asa was angry with the seer, and put him in the prison-house; for he was in a rage with him because of this thing. And Asa oppressed some of the people at the same time. {16:11} And, behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel. {16:12} And in the thirty and ninth year of his reign Asa was diseased in his feet; his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to Yahweh, but to the physicians. {16:13} And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign. {16:14} And they buried him in his own sepulchers, which he had hewn out for himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odors and different kinds [of spices] prepared by the perfumers' are: and they made a very great burning for him.

{O14}17} Second Chronicles Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and strengthened himself against Israel. {17:2} And he placed forces in all the fortified cities of Judah, and set garrisons in the land of Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken. {17:3} And Yahweh was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways of his father David, and sought not unto the Baalim, {17:4} but sought to the God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not after the doings of Israel. {17:5} Therefore Yahweh established the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah brought to Jehoshaphat tribute; and he had riches and honor in abundance. {17:6} And his heart was lifted up in the ways of Yahweh: and furthermore he took away the high places and the Asherim out of Judah. {17:7} Also in the third year of his reign he sent his princes, even Ben-hail, and Obadiah, and Zechariah, and Nethanel, and Micaiah, to teach in the cities of Judah; {17:8} and with them the Levites, even Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan, and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah, the Levites; and with them Elishama and Jehoram, the priests. {17:9} And they taught in Judah, having the book of the law of Yahweh with them; and they went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught among the people. {17:10} And the fear of Yahweh fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were round about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat. {17:11} And some of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and silver for tribute; the Arabians also brought him flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he-goats. {17:12} And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly; and he built in Judah castles and cities of store. {17:13} And he had many works in the cities of Judah; and men of war, mighty men of valor, in Jerusalem. {17:14} And this was the numbering of them according to their fathers' houses: Of Judah, the captains of thousands: Adnah the captain, and with him mighty men of valor three hundred thousand; {17:15} and next to him Jehohanan the captain, and with him two hundred and eighty thousand; {17:16} and next to him Amasiah the son of Zichri, who willingly offered himself unto Yahweh; and with him two hundred thousand mighty men of valor. {17:17} And of Benjamin: Eliada a mighty man of valor, and with him two hundred thousand armed with bow and shield; {17:18} and next to him Jehozabad and with him a hundred and eighty thousand ready prepared for war. {17:19} These were they that waited on the king, besides those whom the king put in the fortified cities throughout all Judah.

{O14}18} Second Chronicles Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} Now Jehoshaphat had riches and honor in abundance; and he joined affinity with Ahab. {18:2} And after certain years he went

down to Ahab to Samaria. And Ahab killed sheep and oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that were with him, and moved him to go up [with him] to Ramoth-gilead. {18:3} And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, Will you go with me to Ramoth-gilead? And he answered him, I am as you are, and my people as your people; and [we will be] with you in the war. {18:4} And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Inquire first, I pray you, for the word of Yahweh. {18:5} Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets together, four hundred men, and said unto them, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up; for God will deliver it into the hand of the king. {18:6} But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of Yahweh besides, that we may inquire of him? {18:7} And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, There is yet one man by whom we may inquire of Yahweh: but I hate him; for he never prophesies good concerning me, but always evil: the same is Micaiah the son of Imla. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so. {18:8} Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, Get quickly Micaiah the son of Imla. {18:9} Now the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat each on his throne, arrayed in their robes, and they were sitting in an open place at the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets were prophesying before them. {18:10} And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron, and said, Thus said Yahweh, With these shall you push the Syrians, until they be consumed. {18:11} And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper; for Yahweh will deliver it into the hand of the king. {18:12} And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spoke to him, saying, Behold, the words of the prophets [declare] good to the king with one mouth: let your word therefore, I pray you, be like one of theirs, and speak you good. {18:13} And Micaiah said, As Yahweh lives, what my God said, that will I speak. {18:14} And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And he said, Go you up, and prosper; and they shall be delivered into your hand. {18:15} And the king said to him, How many times shall I adjure you that you speak unto me nothing but the truth in the name of Yahweh? {18:16} And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd: and Yahweh said, These have no master; let them return every man to his house in peace. {18:17} And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell you that he would not prophesy good concerning me, but evil? {18:18} And [Micaiah] said, Therefore hear you the word of Yahweh: I saw Yahweh sitting upon his throne, and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and on his left. {18:19} And Yahweh said, Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one spoke saying after this manner, and another saying after that manner. {18:20} And there came forth a spirit, and stood before Yahweh, and said, I will entice him. And Yahweh said unto him, By which? {18:21} And he said, I will go forth, and will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, you shall entice him, and shall prevail also: go forth, and do so. {18:22} Now therefore, behold, Yahweh has put a lying spirit in the mouth of these your prophets; and Yahweh has spoken evil concerning you. {18:23} Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah upon the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of Yahweh from me to speak unto you? {18:24} And Micaiah said, Behold, you shall see on that day, when you shall go into an inner chamber to hide yourself. {18:25} And the king of Israel said, Take you Micaiah, and carry him back unto Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son; {18:26} and say, Thus said the king, Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I return in peace. {18:27} And Micaiah said, If you return at all in peace, Yahweh has not spoken by me. And he said, Hear, you peoples, all of you. {18:28} So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead. {18:29} And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and go into the battle; but put you on your robes. So the king of Israel disguised himself; and they went into the battle. {18:30} Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of his chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor great, save only with the king of Israel. {18:31} And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It is the king of Israel. Therefore they turned about to fight against

him: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and Yahweh helped him; and God moved them [to depart] from him. {18:32} And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw that it was not the king of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing him. {18:33} And a certain man drew his bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the armor: Therefore he said to the driver of the chariot, Turn your hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am sore wounded. {18:34} And the battle increased that day: however the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even; and about the time of the going down of the sun he died.

{O14}19} Second Chronicles Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace to Jerusalem. {19:2} And Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat, Should you help the wicked, and love them that hate Yahweh? for this thing Anger is upon you from before Yahweh. {19:3} Nevertheless there are good things found in you, in that you have put away the Asheroth out of the land, and have set your heart to seek God. {19:4} And Jehoshaphat lived at Jerusalem: and he went out again among the people from Beer-sheba to the hill-country of Ephraim, and brought them back unto Yahweh, the God of their fathers. {19:5} And he set judges in the land throughout all the fortified cities of Judah, city by city, {19:6} and said to the judges, Consider what you do: for you judge not for man, but for Yahweh; and [he is] with you in the judgment. {19:7} Now therefore let the fear of Yahweh be upon you; take heed and do it: for there is no works against law with Yahweh our God, nor respect of persons, nor taking of bribes. {19:8} Furthermore in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat set of the Levites and the priests, and of the heads of the fathers' [houses] of Israel, for the judgment of Yahweh, and for controversies. And they returned to Jerusalem. {19:9} And he charged them, saying, Thus shall you do in the fear of Yahweh, faithfully, and with a perfect heart. {19:10} And when so ever any controversy shall come to you from your brethren that dwell in their cities, between blood and blood, between law and commandment, statutes and ordinances, you shall warn them, that they be not guilty towards Yahweh, and so Anger come upon you and upon your brethren: this do, and you shall not be guilty. {19:11} And, behold, Amariah the chief priest is over you in all matters of Yahweh; and Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house of Judah, in all the king's matters: also the Levites shall be officers before you. Deal courageously, and Yahweh be with the good.

{O14}20} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And it came to pass after this, that the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them some of the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle. {20:2} Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There comes a great multitude against you from beyond the sea from Syria; and, behold, they are in Hazazon-tamar (the same is En-gedi). {20:3} And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek unto Yahweh; and he proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. {20:4} And Judah gathered themselves together, to seek [help] of Yahweh: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek Yahweh. {20:5} And Jehoshaphat stood in the Ekklesia of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of Yahweh, before the new court; {20:6} and he said, O Yahweh, the God of our fathers, are not you God in heaven? and are not you ruler over all the kingdoms of the nations? and in your hand is power and might, so that none is able to withstand you. {20:7} Did not you, O our God, drive out the inhabitants of this land before your people Israel, and give it to the seed of Abraham your friend forever? {20:8} And they lived therein, and have built you a sanctuary therein for your name, saying, {20:9} If evil come upon us, the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we will stand before this house, and before you, (for your name is in this house,) and cry unto you in our affliction, and you will hear and save. {20:10} And now, behold, the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom you would not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned aside from them, and destroyed them not; {20:11} behold, how they reward us, to come to cast us out of your possession, which you have given us to inherit. {20:12}

O our God, will you not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that comes against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon you. {20:13} And all Judah stood before Yahweh, with their little ones, their wives, and their children. {20:14} Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, the Levite, of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of Yahweh in the midst of the Ekklesia; {20:15} and he said, Hear you, all Judah, and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and you king Jehoshaphat: Thus said Yahweh unto you, Fear not you, neither be dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's. {20:16} To-morrow go you down against them: behold, they come up by the ascent of Ziz; and you shall find them at the end of the valley, before the wilderness of Jeruel. {20:17} you shall not need to fight in this [battle]: set yourselves, stand you still, and see the salvation of Yahweh with you, O Judah and Jerusalem; fear not, nor be dismayed: to-morrow go out against them: for Yahweh is with you. {20:18} And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground; and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell down before Yahweh, worshipping Yahweh. {20:19} And the Levites, of the children of the Kohasites and of the children of the Korahites, stood up to praise Yahweh, the God of Israel, with an exceeding loud voice. {20:20} And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and you inhabitants of Jerusalem: believe in Yahweh your God, so shall you be established; believe his prophets, so shall you prosper. {20:21} And when he had taken counsel with the people, he appointed them that should sing unto Yahweh, and give praise in holy array, as they went out before the army, and say, Give thanks unto Yahweh; for his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {20:22} And when they began to sing and to praise, Yahweh set liers-in-wait against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, that were come against Judah; and they were smitten. {20:23} For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy them: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, everyone helped to destroy another. {20:24} And when Judah came to the watch-tower of the wilderness, they looked upon the multitude; and, behold, they were dead bodies fallen to the earth, and there were none that escaped. {20:25} And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches and dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in taking the spoil, it was so much. {20:26} And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of Beracah; for there they blessed Yahweh: therefore the name of that place was called The valley of Beracah unto this day. {20:27} Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for Yahweh had made them to rejoice over their enemies. {20:28} And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of Yahweh. {20:29} And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of the countries, when they heard that Yahweh fought against the enemies of Israel. {20:30} So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet; for his God gave him rest round about. {20:31} And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: he was thirty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi. {20:32} And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and turned not aside from it, doing that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh. {20:33} However the high places were not taken away; neither as yet had the people set their hearts unto the God of their fathers. {20:34} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they are written in the history of Jehu the son of Hanani, which is inserted in the book of the kings of Israel. {20:35} And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel; the same did very wickedly: {20:36} and he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish; and they made the ships in Ezion-geber. {20:37} Then Eliezer the son of Dodavahu of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, Because you have joined yourself with Ahaziah, Yahweh has destroyed your works. And the ships were broken, so that they were not able to go to Tarshish.

{O14}21} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Jehoram his son reigned in his stead. {21:2} And he had brethren, the sons of Jehoshaphat: Azariah, and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah; all these were the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel. {21:3} And their father gave them great gifts, of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fortified cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram, because he was the first-born. {21:4} Now when Jehoram was risen up over the kingdom of his father, and had strengthened himself, he slew all his brethren with the sword, and different also of the princes of Israel. {21:5} Jehoram was thirty and two years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. {21:6} And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab; for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh. {21:7} However Yahweh would not destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a lamp to him and to his children always. {21:8} In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a king over themselves. {21:9} Then Jehoram passed over with his captains, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up by night, and defeated the Edomites that around him about, and the captains of the chariots. {21:10} So Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day: then did Libnah revolt at the same time from under his hand, because he had forsaken Yahweh, the God of his fathers. {21:11} Furthermore he made high places in the mountains of Judah, and made the inhabitants of Jerusalem to play the prostitute, and led Judah astray. {21:12} And there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus said Yahweh, the God of David your father, Because you have not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat your father, nor in the ways of Asa king of Judah, {21:13} but have walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and have made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to play the prostitute, like as the house of Ahab did, and also have slain your brethren of your father's house, who were better than yourself: {21:14} behold, Yahweh will smite with a great plague your people, and your children, and your wives, and all your substance; {21:15} and you shall have great sickness by disease of your bowels, until your bowels fall out by reason of the sickness, day by day. {21:16} And Yahweh stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the Philistines, and of the Arabians that are beside the Ethiopians: {21:17} and they came up against Judah, and brake into it, and carried away all the substance that was found in the king's house, and his sons also, and his wives; so that there was never a son left him, save Jehoahaz, the youngest of his sons. {21:18} And after all this Yahweh smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease. {21:19} And it came to pass, in process of time, at the end of two years, that his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness, and he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers. {21:20} Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem eight years: and he departed outside being desired; and they buried him in the city of David, but not in the sepulchers of the kings.

{O14}22} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Two. {22:1} And the inhabitants of Jerusalem made Ahaziah his youngest son king in his stead; for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the camp had slain all the eldest. So Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah reigned. {22:2} Forty and two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Athaliah the daughter of Omri. {22:3} He also walked in the ways of the house of Ahab; for his mother was his counselor to do wickedly. {22:4} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, as did the house of Ahab; for they were his counselors after the death of his father, to his destruction. {22:5} He walked also after their counsel, and went with Jehoram the son of Ahab king of Israel to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians wounded Joram. {22:6} And he returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which they had given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Azariah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Jehoram the son of

Ahab in Jezreel, because he was sick. {22:7} Now the destruction of Ahaziah was of God, in that he went unto Joram: for when he was come, he went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimshi, whom Yahweh had anointed to cut off the house of Ahab. {22:8} And it came to pass, when Jehu was executing judgment upon the house of Ahab, that he found the princes of Judah, and the sons of the brethren of Ahaziah, ministering to Ahaziah, and slew them. {22:9} And he sought Ahaziah, and they caught him (now he was hiding in Samaria), and they brought him to Jehu, and slew him; and they buried him, for they said, He is the son of Jehoshaphat, who sought Yahweh with all his heart. And the house of Ahaziah had no power to hold the kingdom. {22:10} Now when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal of the house of Judah. {22:11} But Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him away from among the king's sons that were slain, and put him and his nurse in the bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, the daughter of king Jehoram, the wife of Jehoiada the priest (for she was the sister of Ahaziah), hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew him not. {22:12} And he was with them hid in the house of God six years: and Athaliah reigned over the land.

{O14}23} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Three. {23:1} And in the seventh year Jehoiada strengthened himself, and took the captains of hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the son of Jehohanan, and Azariah the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of Zichri, into covenant with him. {23:2} And they went about in Judah, and gathered the Levites out of all the cities of Judah, and the heads of fathers' [houses] of Israel, and they came to Jerusalem. {23:3} And all the Ekklesia made a covenant with the king in the house of God. And he said unto them, Behold, the king's son shall reign, as Yahweh has spoken concerning the sons of David. {23:4} This is the thing that you shall do: a third part of you, that come in on the Sabbath, of the priests and of the Levites, shall be porters of the thresholds; {23:5} and a third part shall be at the king's house; and a third part at the gate of the foundation: and all the people shall be in the courts of the house of Yahweh. {23:6} But let none come into the house of Yahweh, save the priests, and they that minister of the Levites; they shall come in, for they are holy: but all the people shall keep the charge of Yahweh. {23:7} And the Levites shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand; and anyone who comes into the house, let him be slain: and be you with the king when he comes in, and when he goes out. {23:8} So the Levites and all Judah did according to all that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took every man his men, those that were to come in on the Sabbath; with those that were to go out on the Sabbath; for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not the courses. {23:9} And Jehoiada the priest delivered to the captains of hundreds the spears, and bucklers, and shields, that had been king David's, which were in the house of God. {23:10} And he set all the people, every man with his weapon in his hand, from the right side of the house to the left side of the house, along by the altar and the house, by the king round about. {23:11} Then they brought out the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and [gave him] the testimony, and made him king: and Jehoiada and his sons anointed him; and they said, [Long] live the king. {23:12} And when Athaliah heard the noise of the people running and praising the king, she came to the people into the house of Yahweh: {23:13} and she looked, and, behold, the king stood by his pillar at the entrance, and the captains and the trumpets by the king; and all the people of the land rejoiced, and blew trumpets; the singers also [played] on instruments of music, and led the singing of praise. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, Treason! treason! {23:14} And Jehoiada the priest brought out the captains of hundreds that were set over the host, and said unto them, Have her forth between the ranks; and who so follows her, let him be slain with the sword: for the priest said, Slay her not in the house of Yahweh. {23:15} So they made way for her; and she went to the entrance of the horse gate to the king's house: and they slew her there. {23:16} And Jehoiada made a covenant between himself, and all the people, and the king, that they should be Yahweh's people. {23:17} And all the people went to the house of Baal, and brake it down, and brake his

altars and his images in pieces, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. {23:18} And Jehoiada appointed the officers of the house of Yahweh under the hand of the priests the Levites, whom David had distributed in the house of Yahweh, to offer the burnt-offerings of Yahweh, as it is written in the law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing, according to the order of David. {23:19} And he set the porters at the gates of the house of Yahweh, that none that was unclean in anything should enter in. {23:20} And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the governors of the people, and all the people of the land, and brought down the king from the house of Yahweh: and they came through the upper gate unto the king's house, and set the king upon the throne of the kingdom. {23:21} So all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was quiet. And Athaliah they had slain with the sword.

{O14}24} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} Joash was seven years old when he began to reign; and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Zibiah, of Beer-sheba. {24:2} And Joash did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh all the days of Jehoiada the priest. {24:3} And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begot sons and daughters. {24:4} And it came to pass after this, that Joash was intent to restore the house of Yahweh. {24:5} And he gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to them, Go out unto the cities of Judah, and gather of all Israel money to repair the house of your God from year to year; and see that you hurry the matter. How be it the Levites hurried it not. {24:6} And the king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him, Why have you not required of the Levites to bring in out of Judah and out of Jerusalem the tax of Moses the servant of Yahweh, and of the assembly of Israel, for the tent of the testimony? {24:7} For the sons of Athaliah, that wicked woman, had broken up the house of God; and also all the dedicated things of the house of Yahweh did they bestow upon the Baalim. {24:8} So the king commanded, and they made a chest, and set it outside at the gate of the house of Yahweh. {24:9} And they made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in for Yahweh the tax that Moses the servant of God laid upon Israel in the wilderness. {24:10} And all the princes and all the people rejoiced, and brought in, and cast into the chest, until they had made an end. {24:11} And it was so, that, at what time the chest was brought unto the king's officers by the hand of the Levites, and when they saw that there was much money, the king's scribe and the chief priest's officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to its place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance. {24:12} And the king and Jehoiada gave it to such as did the work of the service of the house of Yahweh; and they hired masons and carpenters to restore the house of Yahweh, and also such as wrought iron and brass to repair the house of Yahweh. {24:13} So the workmen wrought, and the work of repairing went forward in their hands, and they set up the house of God in its state, and strengthened it. {24:14} And when they had made an end, they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jehoiada, where were made vessels for the house of Yahweh, even vessels by which to minister and to offer, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt-offerings in the house of Yahweh continually all the days of Jehoiada. {24:15} But Jehoiada waxed old and was full of days, and he died; a hundred and thirty years old was he when he died. {24:16} And they buried him in the city of David among the kings, because he had done good in Israel, and toward God and his house. {24:17} Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the king. Then the king heard unto them. {24:18} And they forsook the house of Yahweh, the God of their fathers, and served the Asherim and the idols: and Anger came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this their guiltiness. {24:19} yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto Yahweh; and they testified against them: but they would not give ear. {24:20} And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest; and he stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus said God, Why transgress you the commandments of Yahweh, so that you cannot prosper? because you have forsaken Yahweh, he has also forsaken you. {24:21} And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of Yahweh. {24:22}

Thus Joash the king remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done to him, but slew his son. And when he died, he said, Yahweh look upon it, and require it. {24:23} And it came to pass at the end of the year, that the army of the Syrians came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and sent all the spoil of them unto the king of Damascus. {24:24} For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men; and Yahweh delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken Yahweh, the God of their fathers. So they executed judgment upon Joash. {24:25} And when they were departed for him (for they left him very sick), his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died; and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him not in the sepulchers of the kings. {24:26} And these are they that conspired against him: Zabad the son of Shimeath the Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith the Moabitess. {24:27} Now concerning his sons, and the greatness of the burdens [laid] upon him, and the rebuilding of the house of God, behold, they are written in the commentary of the book of the kings. And Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

{O14}25} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} Amaziah was twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jehoaddan, of Jerusalem. {25:2} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, but not with a perfect heart. {25:3} Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was established unto him, that he slew his servants that had killed the king his father. {25:4} But he put not their children to death, but did according to that which is written in the law in the book of Moses, as Yahweh commanded, saying, The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers; but every man shall die for his own sin. {25:5} Furthermore Amaziah gathered Judah together, and ordered them according to their fathers' houses, under captains of thousands and captains of hundreds, even all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them from twenty years old and upward, and found them three hundred thousand chosen men, able to go forth to war, that could handle spear and shield. {25:6} He hired also a hundred thousand mighty men of valor out of Israel for a hundred talents of silver. {25:7} But there came a man of God to him, saying, O king, let not the army of Israel go with you; for Yahweh is not with Israel, [to wit], with all the children of Ephraim. {25:8} But if you will go, do [valiantly], be strong for the battle: God will cast you down before the enemy; for God has power to help, and to cast down. {25:9} And Amaziah said to the man of God, But what shall we do for the hundred talents which I have given to the army of Israel? And the man of God answered, Yahweh is able to give you much more than this. {25:10} Then Amaziah separated them, [to wit], the army that was come to him out of Ephraim, to go home again: Therefore their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home in fierce anger. {25:11} And Amaziah took courage, and led forth his people, and went to the Valley of Salt, and smote of the children of Seir ten thousand. {25:12} And [other] ten thousand did the children of Judah carry away alive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, so that they all were broken in pieces. {25:13} But the men of the army whom Amaziah sent back, that they should not go with him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Beth-horon, and smote of them three thousand, and took much spoil. {25:14} Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up to be his gods, and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them. {25:15} Therefore the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Amaziah, and he sent unto him a prophet, who said unto him, Why have you sought after the gods of the people, which have not delivered their own people out of your hand? {25:16} And it came to pass, as he talked with him, that [the king] said unto him, Have we made you of the king's counsel? forbear; why should you be smitten? Then the prophet forbear, and said, I know that God has determined to destroy you, because you have done this, and have not heard unto my counsel. {25:17} Then Amaziah king of

Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face. {25:18} And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon, saying, Give your daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trod down the thistle. {25:19} you say, Lo, you have smitten Edom; and your heart lifted you up to boast: abide now at home; why should you meddle to [your] hurt, that you should fall, even you, and Judah with you? {25:20} But Amaziah would not hear; for it was of God, that he might deliver them into the hand [of their enemies], because they had sought after the gods of Edom. {25:21} So Joash king of Israel went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at Beth-shemesh, which belongs to Judah. {25:22} And Judah was put to the worse before Israel; and they fled every man to his tent. {25:23} And Joash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Joash the son of Jehoahaz, at Beth-shemesh, and brought him to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred cubits. {25:24} And [he took] all the gold and silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obed-edom, and the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria. {25:25} And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years. {25:26} Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold, are they not written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel? {25:27} Now from the time that Amaziah did turn away from following Yahweh they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there. {25:28} And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of Judah.

{O14}26} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Six. {26:1} And all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who was sixteen years old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah. {26:2} He built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers. {26:3} Sixteen years old was Uzziah when he began to reign; and he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jechiliah, of Jerusalem. {26:4} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, according to all that his father Amaziah had done. {26:5} And he set himself to seek God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the vision of God: and as long as he sought Yahweh, God made him to prosper. {26:6} And he went forth and warred against the Philistines, and brake down the wall of Goth, and the wall of Jabneh, and the wall of Ashdod; and he built cities in [the country of] Ashdod, and among the Philistines. {26:7} And God helped him against the Philistines, and against the Arabians that lived in Gur-baal, and the Meunim. {26:8} And the Ammonites gave tribute to Uzziah: and his name spread abroad even to the entrance of Egypt; for he waxed exceeding strong. {26:9} Furthermore Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning [of the wall], and fortified them. {26:10} And he built towers in the wilderness, and hewed out many cisterns, for he had much cattle; in the lowland also, and in the plain: [and he had] husbandmen and vinedressers in the mountains and in the fruitful fields; for he loved husbandry. {26:11} Furthermore Uzziah had an army of fighting men, that went out to war by bands, according to the number of their reckoning made by Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the officer, under the hand of Hananiah, one of the king's captains. {26:12} The whole number of the heads of fathers' [houses], even the mighty men of valor, was two thousand and six hundred. {26:13} And under their hand was an army, three hundred thousand and seven thousand and five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to help the king against the enemy. {26:14} And Uzziah prepared for them, even for all the host, shields, and spears, and helmets, and coats of mail, and bows, and stones for slinging. {26:15} And he made in Jerusalem engines, invented by skilful men, to be on the towers and upon the battlements, by which to shoot arrows and great stones. And his name spread far abroad; for he was marvelously helped, till he was strong. {26:16} But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up, so that he did corruptly, and he trespassed against Yahweh his God; for he went into the temple of Yahweh to burn incense

upon the altar of incense. {26:17} And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him four priests of Yahweh, that were valiant men: {26:18} and they withstood Uzziah the king, and said unto him, It pertains not unto you, Uzziah, to burn incense unto Yahweh, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for you have trespassed; neither shall it be for your honor from The God Yahweh. {26:19} Then Uzziah was angry; and he had a censer in his hand to burn incense; and while he was angry with the priests, the leprosy brake forth in his forehead before the priests in the house of Yahweh, beside the altar of incense. {26:20} And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out quickly from there; behold, himself hurried also to go out, because Yahweh had smitten him. {26:21} And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and lived in a separate house, being a leper; for he was cut off from the house of Yahweh: and Jotham his son was over the king's house, judging the people of the land. {26:22} Now the rest of the acts of Uzziah, first and last, did Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, write. {26:23} So Uzziah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the field of burial which belonged to the kings; for they said, He is a leper: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

{O14}27} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Seven. {27:1} Jotham was twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jerushah the daughter of Zadok. {27:2} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, according to all that his father Uzziah had done: however he entered not into the temple of Yahweh. And the people did yet corruptly. {27:3} He built the upper gate of the house of Yahweh, and on the wall of Ophel he built much. {27:4} Furthermore he built cities in the hill-country of Judah, and in the forests he built castles and towers. {27:5} He fought also with the king of the children of Ammon, and prevailed against them. And the children of Ammon gave him the same year a hundred talents of silver, and ten thousand measures of wheat, and ten thousand of barley. So much did the children of Ammon render unto him, in the second year also, and in the third. {27:6} So Jotham became mighty, because he ordered his ways before Yahweh his God. {27:7} Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah. {27:8} He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. {27:9} And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

{O14}28} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Eight. {28:1} Ahaz was twenty years old when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and he did not that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, like David his father; {28:2} but he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for the Baalim. {28:3} Furthermore he burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his children in the fire, according to the abominations of the nations whom Yahweh cast out before the children of Israel. {28:4} And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree. {28:5} Therefore Yahweh his God delivered him into the hand of the king of Syria; and they defeated him, and carried away of his a great multitude of captives, and brought them to Damascus. And he was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter. {28:6} For Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah a hundred and twenty thousand in one day, all of them valiant men; because they had forsaken Yahweh, the God of their fathers. {28:7} And Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the ruler of the house, and Elkanah that was next to the king. {28:8} And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria. {28:9} But a prophet of Yahweh was there, whose name was Oded: and he went out to meet the host that came to Samaria, and said unto them, Behold, because Yahweh, the God of your fathers, was angry with Judah, he has

delivered them into your hand, and you have slain them in a rage which has reached up to heaven. {28:10} And now you purpose to keep under the children of Judah and Jerusalem for bondmen and bondwomen unto you: [but] are there not even with you trespasses of your own against Yahweh your God? {28:11} Now hear me therefore, and send back the captives, that you have taken captive of your brethren; for the fierce Anger of Yahweh is upon you. {28:12} Then certain of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against them that came from the war, {28:13} and said unto them, you shall not bring in the captives here: for you purpose that which will bring upon us a trespass against Yahweh, to add unto our sins and to our trespass; for our trespass is great, and there is fierce Anger against Israel. {28:14} So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly. {28:15} And the men that have been mentioned by name rose up, and took the captives, and with the spoil clothed all that were naked among them, and arrayed them, and shod them, and gave them to eat and to drink, and anointed them, and carried all the feeble of them upon donkeys, and brought them to Jericho, the city of palm-trees, unto their brethren: then they returned to Samaria. {28:16} At that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him. {28:17} For again the Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried away captives. {28:18} The Philistines also had invaded the cities of the lowland, and of the South of Judah, and had taken Beth-shemesh, and Aijalon, and Gederath, and Soco with the towns there, and Timnah with the towns there, Gimzo also and the towns there: and they lived there. {28:19} For Yahweh brought Judah low because of Ahaz king of Israel; for he had dealt wantonly in Judah, and trespassed sore against Yahweh. {28:20} And Tilgoth-pilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but strengthened him not. {28:21} For Ahaz took away a portion out of the house of Yahweh, and out of the house of the king and of the princes, and gave it unto the king of Assyria: but it helped him not. {28:22} And in the time of his distress did he trespass yet more against Yahweh, this same king Ahaz. {28:23} For he sacrificed unto the gods of Damascus, which smote him; and he said, Because the gods of the kings of Syria helped them, [therefore] will I sacrifice to them, that they may help me. But they were the ruin of him, and of all Israel. {28:24} And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and cut in pieces the vessels of the house of God, and shut up the doors of the house of Yahweh; and he made him altars in every corner of Jerusalem. {28:25} And in every city of Judah he made high places to burn incense unto other gods, and provoked to anger Yahweh, the God of his fathers. {28:26} Now the rest of his acts, and all his ways, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel. {28:27} And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, even in Jerusalem; for they brought him not into the sepulchers of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

{O14}29} Second Chronicles Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} Hezekiah began to reign when he was five and twenty years old; and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah. {29:2} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, according to all that David his father had done. {29:3} He in the first year of his reign, in the first moon [Abib], opened the doors of the house of Yahweh, and repaired them. {29:4} And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them together into the broad place on the east, {29:5} and said unto them, Hear me, you Levites; now sanctify yourselves, and sanctify the house of Yahweh, the God of your fathers, and carry forth the defilement out of the holy place. {29:6} For our fathers have trespassed, and done that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned away their faces from the habitation of Yahweh, and turned their backs. {29:7} Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps, and have not burned incense nor offered burnt-offerings in the holy place unto the God of Israel. {29:8} Therefore the Anger of Yahweh was upon Judah and Jerusalem, and he has delivered them to be tossed to and fro, to be an astonishment, and a hissing, as you see with your

eyes. {29:9} For, lo, our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our wives are in captivity for this. {29:10} Now it is in my heart to make a covenant with Yahweh, the God of Israel, that his fierce anger may turn away from us. {29:11} My sons, be not now negligent; for Yahweh has chosen you to stand before him, to minister unto him, and that you should be his ministers, and burn incense. {29:12} Then the Levites arose, Mahas, the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohasites; and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehallelel; and of the Gershonites, Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah; {29:13} and of the sons of Elizaphan, Shimri and Jeuel; and of the sons of Asaph, Zechariah and Mattaniah; {29:14} and of the sons of Heman, Jehuel and Shimei; and of the sons of Jeduthun, Shemaiah and Uzziel. {29:15} And they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselves, and went in, according to the commandment of the king by the words of Yahweh, to cleanse the house of Yahweh. {29:16} And the priests went in unto the inner part of the house of Yahweh, to cleanse it, and brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of Yahweh into the court of the house of Yahweh. And the Levites took it, to carry it out abroad to the brook Kidron. {29:17} Now they began on the first [all dark night of the day] of the first moon [Abib] to sanctify, and on the eighth day of the moon came they to the porch of Yahweh; and they sanctified the house of Yahweh in eight days: and on the sixteenth day of the first moon {Abib} they made an end. {29:18} Then they went in to Hezekiah the king within [the palace], and said, We have cleansed all the house of Yahweh, and the altar of burnt-offering, with all the vessels there, and the table of showbread, with all the vessels there. {29:19} Furthermore all the vessels, which king Ahaz in his reign did cast away when he trespassed, have we prepared and sanctified; and, behold, they are before the altar of Yahweh. {29:20} Then Hezekiah the king arose early, and gathered the princes of the city, and went up to the house of Yahweh. {29:21} And they brought seven bulls, and seven rams, and seven lambs, and seven he-goats, for a sin-offering for the kingdom and for the sanctuary and for Judah. And he commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer them on the altar of Yahweh. {29:22} So they killed the bulls, and the priests received the blood, and sprinkled it on the altar: and they killed the rams, and sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the lambs, and sprinkled the blood upon the altar. {29:23} And they brought near the he-goats for the sin-offering before the king and the assembly; and they laid their hands upon them: {29:24} and the priests killed them, and they made a sin-offering with their blood upon the altar, to make atonement for all Israel; for the king commanded [that] the burnt-offering and the sin-offering [should be made] for all Israel. {29:25} And he set the Levites in the house of Yahweh with cymbals, with psalteries, and with harps, according to the commandment of David, and of Gad the king's seer, and Nathan the prophet; for the commandment was of Yahweh by his prophets. {29:26} And the Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the priests with the trumpets. {29:27} And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt-offering upon the altar. And when the burnt-offering began, the song of Yahweh began also, and the trumpets, together with the instruments of David king of Israel. {29:28} And all the Ekklesia worshipped, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded; all this [continued] until the burnt-offering was finished. {29:29} And when they had made an end of offering, the king and all that were present with him bowed themselves and worshipped. {29:30} Furthermore Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praises unto Yahweh with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped. {29:31} Then Hezekiah answered and said, Now you have consecrated yourselves unto Yahweh; come near and bring sacrifices and thank-offerings into the house of Yahweh. And the Ekklesia brought in sacrifices and thank-offerings; and as many as were of a willing heart [brought] burnt-offerings. {29:32} And the number of the burnt-offerings which the Ekklesia brought was seventy bulls, a hundred rams, and two hundred lambs: all these were for a burnt-offering to Yahweh. {29:33} And the consecrated things were six hundred oxen and three thousand sheep. {29:34} But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt-offerings: Therefore their brethren the Levites did help them, till the work was ended, and

until the priests had sanctified themselves; for the Levites were more upright in heart to sanctify themselves than the priests. {29:35} And also the burnt-offerings were in abundance, with the fat of the peace-offerings, and with the drink-offerings forevery burnt-offering. So the service of the house of Yahweh was set in order. {29:36} And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, because of that which God had prepared for the people: for the thing was done suddenly.

{O14}30} Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty. {30:1} And Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of Yahweh at Jerusalem, to keep the Passover unto Yahweh, the God of Israel. {30:2} For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the Ekklesia in Jerusalem, to keep the Passover in the second moon. {30:3} For they could not keep it at that time, because the priests had not sanctified themselves in sufficient number, neither had the people gathered themselves together to Jerusalem. {30:4} And the thing was right in the eyes of the king and of all the assembly. {30:5} So they established a decree to make proclamation throughout all Israel, from Beer-sheba even to Dan, that they should come to keep the Passover unto Yahweh, the God of Israel, at Jerusalem: for they had not kept it in great numbers in such sort as it is written. {30:6} So the posts went with the letters from the king and his princes throughout all Israel and Judah, and according to the commandment of the king, saying, you children of Israel, turn again unto Yahweh, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, that he may return to the remnant that are escaped of you out of the hand of the kings of Assyria. {30:7} And be not you like your fathers, and like your brethren, who trespassed against Yahweh, the God of their fathers, so that he gave them up to desolation, as you see. {30:8} Now be you not stiff-necked, as your fathers were; but yield yourselves unto Yahweh, and enter into his sanctuary, which he has sanctified forever, and serve Yahweh your God, that his fierce anger may turn away from you. {30:9} For if you turn again unto Yahweh, your brethren and your children shall find compassion before them that led them captive, and shall come again into this land: for Yahweh your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if you return unto him. {30:10} So the posts passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh, even unto Zebulun: but they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them. {30:11} Nevertheless certain men of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem. {30:12} Also upon Judah came the hand of God to give them one heart, to do the commandment of the king and of the princes by the word of Yahweh. {30:13} And there assembled at Jerusalem much people to keep the feast of unleavened bread in the second moon, a very great Ekklesia. {30:14} And they arose and took away the altars that were in Jerusalem, and all the altars for incense took they away, and cast them into the brook Kidron. {30:15} Then they killed the Passover on the fourteenth [day] of the second moon: and the priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought burnt-offerings into the house of Yahweh. {30:16} And they stood in their place after their order, according to the law of Moses the man of God: the priests sprinkled the blood [which they received] of the hand of the Levites. {30:17} For there were many in the assembly that had not sanctified themselves: therefore the Levites had the charge of killing the Passovers foreveryone that was not clean, to sanctify them unto Yahweh. {30:18} For a multitude of the people, even many of Ephraim and Manasseh, Issachar and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did they eat the Passover otherwise than it is written. For Hezekiah had prayed for them, saying, The good Yahweh pardon everyone {30:19} that sets his heart to seek God, Yahweh, the God of his fathers, though [he be] not [cleansed] according to the purification of the sanctuary. {30:20} And Yahweh heard Hezekiah, and healed the people. {30:21} And the children of Israel that were present at Jerusalem kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness; and the Levites and the priests praised Yahweh day by day, [singing] with loud instruments unto Yahweh. {30:22} And Hezekiah spoke comfortably unto all the Levites that had good understanding [in the service] of Yahweh. So they did eat throughout the feast for the seven days, offering sacrifices of peace-offerings, and making confession to Yahweh, the God of their fathers. {30:23} And the whole

Ekklesia took counsel to keep other seven days; and they kept [other] seven days with gladness. {30:24} For Hezekiah king of Judah did give to the Ekklesia for offerings a thousand bulls and seven thousand sheep; and the princes gave to the assembly a thousand bulls and ten thousand sheep: and a great number of priests sanctified themselves. {30:25} And all the Ekklesia of Judah, with the priests and the Levites, and all the Ekklesia that came out of Israel, and the aliens that came out of the land of Israel, and that lived in Judah, rejoiced. {30:26} So there was great joy in Jerusalem; for since the time of Solomon the son of David king of Israel there was not the like in Jerusalem. {30:27} Then the priests the Levites arose and blessed the people: and their voice was heard, and their prayer came up to his holy habitation, even unto heaven.

{O14}31} Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went out to the cities of Judah, and brake in pieces the pillars, and hewed down the Asherim, and brake down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities. {31:2} And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, every man according to his service, both the priests and the Levites, for burnt-offerings and for peace-offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the camp of Yahweh. {31:3} [He appointed] also the king's portion of his substance for the burnt-offerings, [to wit], for the morning and evening burnt-offerings, and the burnt-offerings for the Sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts, as it is written in the law of Yahweh. {31:4} Furthermore he commanded the people that lived in Jerusalem to give the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might give themselves to the law of Yahweh. {31:5} And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the children of Israel gave in abundance the first-fruits of grain, new wine, and oil, and honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all things brought they in abundantly. {31:6} And the children of Israel and Judah, that lived in the cities of Judah, they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep, and the tithe of dedicated things which were consecrated unto Yahweh their God, and laid them by heaps. {31:7} In the third moon they began to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished them in the seventh moon. {31:8} And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they blessed Yahweh, and his people Israel. {31:9} Then Hezekiah questioned the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps. {31:10} And Azariah the chief priest, of the house of Zadok, answered him and said, Since [the people] began to bring the oblations into the house of Yahweh, we have eaten and had enough, and have left plenty: for Yahweh has blessed his people; and that which is left is this great store. {31:11} Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare chambers in the house of Yahweh; and they prepared them. {31:12} And they brought in the oblations and the tithes and the dedicated things faithfully: and over them Conaniah the Levite was ruler, and Shimei his brother was second. {31:13} And Jehiel, and Azariah, and Nahas, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahas, and Benaiah, were overseers under the hand of Conaniah and Shimei his brother, by the appointment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the house of God. {31:14} And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the porter at the east [gate], was over the freewill-offerings of God, to distribute the oblations of Yahweh, and the most holy things. {31:15} And under him were Eden, and Miniamin, and Yeshuwa, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and Shecaniah, in the cities of the priests, in their office of trust, to give to their brethren by courses, as well to the great as to the small: {31:16} besides them that were reckoned by genealogy of males, from three years old and upward, even everyone that entered into the house of Yahweh, as the duty of every day required, for their service in their offices according to their courses; {31:17} and them that were reckoned by genealogy of the priests by their fathers' houses, and the Levites from twenty years old and upward, in their offices by their courses; {31:18} and them that were reckoned by genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, through all the congregation: for in their office of trust they sanctified themselves in holiness. {31:19} Also for the sons of Aaron the priests, that were in the

fields of the suburbs of their cities, in every city, there were men that were mentioned by name, to give portions to all the males among the priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogy among the Levites. {31:20} And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah; and he wrought that which was good and right and faithful before Yahweh his God. {31:21} And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered.

{O14}32) Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} After these things, and this faithfulness, Sennacherib king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fortified cities, and sought to win them for himself. {32:2} And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that he was purposed to fight against Jerusalem, {32:3} he took counsel with his princes and his mighty men to stop the waters of the fountains which were outside the city; and they helped him. {32:4} So there was gathered much people together, and they stopped all the fountains, and the brook that flowed through the midst of the land, saying, Why should the kings of Assyria come, and find much water? {32:5} And he took courage, and built up all the wall that was broken down, and raised [it] up to the towers, and the other wall outside, and strengthened Millo [in] the city of David, and made weapons and shields in abundance. {32:6} And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the broad place at the gate of the city, and spoke comfortably to them, saying, {32:7} Be strong and of good courage, be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him; for there is a greater with us than with him: {32:8} with him is an arm of flesh; but with us is Yahweh our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah. {32:9} After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to Jerusalem, (now he was before Lachish, and all his power with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that were at Jerusalem, saying, {32:10} Thus said Sennacherib king of Assyria, Whereon do you trust, that you abide the siege in Jerusalem? {32:11} Does not Hezekiah persuade you, to give you over to die by famine and by thirst, saying, Yahweh our God will deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria? {32:12} Has not the same Hezekiah taken away his high places and his altars, and commanded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, you shall worship before one altar, and upon it shall you burn incense? {32:13} Know you not what I and my fathers have done unto all the peoples of the lands? Were the gods of the nations of the lands in any wise able to deliver their land out of my hand? {32:14} Who was there among all the gods of those nations which my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of my hand, that your God should be able to deliver you out of my hand? {32:15} Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you after this manner, neither believe you him; for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of my hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of my hand? {32:16} And his servants spoke yet more against The God Yahweh, and against his servant Hezekiah. {32:17} He wrote also letters, to rail on Yahweh, the God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of the lands, which have not delivered their people out of my hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of my hand. {32:18} And they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language unto the people of Jerusalem that were on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city. {32:19} And they spoke of the God of Jerusalem, as of the gods of the peoples of the earth, which are the work of men's hands. {32:20} And Hezekiah the king, and Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz, prayed because of this, and cried to heaven. {32:21} And Yahweh sent an messenger, who cut off all the mighty men of valor, and the leaders and captains, in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth from his own bowels slew him there with the sword. {32:22} Thus Yahweh saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all [others], and guided them on every side. {32:23} And many brought gifts unto Yahweh to

Jerusalem, and precious things to Hezekiah king of Judah; so that he was exalted in the sight of all nations from there on. {32:24} In those days Hezekiah was sick even unto death: and he prayed unto Yahweh; and he spoke unto him, and gave him a sign. {32:25} But Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit done unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore there was Anger upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem. {32:26} Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his heart, both he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the Anger of Yahweh came not upon them in the days of Hezekiah. {32:27} And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honor: and he provided him treasuries for silver, and for gold, and for precious stones, and for spices, and for shields, and for all manner of goodly vessels; {32:28} store-houses also for the increase of grain and new wine and oil; and stalls for all manner of beasts, and flocks in folds. {32:29} Furthermore he provided him cities, and possessions of flocks and herds in abundance; for God had given him very much substance. {32:30} This same Hezekiah also stopped the upper spring of the waters of Gihon, and brought them straight down on the west side of the city of David. And Hezekiah prospered in all his works. {32:31} However in [the business of] the ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, who sent unto him to inquire of the wonder that was done in the land, God left him, to try him, that he might know all that was in his heart. {32:32} Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his good deeds, behold, they are written in the vision of Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz, in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel. {32:33} And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the ascent of the sepulchers of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him honor at his death. And Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

{O14}33} Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign; and he reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. {33:2} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, after the abominations of the nations whom Yahweh cast out before the children of Israel. {33:3} For he built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had broken down; and he reared up altars for the Baalim, and made Asheroth, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them. {33:4} And he built altars in the house of Yahweh, where Yahweh said, In Jerusalem shall my name be forever. {33:5} And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of Yahweh. {33:6} He also made his children to pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom; and he practiced augury, and used enchantments, and practiced sorcery, and dealt with them that had familiar spirits, and with wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger. {33:7} And he set the graven image of the idol, which he had made, in the house of God, of which God said to David and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, will I put my name forever: {33:8} neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from off the land which I have appointed for your fathers, if only they will observe to do all that I have commanded them, even all the law and the statutes and the ordinances [given] by Moses. {33:9} And Manasseh seduced Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that they did evil more than did the nations whom Yahweh destroyed before the children of Israel. {33:10} And Yahweh spoke to Manasseh, and to his people; but they gave no heed. {33:11} Therefore Yahweh brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of Assyria, who took Manasseh in chains, and bound him with fetters, and carried him to Babylon. {33:12} And when he was in distress, he beg Yahweh his God, and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers. {33:13} And he prayed unto him; and he was entreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that Yahweh he was God. {33:14} Now after this he built an outer wall to the city of David, on the west side of Gihon, in the valley, even to the entrance at the fish gate; and he around Ophel about [with it], and raised it up to a very great height: and he put valiant captains in all the fortified cities of Judah. {33:15} And he took away the foreign gods, and the idol out of the house of Yahweh, and all the altars that he had built in the mount of the house of Yahweh, and in Jerusalem, and cast them out of the

city. {33:16} And he built up the altar of Yahweh, and offered thereon sacrifices of peace-offerings and of thanksgiving, and commanded Judah to serve Yahweh, the God of Israel. {33:17} Nevertheless the people sacrificed still in the high places, but only unto Yahweh their God. {33:18} Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his God, and the words of the seers that spoke to him in the name of Yahweh, the God of Israel, behold, they are written among the acts of the kings of Israel. {33:19} His prayer also, and how [God] was entreated of him, and all his sin and his trespass, and the places wherein he built high places, and set up the Asherim and the graven images, before he humbled himself: behold, they are written in the history of Hozai. {33:20} So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried him in his own house: and Amon his son reigned in his stead. {33:21} Amon was twenty and two years old when he began to reign; and he reigned two years in Jerusalem. {33:22} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, as did Manasseh his father; and Amon sacrificed unto all the graven images which Manasseh his father had made, and served them. {33:23} And he humbled not himself before Yahweh, as Manasseh his father had humbled himself; but this same Amon trespassed more and more. {33:24} And his servants conspired against him, and put him to death in his own house. {33:25} But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

{O14}34} Second Chronicles Chapter Thrirty Four. {34:1} Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign; and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. {34:2} And he did that which was right in the eyes of Yahweh, and walked in the ways of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left. {34:3} For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he began to seek after the God of David his father; and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and the Asherim, and the graven images, and the molten images. {34:4} And they brake down the altars of the Baalim in his presence; and the sun-images that were on high above them he hewed down; and the Asherim, and the graven images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust of them, and strewed it upon the graves [of them] that had sacrificed unto them. {34:5} And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and purged Judah and Jerusalem. {34:6} And [so did he] in the cities of Manasseh and Ephraim and Simeon, even unto Naphtali, in their ruins round about. {34:7} And he brake down the altars, and beat the Asherim and the graven images into powder, and hewed down all the sun-images throughout all the land of Israel, and returned to Jerusalem. {34:8} Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the land and the house, he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder, to repair the house of Yahweh his God. {34:9} And they came to Hilkiyah the high priest, and delivered the money that was brought into the house of God, which the Levites, the keepers of the threshold, had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin, and of the inhabitants of Jerusalem. {34:10} And they delivered it into the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of Yahweh; and the workmen that wrought in the house of Yahweh gave it to mend and repair the house; {34:11} even to the carpenters and to the builders gave they it, to buy hewn stone, and timber for couplings, and to make beams for the houses which the kings of Judah had destroyed. {34:12} And the men did the work faithfully: and the overseers of them were Jahas and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohasites, to set it forward; and [others of] the Levites, all that were skilful with instruments of music. {34:13} Also they were over the bearers of burdens, and set forward all that did the work in every manner of service: and of the Levites there were scribes, and officers, and porters. {34:14} And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of Yahweh, Hilkiyah the priest found the book of the law of Yahweh [given] by Moses. {34:15} And Hilkiyah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the law in the house of Yahweh. And Hilkiyah delivered the book to Shaphan. {34:16} And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and furthermore brought back word to the

king, saying, All that was committed to your servants, they are doing. {34:17} And they have emptied out the money that was found in the house of Yahweh, and have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and into the hand of the workmen. {34:18} And Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiyah the priest has delivered me a book. And Shaphan read therein before the king. {34:19} And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that he rent his clothes. {34:20} And the king commanded Hilkiyah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah the king's servant, saying, {34:21} Go you, inquire of Yahweh for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the book that is found; for great is the Anger of Yahweh that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of Yahweh, to do according unto all that is written in this book. {34:22} So Hilkiyah, and they whom the king [had commanded], went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of shallum the son of Tokhas, the son of Hasrah, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she lived in Jerusalem in the second quarter;) and they spoke to her to that effect. {34:23} And she said unto them, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel: Tell you the man that sent you unto me, {34:24} Thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants there, even all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the king of Judah. {34:25} Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore is my Anger poured out upon this place, and it shall not be quenched. {34:26} But unto the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of Yahweh, thus shall you say to him, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel: As touching the words which you have heard, {34:27} because your heart was tender, and you did humble yourself before God, when you heard his words against this place, and against the inhabitants there, and have humbled yourself before me, and have rent your clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard you, said Yahweh. {34:28} Behold, I will gather you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace, neither shall your eyes see all the evil that I will bring upon this place, and upon the inhabitants there. And they brought back word to the king. {34:29} Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem. {34:30} And the king went up to the house of Yahweh, and all the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, both great and small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found in the house of Yahweh. {34:31} And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before Yahweh, to walk after Yahweh, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant that were written in this book. {34:32} And he caused all that were found in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand [to it]. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers. {34:33} And Josiah took away all the abominations out of all the countries that pertained to the children of Israel, and made all that were found in Israel to serve, even to serve Yahweh their God. All his days they departed not from following Yahweh, the God of their fathers.

{O14}35} Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} And Josiah kept a Passover unto Yahweh in Jerusalem: and they killed the Passover on the fourteenth [day] of the first moon [Abib]. {35:2} And he set the priests in their offices, and encouraged them to the service of the house of Yahweh. {35:3} And he said unto the Levites that taught all Israel, that were holy unto Yahweh, Put the holy ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; there shall no more be a burden upon your shoulders: now serve Yahweh your God, and his people Israel. {35:4} And prepare yourselves after your fathers' houses by your courses, according to the writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of Solomon his son. {35:5} And stand in the holy place according to the divisions of the fathers' houses of your brethren the children of the people, and [let there be for each] a portion of a fathers' house of the Levites. {35:6} And kill the Passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare for your brethren, to do according to the word of Yahweh by Moses. {35:7} And Josiah gave to the children of the

people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all of them for the Passover-offerings, unto all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bulls: these were of the king's substance. {35:8} And his princes gave for a freewill-offering unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites. Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, the rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the Passover-offerings two thousand and six hundred [small cattle], and three hundred oxen. {35:9} Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethanel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, the chiefs of the Levites, gave unto the Levites for the Passover-offerings five thousand [small cattle], and five hundred oxen. {35:10} So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites by their courses, according to the king's commandment. {35:11} And they killed the Passover, and the priests sprinkled [the blood which they received] of their hand, and the Levites flayed them. {35:12} And they removed the burnt-offerings, that they might give them according to the divisions of the fathers' houses of the children of the people, to offer unto Yahweh, as it is written in the book of Moses. And so did they with the oxen. {35:13} And they roasted the Passover with fire according to the ordinance: and the holy offerings boiled they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and carried them quickly to all the children of the people. {35:14} And afterward they prepared for themselves, and for the priests, because the priests the sons of Aaron [were busied] in offering the burnt-offerings and the fat until night: therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron. {35:15} And the singers the sons of Asaph were in their place, according to the commandment of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters were at every gate: they needed not to depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for them. {35:16} So all the service of Yahweh was prepared the same day, to keep the Passover, and to offer burnt-offerings upon the altar of Yahweh, according to the commandment of king Josiah. {35:17} And the children of Israel that were present kept the Passover at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread seven days. {35:18} And there was no Passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did any of the kings of Israel keep such a Passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. {35:19} In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this Passover kept. {35:20} After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple, Neco king of Egypt went up to fight against Carchemish by the Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him. {35:21} But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with you, you king of Judah? [I come] not against you this day, but against the house where with I have war; and God has commanded me to make haste: forbear you from [meddling with] God, who is with me, that he destroy you not. {35:22} Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and heard not unto the words of Neco from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo. {35:23} And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away; for I am sore wounded. {35:24} So his servants took him out of the chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had, and brought him to Jerusalem; and he died, and was buried in the sepulchers of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem grieved for Josiah. {35:25} And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and singing women spoke of Josiah in their lamentations unto this day; and they made them an ordinance in Israel: and, behold, they are written in the lamentations. {35:26} Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his good deeds, according to that which is written in the law of Yahweh, {35:27} and his acts, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

{O14}36} Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty Six.. {36:1} Then the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and made him king in his father's stead in Jerusalem. {36:2} Joahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three moons in Jerusalem. {36:3} And the king of Egypt deposed him at Jerusalem, and fined the land a hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold. {36:4} And the king of Egypt made Eliakim his brother king over

Judah and Jerusalem, and changed his name to Jehoiakim. And Neco took Joahaz his brother, and carried him to Egypt. {36:5} Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh his God. {36:6} Against him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him in fetters, to carry him to Babylon. {36:7} Nebuchadnezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of Yahweh to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon. {36:8} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, and that which was found in him, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah: and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead. {36:9} Jehoiachin was eight years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three moons and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh. {36:10} And at the return of the year king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon, with the goodly vessels of the house of Yahweh, and made Zedekiah his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem. {36:11} Zedekiah was twenty and one years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: {36:12} and he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh his God; he humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet [speaking] from the mouth of Yahweh. {36:13} And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart against turning unto Yahweh, the God of Israel. {36:14} Furthermore all the chiefs of the priests, and the people, trespassed very greatly after all the abominations of the nations; and they polluted the house of Yahweh which he had hallowed in Jerusalem. {36:15} And Yahweh, the God of their fathers, sent to them by his messengers, rising up early and sending, because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling-place: {36:16} but they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and scoffed at his prophets, until the Anger of Yahweh arose against his people, till there was no remedy. {36:17} Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldeans, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or virgin, old man or hoary-headed: he gave them all into his hand. {36:18} And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of Yahweh, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes, all these he brought to Babylon. {36:19} And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces of it with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels there. {36:20} And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; and they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia: {36:21} to fulfill the word of Yahweh by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed its Sabbaths: [for] as long as it lay desolate it kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years. {36:22} Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of Yahweh by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and [put it] also in writing, saying, {36:23} Thus said Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth has Yahweh, the God of heaven, given me; and he has charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Anyone who there is among you of all his people, Yahweh his God be with him, and let him go up.

The Book Ezra

{o15}1 Ezra Chapter One. {1:1} Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of Yahweh by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and [put it] also in writing, saying, {1:2} Thus said Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth has Yahweh, the God of heaven, given me; and he has charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. {1:3} Anyone who there is among you of all his people, his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of Yahweh, the God of Israel (he is God), which is in Jerusalem. {1:4} And anyone who is left, in any place where he sojourns, let the men of his place help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, besides the freewill-offering for the house of God which is in Jerusalem. {1:5} Then rose up the heads of

fathers' [houses] of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, even all whose spirit God had stirred to go up to build the house of Yahweh which is in Jerusalem. {1:6} And all they that were round about them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, besides all that was willingly offered. {1:7} Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of Yahweh, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put in the house of his gods; {1:8} even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah. {1:9} And this is the number of them: thirty platters of gold, a thousand platters of silver, nine and twenty knives, {1:10} thirty bowls of gold, silver bowls of a second sort four hundred and ten, and other vessels a thousand. {1:11} All the vessels of gold and of silver were five thousand and four hundred. All these did Sheshbazzar bring up, when they of the captivity were brought up from Babylon unto Jerusalem.

{O15}2} Ezra Chapter Two. {2:1} Now these are the children of the province, that went up out of the captivity of those that had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and that returned unto Jerusalem and Judah, everyone unto his city; {2:2} who came with Zerubbabel, Yeshuwa, Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispar, Bigvai, Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel: {2:3} The children of Parosh, two thousand a hundred seventy and two. {2:4} The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two. {2:5} The children of Arah, seven hundred seventy and five. {2:6} The children of Pahas-moab, of the children of Yeshuwa [and] Joab, two thousand eight hundred and twelve. {2:7} The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. {2:8} The children of Zattu, nine hundred forty and five. {2:9} The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and sixty. {2:10} The children of Bani, six hundred forty and two. {2:11} The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three. {2:12} The children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two. {2:13} The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six. {2:14} The children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six. {2:15} The children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four. {2:16} The children of Ater, of Hezekiah, ninety and eight. {2:17} The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three. {2:18} The children of Jorah, a hundred and twelve. {2:19} The children of Hashum, two hundred twenty and three. {2:20} The children of Gibbar, ninety and five. {2:21} The children of Beth-lehem, a hundred twenty and three. {2:22} The men of Netophah, fifty and six. {2:23} The men of Anathoth, a hundred twenty and eight. {2:24} The children of Azmaveth, forty and two. {2:25} The children of Kiriath-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty and three. {2:26} The children of Ramah and Geba, six hundred twenty and one. {2:27} The men of Michmas, a hundred twenty and two. {2:28} The men of Beth-el and Ai, two hundred twenty and three. {2:29} The children of Nebo, fifty and two. {2:30} The children of Magbish, a hundred fifty and six. {2:31} The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. {2:32} The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty. {2:33} The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and five. {2:34} The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five. {2:35} The children of Senaah, three thousand and six hundred and thirty. {2:36} The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Yeshuwa, nine hundred seventy and three. {2:37} The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two. {2:38} The children of Pashhur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven. {2:39} The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen. {2:40} The Levites: the children of Yeshuwa and Kadmiel, of the children of Hodaviah, seventy and four. {2:41} The singers: the children of Asaph, a hundred twenty and eight. {2:42} The children of the porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, in all a hundred thirty and nine. {2:43} The Nethinim: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the children of Tabbaoth, {2:44} the children of Keros, the children of Siaha, the children of Padon, {2:45} the children of Lebanah, the children of Hagabah, the children of Akkub, {2:46} the children of Hagab, the children of Shamlai, the children of Hanan, {2:47} the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah, {2:48} the children of Rezin, the children

of Nekoda, the children of Gazzam, {2:49} the children of Uzza, the children of Paseah, the children of Besai, {2:50} the children of Asnah, the children of Meunim, the children of Nephisim, {2:51} the children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur, {2:52} the children of Bazluth, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha, {2:53} the children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Temah, {2:54} the children of Nezhiah, the children of Hatipha. {2:55} The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Hassophereth, the children of Peruda, {2:56} the children of Jaalah, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel, {2:57} the children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth-hazzebam, the children of Ami. {2:58} All the Nethinim, and the children of Solomon's servants, were three hundred ninety and two. {2:59} And these were they that went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsha, Cherub, Addan, [and] Immer; but they could not show their fathers' houses, and their seed, whether they were of Israel: {2:60} the children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred fifty and two. {2:61} And of the children of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Hakkoz, the children of Barzillai, who took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name. {2:62} These sought their register [among] those that were reckoned by genealogy, but they were not found: therefore were they deemed polluted and put from the priesthood. {2:63} And the governor said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and with Thummim. {2:64} The whole Ekklesia together was forty and two thousand three hundred and sixty, {2:65} besides their men-servants and their maid-servants, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred singing men and singing women. {2:66} Their horses were seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five; {2:67} their camels, four hundred thirty and five; [their] donkeys, six thousand seven hundred and twenty. {2:68} And some of the heads of fathers' [houses], when they came to the house of Yahweh which is in Jerusalem, offered willingly for the house of God to set it up in its place: {2:69} they gave after their ability into the treasury of the work sixty one thousand drams of gold, and five thousand pounds of silver, and one hundred priests' garments. {2:70} So the priests, and the Levites, and some of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinim, lived in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.

{O15}3} Ezra Chapter Three. {3:1} And when the seventh moon was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem. {3:2} Then stood up Yeshuwa the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and built the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt-offerings thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God. {3:3} And they set the altar upon its base; for fear was upon them because of the peoples of the countries: and they offered burnt-offerings thereon unto Yahweh, even burnt-offerings morning and evening. {3:4} And they kept the feast of tabernacles, as it is written, and [offered] the daily burnt-offerings by number, according to the ordinance, as the duty of every day required; {3:5} and afterward the continual burnt-offering, and [the offerings] of the new moons, and of all the set feasts of Yahweh that were consecrated, and of everyone that willingly offered a freewill-offering unto Yahweh. {3:6} From the first day of the seventh moon began they to offer burnt-offerings unto Yahweh: but the foundation of the temple of Yahweh was not yet laid. {3:7} They gave money also unto the masons, and to the carpenters; and food, and drink, and oil, unto them of Sidon, and to them of Tyre, to bring cedar-trees from Lebanon to the sea, unto Joppa, according to the grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia. {3:8} Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second moon, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Yeshuwa the son of Jozadak, and the rest of their brethren the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity unto Jerusalem, and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to have the oversight of the work of the house of Yahweh. {3:9} Then stood Yeshuwa with his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of Judah, together, to have the oversight of the

workmen in the house of God: the sons of Henadad, with their sons and their brethren the Levites. {3:10} And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of Yahweh, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise Yahweh, after the order of David king of Israel. {3:11} And they sang one to another in praising and giving thanks unto Yahweh, [saying], For he is good, for his agape loving kindness [endures] forever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised Yahweh, because the foundation of the house of Yahweh was laid. {3:12} But many of the priests and Levites and heads of fathers' [houses], the old men that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy: {3:13} so that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people; for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

{O15}4} Ezra Chapter Four. {4:1} Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity were building a temple unto Yahweh, the God of Israel; {4:2} then they drew near to Zerubbabel, and to the heads of fathers' [houses], and said unto them, Let us build with you; for we seek your God, as you do; and we sacrifice unto him since the days of Esar-haddon king of Assyria, who brought us up here. {4:3} But Zerubbabel, and Yeshuwa, and the rest of the heads of fathers' [houses] of Israel, said unto them, you have nothing to do with us in building a house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto Yahweh, the God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia has commanded us. {4:4} Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building, {4:5} and hired counselors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia. {4:6} And in the reign of Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign, wrote they an accusation against the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem. {4:7} And in the days of Artaxerxes wrote Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of his companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and the writing of the letter was written in the Syrian [character], and set forth in the Syrian [tongue]. {4:8} Rehum the chancellor and Shimshai the scribe wrote a letter against Jerusalem to Artaxerxes the king in this sort: {4:9} then [wrote] Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai the scribe, and the rest of their companions, the Dinaites, and the Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the Apharsites, the Archevites, the Babylonians, the Shushanchites, the Dehaites, the Elamites, {4:10} and the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnappar brought over, and set in the city of Samaria, and in the rest [of the country] beyond the River, and so forth. {4:11} This is the copy of the letter that they sent unto Artaxerxes the king: Your servants the men beyond the River, and so forth. {4:12} Be it known unto the king, that the Jews that came up from you are come to us unto Jerusalem; they are building the rebellious and the bad city, and have finished the walls, and repaired the foundations. {4:13} Be it known now unto the king, that, if this city be built, and the walls finished, they will not pay tribute, custom, or toll, and in the end it will be hurtful unto the kings. {4:14} Now because we eat the salt of the palace, and it is not meet for us to see the king's dishonor, therefore have we sent and certified the king; {4:15} that search may be made in the book of the records of your fathers: so shall you find in the book of the records, and know that this city is a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and provinces, and that they have moved sedition within the same of old time; for which cause was this city laid waste. {4:16} We certify the king that, if this city be built, and the walls finished, by this means you shall have no portion beyond the River. {4:17} [Then] sent the king an answer unto Rehum the chancellor, and to Shimshai the scribe, and to the rest of their companions that dwell in Samaria, and in the rest [of the country] beyond the River: Peace, and so forth. {4:18} The letter which you sent unto us has been plainly read before me. {4:19} And I decreed, and search has been made, and it is found that this city of old time has made insurrection against kings, and that rebellion and sedition have been made therein. {4:20} There have been mighty kings also over Jerusalem, who have ruled over all [the country] beyond the River; and tribute, custom, and toll, was paid unto them. {4:21} Make you now a decree to cause these men to cease, and that this city be not built, until a decree shall be made by me. {4:22} And

take heed that you be not slack herein: why should damage grow to the hurt of the kings? {4:23} Then when the copy of king Artaxerxes' letter was read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, they went in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and made them to cease by force and power. {4:24} Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem; and it ceased until the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia.

{O15}5 Ezra Chapter Five. {5:1} Now the prophets, Haggai the prophet, and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied unto the Jews that were in Judah and Jerusalem; in the name of the God of Israel [prophesied they] unto them. {5:2} Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Yeshuwa the son of Jozadak, and began to build the house of God which is at Jerusalem; and with them were the prophets of God, helping them. {5:3} At the same time came to them Tattenai, the governor beyond the River, and Shethar-bozenai, and their companions, and said thus unto them, Who gave you a decree to build this house, and to finish this wall? {5:4} Then we told them after this manner, what the names of the men were that were making this building. {5:5} But the eye of their God was upon the elders of the Jews, and they did not make them cease, till the matter should come to Darius, and then answer should be returned by letter concerning it. {5:6} The copy of the letter that Tattenai, the governor beyond the River, and Shethar-bozenai, and his companions the Apharsachites, who were beyond the River, sent unto Darius the king; {5:7} they sent a letter unto him, wherein was written thus: Unto Darius the king, all peace. {5:8} Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of Judah, to the house of the great God, which is built with great stones, and timber is laid in the walls; and this work goes on with diligence and prospers in their hands. {5:9} Then asked we those elders, and said unto them thus, Who gave you a decree to build this house, and to finish this wall? {5:10} We asked them their names also, to certify you, that we might write the names of the men that were at the head of them. {5:11} And thus they returned us answer, saying, We are the servants of the God of heaven and earth, and are building the house that was built these many years ago, which a great king of Israel built and finished. {5:12} But after that our fathers had provoked the God of heaven unto Anger, he gave them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who destroyed this house, and carried the people away into Babylon. {5:13} But in the first year of Cyrus king of Babylon, Cyrus the king made a decree to build this house of God. {5:14} And the gold and silver vessels also of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took out of the temple that was in Jerusalem, and brought into the temple of Babylon, those did Cyrus the king take out of the temple of Babylon, and they were delivered unto one whose name was Sheshbazzar, whom he had made governor; {5:15} and he said unto him, Take these vessels, go, put them in the temple that is in Jerusalem, and let the house of God be built in its place. {5:16} Then came the same Sheshbazzar, and laid the foundations of the house of God which is in Jerusalem: and since that time even until now has it been in building, and yet it is not completed. {5:17} Now therefore, if it seem good to the king, let there be search made in the king's treasure-house, which is there at Babylon, whether it be so, that a decree was made of Cyrus the king to build this house of God at Jerusalem; and let the king send his pleasure to us concerning this matter.

{O15}6 Ezra Chapter Six. {6:1} Then Darius the king made a decree, and search was made in the house of the archives, where the treasures were laid up in Babylon. {6:2} And there was found at Achmetha, in the palace that is in the province of Media, a roll, and therein was thus written for a record: {6:3} In the first year of Cyrus the king, Cyrus the king made a decree: Concerning the house of God at Jerusalem, let the house be built, the place where they offer sacrifices, and let the foundations of it be strongly laid; the height of it sixty cubits, and the breadth of it sixty cubits; {6:4} with three courses of great stones, and a course of new timber: and let the expenses be given out of the king's house. {6:5} And also let the gold and silver vessels of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took forth out of the temple which is at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon, be restored, and brought again unto the temple which is at Jerusalem, everyone to its place; and you shall put them in the house of God. {6:6} Now therefore, Tattenai, governor beyond the River, Shethar-bozenai, and your companions the

Apharsachites, who are beyond the River, be you far from there: {6:7} let the work of this house of God alone; let the governor of the Jews and the elders of the Jews build this house of God in its place. {6:8} Furthermore I make a decree what you shall do to these elders of the Jews for the building of this house of God: that of the king's goods, even of the tribute beyond the River, expenses be given with all diligence unto these men, that they be not hindered. {6:9} And that which they have need of, both young bulls, and rams, and lambs, for burnt-offerings to the God of heaven; [also] wheat, salt, wine, and oil, according to the word of the priests that are at Jerusalem, let it be given them day by day outside fail; {6:10} that they may offer sacrifices of sweet savor unto the God of heaven, and pray for the life of the king, and of his sons. {6:11} Also I have made a decree, that anyone who shall alter this word, let a beam be pulled out from his house, and let him be lifted up and fastened thereon; and let his house be made a dunghill for this: {6:12} and the God that has caused his name to dwell there overthrow all kings and peoples that shall put forth their hand to alter [the same], to destroy this house of God which is at Jerusalem. I Darius have made a decree; let it be done with all diligence. {6:13} Then Tattenai, the governor beyond the River, Shethar-bozenai, and their companions, because that Darius the king had sent, did accordingly with all diligence. {6:14} And the elders of the Jews built and prospered, through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they built and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the decree of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia. {6:15} And this house was finished on the third day of the moon Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king. {6:16} And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of God with joy. {6:17} And they offered at the dedication of this house of God a hundred bulls, two hundred rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin-offering for all Israel, twelve he-goats, according to the number of the tribes of Israel. {6:18} And they set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in their courses, for the service of God, which is at Jerusalem; as it is written in the book of Moses. {6:19} And the children of the captivity kept the [preparation of the]Passover upon the fourteenth [day] of the first moon [Abib]. {6:20} For the priests and the Levites had purified themselves together; all of them were pure: and [the fourteenth day] they killed the Passover for all the children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves. {6:21} And the children of Israel that were come again out of the captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of the nations of the land, to seek Yahweh, the God of Israel, did eat, {6:22} and kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for Yahweh had made them joyful, and had turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel.

{O15}7} Ezra Chapter Seven. {7:1} Now after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah, {7:2} the son of shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub, {7:3} the son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth, {7:4} the son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki, {7:5} the son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief priest; {7:6} this Ezra went up from Babylon: and he was a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which Yahweh, the God of Israel, had given; and the king granted him all his request, according to the hand of Yahweh his God upon him. {7:7} And there went up some of the children of Israel, and of the priests, and the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinim, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king. {7:8} And he came to Jerusalem in the fifth moon, which was in the seventh year of the king. {7:9} For upon the first [day] of the first moon [Abib] began he to go up from Babylon; and on the first [day] of the fifth moon came he to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon him. {7:10} For Ezra had set his heart to seek the law of Yahweh, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and ordinances. {7:11} Now this is the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest, the scribe, even the scribe of the words of the commandments of Yahweh, and of his statutes to Israel: {7:12} Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto

Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, perfect and so forth. {7:13} I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and their priests and the Levites, in my realm, that are intent of their own free will to go to Jerusalem, go with you. {7:14} Forasmuch as you are sent of the king and his seven counselors, to inquire concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to the law of your God which is in your hand, {7:15} and to carry the silver and gold, which the king and his counselors have freely offered unto the God of Israel, whose habitation is in Jerusalem, {7:16} and all the silver and gold that you shall find in all the province of Babylon, with the freewill-offering of the people, and of the priests, offering willingly for the house of their God which is in Jerusalem; {7:17} therefore you shall with all diligence buy with this money bulls, rams, lambs, with their meal-offerings and their drink-offerings, and shall offer them upon the altar of the house of your God which is in Jerusalem. {7:18} And whatever shall seem good to you and to your brethren to do with the rest of the silver and the gold, that do you after the will of your God. {7:19} And the vessels that are given you for the service of the house of your God, deliver you before the God of Jerusalem. {7:20} And whatever more shall be needful for the house of your God, which you shall have occasion to bestow, bestow it out of the king's treasure-house. {7:21} And I, even I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers that are beyond the River, that whatever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of you, it be done with all diligence, {7:22} unto a hundred talents of silver, and to a hundred measures of wheat, and to a hundred baths of wine, and to a hundred baths of oil, and salt outside prescribing how much. {7:23} Whatever is commanded by the God of heaven, let it be done exactly for the house of the God of heaven; for why should there be Anger against the realm of the king and his sons? {7:24} Also we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, the singers, porters, Nethinim, or servants of this house of God, it shall not be lawful to impose tribute, custom, or toll, upon them. {7:25} And you, Ezra, after the wisdom of your God that is in your hand, appoint magistrates and judges, who may judge all the people that are beyond the River, all such as know the laws of your God; and teach you him that knows them not. {7:26} And anyone who will not do the law of your God, and the law of the king, let judgment be executed upon him with all diligence, whether it be unto death, or to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to imprisonment. {7:27} Blessed be Yahweh, the God of our fathers, who has put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of Yahweh which is in Jerusalem; {7:28} and has extended agape loving kindness unto me before the king, and his counselors, and before all the king's mighty princes. And I was strengthened according to the hand of Yahweh my God upon me, and I gathered together out of Israel chief men to go up with me.

{O15}8} Ezra Chapter Eight. {8:1} Now these are the heads of their fathers' [houses], and this is the genealogy of them that went up with me from Babylon, in the reign of Artaxerxes the king: {8:2} Of the sons of Phinehas, Gershom. Of the sons of Ithamar, Daniel. Of the sons of David, Hattush. {8:3} Of the sons of Shecaniah, of the sons of Parosh, Zechariah; and with him were reckoned by genealogy of the males a hundred and fifty. {8:4} Of the sons of Pahas-moab, Eliehoenai the son of Zerahiah; and with him two hundred males. {8:5} Of the sons of Shecaniah, the son of Jahaziel; and with him three hundred males. {8:6} And of the sons of Adin, Ebed the son of Jonathan; and with him fifty males. {8:7} And of the sons of Elam, Jeshaiiah the son of Athaliah; and with him seventy males. {8:8} And of the sons of Shephatiah, Zebadiah the son of Michael; and with him eighty males. {8:9} Of the sons of Joab, Obadiah the son of Jehiel; and with him two hundred and eighteen males. {8:10} And of the sons of Shelomith, the son of Josiphiah; and with him a hundred and sixty males. {8:11} And of the sons of Bebai, Zechariah the son of Bebai; and with him twenty and eight males. {8:12} And of the sons of Azgad, Johanan the son of Hakkatan; and with him a hundred and ten males. {8:13} And of the sons of Adonikam, [that were] the last; and these are their names: Eliphelet, Jeuel, and Shemaiah; and with them sixty males. {8:14} And of the sons of Bigvai, Uthai and Zabbud; and with them seventy males. {8:15} And I gathered them together to the river that runs to Ahava; and there we

encamped three days: and I viewed the people, and the priests, and found there none of the sons of Levi. {8:16} Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shemaiah, and for Elnathan, and for Jarib, and for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for Meshullam, chief men; also for Joiarib, and for Elnathan, who were teachers. {8:17} And I sent them forth unto Iddo the chief at the place Casiphia; and I told them what they should say unto Iddo, [and] his brethren the Nethinim, at the place Casiphia, that they should bring unto us ministers for the house of our God. {8:18} And according to the good hand of our God upon us they brought us a man of discretion, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his brethren, eighteen; {8:19} and Hashabiah, and with him Jeshaiiah of the sons of Merari, his brethren and their sons, twenty; {8:20} and of the Nethinim, whom David and the princes had given for the service of the Levites, two hundred and twenty Nethinim: all of them were mentioned by name. {8:21} Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river Ahava, that we might humble ourselves before our God, to seek of him a straight way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance. {8:22} For I was ashamed to ask of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way, because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God is upon all them that seek him, for good; but his power and his Anger is against all them that forsake him. {8:23} So we fasted and beg our God for this: and he was entreated of us. {8:24} Then I set apart twelve of the chiefs of the priests, even Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of their brethren with them, {8:25} and weighed unto them the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, even the offering for the house of our God, which the king, and his counselors, and his princes, and all Israel there present, had offered: {8:26} I weighed into their hand six hundred and fifty talents of silver, and silver vessels a hundred talents; of gold a hundred talents; {8:27} and twenty bowls of gold, of a thousand drams; and two vessels of fine bright brass, precious as gold. {8:28} And I said unto them, you are holy unto Yahweh, and the vessels are holy; and the silver and the gold are a freewill-offering unto Yahweh, the God of your fathers. {8:29} Watch you, and keep them, until you weigh them before the chiefs of the priests and the Levites, and the princes of the fathers' [houses] of Israel, at Jerusalem, in the chambers of the house of Yahweh. {8:30} So the priests and the Levites received the weight of the silver and the gold, and the vessels, to bring them to Jerusalem unto the house of our God. {8:31} Then we departed from the river Ahava on the twelfth [day] of the first moon [Abib], to go unto Jerusalem: and the hand of our God was upon us, and he delivered us from the hand of the enemy and the liers-in-wait by the way. {8:32} And we came to Jerusalem, and abode there three days. {8:33} And on the fourth day the silver and the gold and the vessels were weighed in the house of our God into the hand of Meremoth the son of Uriah the priest; and with him was Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and with them was Jozabad the son of Yeshuwa, and Noadiah the son of Binnui, the Levite; {8:34} the whole by number and by weight: and all the weight was written at that time. {8:35} The children of the captivity, that were come out of exile, offered burnt-offerings unto the God of Israel, twelve bulls for all Israel, ninety and six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he-goats for a sin-offering: all this was a burnt-offering unto Yahweh. {8:36} And they delivered the king's commissions unto the king's satraps, and to the governors beyond the River: and they furthered the people and the house of God.

{O15}9} Ezra Chapter Nine. {9:1} Now when these things were done, the princes drew near unto me, saying, The people of Israel, and the priests and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the peoples of the lands, [doing] according to their abominations, even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites. {9:2} For they have taken of their daughters for themselves and for their sons, so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the peoples of the lands: behold, the hand of the princes and rulers has been chief in this trespass. {9:3} And when I heard this thing, I rent my garment and my robe, and plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard, and sat down confounded. {9:4} Then were assembled unto me everyone that trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the trespass of them of the captivity; and I sat confounded until

the evening oblation. {9:5} And at the evening oblation I arose up from my humiliation, even with my garment and my robe rent; and I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto Yahweh my God; {9:6} and I said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to you, my God; for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our guiltiness is grown up unto the heavens. {9:7} Since the days of our fathers we have been exceeding guilty unto this day; and for our iniquities have we, our kings, and our priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to plunder, and to confusion of face, as it is this day. {9:8} And now for a little moment grace has been showed from Yahweh our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage. {9:9} For we are bondmen; yet our God has not forsaken us in our bondage, but has extended agape loving kindness unto us in the sight of the kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and to repair the ruins there, and to give us a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem. {9:10} And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken your commandments, {9:11} which you have commanded by your servants the prophets, saying, The land, unto which you go to possess it, is an unclean land through the uncleanness of the peoples of the lands, through their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another with their defilement: {9:12} now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, nor seek their peace or their prosperity forever; that you may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave it for an inheritance to your children forever. {9:13} And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great guilt, seeing that you our God have punished us less than our iniquities deserve, and have given us such a remnant, {9:14} shall we again break your commandments, and join in affinity with the peoples that do these abominations? would not you be angry with us till you had consumed us, so that there should be no remnant, nor any to escape? {9:15} O Yahweh, the God of Israel, you are a lawful worker; for we are left a remnant that is escaped, as it is this day: behold, we are before you in our guiltiness; for none can stand before you because of this.

{O15}10} Ezra Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now while Ezra prayed and made confession, weeping and casting himself down before the house of God, there was gathered together unto him out of Israel a very great Ekklesia of men and women and children; for the people wept very sore. {10:2} And Shecaniah the son of Jehiel, one of the sons of Elam, answered and said unto Ezra, We have trespassed against our God, and have married foreign women of the peoples of the land: yet now there is hope for Israel concerning this thing. {10:3} Now therefore let us make a covenant with our God to put away all the wives, and such as are born of them, according to the counsel of my lord, and of those that tremble at the commandment of our God; and let it be done according to the law. {10:4} Arise; for the matter belongs unto you, and we are with you: be of good courage, and do it. {10:5} Then arose Ezra, and made the chiefs of the priests, the Levites, and all Israel, to swear that they would do according to this word. So they swore. {10:6} Then Ezra rose up from before the house of God, and went into the chamber of Jehohanan the son of Eliashib: and [when] he came there, he did eat no bread, nor drink water; for he grieved because of the trespass of them of the captivity. {10:7} And they made proclamation throughout Judah and Jerusalem unto all the children of the captivity, that they should gather themselves together unto Jerusalem; {10:8} and that anyone who came not within three days, according to the counsel of the princes and the elders, all his substance should be forfeited, and himself separated from the assembly of the captivity. {10:9} Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto Jerusalem within the three days; it was the ninth moon, on the twentieth [day] of the moon: and all the people sat in the broad place before the house of God, trembling because of this matter, and for the great rain. {10:10} And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, you have trespassed, and have married foreign women, to increase the guilt of Israel. {10:11} Now therefore make confession unto Yahweh, the God of your fathers, and do his pleasure; and separate yourselves from the peoples of the land, and from the foreign women. {10:12} Then all

the Ekklesia answered and said with a loud voice, As you have said concerning us, so must we do. {10:13} But the people are many, and it is a time of much rain, and we are not able to stand outside: neither is this a work of one day or two; for we have greatly transgressed in this matter. {10:14} Let now our princes be appointed for all the Ekklesia, and let all them that are in our cities that have married foreign women come at appointed times, and with them the elders of every city, and the judges there, until the fierce Anger of our God be turned from us, until this matter be dispatched. {10:15} Only Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahzeiah the son of Tikvah stood up against this [matter]: and Meshullam and Shabbethai the Levite helped them. {10:16} And the children of the captivity did so. And Ezra the priest, [with] certain heads of fathers' [houses], after their fathers' houses, and all of them by their names, were set apart; and they sat down in the first day of the tenth moon to examine the matter. {10:17} And they made an end with all the men that had married foreign women by the first day of the first moon [Abib]. {10:18} And among the sons of the priests there were found that had married foreign women: [namely], of the sons of Yeshuwa, the son of Jozadak, and his brethren, Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah. {10:19} And they gave their hand that they would put away their wives; and being guilty, [they offered] a ram of the flock for their guilt. {10:20} And of the sons of Immer: Hanani and Zebadiah. {10:21} And of the sons of Harim: Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah, and Jehiel, and Uziah. {10:22} And of the sons of Pashhur: Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael, Nethanel, Jozabad, and Elasa. {10:23} And of the Levites: Jozabad, and Shimei, and Kelaiah (the same is Kelita), Pethahiah, Judah, and Eliezer. {10:24} And of the singers: Eliashib. And of the porters: shallum, and Telem, and Uri. {10:25} And of Israel: Of the sons of Parosh: Ramiah, and Izziah, and Malchijah, and Mijamin, and Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah. {10:26} And of the sons of Elam: Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and Abdi, and Jeremoth, and Elijah. {10:27} And of the sons of Zattu: Elioenai, Eliashib, Mattaniah, and Jeremoth, and Zabad, and Aziza. {10:28} And of the sons of Bebai: Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, Athlai. {10:29} And of the sons of Bani: Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub, and Sheal, Jeremoth. {10:30} And of the sons of Pahas-moab: Adna, and Chelal, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattaniah, Bezalel, and Binnui, and Manasseh. {10:31} And [of] the sons of Harim: Eliezer, Isshijah, Malchijah, Shemaiah, Shimeon, {10:32} Benjamin, Malluch, Shemariah. {10:33} Of the sons of Hashum: Mattenai, Mattattah, Zabad, Eliphelet, Jeremai, Manasseh, Shimei. {10:34} Of the sons of Bani: Maadai, Amram, and Uel, {10:35} Benaiah, Bedeiah, Cheluhi, {10:36} Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib, {10:37} Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Jaasu, {10:38} and Bani, and Binnui, Shimei, {10:39} and Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah, {10:40} Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai, {10:41} Azarel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah, {10:42} shallum, Amariah, Joseph. {10:43} Of the sons of Nebo: Jeiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Iddo, and Joel, Benaiah. {10:44} All these had taken foreign wives; and some of them had wives by whom they had children.

The Book Of Nehemiah

{O161} Nehemiah Chapter One. {1:1} The words of Nehemiah the son of Hacaliah. Now it came to pass in the moon Chislew, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the palace, {1:2} that Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and certain men out of Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews that had escaped, that were left of the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem. {1:3} And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province are in great affliction and reproach: the wall of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates of it are burned with fire. {1:4} And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and grieved certain days; and I fasted and prayed before the God of heaven, {1:5} and said, I ask you, O Yahweh, the God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that kept covenant and agape loving kindness with them that agape love him and keep his commandments: {1:6} Let your ear now be attentive, and your eyes open, that you may hear unto the prayer of your servant, which I pray before you at this time, day and night, for the children of Israel your servants while I confess the sins of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against you. behold, I and my father's

house have sinned: {1:7} we have dealt very corruptly against you, and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the ordinances, which you commanded your servant Moses. {1:8} Remember, I ask you, the word that you commanded your servant Moses, saying, If you trespass, I will scatter you abroad among the peoples: {1:9} but if you return unto me, and keep my commandments and do them, though your outcasts were in the outermost part of the heavens, yet will I gather them from there, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen, to cause my name to dwell there. {1:10} Now these are your servants and your people, whom you have redeemed by your great power, and by your strong hand. {1:11} O Lord, I ask you, let now your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant, and to the prayer of your servants, who delight to fear your name; and prosper, I pray you, your servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. Now I was cupbearer to the king.

{O16}2} Nehemiah Chapter Two. {2:1} And it came to pass in the moon Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king, when wine was before him, that I took up the wine, and gave it unto the king. Now I had not been [before] sad in his presence. {2:2} And the king said unto me, Why is your countenance sad, seeing you are not sick? this is nothing else but sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid. {2:3} And I said unto the king, Let the king live forever: why should not my countenance be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchers, lies waste, and the gates of it are consumed with fire? {2:4} Then the king said unto me, For what do you make request? So I prayed to the God of heaven. {2:5} And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if your servant have found favor in your sight, that you would send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchers, that I may build it. {2:6} And the king said unto me (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall your journey be? and when will you return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time. {2:7} Furthermore I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters be given me to the governors beyond the River, that they may let me pass through till I come unto Judah; {2:8} and a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the castle which appertains to the house, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me, according to the good hand of my God upon me. {2:9} Then I came to the governors beyond the River, and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent with me captains of the army and horsemen. {2:10} And when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard of it, it grieved them exceedingly, for that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel. {2:11} So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days. {2:12} And I arose in the night, I and some few men with me; neither told I any man what my God put into my heart to do for Jerusalem; neither was there any beast with me, save the beast that I rode upon. {2:13} And I went out by night by the valley gate, even toward the jackal's well, and to the dung gate, and viewed the walls of Jerusalem, which were broken down, and the gates there were consumed with fire. {2:14} Then I went on to the fountain gate and to the king's pool: but there was no place for the beast that was under me to pass. {2:15} Then went I up in the night by the brook, and viewed the wall; and I turned back, and entered by the valley gate, and so returned. {2:16} And the rulers knew not where I went, or what I did; neither had I as yet told it to the Jews, nor to the priests, nor to the nobles, nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that did the work. {2:17} Then said I unto them, you see the evil case that we are in, how Jerusalem lies waste, and the gates of it are burned with fire: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a reproach. {2:18} And I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me, as also of the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for the good [work]. {2:19} But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian, heard it, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What is this thing that you do? will you rebel against the king? {2:20} Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise and build: but you have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.

{O16}3 Nehemiah Chapter Three. {3:1} Then Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the priests, and they built the sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set up the doors of it; even unto the tower of Hammeah they sanctified it, unto the tower of Hananel. {3:2} And next unto him built the men of Jericho. And next to them built Zaccur the son of Imri. {3:3} And the fish gate did the sons of Hassenaah build; they laid the beams there, and set up the doors there, the bolts there, and the bars there. {3:4} And next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Uriah, the son of Hakkoz. And next unto them repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah, the son of Meshezabel. And next unto them repaired Zadok the son of Baana. {3:5} And next unto them the Tekoites repaired; but their nobles put not their necks to the work of their lord. {3:6} And the old gate repaired Joiada the son of Paseah and Meshullam the son of Besodeiah; they laid the beams there, and set up the doors there, and the bolts there, and the bars there. {3:7} And next unto them repaired Melatiah the Gibeonite, and Jadon the Meronothite, the men of Gibeon, and of Mizpah, [that appertained] to the throne of the governor beyond the River. {3:8} Next unto him repaired Uzziel the son of Harhaiah, goldsmiths. And next unto him repaired Hananiah one of the perfumers, and they fortified Jerusalem even unto the broad wall. {3:9} And next unto them repaired Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ruler of half the district of Jerusalem. {3:10} And next unto them repaired Jedaiah the son of Harumaph, over against his house. And next unto him repaired Hattush the son of Hashabneiah. {3:11} Malchijah the son of Harim, and Hasshub the son of Pahas-moab, repaired another portion, and the tower of the furnaces. {3:12} And next unto him repaired shallum the son of Hallohesh, the ruler of half the district of Jerusalem, he and his daughters. {3:13} The valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of Zanoah; they built it, and set up the doors there, the bolts there, and the bars there, and a thousand cubits of the wall unto the dung gate. {3:14} And the dung gate repaired Malchijah the son of Rechab, the ruler of the district of Beth-haccherem; he built it, and set up the doors there, the bolts there, and the bars there. {3:15} And the fountain gate repaired shallun the son of Colhozeh, the ruler of the district of Mizpah; he built it, and covered it, and set up the doors there, the bolts there, and the bars there, and the wall of the pool of Shelah by the king's garden, even unto the stairs that go down from the city of David. {3:16} After him repaired Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ruler of half the district of Beth-zur, unto the place over against the sepulchers of David, and unto the pool that was made, and unto the house of the mighty men. {3:17} After him repaired the Levites, Rehum the son of Bani. Next unto him repaired Hashabiah, the ruler of half the district of Keilah, for his district. {3:18} After him repaired their brethren, Bavvai the son of Henadad, the ruler of half the district of Keilah. {3:19} And next to him repaired Ezer the son of Yeshuwa, the ruler of Mizpah, another portion, over against the ascent to the armory at the turning [of the wall]. {3:20} After him Baruch the son of Zabbai earnestly repaired another portion, from the turning [of the wall] unto the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest. {3:21} After him repaired Meremoth the son of Uriah the son of Hakkoz another portion, from the door of the house of Eliashib even to the end of the house of Eliashib. {3:22} And after him repaired the priests, the men of the Plain. {3:23} After them repaired Benjamin and Hasshub over against their house. After them repaired Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah beside his own house. {3:24} After him repaired Binnui the son of Henadad another portion, from the house of Azariah unto the turning [of the wall], and unto the corner. {3:25} Palal the son of Uzai [repaired] over against the turning [of the wall], and the tower that stands out from the upper house of the king, which is by the court of the guard. After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh [repaired]. {3:26} (Now the Nethinim lived in Ophel, unto the place over against the water gate toward the east, and the tower that stands out.) {3:27} After him the Tekoites repaired another portion, over against the great tower that stands out, and unto the wall of Ophel. {3:28} Above the horse gate repaired the priests, everyone over against his own house. {3:29} After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer over against his own house. And after him repaired Shemaiah the son of Shecaniah, the keeper of the east gate. {3:30} After him repaired Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun the sixth son of Zalaph, another portion. After him repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah over against his chamber. {3:31} After him

repaired Malchijah one of the goldsmiths unto the house of the Nethinim, and of the merchants, over against the gate of Hammiphkad, and to the ascent of the corner. {3:32} And between the ascent of the corner and the sheep gate repaired the goldsmiths and the merchants.

{O16}4} Nehemiah Chapter Four. {4:1} But it came to pass that, when Sanballat heard that we were building the wall, he was angry, and took great indignation, and mocked the Jews. {4:2} And he spoke before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, What are these feeble Jews doing? will they fortify themselves? will they sacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps of rubbish, seeing they are burned? {4:3} Now Tobiah the Ammonite was by him, and he said, Even that which they are building, if a fox go up, he shall break down their stone wall. {4:4} Hear, O our God; for we are despised: and turn back their reproach upon their own head, and give them up for a spoil in a land of captivity; {4:5} and cover not their works against law, and let not their sin be blotted out from before you; for they have provoked [you] to anger before the builders. {4:6} So we built the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto half [the height] there: for the people had a mind to work. {4:7} But it came to pass that, when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the repairing of the walls of Jerusalem went forward, [and] that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very angry; {4:8} and they conspired all of them together to come and fight against Jerusalem, and to cause confusion therein. {4:9} But we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them. {4:10} And Judah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decays, and there is much rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall. {4:11} And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come into the midst of them, and slay them, and cause the work to cease. {4:12} And it came to pass that, when the Jews that lived by them came, they said unto us ten times from all places, you must return unto us. {4:13} Therefore set I in the lower parts of the space behind the wall, in the open places, I set [there] the people after their families with their swords, their spears, and their bows. {4:14} And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not you afraid of them: remember the Lord, who is great and terrible, and fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses. {4:15} And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nothing, that we returned all of us to the wall, everyone unto his work. {4:16} And it came to pass from that time forth, that half of my servants wrought in the work, and half of them held the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the coats of mail; and the rulers were behind all the house of Judah. {4:17} They all built the wall and they that bare burdens loading themselves; everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other held his weapon; {4:18} and the builders, everyone had his sword girded by his side, and so built. And he that sounded the trumpet was by me. {4:19} And I said unto the nobles, and to the rulers and to the rest of the people, The work is great and large, and we are separated upon the wall, one far from another: {4:20} in what place so ever you hear the sound of the trumpet, resort you there unto us; our God will fight for us. {4:21} So we wrought in the work: and half of them held the spears from the rising of the morning till the stars appeared. {4:22} Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let everyone with his servant lodge within Jerusalem, that in the night they may be a guard to us, and may labor in the day. {4:23} So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my servants, nor the men of the guard that followed me, none of us put off our clothes, everyone [went with] his weapon [to] the water.

{O16}5} Nehemiah Chapter Five. {5:1} Then there arose a great cry of the people and of their wives against their brethren the Jews. {5:2} For there were that said, We, our sons and our daughters, are many: let us get grain, that we may eat and live. {5:3} Some also there were that said, We are mortgaging our fields, and our vineyards, and our houses: let us get grain, because of the dearth. {5:4} There were also that said, We have borrowed money for the king's tribute [upon] our fields and our vineyards. {5:5} yet now our flesh is as the flesh of our brethren, our

children as their children: and, lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our daughters to be servants, and some of our daughters are brought into bondage [already]: neither is it in our power to help it; for other men have our fields and our vineyards. {5:6} And I was very angry when I heard their cry and these words. {5:7} Then I consulted with myself, and contended with the nobles and the rulers, and said unto them, you exact usury, everyone of his brother. And I held a great assembly against them. {5:8} And I said unto them, We after our ability have redeemed our brethren the Jews, that were sold unto the nations; and would you even sell your brethren, and should they be sold unto us? Then held they their peace, and found never a word. {5:9} Also I said, The thing that you do is not good: ought you not to walk in the fear of our God, because of the reproach of the nations our enemies? {5:10} And I likewise, my brethren and my servants, do lend them money and grain. I pray you, let us leave off this usury. {5:11} Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their fields, their vineyards, their olive yards, and their houses, also the hundredth part of the money, and of the grain, the new wine, and the oil, that you exact of them. {5:12} Then said they, We will restore them, and will require nothing of them; so will we do, even as you say. Then I called the priests, and took an oath of them, that they would do according to this promise. {5:13} Also I shook out my lap, and said, So God shake out every man from his house, and from his labor, that performs not this promise; even thus be he shaken out, and emptied. And all the Ekklesia said, Amen, and praised Yahweh. And the people did according to this promise. {5:14} Furthermore from the time that I was appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah, from the twentieth year even unto the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes the king, [that is], twelve years, I and my brethren have not eaten the bread of the governor. {5:15} But the former governors that were before me were chargeable unto the people, and took of them bread and wine, besides forty shekels of silver; behold, even their servants bare rule over the people: but so did not I, because of the fear of God. {5:16} behold, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought we any land: and all my servants were gathered there unto the work. {5:17} Furthermore there were at my table, of the Jews and the rulers, a hundred and fifty men, besides those that came unto us from among the nations that were round about us. {5:18} Now that which was prepared for one day was one ox and six choice sheep; also fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days store of all sorts of wine: yet for all this I demanded not the bread of the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this people. {5:19} Remember unto me, O my God, for good, all that I have done for this people.

{O16}6} Nehemiah Chapter Six. {6:1} Now it came to pass, when it was reported to Sanballat and Tobiah, and to Geshem the Arabian, and unto the rest of our enemies, that I had built the wall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though even unto that time I had not set up the doors in the gates;) {6:2} that Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in [one of] the villages in the plain of Ono. But they sought to do me mischief. {6:3} And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you? {6:4} And they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same manner. {6:5} Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an open letter in his hand, {6:6} wherein was written, It is reported among the nations, and Gashmu said it, that you and the Jews think to rebel; for which cause you are building the wall: and you would be their king, according to these words. {6:7} And you have also appointed prophets to preach of you at Jerusalem, saying, There is a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come now therefore, and let us take counsel together. {6:8} Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as you say, but you feign them out of your own heart. {6:9} For they all would have made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. But now, [O God], strengthen you my hands. {6:10} And I went unto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabel, who was shut up; and he said, Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us shut the doors of the temple: for they

will come to slay you; behold, in the night will they come to slay you. {6:11} And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that, being such as I, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in. {6:12} And I discerned, and, lo, God had not sent him; but he pronounced this prophecy against me: and Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. {6:13} For this cause was he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report, that they might reproach me. {6:14} Remember, O my God, Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and also the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear. {6:15} So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth [day] of [the moon] Elul, in fifty and two days. {6:16} And it came to pass, when all our enemies heard [there], that all the nations that were about us feared, and were much cast down in their own eyes; for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God. {6:17} Furthermore in those days the nobles of Judah sent many letters unto Tobiah, and [the letters] of Tobiah came unto them. {6:18} For there were many in Judah sworn unto him, because he was the son-in-law of Shecaniah the son of Arah; and his son Jehohanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah to wife. {6:19} Also they spoke of his good deeds before me, and reported my words to him. [And] Tobiah sent letters to put me in fear.

{O16}7} Nehemiah Chapter Seven. {7:1} Now it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had set up the doors, and the porters and the singers and the Levites were appointed, {7:2} that I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the governor of the castle, charge over Jerusalem; for he was a faithful man, and feared God above many. {7:3} And I said unto them, Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun be hot; and while they stand [on guard], let them shut the doors, and bar you them: and appoint watches of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, everyone in his watch, and everyone [to be] over against his house. {7:4} Now the city was wide and large; but the people were few therein, and the houses were not built. {7:5} And my God put into my heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy. And I found the book of the genealogy of them that came up at the first, and I found written therein: {7:6} These are the children of the province, that went up out of the captivity of those that had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away, and that returned unto Jerusalem and to Judah, everyone unto his city; {7:7} who came with Zerubbabel, Yeshuwa, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel: {7:8} The children of Parosh, two thousand a hundred and seventy and two. {7:9} The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two. {7:10} The children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two. {7:11} The children of Pahas-moab, of the children of Yeshuwa and Joab, two thousand and eight hundred [and] eighteen. {7:12} The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. {7:13} The children of Zattu, eight hundred forty and five. {7:14} The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and sixty. {7:15} The children of Binnui, six hundred forty and eight. {7:16} The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight. {7:17} The children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two. {7:18} The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty seven. {7:19} The Bigvai two thousand sixty seven. {7:20} The children of Adin, six hundred fifty and five and sixty seven. {7:21} The children of Ater, of Hezekiah, ninety and eight. {7:22} The children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight. {7:23} The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and four. {7:24} The children of Hariph, a hundred and twelve. {7:25} The children of Gibeon, ninety and five. {7:26} The men of Bethlehem and Netophah, a hundred and eighty eight. {7:27} The men of Anathoth, a hundred twenty and eight. {7:28} The men of Beth-azmaveth, forty and two. {7:29} The men of Kiriath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred forty and three. {7:30} The men of Ramah and Geba, six hundred twenty and one. {7:31} The men of Michmas, a hundred and twenty and two. {7:32} The men of Beth-el and Ai, a hundred twenty and three. {7:33} The men of the other Nebo, fifty and two. {7:34} The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. {7:35} The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty. {7:36} The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five. {7:37} The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono,

seven hundred twenty and one. {7:38} The children of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty. {7:39} The priests: The children of Jedaiah, of the house of Yeshuwa, nine hundred seventy and three. {7:40} The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two. {7:41} The children of Pashhur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven. {7:42} The children of Harim, a thousand [and] seventeen. {7:43} The Levites: the children of Yeshuwa, of Kadmiel, of the children of Hodevah, seventy and four. {7:44} The singers: the children of Asaph, a hundred forty and eight. {7:45} The porters: the children of shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, a hundred thirty and eight. {7:46} The Nethinim: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the children of Tabbaoth, {7:47} the children of Keros, the children of Sia, the children of Padon, {7:48} the children of Lebana, the children of Hagaba, the children of Salmal, {7:49} the children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, {7:50} the children of Reaiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, {7:51} the children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Paseah. {7:52} The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of Nephushesim, {7:53} the children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur, {7:54} the children of Bazlith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha, {7:55} the children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Temah, {7:56} the children of Nezhiah, the children of Hatipha. {7:57} The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of Perida, {7:58} the children of Jaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel, {7:59} the children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth-hazzebam, the children of Amon. {7:60} All the Nethinim [temple slaves], and the children of Solomon's servants, were three hundred ninety and two. {7:61} And these were they that went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsha, Cherub, Addon, and Immer; but they could not show their fathers' houses, nor their seed, whether they were of Israel: {7:62} The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred forty and two. {7:63} And of the priests: the children of Hobaiah, the children of Hakkoz, the children of Barzillai, who took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name. {7:64} These sought their register [among] those that were reckoned by genealogy, but it was not found: therefore were they deemed polluted and put from the priesthood. {7:65} And the governor said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim. {7:66} The whole Ekklesia together was forty and two thousand three hundred and sixty, {7:67} besides their men-servants and their maid-servants, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and singing women. {7:68} Their horses were seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five; {7:69} [their] camels, four hundred thirty and five; [their] donkeys, six thousand seven hundred and twenty. {7:70} And some from among the heads of fathers' [houses] gave unto the work. The governor gave to the treasury a thousand drams of gold, fifty basins, five hundred and thirty priests' garments. {7:71} And some of the heads of fathers' [houses] gave into the treasury of the work twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand and two hundred pounds of silver. {7:72} And that which the rest of the people gave was twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand pounds of silver, and sixty seven priests' garments. {7:73} So the priests, and the Levites, and the porters, and the singers, and some of the people, and the Nethinim, and all Israel, lived in their cities. And when the seventh moon was come, the children of Israel were in their cities.

{O16}8} Nehemiah Eight. {8:1} And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the broad place that was before the water gate; and they spoke unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which Yahweh had commanded to Israel. {8:2} And Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, both men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh moon [Ethaniam of end harvest]. {8:3} And he read therein before the broad place that was before the water gate from early morning until

midday, in the presence of the men and the women, and of those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were [attentive] unto the book of the law. {8:4} And Ezra the scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Uriah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchijah, and Hashum, and Hashbaddanah, Zechariah, [and] Meshullam. {8:5} And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up: {8:6} and Ezra blessed Yahweh, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with the lifting up of their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped Yahweh with their faces to the ground. {8:7} Also Yeshuwa, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the people to understand the law: and the people [stood] in their place. {8:8} And they read in the book, in the law of God, distinctly; and they gave [comment of] the sense, so that they understood the reading. {8:9} And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day is holy unto Yahweh your God; grieve not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law. {8:10} Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto him for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be you grieved; for the joy of Yahweh is your strength. {8:11} So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day is holy; neither be you grieved. {8:12} And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them. {8:13} And on the second day were gathered together the heads of fathers' [houses] of all the people, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra the scribe, even to give attention to the words of the law. {8:14} And they found written in the law, how that Yahweh had commanded by Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in Teporary Shelters in the feast of the seventh moon [Ethanim]; {8:15} and that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, Go forth unto the mount, and get olive branches, and branches of wild olive, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make temporary shelters, as it is written. {8:16} So the people went forth, and brought them, and made themselves temporary shelters, everyone upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the broad place of the water gate, and in the broad place of the gate of Ephraim. {8:17} And all the Ekklesia of them that were come again out of the captivity made temporary shelters, and lived in the temporary shelters; for since the days of Yeshuwa the son of Nun unto that day had not the children of Israel done so. And there was very great gladness. {8:18} Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day was a solemn assembly, according unto the ordinance.

{O169} Nehemiah Chapter Nine. {9:1} Now in the twenty and fourth day of this moon [Ethanim] the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackcloth, and earth upon them. {9:2} And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all foreigners, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers. {9:3} And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of Yahweh their God a fourth part of the day; and [another] fourth part they confessed, and worshipped Yahweh their God. {9:4} Then stood up upon the stairs of the Levites, Yeshuwa, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, [and] Chenani, and cried with a loud voice unto Yahweh their God. {9:5} Then the Levites, Yeshuwa, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabneiah, Sherebiah, Hodiah, Shebaniah, [and] Pethahiah, said, Stand up and bless Yahweh your God from everlasting to everlasting; and blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise. {9:6} you are Yahweh, even you alone; you have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all things that are thereon, the seas and all that is in them, and you preserve them all; and the host of heaven worships you. {9:7} you are Yahweh the God, who did choose Abram, and brought him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gave him the name of Abraham, {9:8} and found his heart faithful before you, and

made a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite, and the Girgashite, to give it unto his seed, and have performed your words; for you are a lawful worker. {9:9} And you saw the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heard their cry by the Red Sea, {9:10} and show signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and on all the people of his land; for you knew that they dealt proudly against them, and did get you a name, as it is this day. {9:11} And you did divide the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their pursuers you did cast into the depths, as a stone into the mighty waters. {9:12} Furthermore in a pillar of cloud you led them by day; and in a pillar of fire by night, to give them light in the way wherein they should go. {9:13} you came down also upon mount Sinai, and spoke with them from heaven, and gave them right ordinances and true laws, good statutes and commandments, {9:14} and made known unto them your holy Sabbath, and command them commandments, and statutes, and a law, by Moses your servant, {9:15} and gave them bread from heaven for their hunger, and brought forth water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and command them that they should go in to possess the land which you had sworn to give them. {9:16} But they and our fathers dealt proudly and hardened their neck, and heard not to your commandments, {9:17} and refused to obey, neither were mindful of your wonders that you did among them, but hardened their neck, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage. But you are a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness, and forsake them not. {9:18} behold, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This is your God that brought you up out of Egypt, and had wrought great provocations; {9:19} yet you in your manifold mercies forsake them not in the wilderness: the pillar of cloud departed not from over them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night, to show them light, and the way wherein they should go. {9:20} you gave also your good Spirit to instruct them, and withheld not your manna from their mouth, and gave them water for their thirst. {9:21} behold, forty years did you sustain them in the wilderness, [and] they lacked nothing; their clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not. {9:22} Furthermore you gave them kingdoms and peoples, which you did allot after their portions: so they possessed the land of Sihon, even the land of the king of Heshbon, and the land of Og king of Bashan. {9:23} Their children also you multiplied as the stars of heaven, and brought them into the land concerning which you did say to their fathers, that they should go in to possess it. {9:24} So the children went in and possessed the land, and you subdued before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gave them into their hands, with their kings, and the peoples of the land, that they might do with them as they would. {9:25} And they took fortified cities, and a fat land, and possessed houses full of all good things, cisterns hewn out, vineyards, and olive yards, and fruit-trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in your great goodness. {9:26} Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against you, and cast your law behind their back, and slew your prophets that testified against them to turn them again unto you, and they wrought great provocations. {9:27} Therefore you delivered them into the hand of their adversaries, who distressed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto you, you heard from heaven; and according to your manifold mercies you gave them saviors who saved them out of the hand of their adversaries. {9:28} But after they had rest, they did evil again before you; therefore you left them in the hand of their enemies, so that they had the dominion over them: yet when they returned, and cried unto you, you heard from heaven; and many times you did deliver them according to your mercies, {9:29} and testified against them, that you might bring them again unto your law. yet they dealt proudly, and heard not unto your commandments, but sinned against your ordinances, (which if a man do, he shall live in them,) and withdrew the shoulder, and hardened their neck, and would not hear. {9:30} yet many years did you bear with them, and testified against them by your Spirit through your prophets: yet would they not give ear: therefore gave you them into the hand of the peoples of the lands. {9:31} Nevertheless in your manifold mercies you did not make a full end of them, nor forsake them; for you are a gracious and

merciful God. {9:32} Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keeps covenant and agape loving kindness, let not all the travail seem little before you, that has come upon us, on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all your people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day. {9:33} However you are just in all that is come upon us; for you have dealt truly, but we have done wickedly; {9:34} neither have our kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept your law, nor heard unto your commandments and your testimonies by which you did testify against them. {9:35} For they have not served you in their kingdom, and in your great goodness that you gave them, and in the large and fat land which you gave before them, neither turned they from their wicked works. {9:36} Behold, we are servants this day, and as for the land that you gave unto our fathers to eat the fruit of it and the good there, behold, we are servants in it. {9:37} And it yield much increase unto the kings whom you have set over us because of our sins: also they have power over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure, and we are in great distress. {9:38} And yet for all this we make a sure covenant, and write it; and our princes, our Levites, [and] our priests, seal unto it.

{O16}10} Nehemiah Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now those that sealed were: Nehemiah the governor, the son of Hacaliah, and Zedekiah, {10:2} Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah, {10:3} Pashhur, Amariah, Malchijah, {10:4} Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch, {10:5} Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah, {10:6} Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch, {10:7} Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin, {10:8} Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah; these were the priests. {10:9} And the Levites: namely, Yeshuwa the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, Kadmiel; {10:10} and their brethren, Shebaniah, Hodiah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan, {10:11} Mica, Rehob, Hashabiah, {10:12} Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah, {10:13} Hodiah, Bani, Beninu. {10:14} The chiefs of the people: Parosh, Pahas-moab, Elam, Zattu, Bani, {10:15} Bunni, Azgad, Bebai, {10:16} Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin, {10:17} Ater, Hezekiah, Azzur, {10:18} Hodiah, Hashum, Bezai, {10:19} Hariph, Anathoth, Nobai, {10:20} Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir, {10:21} Meshezabel, Zadok, Jaddua, {10:22} Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah, {10:23} Hoshea, Hananiah, Hasshub, {10:24} Hallohesh, Pilha, Shobek, {10:25} Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah, {10:26} and Ahiah, Hanan, Anan, {10:27} Malluch, Harim, Baanah. {10:28} And the rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the porters, the singers, the Nethinim, and all they that had separated themselves from the peoples of the lands unto the law of God, their wives, their sons, and their daughters, everyone that had knowledge, and understanding; {10:29} They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into woe, and into an oath, to walk in God's law, which was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of Yahweh our Lord, and his ordinances and his statutes; {10:30} and that we would not give our daughters unto the peoples of the land, nor take their daughters for our sons; {10:31} and if the peoples of the land bring wares or any grain on the Sabbath day to sell, that we would not buy of them on the Sabbath, or on a holy day; and that we would forego the seventh year, and the exaction of every debt. {10:32} Also we made ordinances for us, to charge ourselves yearly with the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God; {10:33} for the showbread, and for the continual meal-offering, and for the continual burnt-offering, for the Sabbaths, for the new moons, for the set feasts, and for the holy things, and for the sin-offerings to make atonement for Israel, and for all the work of the house of our God. {10:34} And we cast lots, the priests, the Levites, and the people, for the wood-offering, to bring it into the house of our God, according to our fathers' houses, at times appointed, year by year, to burn upon the altar of Yahweh our God, as it is written in the law; {10:35} and to bring the first-fruits of our ground, and the first-fruits of all fruit of all manner of trees, year by year, unto the house of Yahweh; {10:36} also the first-born of our sons, and of our cattle, as it is written in the law, and the firstlings of our herds and of our flocks, to bring to the house of our God, unto the priests that minister in the house of our God; {10:37} and that we should bring the first-fruits of our dough, and our heave-offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees, the new wine and the oil, unto the

priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites; for they, the Levites, take the tithes in all the cities of our tillage. {10:38} And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure-house. {10:39} For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the heave-offering of the grain, of the new wine, and of the oil, unto the chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God.

{O16}11} Nehemiah Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And the princes of the people lived in Jerusalem: the rest of the people also cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in Jerusalem the holy city, and nine parts in the [other] cities. {11:2} And the people blessed all the men that willingly offered themselves to dwell in Jerusalem. {11:3} Now these are the chiefs of the province that lived in Jerusalem: but in the cities of Judah lived everyone in his possession in their cities, [to wit], Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the Nethinim, and the children of Solomon's servants. {11:4} And in Jerusalem lived certain of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin. Of the children of Judah: Athaiah the son of Uziah, the son of Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son of Shephatiah, the son of Mahalalel, of the children of Perez; {11:5} and Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Colhozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son of the Shilonite. {11:6} All the sons of Perez that lived in Jerusalem were four hundred sixty eight valiant men. {11:7} And these are the sons of Benjamin: Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Joed, the son of Pedaiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of Maaseiah, the son of Ithiel, the son of Jeshaiiah. {11:8} And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine hundred twenty and eight. {11:9} And Joel the son of Zichri was their overseer; and Judah the son of Hassenuah was second over the city. {11:10} Of the priests: Jedaiah the son of Joiarib, Jachin, {11:11} Seraiah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God, {11:12} and their brethren that did the work of the house, eight hundred twenty and two; and Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the son of Pashhur, the son of Malchijah, {11:13} and his brethren, chiefs of fathers' [houses], two hundred forty and two; and Amashsai the son of Azarel, the son of Ahzai, the son of Meshillemoth, the son of Immer, {11:14} and their brethren, mighty men of valor, a hundred twenty and eight; and their overseer was Zabdiel, the son of Haggadolim. {11:15} And of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni; {11:16} and Shabbethai and Jozabad, of the chiefs of the Levites, who had the oversight of the outward business of the house of God; {11:17} and Mattaniah the son of Mica, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, who was the chief to begin the thanksgiving in prayer, and Bakbukiah, the second among his brethren; and Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun. {11:18} All the Levites in the holy city were two hundred sixty four. {11:19} Furthermore the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren, that kept watch at the gates, were a hundred seventy and two. {11:20} And the residue of Israel, of the priests, the Levites, were in all the cities of Judah, everyone in his inheritance. {11:21} But the Nethinim lived in Ophel: and Ziha and Gishpa were over the Nethinim. {11:22} The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem was Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Mica, of the sons of Asaph, the singers, over the business of the house of God. {11:23} For there was a commandment from the king concerning them, and a settled provision for the singers, as every day required. {11:24} And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabel, of the children of Zerah the son of Judah, was at the king's hand in all matters concerning the people. {11:25} And as for the villages, with their fields, some of the children of Judah lived in Kiriath-arba and the towns there, and in Dibon and the towns there, and in Jekabzeel and the villages there, {11:26} and in Yeshuwa, and in Moladah and at Bethphelet, {11:27} and in Hazar-shual, and in Beer-sheba and the towns there, {11:28} and in Ziklag, and in Meconah and in the towns there, {11:29} and in

En-rimmon, and in Zorah, and in Jarmuth, {11:30} Zanoah, Adullam, and their villages, Lachish and the fields there, Azekah and the towns there. So they encamped from Beer-sheba unto the valley of Hinnom. {11:31} The children of Benjamin also [dwelt] from Geba [onward], at Michmash and Aija, and at Beth-el and the towns there, {11:32} at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah, {11:33} Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim, {11:34} Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat, {11:35} Lod, and Ono, the valley of craftsmen. {11:36} And of the Levites, certain courses in Judah [were joined] to Benjamin.

{O16}12} Nehemiah Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Now these are the priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Yeshuwa: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra, {12:2} Amariah, Malluch, Hattush, {12:3} Shecaniah, Rehum, Meremoth, {12:4} Iddo, Ginnethoi, Abijah, {12:5} Mijamin, Maadiah, Bilgah, {12:6} Shemaiah, and Joiarib, Jedaiah. {12:7} Sallu, Amok, Hilkiyah, Jedaiah. These were the chiefs of the priests and of their brethren in the days of Yeshuwa. {12:8} Furthermore the Levites: Yeshuwa, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, [and] Mattaniah, who was over the thanksgiving, he and his brethren. {12:9} Also Bakbukiah and Unno, their brethren, were over against them according to their offices. {12:10} And Yeshuwa begot Joiakim, and Joiakim begot Eliashib, and Eliashib begot Joiada, {12:11} and Joiada begot Jonathan, and Jonathan begot Jaddua. {12:12} And in the days of Joiakim were priests, heads of fathers' [houses]: of Seraiah, Meraiah; of Jeremiah, Hananiah; {12:13} of Ezra, Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehohanan; {12:14} of Malluchi, Jonathan; of Shebaniah, Joseph; {12:15} of Harim, Adna; of Meraioth, Helkai; {12:16} of Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Meshullam; {12:17} of Abijah, Zichri; of Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai; {12:18} of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah, Jehonathan; {12:19} and of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah, Uzzi; {12:20} of Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber; {12:21} of Hilkiyah, Hashabiah; of Jedaiah, Nethanel. {12:22} As for the Levites, in the days of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, there were recorded the heads of fathers' [houses]; also the priests, in the reign of Darius the Persian. {12:23} The sons of Levi, heads of fathers' [houses], were written in the book of the chronicles, even until the days of Johanan the son of Eliashib. {12:24} And the chiefs of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Yeshuwa the son of Kadmiel, with their brethren over against them, to praise and give thanks, according to the commandment of David the man of God, watch next to watch. {12:25} Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, were porters keeping the watch at the store-houses of the gates. {12:26} These were in the days of Joiakim the son of Yeshuwa, the son of Jozadak, and in the days of Nehemiah the governor, and of Ezra the priest the scribe. {12:27} And at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem they sought the Levites out of all their places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keep the dedication with gladness, both with thanksgivings, and with singing, with cymbals, psalteries, and with harps. {12:28} And the sons of the singers gathered themselves together, both out of the plain round about Jerusalem, and from the villages of the Netophasites; {12:29} also from Beth-gilgal, and out of the fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the singers had built them villages round about Jerusalem. {12:30} And the priests and the Levites purified themselves; and they purified the people, and the gates, and the wall. {12:31} Then I brought up the princes of Judah upon the wall, and appointed two great companies that gave thanks and went in procession; [where one went] on the right hand upon the wall toward the dung gate: {12:32} and after them went Hoshai, and half of the princes of Judah, {12:33} and Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam, {12:34} Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah, and Jeremiah, {12:35} and certain of the

priests' sons with trumpets: Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph; {12:36} and his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarel, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethanel, and Judah, Hanani, with the musical instruments of David the man of God; and Ezra the scribe was before them. {12:37} And by the fountain gate, and straight before them, they went up by the stairs of the city of David, at the ascent of the wall, above the house of David, even unto the water gate eastward. {12:38} And the other company of them that gave thanks went to meet them, and I after them, with the half of the people, upon the wall, above the tower of the furnaces, even unto the broad wall, {12:39} and above the gate of Ephraim, and by the old gate, and by the fish gate, and the tower of Hananel, and the tower of Hammeah, even unto the sheep gate: and they stood still in the gate of the guard. {12:40} So stood the two companies of them that gave thanks in the house of God, and I, and the half of the rulers with me; {12:41} and the priests, Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Micaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, and Hananiah, with trumpets; {12:42} and Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer. And the singers sang loud, with Jezrahiah their overseer. {12:43} And they offered great sacrifices that day, and rejoiced; for God had made them rejoice with great joy; and the women also and the children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off. {12:44} And on that day were men appointed over the chambers for the treasures, for the heave-offerings, for the first-fruits, and for the tithes, to gather into them, according to the fields of the cities, the portions appointed by the law for the priests and Levites: for Judah rejoiced for the priests and for the Levites that waited. {12:45} And they kept the charge of their God, and the charge of the purification, and [so did] the singers and the porters, according to the commandment of David, and of Solomon his son. {12:46} For in the days of David and Asaph of old there was a chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God. {12:47} And all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of Nehemiah, gave the portions of the singers and the porters, as every day required: and they set apart [that which was] for the Levites; and the Levites set apart [that which was] for the sons of Aaron.

{O16}13} Nehemiah Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} On that day they read in the book of Moses in the audience of the people; and therein was found written, that an Ammonite and a Moabite should not enter into the Ekklesia of God forever, {13:2} because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired Balaam against them, to curse them: however our God turned the curse into a blessing. {13:3} And it came to pass, when they had heard the law, that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude. {13:4} Now before this, Eliashib the priest, who was appointed over the chambers of the house of our God, being allied unto Tobiah, {13:5} had prepared for him a great chamber, where times past they laid the meal-offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the grain, the new wine, and the oil, which were given by commandment to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters; and the heave-offerings for the priests. {13:6} But in all this [time] I was not at Jerusalem; for in the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon I went unto the king: and after certain days asked I leave of the king, {13:7} and I came to Jerusalem, and understood the evil that Eliashib had done for Tobiah, in preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God. {13:8} And it grieved me sore: therefore I cast forth all the household stuff of Tobiah out of the chamber. {13:9} Then I commanded, and they cleansed the chambers: and there

brought I again the vessels of the house of God, with the meal-offerings and the frankincense. {13:10} And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them; so that the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled everyone to his field. {13:11} Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and set them in their place. {13:12} Then brought all Judah the tithe of the grain and the new wine and the oil unto the treasuries. {13:13} And I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and next to them was Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah; for they were counted faithful, and their business was to distribute unto their brethren. {13:14} Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my good deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and for the observances there. {13:15} In those days saw I in Judah some men treading wine-presses on the Sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and laden donkeys [with]; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day: and I testified [against them] in the day wherein they sold victuals. {13:16} There lived men of Tyre also therein, who brought in fish, and all manner of wares, and sold on the Sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem. {13:17} Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, What evil thing is this that you do, and profane the Sabbath day? {13:18} Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? yet you bring more Anger upon Israel by profaning the Sabbath. {13:19} And it came to pass that, when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the Sabbath, I commanded that the doors should be shut, and commanded that they should not be opened till after the Sabbath: and some of my servants set I over the gates, that there should no burden be brought in on the Sabbath day. {13:20} So the merchants and sellers of all kind of wares lodged outside Jerusalem once or twice. {13:21} Then I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge you about the wall? if you do so again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no more on the Sabbath. {13:22} And I commanded the Levites that they should purify themselves, and that they should come and keep the gates, to sanctify the Sabbath day. Remember unto me, O my God, this also, and spare me according to the greatness of your agape loving kindness. {13:23} In those days also saw I the Jews that had married women of Ashdod, of Ammon, [and] of Moab: {13:24} and their children spoke half in the speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the Jews' language, but according to the language of each people. {13:25} And I contended with them, and cursed them, and defeated certain of them, and plucked off their hair, and made them swear by God, [saying], you shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their daughters for your sons, or for yourselves. {13:26} Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? yet among many nations was there no king like him, and he was agape beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did foreign women cause to sin. {13:27} shall we then hear unto you to do all this great evil, to trespass against our God in marrying foreign women? {13:28} And one of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, was son-in-law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me. {13:29} Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the priesthood, and the covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites. {13:30} Thus cleansed I them from all foreigners, and appointed charges for the priests and for the Levites, everyone in his work; {13:31}

and for the wood-offering, at times appointed, and for the first-fruits. Remember me, O my God, for good.

The Book Of Esther

{O17}1} Esther Chapter One.

Historicity of the Book of Esther See Wikipedia: Derivative believe to be written ancient Persia. The blatant historical difficulties, the internal inconsistencies, the pronounced symmetry of themes and events, the plenitude of quoted dialogue, and the gross exaggeration in the reporting of numbers (involving time, money, and people) all point to Esther as a work of fiction, its vivid characters (except for Xerxes) being the product of the author's creative imagination. See book by Barton, John; Muddiman, John (2007). The Oxford Bible Commentary. Oxford University Press. ISBN 9780199277186.

The Book of Esther is not accepted by the Ancient Jews as a Book of their Bible.

The Ekklesia Bible translation is not a canon for any book of fiction, fables or any book of make believe. In the new information age no longer can any Bible filled with books of fiction and fantasy stand before scrutiny of the higher educated. Because so many of the holy men that are now dead that has started the Ekklesia Bible translation we will let the future large group of the Elect of the Ekklesia decide if this book should be in their Ekklesia Bible Canon as "Holy Scripture." This book of Esther will give cause for all the highly educated to reject the entire Ekklesia Bible as being "Holy." The future entire elect of the Ekklesia must deliberate the validity of this book and make certain only "holy Books" are in the true canon of the Ekklesia Bible translation. Be wise this book and others that clearly are not canon should be completely separate from the Canon of the Ekklesia Bible translation.

Esther {1:1} Now it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus (this is Ahasuerus who reigned from India even unto Ethiopia, over a hundred and seven and twenty provinces), {1:2} that in those days, when the king Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which was in Shushan the palace, {1:3} in the third year of his reign, he made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, the nobles and princes of the provinces, being before him; {1:4} when he showed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honor of his excellent majesty many days, even a hundred and eighty days. {1:5} And when these days were fulfilled, the king made a feast unto all the people that were present in Shushan the palace, both great and small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's palace. {1:6} [There were hangings of] white [cloth], [of] green, and [of] blue, fastened with cords of fine linen and purple to silver rings and pillars of marble: the couches were of gold and silver, upon a pavement of red, and white, and yellow, and black marble. {1:7} And they gave them drink in vessels of gold (the vessels being different one from another), and royal wine in abundance, according to the bounty of the king. {1:8} And the drinking was according to the law; none could compel: for so the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every man's pleasure. {1:9} Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women in the royal house which belonged to king Ahasuerus. {1:10} On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seven chamberlains that ministered in the presence of Ahasuerus the king, {1:11} to bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to show the peoples and the princes her beauty; for she was fair to look on. {1:12} But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by the chamberlains: therefore was the king very angry, and his anger burned in him. {1:13} Then the king said to the wise men, who knew the times, (for so was the king's manner toward all that knew law and judgment; {1:14} and the next unto him were Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, and Memucan, the seven princes of Persia and Media, who saw the king's face, and sat first in the kingdom), {1:15} What shall we do unto the queen Vashti

according to law, because she has not done the bidding of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains? {1:16} And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, Vashti the queen has not done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the peoples that are in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus. {1:17} For this deed of the queen will come abroad unto all women, to make their husbands contemptible in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not. {1:18} And this day will the princesses of Persia and Media who have heard of the deed of the queen say [the like] unto all the king's princes. So [will there arise] much contempt and Anger. {1:19} If it please the king, let there go forth a royal commandment from him, and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that it be not altered, that Vashti come no more before king Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto another that is better than she. {1:20} And when the king's decree which he shall make shall be published throughout all his kingdom (for it is great), all the wives will give to their husbands honor, both to great and small. {1:21} And the saying pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan: {1:22} for he sent letters into all the king's provinces, into every province according to the writing there, and to every people after their language, that every man should bear rule in his own house, and should speak according to the language of his people.

{O17}2} Esther Chapter Two. {2:1} After these things, when the Anger of king Ahasuerus was pacified, he remembered Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed against her. {2:2} Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, Let there be fair young virgins sought for the king: {2:3} and let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace, to the house of the women, unto the custody of Hegai the king's chamberlain, keeper of the women; and let their things for purification be given them; {2:4} and let the maiden that pleases the king be queen instead of Vashti. And the thing pleased the king; and he did so. {2:5} There was a certain Jew in Shushan the palace, whose name was Mordecai, the son of Jair, the son of Shimei, the son of Kish, a Benjamite, {2:6} who had been carried away from Jerusalem with the captives that had been carried away with Jeconiah king of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away. {2:7} And he brought up Hadassah, that is, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the maiden was fair and beautiful; and when her father and mother were dead, Mordecai took her for his own daughter. {2:8} So it came to pass, when the king's commandment and his decree was heard, and when many maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the palace, to the custody of Hegai, that Esther was taken into the king's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper of the women. {2:9} And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him; and he speedily gave her, her things for purification, with her portions, and the seven maidens who were meet to be given her out of the king's house: and he removed her and her maidens to the best place of the house of the women. {2:10} Esther had not made known her people nor her kindred; for Mordecai had charged her that she should not make it known. {2:11} And Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's house, to know how Esther did, and what would become of her. {2:12} Now when the turn of every maiden was come to go in to king Ahasuerus, after that it had been done to her according to the law for the women twelve moons (for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, [to wit], six moons with oil of myrrh, and six moons with sweet odors and with the things for the purifying of the women), {2:13} then in this wise came the maiden unto the king: whatever she desired was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house. {2:14} In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's chamberlain, who kept the concubines: she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and she were called by name. {2:15} Now when the turn of Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had taken her for his daughter, was come to go in unto the king, she required nothing but what Hegai the king's chamberlain, the keeper of the women, appointed. And Esther obtained favor in the sight of all them that looked

upon her. {2:16} So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in the tenth moon, which is the moon Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign. {2:17} And the king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained favor and kindness in his sight more than all the virgins; so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of Vashti. {2:18} Then the king made a great feast unto all his princes and his servants, even Esther's feast; and he made a release to the provinces, and gave gifts, according to the bounty of the king. {2:19} And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then Mordecai was sitting in the king's gate. {2:20} Esther had not yet made known her kindred nor her people; as Mordecai had charged her: for Esther did the commandment of Mordecai, like as when she was brought up with him. {2:21} In those days, while Mordecai was sitting in the king's gate, two of the king's chamberlains, Bigthan and Teresh, of those that kept the threshold, were angry, and sought to lay hands on the king Ahasuerus. {2:22} And the thing became known to Mordecai, who showed it unto Esther the queen; and Esther told the king [there] in Mordecai's name. {2:23} And when inquisition was made of the matter, and it was found to be so, they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the book of the chronicles before the king.

{O17}3} Esther Chapter Three. {3:1} After these things did king Ahasuerus promote Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat above all the princes that were with him. {3:2} And all the king's servants, that were in the king's gate, bowed down, and did reverence to Haman; for the king had so commanded concerning him. But Mordecai bowed not down, nor did him reverence. {3:3} Then the king's servants, that were in the king's gate, said unto Mordecai, Why transgress you the king's commandment? {3:4} Now it came to pass, when they spoke daily unto him, and he heard not unto them, that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand: for he had told them that he was a Jew. {3:5} And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not down, nor did him reverence, then was Haman full of Anger. {3:6} But he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had made known to him the people of Mordecai: Therefore Haman sought to destroy all the Jews that were throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, even the people of Mordecai. {3:7} In the first moon [Bagayedish], which is the moon [determined but the vernal equinox], in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from moon to moon, [to] the twelfth [moon], which is the moon Adar. {3:8} And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the peoples in all the provinces of your kingdom; and their laws are different from [those of] every people; neither keep they the king's laws: therefore it is not for the king's profit to suffer them. {3:9} If it please the king, let it be written that they be destroyed: and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver into the hands of those that have the charge of the [king's] business, to bring it into the king's treasuries. {3:10} And the king took his ring from his hand, and gave it unto Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the Jews' enemy. {3:11} And the king said unto Haman, The silver is given to you, the people also, to do with them as it seems good to you. {3:12} Then were the king's scribes called in the first moon, on the thirteenth day there; and there was written according to all that Haman commanded unto the king's satraps, and to the governors that were over every province, and to the princes of every people, to every province according to the writing there, and to every people after their language; in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and it was sealed with the king's ring. {3:13} And letters were sent by posts into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, even upon the thirteenth [day] of the twelfth moon, which is the moon Adar, and to take the spoil of them for a prey. {3:14} A copy of the writing, that the decree should be given out in every province, was published unto all the peoples, that they should be ready against that day. {3:15} The posts went forth in haste by the king's commandment, and the decree was given out in Shushan the palace. And the king and Haman sat down to drink; but the city of Shushan was perplexed.

{O17}4} Esther Chapter Four. {4:1} Now when Mordecai knew all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry; {4:2} and he came even before the king's gate: for none might enter within the king's gate clothed with sackcloth. {4:3} And in every province, where so ever the king's commandment and his decree came, there was great grieving among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes. {4:4} And Esther's maidens and her chamberlains came and told it her; and the queen was exceedingly grieved: and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take his sackcloth from off him; but he received it not. {4:5} Then called Esther for Hasach, one of the king's chamberlains, whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and charged him to go to Mordecai, to know what this was, and why it was. {4:6} So Hasach went forth to Mordecai unto the broad place of the city, which was before the king's gate. {4:7} And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and the exact sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them. {4:8} Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was given out in Shushan to destroy them, to show it unto Esther, and to declare it unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him, for her people. {4:9} And Hasach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai. {4:10} Then Esther spoke unto Hasach, and gave him a message unto Mordecai [saying]: {4:11} All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that anyone who, whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, there is one law for him, that he be put to death, except those to whom the king shall hold out the golden Scepter, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days. {4:12} And they told to Mordecai Esther's words. {4:13} Then Mordecai bade them return answer unto Esther, Think not with yourself that you shall escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews. {4:14} For if you altogether hold your peace at this time, then will relief and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish: and who knows whether you are not come to the kingdom for such a time as this? {4:15} Then Esther bade them return answer unto Mordecai, {4:16} Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast you for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast in like manner; and so will I go in unto the king, which is not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish. {4:17} So Mordecai went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.

{O17}5} Esther Chapter Five. {5:1} Now it came to pass on the third day, that Esther put on her royal apparel, and stood in the inner court of the king's house, over against the king's house: and the king sat upon his royal throne in the royal house, over against the entrance of the house. {5:2} And it was so, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, that she obtained favor in his sight; and the king held out to Esther the golden Scepter that was in his hand. So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the Scepter. {5:3} Then said the king unto her, What will you, queen Esther? and what is your request? it shall be given you even to the half of the kingdom. {5:4} And Esther said, If it seem good unto the king, let the king and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him. {5:5} Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that it may be done as Esther has said. So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared. {5:6} And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What is your petition? and it shall be granted you: and what is your request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed. {5:7} Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request is: {5:8} if I have found favor in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will do to-morrow as the king has said. {5:9} Then went Haman forth that day joyful and glad of heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up nor moved for him, he was filled with Anger against Mordecai. {5:10} Nevertheless Haman refrained himself, and went home; and he sent and gotten his friends and Zeresh his wife. {5:11}

And Haman recounted unto them the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all the things wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the princes and servants of the king. {5:12} Haman said furthermore, behold, Esther the queen did let no man come in with the king unto the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and to-morrow also am I invited by her together with the king. {5:13} yet all this avails me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate. {5:14} Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, Let a gallows be made fifty cubits high, and in the morning speak you unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go you in merrily with the king unto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman; and he caused the gallows to be made.

{017}6} Esther Chapter Six. {6:1} On that night could not the king sleep; and he commanded to bring the book of records of the chronicles, and they were read before the king. {6:2} And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king's chamberlains, of those that kept the threshold, who had sought to lay hands on the king Ahasuerus. {6:3} And the king said, What honor and dignity has been bestowed on Mordecai for this? Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, There is nothing done for him. {6:4} And the king said, Who is in the court? Now Haman was come into the outward court of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him. {6:5} And the king's servants said unto him, Behold, Haman stands in the court. And the king said, Let him come in. {6:6} So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done unto the man whom the king delights to honor? Now Haman said in his heart, To whom would the king delight to do honor more than to myself? {6:7} And Haman said unto the king, For the man whom the king delights to honor, {6:8} let royal apparel be brought which the king uses to wear, and the horse that the king rides upon, and on the head of which a crown royal is set: {6:9} and let the apparel and the horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble princes, that they may array the man with whom the king delights to honor, and cause him to ride on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delights to honor. {6:10} Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, and take the apparel and the horse, as you have said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that sits at the king's gate: let nothing fail of all that you have spoken. {6:11} Then took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai, and caused him to ride through the street of the city, and proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be done unto the man whom the king delights to honor. {6:12} And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman hurried to his house, grieving and having his head covered. {6:13} And Haman recounted unto Zeresh his wife and all his friends everything that had befallen him. Then said his wise men and Zeresh his wife unto him, If Mordecai, before whom you have begun to fall, be of the seed of the Jews, you shall not prevail against him, but shall surely fall before him. {6:14} While they were yet talking with him, came the king's chamberlains, and hurried to bring Haman unto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

{017}7} Esther Chapter Seven. {7:1} So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen. {7:2} And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, What is your petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted you: and what is your request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed. {7:3} Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favor in your sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request: {7:4} for we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my peace, although the adversary could not have compensated for the king's damage. {7:5} Then spoke the king Ahasuerus and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so? {7:6} And Esther said, An adversary and an enemy, even this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen. {7:7} And the king arose in his Anger from the banquet of wine [and went] into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king. {7:8} Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the

banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon the couch whereon Esther was. Then said the king, Will he even force the queen before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face. {7:9} Then said Harbonah, one of the chamberlains that were before the king, Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman has made for Mordecai, who spoke good for the king, stands in the house of Haman. And the king said, Hang him thereon. {7:10} So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's Anger pacified.

{O17}8} Esther Chapter Eight. {8:1} On that day did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told what he was unto her. {8:2} And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman. {8:3} And Esther spoke yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, and beg him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman the Agagite, and his device that he had devised against the Jews. {8:4} Then the king held out to Esther the golden Scepter. So Esther arose, and stood before the king. {8:5} And she said, If it please the king, and if I have found favor in his sight, and the thing seem right before the king, and I be pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the letters devised by Haman, the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he wrote to destroy the Jews that are in all the king's provinces: {8:6} for how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred? {8:7} Then the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen and to Mordecai the Jew, Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews. {8:8} Write you also to the Jews, as it pleases you, in the king's name, and seal it with the king's ring; for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, may no man reverse. {8:9} Then were the king's scribes called at that time, in the third moon Sivan, on the three and twentieth [day] there; and it was written according to all that Mordecai commanded unto the Jews, and to the satraps, and the governors and princes of the provinces which are from India unto Ethiopia, a hundred twenty and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing there, and unto every people after their language, and to the Jews according to their writing, and according to their language. {8:10} And he wrote the name of king Ahasuerus, and sealed it with the king's ring, and sent letters by post on horseback, riding on swift steeds that were used in the king's service, bred of the stud: {8:11} wherein the king granted the Jews that were in every city to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish, all the power of the people and province that would assault them, [their] little ones and women, and to take the spoil of them for a prey, {8:12} upon one day in all the provinces of king Ahasuerus, [namely], upon the thirteenth [day] of the twelfth moon, which is the moon Adar. {8:13} A copy of the writing, that the decree should be given out in every province, was published unto all the peoples, and that the Jews should be ready against that day to avenge themselves on their enemies. {8:14} So the posts that rode upon swift steeds that were used in the king's service went out, being hurried and pressed on by the king's commandment; and the decree was given out in Shushan the palace. {8:15} And Mordecai went forth from the presence of the king in royal apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a robe of fine linen and purple: and the city of Shushan shouted and was glad. {8:16} The Jews had light and gladness, and joy and honor. {8:17} And in every province, and in every city, whereever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had gladness and joy, a feast and a good day. And many from among the peoples of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews was fallen upon them.

{O17}9} Esther Chapter Nine. {9:1} Now in the twelfth moon, which is the moon Adar, on the thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree drew near to be put in execution, on the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have rule over them, (whereas it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them,) {9:2} the Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to

lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them; for the fear of them was fallen upon all the peoples. {9:3} And all the princes of the provinces, and the satraps, and the governors, and they that did the king's business, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai was fallen upon them. {9:4} For Mordecai was great in the king's house, and his fame went forth throughout all the provinces; for the man Mordecai waxed greater and greater. {9:5} And the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and with slaughter and destruction, and did what they would unto them that hated them. {9:6} And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred men. {9:7} And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha, {9:8} and Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha, {9:9} and Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vaizatha, {9:10} the ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Jew's enemy, slew they; but on the spoil they laid not their hand. {9:11} On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace was brought before the king. {9:12} And the king said unto Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and destroyed five hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what then have they done in the rest of the king's provinces! Now what is your petition? and it shall be granted you: or what is your request further? and it shall be done. {9:13} Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the Jews that are in Shushan to do to-morrow also according unto this day's decree, and let Haman's ten sons be hanged upon the gallows. {9:14} And the king commanded it so to be done: and a decree was given out in Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons. {9:15} And the Jews that were in Shushan gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day also of the moon Adar, and slew three hundred men in Shushan; but on the spoil they laid not their hand. {9:16} And the other Jews that were in the king's provinces gathered themselves together, and stood for their lives, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of them that hated them seventy and five thousand; but on the spoil they laid not their hand. {9:17} [This was done] on the thirteenth day of the moon Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness. {9:18} But the Jews that were in Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth [day] there, and on the fourteenth there; and on the fifteenth [day] of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness. {9:19} Therefore do the Jews of the villages, that dwell in the towns without walls, make the fourteenth day of the moon Adar [a day of] gladness and feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another. {9:20} And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the Jews that were in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, both near and far, {9:21} to enjoin them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the moon Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly, {9:22} as the days wherein the Jews had rest from their enemies, and the moon which was turned unto them from sorrow to gladness, and from grieving into a good day; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poor. {9:23} And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto them; {9:24} because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had plotted against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that is the lot, to consume them, and to destroy them; {9:25} but when [the matter] came before the king, he commanded by letters that his wicked device, which he had devised against the Jews, should return upon his own head, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows. {9:26} Therefore they called these days Purim, after the name of Pur. Therefore because of all the words of this letter, and of that which they had seen concerning this matter, and that which had come unto them, {9:27} the Jews ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as joined themselves unto them, so that it should not fail, that they would keep these two days according to the writing there, and according to the appointed time there, every year; {9:28} and that these days should be remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city; and that these days of Purim should not fail from among the Jews, nor the remembrance of them perish from their seed. {9:29} Then Esther the queen, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with all authority to confirm this second letter of Purim. {9:30} And he sent letters unto all the Jews, to the hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, [with]

words of peace and truth, {9:31} to confirm these days of Purim in their appointed times, according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had enjoined them, and as they had ordained for themselves and for their seed, in the matter of the fastings and their cry. {9:32} And the commandment of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim; and it was written in the book.

{O17}10} Esther Chapter Ten. {10:1} And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and upon the isles of the sea. {10:2} And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the full account of the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia? {10:3} For Mordecai the Jew was next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the good of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.

The Book Of Job

{O18}1} Job Chapter One. {1:1} There was a man in the land of Uz [the woods], whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and turned away from evil. {1:2} And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters. {1:3} His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred female-donkeys, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the children of the east. {1:4} And his sons went and held a feast in the house of each one upon his day; and they sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them. {1:5} And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt-offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and renounced God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually. {1:6} Now it came to pass on the day when the sons of God came to present themselves before Yahweh, that Satan also came among them. {1:7} And Yahweh said unto Satan, Where [are you] coming [from]? Then Satan answered Yahweh, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. {1:8} And Yahweh said unto Satan, Have you considered my servant Job? for there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that fears God, and turns away from evil. {1:9} Then Satan answered Yahweh, and said, Does Job fear God for nothing? {1:10} Have not you made a hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he has, on every side? you have blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. {1:11} But put forth your hand now, and touch all that he has, and he will renounce you to your face. {1:12} And Yahweh said unto Satan, Behold, all that he has is in your power; only upon himself put not forth your hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of Yahweh. {1:13} And it fell on a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house, {1:14} that there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the donkeys feeding beside them; {1:15} and the Sabeans fell [upon them], and took them away: behold, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell you. {1:16} While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and has burned up the sheep and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell you. {1:17} While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have taken them away, behold, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell you. {1:18} While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Your sons and your daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house; {1:19} and, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell you. {1:20} Then Job arose, and rent his robe, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped; {1:21} and he said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there: Yahweh gave, and Yahweh has taken away; blessed be the name of Yahweh. {1:22} In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

{O18)2} Job Chapter Two. {2:1} Again it came to pass on the day when the sons of God came to present themselves before Yahweh, that Satan came also among them to present himself before Yahweh. {2:2} And Yahweh said unto Satan, From where [are you] coming [from]? And Satan answered Yahweh, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. {2:3} And Yahweh said unto Satan, Have you considered my servant Job? for there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that fears God, and turns away from evil: and he still holds fast his integrity, although you movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause. {2:4} And Satan answered Yahweh, and said, Skin for skin, behold, all that a man has will he give for his life. {2:5} But put forth your hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will renounce you to your face. {2:6} And Yahweh said unto Satan, Behold, he is in your hand; only spare his life. {2:7} So Satan went forth from the presence of Yahweh, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown. {2:8} And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself with; and he sat among the ashes. {2:9} Then said his wife unto him, Do you still hold fast your integrity? renounce God, and die. {2:10} But he said unto her, you speak as one of the foolish women speak. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips. {2:11} Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came everyone from his own place: Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite, and they made an appointment together to come to bemoan him and to comfort him. {2:12} And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent everyone his robe, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven. {2:13} So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spoke a word unto him: for they saw that his grief was very great.

{O18)3} Job Chapter Three. {3:1} After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day. {3:2} And Job answered and said: {3:3} Let the day perish wherein I was born, And the night which said, There is a man-child conceived. {3:4} Let that day be darkness; Let not God from above seek for it, Neither let the light shine upon it. {3:5} Let darkness and the shadow of death claim it for their own; Let a cloud dwell upon it; Let all that makes black the day terrify it. {3:6} As for that night, let thick darkness seize upon it: Let it not rejoice among the days of the year; Let it not come into the number of the moons. {3:7} Lo, let that night be barren; Let no joyful voice come therein. {3:8} Let them curse it that curse the day, Who are ready to rouse up leviathan. {3:9} Let the stars of the twilight of it be dark: Let it look for light, but have none; Neither let it behold the eyelids of the morning: {3:10} Because it shut not up the doors of my [mother's] womb, Nor hid trouble from mine eyes. {3:11} Why died I not from the womb? Why did I not give up the ghost when my mother bare me? {3:12} Why did the knees receive me? Or why the breast, that I should suck? {3:13} For now should I have lain down and been quiet; I should have slept; then had I been at rest, {3:14} With kings and counselors of the earth, Who built up waste places for themselves; {3:15} Or with princes that had gold, Who filled their houses with silver: {3:16} Or as a hidden untimely birth I had not been, As infants that never saw light. {3:17} There the wicked cease from troubling; And there the weary are at rest. {3:18} There the prisoners are at ease together; They hear not the voice of the taskmaster. {3:19} The small and the great are there: And the servant is free from his master. {3:20} Therefore is light given to him that is in misery, And life unto the bitter in soul; {3:21} Who long for death, but it comes not, And dig for it more than for hid treasures; {3:22} Who rejoice exceedingly, And are [a] glad, when they can find the grave? {3:23} [Why is light given] to a man whose way is hid, And whom God has hedged in? {3:24} For my sighing comes before I eat, And my groanings are poured out like water. {3:25} For the thing which I fear comes upon me, And that which I am afraid of comes unto me. {3:26} I am not at ease, neither am I quiet, neither have I rest; But trouble comes.

{O18)4} Job Chapter Four. {4:1} Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said, {4:2} If one assay to commune with you, will you be grieved? But who can withhold himself from

speaking? {4:3} Behold, you have instructed many, And you have strengthened the weak hands. {4:4} Your words have upheld him that was falling, And you have made firm the feeble knees. {4:5} But now it is come unto you, and you faintest; It touches you, and you are troubled. {4:6} Is not your fear [of God] your confidence, [And] the integrity of your ways your hope? {4:7} Remember, I pray you, who [ever] perished, being innocent? Or where were the upright cut off? {4:8} According as I have seen, they that plow works against law, And sow trouble, reap the same. {4:9} By the breath of God they perish, And by the blast of his anger are they consumed. {4:10} The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, And the teeth of the young lions, are broken. {4:11} The old lion perish for lack of prey, And the whelps of the lioness are scattered abroad. {4:12} Now a thing was secretly brought to me, And mine ear received a whisper there. {4:13} In thoughts from the visions of the night, When deep sleep falls on men, {4:14} Fear came upon me, and trembling, Which made all my bones to shake. {4:15} Then a spirit passed before my face; The hair of my flesh stood up. {4:16} It stood still, but I could not discern the appearance there; A form was before mine eyes: [There was] silence, and I heard a voice, [saying], {4:17} shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his Maker? {4:18} Behold, he puts no trust in his servants; And his messengers he charged with folly: {4:19} How much more them that dwell in houses of clay, Whose foundation is in the dust, Who are crushed before the moth! {4:20} Between morning and evening they are destroyed: They perish forever outside any regarding it. {4:21} Is not their tent-cord plucked up within them? They die, and that outside wisdom.

{018}5} Job Chapter Five. {5:1} Call now; is there any that will answer you? And to which of the holy ones will you turn? {5:2} For vexation kills the foolish man, And jealousy slays the silly one. {5:3} I have seen the foolish taking root: But suddenly I cursed his habitation. {5:4} His children are far from safety, And they are crushed in the gate, Neither is there any to deliver them: {5:5} Whose harvest the hungry eats up, And takes it even out of the thorns; And the snare steals their substance. {5:6} For affliction comes not forth from the dust, Neither does trouble spring out of the ground; {5:7} But man is born unto trouble, As the sparks fly upward. {5:8} But as for me, I would seek unto God, And unto God would I commit my cause; {5:9} Who does great things and un-searchable, Marvelous things outside number: {5:10} Who gives rain upon the earth, And sends waters upon the fields; {5:11} So that he sets up on high those that are low, And those that grieve are exalted to safety. {5:12} He frustrates the devices of the crafty, So that their hands cannot perform their enterprise. {5:13} He takes the wise in their own craftiness; And the counsel of the cunning is carried headlong. {5:14} They meet with darkness in the day-time, And grope at noonday as in the night. {5:15} But he saves from the sword of their mouth, Even the needy from the hand of the mighty. {5:16} So the poor has hope, And works against law stops her mouth. {5:17} Behold, happy is the man whom God corrects: Therefore despise not you the chastening of the Almighty. {5:18} For he makes sore, and binds up; He wounds, and his hands make whole. {5:19} He will deliver you in six troubles; behold, in seven there shall no evil touch you. {5:20} In famine he will redeem you from death; And in war from the power of the sword. {5:21} you shall be hid from the scourge of the tongue; Neither shall you be afraid of destruction when it comes. {5:22} At destruction and dearth you shall laugh; Neither shall you be afraid of the beasts of the earth. {5:23} For you shall be in league with the stones of the field; And the beasts of the field shall be at peace with you. {5:24} And you shall know that your tent is in peace; And you shall visit your fold, and shall miss nothing. {5:25} you shall know also that your seed shall be great, And your offspring as the grass of the earth. {5:26} you shall come to your grave in a full age, Like as a shock of grain come in, in its season. {5:27} Lo this, we have searched it, so it is; Hear it, and know you it for your good.

{018}6} Job Chapter Six. {6:1} Then Job answered and said, {6:2} Oh that my vexation were but weighed, And all my calamity laid in the balances! {6:3} For now it would be heavier than

the sand of the seas: Therefore have my words been rash. {6:4} For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, The poison where my spirit drinks up: The terrors of God do set themselves in array against me. {6:5} Does the wild donkey bray when he has grass? Or the ox lows over his fodder? {6:6} Can that which has no savor be eaten outside salt? Or is there any taste in the white of an egg? {6:7} My soul refuses to touch [them]; They are as loathsome food to me. {6:8} Oh that I might have my request; And that God would grant [me] the thing that I long for! {6:9} Even that it would please God to crush me; That he would let loose his hand, and cut me off! {6:10} And be it still my consolation, behold, let me exult in pain that spares not, That I have not denied the words of the Holy One. {6:11} What is my strength, that I should wait? And what is mine end, that I should be patient? {6:12} Is my strength the strength of stones? Or is my flesh of brass? {6:13} Is it not that I have no help in me, And that wisdom is driven quite from me? {6:14} To him that is ready to faint kindness [should be showed] from his friend; Even to him that forsakes the fear of the Almighty. {6:15} My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, As the channel of brooks that pass away; {6:16} Which are black by reason of the ice, [And] wherein the snow hides itself: {6:17} What time they wax warm, they vanish; When it is hot, they are consumed out of their place. {6:18} The caravans [that travel] by the way of them turn aside; They go up into the waste, and perish. {6:19} The caravans of Tema looked, The companies of Sheba waited for them. {6:20} They were put to shame because they had hoped; They came there, and were confounded. {6:21} For now you are nothing; you see a terror, and are afraid. {6:22} Did I say, Give unto me? Or, Offer a present for me of your substance? {6:23} Or, Deliver me from the adversary's hand? Or, Redeem me from the hand of the oppressors? {6:24} Teach me, and I will hold my peace; And cause me to understand wherein I have erred. {6:25} How forcible are words of uprightness! But your reproof, what does it reprove? {6:26} Do you think to reprove words, Seeing that the speeches of one that is desperate are as wind? {6:27} behold, you would cast [lots] upon the fatherless, And make merchandise of your friend. {6:28} Now therefore be pleased to look upon me; For surely I shall not lie to your face. {6:29} Return, I pray you, let there be no injustice; behold, return again, my cause is a lawful work. {6:30} Is there injustice on my tongue? Cannot my taste discern mischievous things?

{O187} Job Chapter Seven. {7:1} Is there not a warfare to man upon earth? And are not his days like the days of a hireling? {7:2} As a servant that earnestly desires the shadow, And as a hireling that looks for his wages: {7:3} So am I made to possess moons of misery, And wearisome nights are appointed to me. {7:4} When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and the night be gone? And I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day. {7:5} My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; My skin closes up, and breaks out afresh. {7:6} My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, And are spent outside hope. {7:7} Oh remember that my life is a breath: Mine eye shall no more see good. {7:8} The eye of him that sees me shall behold me no more; your eyes shall be upon me, but I shall not be. {7:9} As the cloud is consumed and vanishes away, So he that goes down to Sheol shall come up no more. {7:10} He shall return no more to his house, Neither shall his place know him any more. {7:11} Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul. {7:12} Am I a sea, or a sea-monster, That you set a watch over me? {7:13} When I say, My bed shall comfort me, My couch shall ease my complaint; {7:14} Then you scare me with dreams, And terrify me through visions: {7:15} So that my soul chooses strangling, And death rather than [these] my bones. {7:16} I loathe [my life]; I would not live always: Let me alone; for my days are vanity. {7:17} What is man, that you should magnify him, And that you should set your mind upon him, {7:18} And that you should visit him every morning, And try him every moment? {7:19} How long will you not look away from me, Nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle? {7:20} If I have sinned, what do I unto you, O you watcher of men? Why have you set me as a mark for you, So that I am a burden to myself? {7:21} And why do you not pardon my transgression of the law, and take away mine works against law? For now shall I lie down in the dust; And you will seek me diligently, but I shall not be.

{O18}8} Job Chapter Eight. {8:1} Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, {8:2} How long will you speak these things? And [how long] shall the words of your mouth be [like] a mighty wind? {8:3} Does God pervert justice? Or does the Almighty pervert lawful works? {8:4} If your children have sinned against him, And he has delivered them into the hand of their transgression of the law; {8:5} If you would seek diligently unto God, And make your supplication to the Almighty; {8:6} If you were pure and upright: Surely now he would awake for you, And make the habitation of your lawful works prosperous. {8:7} And though your beginning was small, yet your latter end would greatly increase. {8:8} For inquire, I pray you, of the former age, And apply yourself to that which their fathers have searched out: {8:9} (For we are but of yesterday, and know nothing, Because our days upon earth are a shadow); {8:10} shall not they teach you, and tell you, And utter words out of their heart? {8:11} Can the rush grow up outside mire? Can the flag grow outside water? {8:12} While it is yet in its greenness, [and] not cut down, It withers before any [other] herb. {8:13} So are the paths of all that forget God; And the hope of the godless man shall perish: {8:14} Whose confidence shall break in sunder, And whose trust is a spider's web. {8:15} He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: He shall hold fast thereby, but it shall not endure. {8:16} He is green before the sun, And his shoots go forth over his garden. {8:17} His roots are wrapped about the [stone] -heap, He beholds the place of stones. {8:18} If he be destroyed from his place, Then it shall deny him, [saying], I have not seen you. {8:19} Behold, this is the joy of his way; And out of the earth shall others spring. {8:20} Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, Neither will he uphold the evil-doers. {8:21} He will yet fill your mouth with laughter, And your lips with shouting. {8:22} They that hate you shall be clothed with shame; And the tent of the wicked shall be no more.

{O18}9} Job Chapter Nine. {9:1} Then Job answered and said, {9:2} Of a truth I know that it is so: But how can man be just with God? {9:3} If he be pleased to contend with him, He cannot answer him one of a thousand. {9:4} [He is] wise in heart, and mighty in strength: Who has hardened himself against him, and prospered?- {9:5} [Him] that removes the mountains, and they know it not, When [mountains] he overturns them in his anger; {9:6} That shakes the earth out of its place, And the pillars of it tremble; {9:7} That commands the sun, and it rises not, And seals up the stars; {9:8} That alone stretches out the heavens, And treads upon the waves of the sea; {9:9} That makes Bear, Orion, and the Pleiades, And the chambers of the south; {9:10} That do great things past finding out, behold, marvellous things outside number. {9:11} Lo, he goes by me, and I see him not: He passes on also, but I perceive him not. {9:12} Behold, he seizes [the prey], who can hinder him? Who will say unto him, What do you do? {9:13} God will not withdraw his anger; The helpers of Rahab do stoop under him. {9:14} How much less shall I answer him, And choose out my words [to reason] with him? {9:15} Whom, though I were lawful in works, yet would I not answer; I would make supplication to my judge. {9:16} If I had called, and he had answered me, yet would I not believe that he heard unto my voice. {9:17} For he breaks me with a tempest, And multiplies my wounds outside cause. {9:18} He will not suffer me to take my breath, But fills me with bitterness. {9:19} If [we speak] of strength, lo, [he is] mighty! And if of justice, Who, [said he], will summon me? {9:20} though I be lawful in works, mine own mouth shall condemn me: though I be perfect, it shall prove me perverse. {9:21} I am perfect; I regard not myself; I despise my life. {9:22} It is all one; therefore I say, He destroys the perfect and the wicked. {9:23} If the scourge slay suddenly, He will mock at the trial of the innocent. {9:24} The earth is given into the hand of the wicked; He covers the faces of the judges there: If [it be] not [he], who then is it? {9:25} Now my days are swifter than a post: They flee away, they see no good, {9:26} They are passed away as the swift ships; As the eagle that swoops upon the prey. {9:27} If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will put off my [sad] countenance, and be of good cheer; {9:28} I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that you will not hold me innocent. {9:29} I shall be condemned; Why then do I labor in vain? {9:30} If I wash myself with snow water, And make my hands never so clean; {9:31} yet will you plunge me in the ditch, And mine own clothes shall abhor me. {9:32} For he is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him,

That we should come together in judgment. {9:33} There is no umpire between us, That might lay his hand upon us both. {9:34} Let him take his rod away from me, And let not his terror make me afraid: {9:35} Then would I speak, and not fear him; For I am not so in myself.

{o18}10} Job Chapter Ten. {10:1} My soul is weary of my life; I will give free course to my complaint; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul. {10:2} I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; show me therefore you contend with me. {10:3} Is it good unto you that you should oppress, That you should despise the work of your hands, And shine upon the counsel of the wicked? {10:4} Have you eyes of flesh? Or sees you as man sees? {10:5} Are your days as the days of man, Or your years as man's days, {10:6} That you inquire after mine works against law, And search after my sin, {10:7} Although you know that I am not wicked, And there is none that can deliver out of your hand? {10:8} Your hands have framed me and fashioned me Together round about; yet you do destroy me. {10:9} Remember, I ask you, that you have fashioned me as clay; And will you bring me into dust again? {10:10} Have you not poured me out as milk, And curdled me like cheese? {10:11} you have clothed me with skin and flesh, And knit me together with bones and sinews. {10:12} you have granted me life and agape loving kindness; And your visitation has preserved my spirit. {10:13} yet these things you did hide in your heart; I know that this is with you: {10:14} If I sin, then you mark me, And you will not acquit me from mine works against law. {10:15} If I be wicked, woe unto me; And if I be lawful in works, yet shall I not lift up my head; Being filled with ignominy, And looking upon mine affliction. {10:16} And if [my head] exalt itself, you hunt me as a lion; And again you show yourself marvellous upon me. {10:17} you renew your witnesses against me, And increase your indignation upon me: Changes and warfare are with me. {10:18} For what reason then have you brought me forth out of the womb? I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me. {10:19} I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave. {10:20} Are not my days few? cease then, And let me alone, that I may take comfort a little, {10:21} Before I go where I shall not return, [Even] to the land of darkness and of the shadow of death; {10:22} The land dark as midnight, [The land] of the shadow of death, outside any order, And where the light is as midnight.

{O18}11} Job Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said, {11:2} Should not the multitude of words be answered? And should a man full of talk be justified? {11:3} Should your boastings make men hold their peace? And when you mock, no man shall make you ashamed? {11:4} For you say, My instructions is pure, And I am clean in your eyes. {11:5} But oh that God would speak, And open his lips against you, {11:6} And that he would show you the secrets of wisdom! For he is manifold in understanding. Know therefore that God exacts of you less than your works against law deserves. {11:7} Can you by searching find out God? Can you find out the Almighty unto perfection? {11:8} It is high as heaven; what can you do? Deeper than Sheol; what can you know? {11:9} The measure of it is longer than the earth, And broader than the sea. {11:10} If he pass through, and shut up, And all unto judgment, then who can hinder him? {11:11} For he knows false men: He sees works against law also, even though he consider it not. {11:12} But vain man is void of understanding, behold, man is born [as] a wild ass's colt. {11:13} If you set your heart aright, And stretch out your hands toward him; {11:14} If works against law be in your hand, put it far away, And let not [illegal] works outside law dwell in your tents. {11:15} Surely then shall you lift up your face outside spot; behold, you shall be steadfast, and shall not fear: {11:16} For you shall forget your misery; you shall remember it as waters that are passed away, {11:17} And [your] life shall be clearer than the noonday; though there be darkness, it shall be as the morning. {11:18} And you shall be secure, because there is hope; behold, you shall search [about you], and shall take your rest in safety. {11:19} Also you shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid; behold, many shall make suit unto you. {11:20} But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, And they shall have no way to flee; And their hope shall be the giving up of the ghost.

{O18}12} Job Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Then Job answered and said, {12:2} No doubt but you are the people, And wisdom shall die with you. {12:3} But I have understanding as well as you; I am not inferior to you: behold, who knows not such things as these? {12:4} I am as one that is a laughing-stock to his neighbor, I who called upon God, and he answered: The just, the perfect man is a laughing-stock. {12:5} In the thought of him that is at ease there is contempt for misfortune; It is ready for them whose foot slips. {12:6} The tents of robbers prosper, And they that provoke God are secure; Into whose hand God brings[abundantly]. {12:7} But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach you; And the birds of the heavens, and they shall tell you: {12:8} Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach you; And the fishes of the sea shall declare unto you. {12:9} Who knows not in all these, That the hand of Yahweh has wrought this, {12:10} In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, And the breath of all mankind? {12:11} Does not the ear try words, Even as the palate tastes its food? {12:12} With aged men is wisdom, And in length of days understanding. {12:13} With [God] is wisdom and might; He has counsel and understanding. {12:14} Behold, he breaks down, and it cannot be built again; He shuts up a man, and there can be no opening. {12:15} Behold, he withholds the waters, and they dry up; Again, he sends them out, and they overturn the earth. {12:16} With him is strength and wisdom; The deceived and the deceiver are his. {12:17} He leads counselors away stripped, And judges he makes fools. {12:18} He loosen the bond of kings, And he binds their loins with a girdle. {12:19} He leads priests away stripped, And overthrows the mighty. {12:20} He removes the speech of the trusty, And takes away the understanding of the elders. {12:21} He pours contempt upon princes, And looses the belt of the strong. {12:22} He uncovers deep things out of darkness, And brings out to light the shadow of death. {12:23} He increases the nations, and he destroys them: He enlarges the nations, and he leads them captive. {12:24} He takes away understanding from the chiefs of the people of the earth, And causes them to wander in a wilderness where there is no way. {12:25} They grope in the dark outside light; And he makes them to stagger like a drunk man.

{O18}13} Job Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Lo, mine eye has seen all [this], Mine ear has heard and understood it. {13:2} What you know, [the same] do I know also: I am not inferior unto you. {13:3} Surely I would speak to the Almighty, And I desire to reason with God. {13:4} But you are forgers of lies; you are all physicians of no value. {13:5} Oh that you would altogether hold your peace! And it would be your wisdom. {13:6} Hear now my reasoning, And hear to the pleadings of my lips. {13:7} Will you speak un-lawfully for God, And talk deceitfully for him? {13:8} Will you show partiality to him? Will you contend for God? {13:9} Is it good that he should search you out? Or as one deceives a man, will you deceive him? {13:10} He will surely reprove you If you do secretly show partiality. {13:11} shall not his majesty make you afraid, And his dread fall upon you? {13:12} Your memorable sayings are proverbs of ashes, Your defenses are defenses of clay. {13:13} Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak; And let come on me what will. {13:14} Therefore should I take my flesh in my teeth, And put my life in my hand? {13:15} Behold, he will slay me; I have no hope: Nevertheless I will maintain my ways before him. {13:16} This also shall be my salvation, That a godless man shall not come before him. {13:17} Hear diligently my speech, And let my declaration be in your ears. {13:18} Behold now, I have set my cause in order; I know that I am working lawfully. {13:19} Who is he that will contend with me? For then would I hold my peace and give up the ghost. {13:20} Only do not two things unto me; Then will I not hide myself from your face: {13:21} Withdraw your hand far from me; And let not your terror make me afraid. {13:22} Then call you, and I will answer; Or let me speak, and answer you me. {13:23} How many are mine iniquities and sins? Make me to know my transgression of the law and my sin. {13:24} Therefore hide you your face, And hold me for your enemy? {13:25} Will you harass a driven leaf? And will you pursue the dry stubble? {13:26} For you write bitter things against me, And make me to inherit the iniquities of my youth: {13:27} you put my feet also in the stocks, And mark all my paths; you set a bound to the soles of my feet: {13:28} though I am like a rotten thing that consumes, Like a garment that is moth-eaten.

{O18}14} Job Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Man, that is born of a woman, Is of few days, and full of trouble. {14:2} He comes forth like a 4.n your eyes upon such a one, And brings me into judgment with you? {14:4} Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one. {14:5} Seeing his days are determined, The number of his moons is with you, And you have appointed his bounds that he cannot pass; {14:6} Look away from him, that he may rest, Till he shall accomplish, as a hireling, his day. {14:7} For there is hope of a tree, If it be cut down, that it will sprout again, And that the tender branch of it will not cease. {14:8} though the root of it wax old in the earth, And the stock of it die in the ground; {14:9} yet through the scent of water it will bud, And put forth boughs like a plant. {14:10} But man dies, and is laid low: behold, man gives up the ghost, and where is he? {14:11} [As] the waters fail from the sea, And the river decays sand dries up; {14:12} So man lies down and rises not: Till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, Nor be roused out of their sleep. {14:13} Oh that you would hide me in Sheol, That you would keep me secret, until your Anger be past, That you would appoint me a set time, and remember me! {14:14} If a man die, shall he live [again]? All the days of my warfare would I wait, Till my release should come. {14:15} you would call, and I would answer you: you would have a desire to the work of your hands. {14:16} But now you number my steps: Do you not watch over my sin? {14:17} My transgression of the law is sealed up in a bag, And you fasten up mine works against law. {14:18} But the mountain falling comes to nothing; And the rock is removed out of its place; {14:19} The waters wear the stones; The overflowings of it wash away the dust of the earth: So you destroys the hope of man. {14:20} you prevail forever against him, and he passes; you change his countenance, and send him away. {14:21} His sons come to honor, and he knows it not; And they are brought low, but he perceives it not of them. {14:22} But his flesh upon him has pain, And his soul within him grieves.

{o18}15} Job Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said, {15:2} Should a wise man make answer with vain knowledge, And fill himself with the east wind? {15:3} Should he reason with unprofitable talk, Or with speeches by which he can do no good? {15:4} behold, you do away with fear, And hinder devotion before God. {15:5} For your works against law teaches your mouth, And you choose the tongue of the crafty. {15:6} your own mouth condemns you, and not I; behold, your own lips testify against you. {15:7} are you the first man that was born? Or was you brought forth before the hills? {15:8} Have you heard the secret counsel of God? And do you limit wisdom to yourself? {15:9} What do you know, that we know not? What do you understand, which is not in us? {15:10} With us are both the gray-headed and the very aged men, Much elder than your father. {15:11} Are the consolations of God too small for you, Even the word that is gentle toward you? {15:12} Why does your heart carry you away? And why do your eyes flash, {15:13} That against God you turn your spirit, And let words go out of your mouth? {15:14} What is man, that he should be clean? And he that is born of a woman, that he should be working lawfully? {15:15} Behold, he puts no trust in his holy ones; behold, the heavens are not clean in his sight: {15:16} How much less one that is abominable and corrupt, A man that drinks works against law like water! {15:17} I will show you, hear you me; And that which I have seen I will declare: {15:18} (Which wise men have told from their fathers, and have not hid it; {15:19} Unto whom alone the land was given, And no stranger passed among them): {15:20} The wicked man travails with pain all his days, Even the number of years that are laid up for the oppressor. {15:21} A sound of terrors is in his ears; In prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him. {15:22} He believes not that he shall return out of darkness, And he is waited for of the sword. {15:23} He wanders abroad for bread, [saying], Where is it? He knows that the day of darkness is ready at his hand. {15:24} Distress and anguish make him afraid; They prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle. {15:25} Because he has stretched out his hand against God, And behaves himself proudly against the Almighty; {15:26} He runs upon him with a [stiff] neck, With the thick bosses of his bucklers; {15:27} Because he has covered his face with his fatness, And gathered fat upon his loins; {15:28} And he has lived in desolate cities, In houses which no man inhabited, Which were ready to become heaps;

{15:29} He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, Neither shall their possessions be extended on the earth. {15:30} He shall not depart out of darkness; The flame shall dry up his branches, And by the breath of [God's] mouth shall he go away. {15:31} Let him not trust in vanity, deceiving himself; For vanity shall be his recompense. {15:32} It shall be accomplished before his time, And his branch shall not be green. {15:33} He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, And shall cast off his flower as the olive-tree. {15:34} For the company of the godless shall be barren, And fire shall consume the tents of bribery. {15:35} They conceive mischief, and bring forth works against law, And their heart prepares deceit.

{O18}16} Job Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Then Job answered and said, {16:2} I have heard many such things: Miserable comforters are you all. {16:3} shall vain words have an end? Or what provokes you that you answer? {16:4} I also could speak as you do; If your soul were in my soul's stead, I could join words together against you, And shake my head at you. {16:5} [But] I would strengthen you with my mouth, And the solace of my lips would assuage [your grief]. {16:6} though I speak, my grief is not assuaged; And though I forbear, what am I eased? {16:7} But now he has made me weary: you have made desolate all my company. {16:8} And you have laid fast hold on me, [which] is a witness [against me]: And my leanness rises up against me, It testifies to my face. {16:9} He has torn me in his Anger, and persecuted me; He has gnashed upon me with his teeth: Mine adversary sharpens his eyes upon me. {16:10} They have gaped upon me with their mouth; They have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully: They gather themselves together against me. {16:11} God delivers me to the ungodly, And casts me into the hands of the wicked. {16:12} I was at ease, and he brake me asunder; behold, he has taken me by the neck, and dashed me to pieces: He has also set me up for his mark. {16:13} His archers compass me round about; He cleaves my reins asunder, and does not spare; He pours out my gall upon the ground. {16:14} He breaks me with breach upon breach; He runs upon me like a giant. {16:15} I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, And have laid my horn in the dust. {16:16} My face is red with weeping, And on my eyelids is the shadow of death; {16:17} Although there is no violence in my hands, And my prayer is pure. {16:18} O earth, cover not you my blood, And let my cry have no [resting] -place. {16:19} Even now, behold, my witness is in heaven, And he that vouches for me is on high. {16:20} My friends scoff at me: [But] mine eye pours out tears unto God, {16:21} That he would maintain the right of a man with God, And of a son of man with his neighbor! {16:22} For when a few years are come, I shall go the way where I shall not return.

{O18}17} Job Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} My spirit is consumed, my days are extinct, The grave is [ready] for me. {17:2} Surely there are mockers with me, And mine eye dwells upon their provocation. {17:3} Give now a pledge, be for a guarantee for me with yourself; Who is there that will strike hands with me? {17:4} For you have hid their heart from understanding: Therefore shall you not exalt [them]. {17:5} He that denounces his friends for a prey, Even the eyes of his children shall fail. {17:6} But he has made me a byword of the people; And they spit in my face. {17:7} Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, And all my members are as a shadow. {17:8} Upright men shall be astonished at this, And the innocent shall stir up himself against the godless. {17:9} yet shall the lawful worker hold on his way, And he that has clean hands shall wax stronger and stronger. {17:10} But as for you all, come on now again; And I shall not find a wise man among you. {17:11} My days are past, my purposes are broken off, Even the thoughts of my heart. {17:12} They change the night into day: The light, [say they], is near unto the darkness. {17:13} If I look for Sheol as my house; If I have spread my couch in the darkness; {17:14} If I have said to corruption, you are my father; To the worm, [you are] my mother, and my sister; {17:15} Where then is my hope? And as for my hope, who shall see it? {17:16} It shall go down to the bars of Sheol, When once there is rest in the dust.

{O18}18} Job Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, {18:2} How long will you hunt for words? Consider, and afterwards we will speak. {18:3} Therefore are we counted as beasts, [And] are become unclean in your sight? {18:4} you that tear yourself in

your anger, shall the earth be forsaken for you? Or shall the rock be removed out of its place? {18:5} behold, the light of the wicked shall be put out, And the spark of his fire shall not shine. {18:6} The light shall be dark in his tent, And his lamp above him shall be put out. {18:7} The steps of his strength shall be straitened, And his own counsel shall cast him down. {18:8} For he is cast into a net by his own feet, And he walks upon the toils. {18:9} A gin shall take [him] by the heel, [And] a snare shall lay hold on him. {18:10} A noose is hid for him in the ground, And a trap for him in the way. {18:11} Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, And shall chase him at his heels. {18:12} His strength shall be hunger-bitten, And calamity shall be ready at his side. {18:13} The members of his body shall be devoured, [behold], the first-born of death shall devour his members. {18:14} He shall be rooted out of his tent where he trust; And he shall be brought to the king of terrors. {18:15} There shall dwell in his tent that which is none of his: Brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation. {18:16} His roots shall be dried up beneath, And above shall his branch be cut off. {18:17} His remembrance shall perish from the earth, And he shall have no name in the street. {18:18} He shall be driven from light into darkness, And chased out of the world. {18:19} He shall have neither son nor son's son among his people, Nor any remaining where he sojourned. {18:20} They that come after shall be astonished at his day, As they that went before were affrighted. {18:21} Surely such are the dwellings of the worker against the law, And this is the place of him that knows not God.

{O18}19} Job Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} Then Job answered and said, {19:2} How long will you vex my soul, And break me in pieces with words? {19:3} These ten times have you reproached me: you are not ashamed that you deal hardly with me. {19:4} And be it indeed that I have erred, Mine error remains with myself. {19:5} If indeed you will magnify yourselves against me, And plead against me my reproach; {19:6} Know now that God has subverted me [in my cause], And has around me with his net. {19:7} Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry for help, but there is no justice. {19:8} He has walled up my way that I cannot pass, And has set darkness in my paths. {19:9} He has stripped me of my glory, And taken the crown from my head. {19:10} He has broken me down on every side, and I am gone; And my hope has he plucked up like a tree. {19:11} He has also kindled his Anger against me, And he counts me unto him as [one of] his adversaries. {19:12} His troops come on together, And cast up their way against me, And encamp round about my tent. {19:13} He has put my brethren far from me, And mine acquaintance are wholly estranged from me. {19:14} My kinsfolk have failed, And my familiar friends have forgotten me. {19:15} They that dwell in my house, and my maids, count me for a stranger; I am an alien in their sight. {19:16} I call unto my servant, and he gives me no answer, [though] I entreat him with my mouth. {19:17} My breath is strange to my wife, And my supplication to the children of mine own mother. {19:18} Even young children despise me; If I arise, they speak against me. {19:19} All my familiar friends abhor me, And they whom I agape loved are turned against me. {19:20} My bone cleaves to my skin and to my flesh, And I am escaped with the skin of my teeth. {19:21} Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O you my friends; For the hand of God has touched me. {19:22} Why do you persecute me as God, And are not satisfied with my flesh? {19:23} Oh that my words were now written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! {19:24} That with an iron pen and lead They were graven in the rock forever! {19:25} But as for me I know that my Redeemer lives, And at last he will stand up upon the earth: {19:26} And after my skin, [even] this [body], is destroyed, Then outside my flesh shall I see God; {19:27} Whom I, even I, shall see, on my side, And mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger. My heart is consumed within me. {19:28} If you say, How we will persecute him! And that the root of the matter is found in me; {19:29} Be you afraid of the sword: For Anger [brings] the punishments of the sword, That you may know there is a judgment.

{O18}20} Job Chapter Twenty. {20:1} Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said, {20:2} Therefore do my thoughts give answer to me, Even by reason of my haste that is in me. {20:3} I have heard the reproof which puts me to shame; And the spirit of my understanding answers me. {20:4} Know you [not] this of old time, Since man was placed upon earth, {20:5}

That the triumphing of the wicked is short, And the joy of the godless but for a moment? {20:6} though his height mount up to the heavens, And his head reach unto the clouds; {20:7} yet he shall perish forever like his own dung: They that have seen him shall say, Where is he? {20:8} He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: behold, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night. {20:9} The eye which saw him shall see him no more; Neither shall his place any more behold him. {20:10} His children shall seek the favor of the poor, And his hands shall give back his wealth. {20:11} His bones are full of his youth, But it shall lie down with him in the dust. {20:12} though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, though he hide it under his tongue, {20:13} though he spare it, and will not let it go, But keep it still within his mouth; {20:14} yet his food in his bowels is turned, It is the gall of asps within him. {20:15} He has swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again; God will cast them out of his belly. {20:16} He shall suck the poison of asps: The viper's tongue shall slay him. {20:17} He shall not look upon the rivers, The flowing streams of honey and butter. {20:18} That which he labored for shall he restore, and shall not swallow it down; According to the substance that he has gotten, he shall not rejoice. {20:19} For he has oppressed and forsaken the poor; He has violently taken away a house, and he shall not build it up. {20:20} Because he knew no quietness within him, He shall not save anything of that wherein he delight. {20:21} There was nothing left that he devoured not; Therefore his prosperity shall not endure. {20:22} In the fullness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: The hand of everyone that is in misery shall come upon him. {20:23} When he is about to fill his belly, [God] will cast the fierceness of his Anger upon him, And will rain it upon him while he is eating. {20:24} He shall flee from the iron weapon, And the bow of brass shall strike him through. {20:25} He draws it forth, and it comes out of his body; behold, the glittering point comes out of his gall: Terrors are upon him. {20:26} All darkness is laid up for his treasures: A fire not blown [by man] shall devour him; It shall consume that which is left in his tent. {20:27} The heavens shall reveal his works against law, And the earth shall rise up against him. {20:28} The increase of his house shall depart; [His goods] shall flow away in the day of his Anger. {20:29} This is the portion of a wicked man from God, And the heritage appointed unto him by God.

{O18}21} Job Chapter Chapter TwentyOne. {21:1} Then Job answered and said, {21:2} Hear diligently my speech; And let this be your consolations. {21:3} Suffer me, and I also will speak; And after that I have spoken, mock on. {21:4} As for me, is my complaint to man? And why should I not be impatient? {21:5} Mark me, and be astonished, And lay your hand upon your mouth. {21:6} Even when I remember I am troubled, And horror takes hold on my flesh. {21:7} Therefore do the wicked live, Become old, behold, wax mighty in power? {21:8} Their seed is established with them in their sight, And their offspring before their eyes. {21:9} Their houses are safe from fear, Neither is the rod of God upon them. {21:10} Their bull genders, and fails not; Their cow calves, and casts not her calf. {21:11} They send forth their little ones like a flock, And their children dance. {21:12} They sing to the timbrel and harp, And rejoice at the sound of the pipe. {21:13} They spend their days in prosperity, And in a moment they go down to Sheol. {21:14} And they say unto God, Depart from us; For we desire not the knowledge of your ways. {21:15} What is the Almighty, that we should serve him? And what profit should we have, if we pray unto him? {21:16} Lo, their prosperity is not in their hand: The counsel of the wicked is far from me. {21:17} How oft is it that the lamp of the wicked is put out? That their calamity comes upon them? That [God] distributes sorrows in his anger? {21:18} That they are as stubble before the wind, And as chaff that the storm carries away? {21:19} [you say], God lays up his works against law for his children. Let him recompense it unto himself, that he may know it: {21:20} Let his own eyes see his destruction, And let him drink of the Anger of the Almighty. {21:21} For what cares he for his house after him, When the number of his moons is cut off? {21:22} shall any teach God knowledge, Seeing he judges those that are high? {21:23} One dies in his full strength, Being wholly at ease and quiet: {21:24} His pails are full of milk, And the marrow of his bones is moistened. {21:25} And another dies in bitterness of soul, And never tastes of good.

{21:26} They lie down alike in the dust, And the worm covers them. {21:27} Behold, I know your thoughts, And the devices by which you would wrong me. {21:28} For you say, Where is the house of the prince? And where is the tent wherein the wicked dwelt? {21:29} Have you not asked wayfaring men? And do you not know their evidences, {21:30} That the evil man is reserved to the day of calamity? That they are led forth to the day of Anger? {21:31} Who shall declare his way to his face? And who shall repay him what he has done? {21:32} yet shall he be borne to the grave, And men shall keep watch over the tomb. {21:33} The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, And all men shall draw after him, As there were innumerable before him. {21:34} How then comfort you me in vain, Seeing in your answers there remains[only] falsehood?

{O18}22} Job Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said, {22:2} Can a man be profitable unto God? Surely he that is wise is profitable unto himself. {22:3} Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that you are a lawful worker? Or is it gain [to him], that you make your ways perfect? {22:4} Is it for your fear [of him] that he reproves you, That he enters with you into judgment? {22:5} Is not your wickedness great? Neither is there any end to your works against law. {22:6} For you have taken pledges of your brother for nothing, And stripped the naked of their clothing. {22:7} you have not given water to the weary to drink, And you have withheld bread from the hungry. {22:8} But as for the mighty man, he had the earth; And the honorable man, he lived in it. {22:9} you have sent widows away empty, And the arms of the fatherless have been broken. {22:10} Therefore snares are round about you, And sudden fear troubles you, {22:11} Or darkness, so that you Cannot see, And abundance of waters cover you. {22:12} Is not God in the height of heaven? And behold the height of the stars, how high they are! {22:13} And you say, What does God know? Can he judge through the thick darkness? {22:14} Thick clouds are a covering to him, so that he sees not; And he walks on the vault of heaven. {22:15} Will you keep the old way Which wicked men have trodden? {22:16} Who were snatched away before their time, Whose foundation was poured out as a stream, {22:17} Who said unto God, Depart from us; And, What can the Almighty do for us? {22:18} yet he filled their houses with good things: But the counsel of the wicked is far from me. {22:19} The lawful worker see it, and are glad; And the innocent laugh them to scorn, {22:20} [Saying], Surely they that did rise up against us are cut off, And the remnant of them the fire has consumed. {22:21} Acquaint now yourself with him, and be at peace: Thereby good shall come unto you. {22:22} Receive, I pray you, the law from his mouth, And lay up his words in your heart. {22:23} If you return to the Almighty, you shall be built up, If you put away [illegal] works outside law far from your tents. {22:24} And lay you [your] treasure in the dust, And [the gold of] Ophir among the stones of the brooks; {22:25} And the Almighty will be your treasure, And precious silver unto you. {22:26} For then shall you delight yourself in the Almighty, And shall lift up your face unto God. {22:27} you shall make your prayer unto him, and he will hear you; And you shall pay your vows. {22:28} you shall also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto you; And light shall shine upon your ways. {22:29} When they cast [you] down, you shall say, [There is] lifting up; And the humble person he will save. {22:30} He will deliver [even] him that is not innocent: behold, he shall be delivered through the cleanness of your hands.

{O18}23} Job Chapter TwentyThree. {23:1} Then Job answered and said, {23:2} Even to-day is my complaint rebellious: My stroke is heavier than my groaning. {23:3} Oh that I knew where I might find him! That I might come even to his seat! {23:4} I would set my cause in order before him, And fill my mouth with arguments. {23:5} I would know the words which he would answer me, And understand what he would say unto me. {23:6} Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed unto me. {23:7} There the upright might reason with him; So should I be delivered forever from my judge. {23:8} Behold, I go forward, but he is not [there]; And backward, but I cannot perceive him; {23:9} On the left hand, when he does work, but I cannot behold him; He hides himself on the right hand, that I cannot see him. {23:10} But he knows the way that I take; When he has tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

{23:11} My foot has held fast to his steps; His way have I kept, and turned not aside. {23:12} I have not gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have treasured up the words of his mouth more than my necessary food. {23:13} But he is in one [mind], and who can turn him? And what his soul desires, even that he does. {23:14} For he performs that which is appointed for me: And many such things are with him. {23:15} Therefore am I terrified at his presence; When I consider, I am afraid of him. {23:16} For God has made my heart faint, And the Almighty has terrified me; {23:17} Because I was not cut off before the darkness, Neither did he cover the thick darkness from my face.

{O18}24} Job Chapter TwentyFour. {24:1} Why are times not laid up by the Almighty? And why do not they that know him see his days? {24:2} There are that remove the landmarks; They violently take away flocks, and feed them. {24:3} They drive away the donkey of the fatherless; They take the widow's ox for a pledge. {24:4} They turn the needy out of the way: The poor of the earth all hide themselves. {24:5} Behold, as wild donkeys in the desert They go forth to their work, seeking diligently for food; The wilderness [yields] them bread for their children. {24:6} They cut their provender in the field; And they glean the vintage of the wicked. {24:7} They lie all night naked outside clothing, And have no covering in the cold. {24:8} They are wet with the showers of the mountains, And embrace the rock for want of a shelter. {24:9} There are that pluck the fatherless from the breast, And take a pledge of the poor; {24:10} [So that] they go about naked outside clothing, And being hungry they carry the sheaves. {24:11} They make oil within the walls of these men; They tread [their] winepresses, and suffer thirst. {24:12} From out of the populous city men groan, And the soul of the wounded cries out: yet God regards not the folly. {24:13} These are of them that rebel against the light; They know not the ways there, Nor abide in the paths there. {24:14} The murderer rises with the light; He kills the poor and needy; And in the night he is as a thief. {24:15} The eye also of the adulterer waits for the twilight, Saying, No eye shall see me: And he disguises his face. {24:16} In the dark they dig through houses: They shut themselves up in the day-time; They know not the light. {24:17} For the morning is to all of them as thick darkness; For they know the terrors of the thick darkness. {24:18} Swiftly they [pass away] upon the face of the waters; Their portion is cursed in the earth: They turn not into the way of the vineyards. {24:19} Drought and heat consume the snow waters: [So does] Sheol [those that] have sinned. {24:20} The womb shall forget him; The worm shall feed sweetly on him; He shall be no more remembered; And [illegal] works outside law shall be broken as a tree. {24:21} He devours the barren that bears not, And does not good to the widow. {24:22} yet [God] preserves the mighty by his power: He rises up that has no assurance of life. {24:23} [God] gives them to be in security, and they rest thereon; And his eyes are upon their ways. {24:24} They are exalted; yet a little while, and they are gone; behold, they are brought low, they are taken out of the way as all others, And are cut off as the tops of the ears of grain. {24:25} And if it be not so now, who will prove me a liar, And make my speech nothing worth?

{O18}25} Job TwentyFive. {25:1} Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, {25:2} Dominion and fear are with him; He makes peace in his high places. {25:3} Is there any number of his armies? And upon whom does not his light arise? {25:4} How then can man be just with God? Or how can he be clean that is born of a woman? {25:5} Behold, even the moon has no brightness, And the stars are not pure in his sight: {25:6} How much less man, that is a worm! And the son of man, that is a worm!

{O18}26} Job Chapter TwentySix. {26:1} Then Job answered and said, {26:2} How have you helped him that is outside power! How have you saved the arm that has no strength! {26:3} How have you counseled him that has no wisdom, And plentifully declared sound knowledge! {26:4} To whom have you uttered words? And whose spirit came forth from you? {26:5} They that are deceased tremble Beneath the waters and the inhabitants there. {26:6} Sheol is naked

before [God], And Abaddon has no covering. {26:7} He stretches out the north over empty space, And hangs the earth upon nothing. {26:8} He binds up the waters in his thick clouds; And the cloud is not rent under them. {26:9} He encloses the face of his throne, And spreads his cloud upon it. {26:10} He has described a boundary upon the face of the waters, Unto the confines of light and darkness. {26:11} The pillars of heaven tremble And are astonished at his rebuke. {26:12} He stirs up the sea with his power, And by his understanding he smites through Rahab. {26:13} By his Spirit the heavens are garnished; His hand has pierced the swift serpent. {26:14} Lo, these are but the outskirts of his ways: And how small a whisper do we hear of him! But the thunder of his power who can understand?

{O18}27} Job Chapter Twenty Seven. {27:1} And Job again took up his parable, and said, {27:2} As God lives, who has taken away my right, And the Almighty, who has vexed my soul: {27:3} (For my life is yet whole in me, And the spirit of God is in my nostrils); {27:4} Surely my lips shall not speak [illegal] works outside law, Neither shall my tongue utter deceit. {27:5} Far be it from me that I should justify you: Till I die I will not put away mine integrity from me. {27:6} My [legal] works in the law, I hold fast, and will not let it go: My heart shall not reproach [me] so long as I live. {27:7} Let mine enemy be as the wicked, And let him that rises up against me be as the [illegal] works against law. {27:8} For what is the hope of the godless, though he get him gain, When God takes away his soul? {27:9} Will God hear his cry, When trouble comes upon him? {27:10} Will he delight himself in the Almighty, And call upon God at all times? {27:11} I will teach you concerning the hand of God; That which is with the Almighty will I not conceal. {27:12} Behold, all you yourselves have seen it; Why then are you become altogether vain? {27:13} This is the portion of a wicked man with God, And the heritage of oppressors, which they receive from the Almighty: {27:14} If his children be multiplied, it is for the sword; And his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread. {27:15} Those that remain of him shall be buried in death, And his widows shall make no lamentation. {27:16} though he heap up silver as the dust, And prepare raiment as the clay; {27:17} He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, And the innocent shall divide the silver. {27:18} He builds his house as the moth, And as a temporary shelter which the keeper makes. {27:19} He lies down rich, but he shall not be gathered [to his fathers]; He opens his eyes, and he is not. {27:20} Terrors overtake him like waters; A tempest steals him away in the night. {27:21} The east wind carries him away, and he departs; And it sweeps him out of his place. {27:22} For [God] shall hurl at him, and not spare: He would fain flee out of his hand. {27:23} Men shall clap their hands at him, And shall hiss him out of his place.

{O18}28} Job Chapter Twenty Eight. {28:1} Surely there is a mine for silver, And a place for gold which they refine. {28:2} Iron is taken out of the earth, And copper is molten out of the stone. {28:3} [Man] sets an end to darkness, And searches out, to the furthest bound, The stones of obscurity and of thick darkness. {28:4} He breaks open a shaft away from where men sojourn; They are forgotten of the foot; They hang afar from men, they swing to and fro. {28:5} As for the earth, out of it comes bread; And underneath it is turned up as it were by fire. {28:6} The stones of it are the place of sapphires, And it has dust of gold. {28:7} That path no bird of prey knows, Neither has the falcon's eye seen it: {28:8} The proud beasts have not trodden it, Nor has the fierce lion passed thereby. {28:9} He puts forth his hand upon the flinty rock; He overturns the mountains by the roots. {28:10} He cuts out channels among the rocks; And his eye sees every precious thing. {28:11} He binds the streams that they trickle not; And the thing that is hid brings he forth to light. {28:12} But where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? {28:13} Man knows not the price there; Neither is it found in the land of the living. {28:14} The deep said, It is not in me; And the sea said, It is not with me. {28:15} It cannot be gotten for gold, Neither shall silver be weighed for the price there. {28:16} It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, With the precious onyx, or the sapphire. {28:17} Gold and glass cannot equal it, Neither shall it be exchanged for jewels of fine gold. {28:18} No mention shall be

made of coral or of crystal: behold, the price of wisdom is above rubies. {28:19} The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, Neither shall it be valued with pure gold. {28:20} Where then comes wisdom? And where is the place of understanding? {28:21} Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, And kept close from the birds of the heavens. {28:22} Destruction and Death say, We have heard a rumor of it with our ears. {28:23} God understands the way there, And he knows the place there. {28:24} For he looks to the ends of the earth, And sees under the whole heaven; {28:25} To make a weight for the wind: behold, he meters out the waters by measure. {28:26} When he made a decree for the rain, And a way for the lightning of the thunder; {28:27} Then did he see it, and declare it; He established it, behold, and searched it out. {28:28} And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; And to depart from evil is understanding.

{O18}29} Job Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} And Job again took up his parable, and said, {29:2} Oh that I were as in the moons of old, As in the days when God watched over me; {29:3} When his lamp shined upon my head, And by his light I walked through darkness; {29:4} As I was in the ripeness of my days, When the friendship of God was upon my tent; {29:5} When the Almighty was yet with me, And my children were about me; {29:6} When my steps were washed with butter, And the rock poured me out streams of oil! {29:7} When I went forth to the gate unto the city, When I prepared my seat in the street, {29:8} The young men saw me and hid themselves, And the aged rose up and stood; {29:9} The princes refrained from talking, And laid their hand on their mouth; {29:10} The voice of the nobles was hushed, And their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth. {29:11} For when the ear heard [me], then it blessed me; And when the eye saw [me], it gave witness unto me: {29:12} Because I delivered the poor that cried, The fatherless also, that had none to help him. {29:13} The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me; And I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy. {29:14} I put on good works, and it clothed me: My justice was as a robe and a diadem. {29:15} I was eyes to the blind, And feet was I to the lame. {29:16} I was a father to the needy: And the cause of him that I knew not I searched out. {29:17} And I brake the jaws of the [illegal] worker of the law, And plucked the prey out of his teeth. {29:18} Then I said, I shall die in my nest, And I shall multiply my days as the sand: {29:19} My root is spread out to the waters, And the dew lies all night upon my branch; {29:20} My glory is fresh in me, And my bow is renewed in my hand. {29:21} Unto me men gave ear, and waited, And kept silence for my counsel. {29:22} After my words they spoke not again; And my speech distilled upon them. {29:23} And they waited for me as for the rain; And they opened their mouth wide [as] for the latter rain. {29:24} I smiled on them, when they had no confidence; And the light of my countenance they cast not down. {29:25} I chose out their way, and sat [as] chief, And lived as a king in the army, As one that comforts the grievous.

{O18}30} Job Chapter Thirty. {30:1} But now they that are younger than I have me in derision, Whose fathers I disdained to set with the dogs of my flock. {30:2} behold, the strength of their hands, where should it profit me? Men in whom ripe age is perished. {30:3} They are gaunt with want and famine; They gnaw the dry ground, in the gloom of wastefulness and desolation. {30:4} They pluck Mallow by the bushes; And the roots of the broom are their food. {30:5} They are driven forth from the midst [of men]; They cry after them as after a thief; {30:6} So that they dwell in frightful valleys, In holes of the earth and of the rocks. {30:7} Among the bushes they bray; Under the nettles they are gathered together. {30:8} [They are] children of fools, behold, children of base men; They were scourged out of the land. {30:9} And now I am become their song, behold, I am a byword unto them. {30:10} They abhor me, they stand aloof from me, And spare not to spit in my face. {30:11} For he has loosed his cord, and afflicted me; And they have cast off the bridle before me. {30:12} Upon my right hand rise the rabble; They thrust aside my feet, And they cast up against me their ways of destruction. {30:13} They mar my path, They set forward my calamity, [Even] men that have no helper. {30:14} As through a wide breach they come: In the midst of the ruin they roll themselves [upon me]. {30:15} Terrors are turned upon me; They chase mine honor as the wind; And my welfare is passed away as a cloud. {30:16} And now my soul is poured out within me; Days of affliction have taken hold upon me.

{30:17} In the night season my bones are pierced in me, And the [pains] that gnaw me take no rest. {30:18} By [God's] great force is my garment disfigured; It binds me about as the collar of my coat. {30:19} He has cast me into the mire, And I am become like dust and ashes. {30:20} I cry unto you, and you do not answer me: I stand up, and you gaze at me. {30:21} you are turned to be cruel to me; With the might of your hand you persecute me. {30:22} you lift me up to the wind, you cause me to ride [upon it]; And you dissolve me in the storm. {30:23} For I know that you will bring me to death, And to the house appointed for all living. {30:24} However does not one stretch out the hand in his fall? Or in his calamity therefore cry for help? {30:25} Did not I weep for him that was in trouble? Was not my soul grieved for the needy? {30:26} When I looked for good, then evil came; And when I waited for light, there came darkness. {30:27} My heart is troubled, and rests not; Days of affliction are come upon me. {30:28} I go grieving outside the sun: I stand up in the Ekklesia, and cry for help. {30:29} I am a brother to jackals, And a companion to ostriches. {30:30} My skin is black, [and falls] from me, And my bones are burned with heat. {30:31} Therefore is my harp [turned] to grieving, And my pipe into the voice of them that weep.

{O18}31} Job Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} I made a covenant with mine eyes; How then should I look upon a virgin? {31:2} For what is the portion from God above, And the heritage from the Almighty on high? {31:3} Is it not calamity to the worker against law, And disaster to the workers of works against law? {31:4} Does not he see my ways, And number all my steps? {31:5} If I have walked with falsehood, And my foot has hurried to deceit {31:6} (Let me be weighed in an even balance, That God may know mine integrity); {31:7} If my step has turned out of the way, And my heart walked after mine eyes, And if any spot has cleaved to my hands: {31:8} Then let me sow, and let another eat; behold, let the produce of my field be rooted out. {31:9} If my heart has been enticed unto a woman, And I have laid wait at my neighbor's door; {31:10} Then let my wife grind unto another, And let others bow down upon her. {31:11} For that were a heinous crime; behold, it were an work against law to be punished by the judges: {31:12} For it is a fire that consumes unto Destruction, And would root out all mine increase. {31:13} If I have despised the cause of my man-servant or of my maid-servant, When they contended with me; {31:14} What then shall I do when God rises up? And when he visits, what shall I answer him? {31:15} Did not he that made me in the womb make him? And did not one fashion us in the womb? {31:16} If I have withheld the poor from [their] desire, Or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail, {31:17} Or have eaten my morsel alone, And the fatherless has not eaten there {31:18} (No, from my youth he grew up with me as with a father, And her have I guided from my mother's womb); {31:19} If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, Or that the needy had no covering; {31:20} If his loins have not blessed me, And if he has not been warmed with the fleece of my sheep; {31:21} If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, Because I saw my help in the gate: {31:22} Then let my shoulder fall from the shoulder-blade, And mine arm be broken from the bone. {31:23} For calamity from God is a terror to me, And by reason of his majesty I can do nothing. {31:24} If I have made gold my hope, And have said to the fine gold, [you are] my confidence; {31:25} If I have rejoiced because my wealth was great, And because my hand had gotten much; {31:26} If I have watched the sun when it shined, Or the moon walking in brightness, {31:27} And my heart has been secretly enticed, And my mouth has kissed my hand: {31:28} This also were an work against law to be punished by the judges; For I should have denied the God that is above. {31:29} If I have rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, Or lifted up myself when evil found him; {31:30} (behold, I have not suffered by mouth to sin By asking his life with woe); {31:31} If the men of my tent have not said, Who can find one that has not been filled with his meat? {31:32} (The alien has not lodged in the street; But I have opened my doors to the traveler); {31:33} If like Adam I have covered my transgression of the law, By hiding mine work against law in my bosom, {31:34} Because I feared the great multitude, And the contempt of families terrified me, So that I kept silence, and went not out of the door- {31:35} Oh that I had one to hear me! (Lo, here is my signature, let the

Almighty answer me); And [that I had] the indictment which mine adversary has written! {31:36} Surely I would carry it upon my shoulder; I would bind it unto me as a crown: {31:37} I would declare unto him the number of my steps; As a prince would I go near unto him. {31:38} If my land cries out against me, And the furrows of it weep together; {31:39} If I have eaten the fruits of it outside money, Or have caused the owners of it to lose their life: {31:40} Let thistles grow instead of wheat, And cockle instead of barley. The words of Job are ended.

{O18}32} Job Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} So these three men ceased to answer Job, because he was a lawful worker in his own eyes. {32:2} Then was kindled the Anger of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the family of Ram: against Job was his Anger kindled, because he justified himself rather than God. {32:3} Also against his three friends was his Anger kindled, because they had found no answer, and yet had condemned Job. {32:4} Now Elihu had waited to speak unto Job, because they were elder than he. {32:5} And when Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these three men, his Anger was kindled. {32:6} And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I am young, and you are very old; Therefore I held back, and durst not show you mine opinion. {32:7} I said, Days should speak, And multitude of years should teach wisdom. {32:8} But there is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty gives them understanding. {32:9} It is not the great that are wise, Nor the aged that understand justice. {32:10} Therefore I said, Hear to me; I also will show mine opinion. {32:11} Behold, I waited for your words, I listened for your reasonings, Whilst you searched out what to say. {32:12} behold, I attended unto you, And, behold, there was none that convinced Job, Or that answered his words, among you. {32:13} Beware lest you say, We have found wisdom; God may vanquish him, not man: {32:14} For he has not directed his words against me; Neither will I answer him with your speeches. {32:15} They are amazed, they answer no more: They have not a word to say. {32:16} And shall I wait, because they speak not, Because they stand still, and answer no more? {32:17} I also will answer my part, I also will show mine opinion. {32:18} For I am full of words; The spirit within me constrains me. {32:19} Behold, my breast is as wine which has no vent; Like new wine-skins it is ready to burst. {32:20} I will speak, that I may be refreshed; I will open my lips and answer. {32:21} Let me not, I pray you, respect any man's person; Neither will I give flattering titles unto any man. {32:22} For I know not to give flattering titles; [Else] would my Maker soon take me away.

{O18}33} Job Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} However, Job, I pray you, hear my speech, And hear to all my words. {33:2} Behold now, I have opened my mouth; My tongue has spoken in my mouth. {33:3} My words [shall utter] the uprightness of my heart; And that which my lips know they shall speak sincerely. {33:4} The Spirit of God has made me, And the breath of the Almighty gives me life. {33:5} If you Can, answer you me; Set [your words] in order before me, stand forth. {33:6} Behold, I am toward God even as you are: I also am formed out of the clay. {33:7} Behold, my terror shall not make you afraid, Neither shall my pressure be heavy upon you. {33:8} Surely you have spoken in my hearing, And I have heard the voice of [your] words, [saying], {33:9} I am clean, outside transgression of the law; I am innocent, neither is there works against law in me: {33:10} Behold, he finds occasions against me, He counts me for his enemy: {33:11} He puts my feet in the stocks, He marks all my paths. {33:12} Behold, I will answer you, in this you are not just; For God is greater than man. {33:13} Why do you strive against him, For that he gives not account of any of his matters? {33:14} For God speaks once, behold twice, [though man] regards it not. {33:15} In a dream, in a vision of the night, When deep sleep falls upon men, In slumberings upon the bed; {33:16} Then he opens the ears of men, And seals their instruction, {33:17} That he may withdraw man [from his] purpose, And hide pride from man; {33:18} He keeps back his soul from the pit, And his life from perishing by the sword. {33:19} He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, And with continual strife in his bones; {33:20} So that his life abhors bread, And his soul dainty food. {33:21} His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; And his bones that were not seen stick out. {33:22} behold, his soul draws near unto the pit, And his life to the destroyers. {33:23} If there be with him an messenger, An

interpreter, one among a thousand, To show unto man what is right for him; {33:24} Then [God] is gracious unto him, and said, Deliver him from going down to the pit, I have found a ransom. {33:25} His flesh shall be fresher than a child's; He returns to the days of his youth. {33:26} He prays unto God, and he is favorable unto him, So that he sees his face with joy: And he restores unto man his good works. {33:27} He sings before men, and said, I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, And it profited me not: {33:28} He has redeemed my soul from going into the pit, And my life shall behold the light. {33:29} Lo, all these things does God work, Twice, [behold] thrice, with a man, {33:30} To bring back his soul from the pit, That he may be enlightened with the light of the living. {33:31} Mark well, O Job, hear unto me: Hold your peace, and I will speak. {33:32} If you have anything to say, answer me: Speak, for I desire to justify you. {33:33} If not, hear you unto me: Hold your peace, and I will teach you wisdom.

{O18}34} Job Chapter Thirty Four. {34:1} Furthermore Elihu answered and said, {34:2} Hear my words, you wise men; And give ear unto me, you that have knowledge. {34:3} For the ear tries words, As the palate tastes food. {34:4} Let us choose for us that which is right: Let us know among ourselves what is good. {34:5} For Job has said, I am a lawful worker, And God has taken away my right: {34:6} Notwithstanding my right I am [accounted] a liar; My wound is incurable, [though I am] outside transgression of the law. {34:7} What man is like Job, Who drinks up scoffing like water, {34:8} Who goes in company with the workers of works against law, And walks with wicked men? {34:9} For he has said, It profits a man nothing That he should delight himself with God. {34:10} Therefore hear unto me, you men of understanding: Far be it from God, that he should do wickedness, And from the Almighty, that he should commit works against law. {34:11} For the work of a man will he render unto him, And cause every man to find according to his ways. {34:12} behold, of a guarentee, God will not do wickedly, Neither will the Almighty pervert justice. {34:13} Who gave him a charge over the earth? Or who has disposed the whole world? {34:14} If he set his heart upon himself, [If] he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; {34:15} All flesh shall perish together, And man shall turn again unto dust. {34:16} If now [you have] understanding, hear this: Hear to the voice of my words. {34:17} shall even one that hates justice govern? And will you condemn him that is a lawful worker [and] mighty? - {34:18} [Him] that said to a king, [you are] vile, [Or] to nobles, [you are] wicked; {34:19} That respects not the persons of princes, Nor regards the rich more than the poor; For they all are the work of his hands. {34:20} In a moment they die, even at midnight; The people are shaken and pass away, And the mighty are taken away outside hand. {34:21} For his eyes are upon the ways of a man, And he sees all his goings. {34:22} There is no darkness, nor thick gloom, Where the workers of works against law may hide themselves. {34:23} For he need sets not further to consider a man, That he should go before God in judgment. {34:24} He breaks in pieces mighty men [in ways] past finding out, And sets others in their stead. {34:25} Therefore he takes knowledge of their works; And he overturns them in the night, so that they are destroyed. {34:26} He strikes them as wicked men In the open sight of others; {34:27} Because they turned aside from following him, And would not have regard in any of his ways: {34:28} So that they caused the cry of the poor to come unto him, And he heard the cry of the afflicted. {34:29} When he gives quietness, who then can condemn? And when he hides his face, who then can behold him? Alike whether [it be done] unto a nation, or unto a man: {34:30} That the godless man reign not, That there be none to ensnare the people. {34:31} For has any said unto God, I have borne [chastisement], I will not offend [any more]: {34:32} That which I see not teach you me: If I have done works against law, I will do it no more? {34:33} shall his recompense be as you will, that you refuse it? For you must choose, and not I: Therefore speak what you know. {34:34} Men of understanding will say unto me, behold, every wise man that hears me: {34:35} Job speaks outside knowledge, And his words are outside wisdom. {34:36} Would that Job were tried unto the end, Because of his answering like wicked men. {34:37} For he adds rebellion unto his sin; He claps his hands among us, And multiplies his words against God.

{O18}35} Job Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} Furthermore Elihu answered and said, {35:2} Think you this to be [your] right, [Or] say you, My good works is more than God's, {35:3} That you say, What advantage will it be unto you? [And], What profit shall I have, more than if I had sinned? {35:4} I will answer you, And your companions with you. {35:5} Look unto the heavens, and see; And behold the skies, which are higher than you. {35:6} If you have sinned, what effect you against him? And if your transgression of the law be multiplied, what do you unto him? {35:7} If you be of Good works, what give you him? Or what receive she of your hand? {35:8} Your wickedness [may hurt] a man as you are; And your good works [may profit] a son of man. {35:9} By reason of the multitude of oppressions they cry out; They cry for help by reason of the arm of the mighty. {35:10} But none said, Where is God my Maker, Who gives songs in the night, {35:11} Who teaches us more than the beasts of the earth, And makes us wiser than the birds of the heavens? {35:12} There they cry, but none gives answer, Because of the pride of evil men. {35:13} Surely God will not hear an empty [cry], Neither will the Almighty regard it. {35:14} How much less when you say you behold him not, The cause is before him, and you wait for him! {35:15} But now, because he has not visited in his anger, Neither does he greatly regard arrogance; {35:16} Therefore does Job open his mouth in vanity; He multiplies words outside knowledge.

{O18}36} Job Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} Elihu also proceeded, and said, {36:2} Suffer me a little, and I will show you; For I have yet somewhat to say on God's behalf. {36:3} I will get my knowledge from afar, And will ascribe good works to my Maker. {36:4} For truly my words are not false: One that is perfect in knowledge is with you. {36:5} Behold, God is mighty, and despises not any: He is mighty in strength of understanding. {36:6} He preserves not the life of the wicked, But gives to the afflicted [their] right. {36:7} He withdraws not his eyes from the lawful worker: But with kings upon the throne He sets them forever, and they are exalted. {36:8} And if they be bound in fetters, And be taken in the cords of afflictions; {36:9} Then he shows them their work, And their transgression of the law, that they have behaved themselves proudly. {36:10} He opens also their ear to instruction, And commands that they return from works against law. {36:11} If they hear and serve [him], They shall spend their days in prosperity, And their years in pleasures. {36:12} But if they hear not, they shall perish by the sword, And they shall die outside knowledge. {36:13} But they that are godless in heart lay up anger: They cry not for help when he binds them. {36:14} They die in youth, And their life [perishes] among the unclean. {36:15} He delivers the afflicted by their affliction, And opens their ear in oppression. {36:16} behold, he would have allured you out of distress Into a broad place, where there is no straitness; And that which is set on your table would be full of fatness. {36:17} But you are full of the judgment of the wicked: Judgment and justice take hold [on you]. {36:18} For let not Anger stir you up against chastisements; Neither let the greatness of the ransom turn you aside. {36:19} Will your cry avail, [that you be] not in distress, Or all the forces of [your] strength? {36:20} Desire not the night, When peoples are cut off in their place. {36:21} Take heed, regard not works against law: For this have you chosen rather than affliction. {36:22} Behold, God does loftily in his power: Who is a teacher like unto him? {36:23} Who has enjoined him his way? Or who can say, you have wrought [illegal] works outside the law? {36:24} Remember that you magnify his work, Where men have sung. {36:25} All men have looked thereon; Man beholds it afar off. {36:26} Behold, God is great, and we know him not; The number of his years is unsearchable. {36:27} For he draws up the drops of water, Which distils in rain from his vapor, {36:28} Which the skies pour down And drop upon man abundantly. {36:29} behold, can any understand the spreadings of the clouds, The thunderings of his pavilion? {36:30} Behold, he spreads his light around him; And he covers the bottom of the sea. {36:31} For by these he judges the people; He gives food in abundance. {36:32} He covers his hands with the lightning, And gives it a charge that it strike the mark. {36:33} The noise of it tells concerning him, The cattle also concerning [the storm] that comes up.

{o18}37} Job Chapter Thirty Seven. {37:1} behold, at this my heart trembles, And is moved out of its place. {37:2} Hear, oh, hear the noise of his voice, And the sound that goes out of his mouth. {37:3} He sends it forth under the whole heaven, And his lightening unto the ends of the earth. {37:4} After it a voice roars; He thunders with the voice of his majesty; And he restrains not [the lightnings] when his voice is heard. {37:5} God thunders marvelously with his voice; Great things does he, which we cannot comprehend. {37:6} For he said to the snow, Fall you on the earth; Likewise to the shower of rain, And to the showers of his mighty rain. {37:7} He seals up the hand of every man, That all men whom he has made may know [it]. {37:8} Then the beasts go into coverts, And remain in their dens. {37:9} Out of the chamber [of the south] comes the storm, And cold out of the north. {37:10} By the breath of God ice is given; And the breadth of the waters is straitened. {37:11} behold, he loads the thick cloud with moisture; He spreads abroad the cloud of his lightning: {37:12} And it is turned round about by his guidance, That they may do whatever he commands them Upon the face of the habitable world, {37:13} Whether it be for correction, or for his land, Or for agape loving kindness, that he cause it to come. {37:14} Hear unto this, O Job: Stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God. {37:15} Do you know how God lays [his charge] upon them, And causes the lightning of his cloud to shine? {37:16} Do you know the balancings of the clouds, The wondrous works of him who is perfect in knowledge? {37:17} How your garments are warm, When the earth is still by reason of the south [wind]? {37:18} Can you with him spread out the sky, Which is strong as a molten mirror? {37:19} Teach us what we shall say unto him; [For] we cannot set [our speech] in order by reason of darkness. {37:20} shall it be told him that I would speak? Or should a man wish that he were swallowed up? {37:21} And now men see not the light which is bright in the skies; But the wind pass, and clears them. {37:22} Out of the north comes golden splendor: God has upon him terrible majesty. {37:23} [Touching] the Almighty, we cannot find him out He is excellent in power; And in justice and plenteous good works he will not afflict. {37:24} Men do therefore fear him: He regards not any that are wise of heart.

{O18}38} Job Chapter Thirty Eight. {38:1} Then Yahweh answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said, {38:2} Who is this that darkens counsel By words outside knowledge? {38:3} Gird up now your loins like a man; For I will demand of you, and declare you unto me. {38:4} Where was you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Declare, if you have understanding. {38:5} Who determined the measures there, if you know? Or who stretched the line upon it? {38:6} Whereupon were the foundations of it fastened? Or who laid the corner-stone there, {38:7} When the morning stars sang together, And all the sons of God shouted for joy? {38:8} Or [who] shut up the sea with doors, When it brake forth, [as if] it had issued out of the womb; {38:9} When I made clouds the garment there, And thick darkness a swaddling-band for it, {38:10} And marked out for it my bound, And set bars and doors, {38:11} And said, you shall come to here, but no further; And here shall your proud waves be stayed? {38:12} Have you commanded the morning since your days [began], [And] caused the dayspring to know its place; {38:13} That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, And the wicked be shaken out of it? {38:14} It is changed as [by turning the] clay under the seal; And [all things] stand forth as a garment: {38:15} And from the wicked their light is withheld, And the high arm is broken. {38:16} Have you entered into the springs of the sea? Or have you walked in the recesses of the deep? {38:17} Have the gates of death been revealed unto you? Or have you seen the gates of the shadow of death? {38:18} Have you comprehended the earth in its breadth? Declare, if you know it all. {38:19} Where is the way to the dwelling of light? And as for darkness, where is the place there, {38:20} That you should take it to the bound there, And that you should discern the paths to the house there? {38:21} [Doubtless], you know, for you was then born, And the number of your days is great! {38:22} Have you entered the treasures of the snow, Or have you seen the treasures of the hail, {38:23} Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, Against the day of battle and war? {38:24} By what way is the light parted, Or the east wind scattered upon the earth? {38:25} Who has cleft a channel for the water flood, Or the way for the lightning of the

thunder; {38:26} To cause it to rain on a land where no man is; On the wilderness, wherein there is no man; {38:27} To satisfy the waste and desolate [ground], And to cause the tender grass to spring forth? {38:28} Has the rain a father? Or who has begotten the drops of dew? {38:29} Out of whose womb came the ice? And the hoary frost of heaven, who has gendered it? {38:30} The waters hide themselves [and become] like stone, And the face of the deep is frozen. {38:31} Can you bind the cluster of the Pleiades, Or loose the bands of Orion? {38:32} Can you lead forth the Mazzaroth in their season? Or Can you guide the Bear with her train? {38:33} Know you the ordinances of the heavens? Can you establish the dominion of it in the earth? {38:34} Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, That abundance of waters may cover you? {38:35} Can you send forth lightnings, that they may go, And say unto you, Here we are? {38:36} Who has put wisdom in the inward parts? Or who has given understanding to the mind? {38:37} Who can number the clouds by wisdom? Or who can pour out the bottles of heaven, {38:38} When the dust runs into a mass, And the clods cleave fast together? {38:39} Can you hunt the prey for the lioness, Or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, {38:40} When they couch in their dens, [And] abide in the covert to lie in wait? {38:41} Who provides for the raven his prey, When his young ones cry unto God, [And] wander for lack of food?

{O18}39} Job Chapter Thirty Nine. {39:1} Know you the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? [Or] Can you mark when the hinds do calve? {39:2} Can you number the moons that they fulfill? Or know you the time when they bring forth? {39:3} They bow themselves, they bring forth their young, They cast out their pains. {39:4} Their young ones become strong, they grow up in the open field; They go forth, and return not again. {39:5} Who has sent out the wild donkey free? Or who has loosed the bonds of the swift donkey, {39:6} Whose home I have made the wilderness, And the salt land his dwelling-place? {39:7} He scorns the tumult of the city, Neither hears the shoutings of the driver. {39:8} The range of the mountains is his pasture, And he searches after every green thing. {39:9} Will the wild-ox be content to serve you? Or will he abide by your crib? {39:10} Can you bind the wild-ox with his band in the furrow? Or will he harrow the valleys after you? {39:11} Will you trust him, because his strength is great? Or will you leave to him your labor? {39:12} Will you confide in him, that he will bring home your seed, And gather [the grain] of your threshing-floor? {39:13} The wings of the ostrich wave proudly; [But] are they the pinions and plumage of love? {39:14} For she leaves her eggs on the earth, And warms them in the dust, {39:15} And forgets that the foot may crush them, Or that the wild beast may trample them. {39:16} She deals hardly with her young ones, as if they were not hers: though her labor be in vain, [she is] outside fear; {39:17} Because God has deprived her of wisdom, Neither has he imparted to her understanding. {39:18} What time she lifts up herself on high, She scorns the horse and his rider. {39:19} Have you given the horse [his] might? Have you clothed his neck with the quivering mane? {39:20} Have you made him to leap as a locust? The glory of his snorting is terrible. {39:21} He paws in the valley, and rejoices in his strength: He goes out to meet the armed men. {39:22} He mocks at fear, and is not dismayed; Neither turns he back from the sword. {39:23} The quiver rattles against him, The flashing spear and the javelin. {39:24} He swallows the ground with fierceness and rage; Neither believes he that it is the voice of the trumpet. {39:25} As oft as the trumpet [sound] he said, Aha! And he smells the battle afar off, The thunder of the captains, and the shouting. {39:26} Is it by your wisdom that the hawk soars, (And) stretches her wings toward the south? {39:27} Is it at your command that the eagle mounts up, And makes her nest on high? {39:28} On the cliff she dwells, and makes her home, Upon the point of the cliff, and the stronghold. {39:29} From there she spies out the prey; Her eyes behold it afar off. {39:30} Her young ones also suck up blood: And where the slain are, there is she.

{O18}40} Job Chapter Forty. {40:1} Furthermore Yahweh answered Job, and said, {40:2} shall he that contends with the Almighty instruct Him? He that argues with God, let him answer it. {40:3} Then Job answered Yahweh, and said, {40:4} Behold, I am of small account; What

shall I answer you? I lay my hand upon my mouth. {40:5} Once have I spoken, and I will not answer; behold, twice, but I will proceed no further. {40:6} Then Yahweh answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said, {40:7} Gird up your loins now like a man: I will demand of you, and declare you unto me. {40:8} Will you even annul my judgment? Will you condemn me, that you may be justified? {40:9} Or have you an arm like God? And Can you thunder with a voice like him? {40:10} Deck yourself now with excellency and dignity; And array yourself with honor and majesty. {40:11} Pour forth the overflowings of your anger; And look upon everyone that is proud, and abase him. {40:12} Look on everyone that is proud, [and] bring him low; And tread down the wicked where they stand. {40:13} Hide them in the dust together; Bind their faces in the hidden [place]. {40:14} Then will I also confess of you That your own right hand can save you. {40:15} Behold now, behemoth, which I made as well as you; He eats grass as an ox. {40:16} Lo now, his strength is in his loins, And his force is in the muscles of his belly. {40:17} He moves his tail like a cedar [tree]: The sinews of his thighs are knit together. {40:18} His bones are [as] tubes of brass; His limbs are like bars of iron. {40:19} He is the chief of the ways of God: He [only] that made him gives him his sword. {40:20} Surely the mountains bring him forth food, Where all the beasts of the field do play. {40:21} He lies under the lotus-trees, In the covert of the reed, and the fen. {40:22} The lotus-trees cover him with their shade; The willows of the brook compass him about. {40:23} Behold, if a river overflow, he trembles not; He is confident, though a Jordan swell even to his mouth. {40:24} shall any take him when he is on the watch, Or pierce through his nose with a snare?

{O18}41} Job Chapter Forty One. {41:1} Can you draw out leviathan with a fishhook? Or press down his tongue with a cord? {41:2} Can you put a rope into his nose? Or pierce his jaw through with a hook? {41:3} Will he make many supplications unto you? Or will he speak soft words unto you? {41:4} Will he make a covenant with you, That you should take him for a servant forever? {41:5} Will you play with him as with a bird? Or will you bind him for your maidens? {41:6} Will the bands [of fishermen] make traffic of him? Will they part him among the merchants? {41:7} Can you fill his skin with barbed irons, Or his head with fish-spears? {41:8} Lay your hand upon him; Remember the battle, and do so no more. {41:9} Behold, the hope of him is in vain: Will not one be cast down even at the sight of him? {41:10} None is so fierce that he dare stir him up; Who then is he that can stand before me? {41:11} Who has first given unto me, that I should repay him? [Whatever is] under the whole heaven is mine. {41:12} I will not keep silence concerning his limbs, Nor his mighty strength, nor his goodly frame. {41:13} Who can strip off his outer garment? Who shall come within his jaws? {41:14} Who can open the doors of his face? Round about his teeth is terror. {41:15} [His] strong scales are [his] pride, Shut up together [as with] a close seal. {41:16} One is so near to another, That no air can come between them. {41:17} They are joined one to another; They stick together, so that they cannot be sundered. {41:18} His sneezings flash forth light, And his eyes are like the eyelids of the morning. {41:19} Out of his mouth go burning torches, And sparks of fire leap forth. {41:20} Out of his nostrils a smoke goes, As of a boiling pot and [burning] rushes. {41:21} His breath kindles coals, And a flame goes forth from his mouth. {41:22} In his neck abides strength, And terror dances before him. {41:23} The flakes of his flesh are joined together: They are firm upon him; they cannot be moved. {41:24} His heart is as firm as a stone; behold, firm as the nether millstone. {41:25} When he raises himself up, the mighty are afraid: By reason of consternation they are beside themselves. {41:26} If one lay at him with the sword, it cannot avail; Nor the spear, the dare, nor the pointed shaft. {41:27} He counts iron as straw, [And] brass as rotten wood. {41:28} The arrow cannot make him flee: Sling-stones are turned with him into stubble. {41:29} Clubs are counted as stubble: He laughs at the rushing of the javelin. {41:30} His under parts are [like] sharp potsherds: He spreads [as it were] a threshing-wain upon the mire. {41:31} He make the deep to boil like a pot: He makes the sea like a pot of ointment. {41:32} He makes a path to shine after him; One would think the deep to be hoary. {41:33} Upon earth there is not his

like, That is made outside fear. {41:34} He beholds everything that is high: He is king over all the sons of pride.

{O18}42} Job Chapter Forty Two. {42:1} Then Job answered Yahweh, and said, {41:2} I know that you Can do all things, And that no purpose of your can be restrained. {42:3} Who is this that hides counsel outside knowledge? Therefore have I uttered that which I understood not, Things too wonderful for me, which I knew not. {42:4} Hear, I ask you, and I will speak; I will demand of you, and declare you unto me. {42:5} I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear; But now mine eye sees you: {42:6} Therefore I abhor [myself], And repent in dust and ashes. {42:7} And it was so, that, after Yahweh had spoken these words unto Job, Yahweh said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My Anger is kindled against you, and against your two friends; for you have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job has. {42:8} Now therefore, take unto you seven bulls and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt-offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you; for him will I accept, that I deal not with you after your folly; for you have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job has. {42:9} So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as Yahweh commanded them: and Yahweh accepted Job. {42:10} And Yahweh turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: and Yahweh gave Job twice as much as he had before. {42:11} Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him concerning all the evil that Yahweh had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and everyone a ring of gold. {42:12} So Yahweh blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: And he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand female-donkeys. {42:13} He had also seven sons and three daughters.. {42:14} And he called the name of the first, Jemimah: and the name of the second, Keziah; and the name of the third, Keren-happuch. {42:15} And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren. {42:16} And after this Job lived a hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, [even] four generations. {42:17} So Job died, being old and full of days.

The Book Of Psalms

{O19}1} Psalm Chapter One. {1:1} Blessed is the man that walks not in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stands in the way of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of scoffers: {1:2} But his delight is in the law of Yahweh; And on his law does he meditate day and night. {1:3} And he shall be like a tree planted by the streams of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also does not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper. {1:4} The wicked are not so, But are like the chaff which the wind drives away. {1:5} Therefore the wicked shall not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the Ekklesia [that is] doing lawful works. {1:6} For Yahweh knows the way of the lawful works; But the way of the wicked shall perish.

{O19}2} Psalms Chapter Two. {2:1} Why do the nations rage, And the peoples meditate a vain thing? {2:2} The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against Yahweh, and against his anointed, [saying], {2:3} Let us break their bonds asunder, And cast away their cords from us. {2:4} He that sit-in the heavens will laugh: The Lord will have them in derision. {2:5} Then will he speak unto them in his Anger, And vex them in his sore displeasure: {2:6} yet I have set my king Upon my holy hill of Zion. {2:7} I will tell of the decree: Yahweh said unto me, you are my son; This day have I begotten you. {2:8} Ask of me, and I will give [you] the nations for your inheritance, And the outermost parts of the earth for your possession. {2:9} you shall break them with a rod of iron; you shall dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. {2:10} Now therefore be wise, O you kings: Be instructed, you judges of the earth. {2:11} Serve Yahweh with fear, And rejoice with trembling. {2:12} Kiss the son, lest he be

angry, and you perish in the way, For his Anger will soon be kindled. Blessed are all they that take refuge in him.

{o19}3} Psalm Chapter Three. A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son. {3:1} Yahweh, how are mine adversaries increased! Many are they that rise up against me. {3:2} Many there are that say of my soul, There is no help for him in God. Selah {3:3} But you, O Yahweh, are a shield about me; My glory and the lifter up of my head. {3:4} I cry unto Yahweh with my voice, And he answers me out of his holy hill. Selah {3:5} I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for Yahweh sustains me. {3:6} I will not be afraid of ten thousands of the people That have set themselves against me round about. {3:7} Arise, O Yahweh; save me, O my God: For you have smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; you have broken the teeth of the wicked. {3:8} Salvation belongs unto Yahweh: Your blessing be upon your people. "Selah" (Pause here and think about that)

{O19}4} Psalm Chapter Four. For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. A Psalm of David. {4:1} Answer me when I call, O God of my good works; you have set me at large [when I was] in distress: Have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer. {4:2} O you sons of men, how long shall my glory be turned into dishonor? [How long] will you love vanity, and seek after falsehood? Selah {4:3} But know that Yahweh has set apart for himself him that is godly: Yahweh will hear when I call unto him. {4:4} Stand in awe, and sin not: Commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah (Pause) {4:5} Offer the sacrifices of lawful works, And put your trust in Yahweh. {4:6} Many there are that say, Who will show us [any] good? Yahweh, lift you up the light of your countenance upon us. {4:7} you have put gladness in my heart, More than [they have] when their grain and their new wine are increased. {4:8} In peace will I both lay me down and sleep; For you, Yahweh, alone make me dwell in safety.

{o19}5} Psalm Chapter Five. For the Chief Musician; with the Nehiloth. A Psalm of David. {5:1} Give ear to my words, O Yahweh, Consider my meditation. {5:2} Hear unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God; For unto you do I pray. {5:3} O Yahweh, in the morning shall you hear my voice; In the morning will I order [my prayer] unto you, and will keep watch. {5:4} For you are not a God that has pleasure in wickedness: Evil shall not sojourn with you. {5:5} The arrogant shall not stand in your sight: you hate all workers of works against law. {5:6} you will destroy them that speak lies: Yahweh abhor the blood-thirsty and deceitful man. {5:7} But as for me, in the abundance of your agape loving kindness will I come into your house: In your fear will I worship toward your holy temple. {5:8} Lead me, O Yahweh, in your works of law because of mine enemies; Make your way straight before my face. {5:9} For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; Their inward part is very wickedness; Their throat is an open sepulcher; They flatter with their tongue. {5:10} Hold them guilty, O God; Let them fall by their own counsels; Thrust them out in the multitude of their transgression of the law; For they have rebelled against you. {5:11} But let all those that take refuge in you rejoice, Let them ever shout for joy, because you defend them: Let them also that agape love your name be joyful in you. {5:12} For you will bless the lawful worker; O Yahweh, you will compass him with favor as with a shield.

{o19}6} Psalm Chapter Six. For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments, set to the Sheminith. A Psalm of David. {6:1} O Yahweh, rebuke me not in your anger, Neither chasten me in your hot displeasure. {6:2} Have mercy upon me, O Yahweh; for I am withered away: O Yahweh, heal me; for my bones are troubled. {6:3} My soul also is sore troubled: And you, O Yahweh, how long? {6:4} Return, O Yahweh, deliver my soul: Save me for your agape loving kindness' sake. {6:5} For in death there is no remembrance of you: In Sheol who shall give you thanks? {6:6} I am weary with my groaning; Every night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears. {6:7} Mine eye wastes away because of grief; It waxes sold because of all mine adversaries. {6:8} Depart from me, all you workers of works against law; For Yahweh has heard the voice of my weeping. {6:9} Yahweh has heard my supplication; Yahweh will receive

my prayer. {6:10} All mine enemies shall be put to shame and sore troubled: They shall turn back, they shall be put to shame suddenly.

{O19}7} Psalm Chapter Seven. Shiggaion of David, which he sang unto Jehova, concerning the words of Cush a Benjamite. {7:1} O Yahweh my God, in you do I take refuge: Save me from all them that pursue me, and deliver me, {7:2} Lest they tear my soul like a lion, Rending it in pieces, while there is none to deliver. {7:3} O Yahweh my God, if I have done this; If there be works against law in my hands; {7:4} If I have rewarded evil unto him that was at peace with me; (behold, I have delivered him that outside cause was mine adversary;) {7:5} Let the enemy pursue my soul, and overtake it; behold, let him tread my life down to the earth, And lay my glory in the dust. Selah {7:6} Arise, O Yahweh, in your anger; Lift up yourself against the rage of mine adversaries, And awake for me; you have commanded judgment. {7:7} And let the congregation of the peoples compass you about; And over them return you on high. {7:8} Yahweh ministers judgment to the peoples: Judge me, O Yahweh, according to my lawful works, and to mine integrity that is in me. {7:9} O let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, but establish you the lawful works: For the lawful works God tries the minds and hearts. {7:10} My shield is with God, Who saves the upright in heart. {7:11} God is a judge of good works, behold, a God that has indignation every day. {7:12} If a man turn not, he will whet his sword; He has bent his bow, and made it ready. {7:13} He has also prepared for him the instruments of death; He makes his arrows fiery [shafts]. {7:14} Behold, he travails with works against law; behold, he has conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood. {7:15} He has made a pit, and dug it, And is fallen into the ditch which he made. {7:16} His mischief shall return upon his own head, And his violence shall come down upon his own pate. {7:17} I will give thanks unto Yahweh according to his good works, And will sing praise to the name of Yahweh Most High.

{O19}8} Psalm Chapter Eight. For the Chief Musician; set to the Gittith. A Psalm of David. {8:1} O Yahweh, our Lord, How excellent is your name in all the earth, Who have set your glory upon the heavens! {8:2} Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings have you established strength, Because of your adversaries, That you might still the enemy and the avenger. {8:3} When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, The moon and the stars, which you have ordained; {8:4} What is man, that you are mindful of him? And the son of man, that you visit him? {8:5} For you have made him but little lower than God, And crown him with glory and honor. {8:6} you make him to have dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet: {8:7} All sheep and oxen, behold, and the beasts of the field, {8:8} The birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, Whatever passes through the paths of the seas. {8:9} O Yahweh, our Lord, How excellent is your name in all the earth!

{O19}9} Psalm Chapter nine. For the Chief Musician; set to Muthlabben. A Psalm of David. {9:1} I will give thanks unto Yahweh with my whole heart; I will show forth all your marvellous works. {9:2} I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O you Most High. {9:3} When mine enemies turn back, They stumble and perish at your presence. {9:4} For you have maintained my right and my cause; you sits in the throne judging lawful works. {9:5} you have rebuked the nations, you have destroyed the wicked; you have blotted out their name forever and ever. {9:6} The enemy are come to an end, they are desolate forever; And the cities which you have overthrown, The very remembrance of them is perished. {9:7} But Yahweh sits[as king] forever: He has prepared his throne for judgment; {9:8} And he will judge the world in good works, He will minister judgment to the peoples in uprightness. {9:9} Yahweh also will be a high tower for the oppressed, A high tower in times of trouble; {9:10} And they that know your name will put their trust in you; For you, Yahweh, have not forsaken them that seek you. {9:11} Sing praises to Yahweh, who dwells in Zion: Declare among the people his doings. {9:12} For he that makes inquisition for blood remembers them; He forgets not the cry of the poor. {9:13} Have mercy upon me, O Yahweh; Behold my affliction [which I suffer] of them that hate me, you that lift me up from the gates of death; {9:14} That I may show forth all your praise. In the gates of the daughter of Zion I will rejoice in your salvation. {9:15} The nations are

sunk down in the pit that they made: In the net which they hid is their own foot taken. {9:16} Yahweh has made himself known, he has executed judgment: The wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. Higgsion. Selah {9:17} The wicked shall be turned back unto Sheol, Even all the nations that forget God. {9:18} For the needy shall not always be forgotten, Nor the expectation of the poor perish forever. {9:19} Arise, O Yahweh; let not man prevail: Let the nations be judged in your sight. {9:20} Put them in fear, O Yahweh: Let the nations know themselves to be but men. Selah

{O19}10} Psalm Chapter Ten. {10:1} Why stand you afar off, O Yahweh? Why hide you yourself in times of trouble? {10:2} In the pride of the wicked the poor is hotly pursued; Let them be taken in the devices that they have conceived. {10:3} For the wicked boasts of his heart's desire, And the covetous renounces, [behold], contemns Yahweh. {10:4} The wicked, in the pride of his countenance, [said], He will not require [it]. All his thoughts are, There is no God. {10:5} His ways are firm at all times; Your judgments are far above out of his sight: As for all his adversaries, he puffs at them. {10:6} He said in his heart, I shall not be moved; To all generations I shall not be in adversity. {10:7} His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and oppression: Under his tongue is mischief and works against law. {10:8} He sits in the lurking-places of the villages; In the secret places does he murder the innocent; His eyes are privately set against the helpless. {10:9} He lurks in secret as a lion in his covert; He lies in wait to catch the poor: He does catch the poor, when he draws him in his net. {10:10} He crouches, he bows down, And the helpless fall by his strong ones. {10:11} He said in his heart, God has forgotten; He hides his face; he will never see it. {10:12} Arise, O Yahweh; O God, lift up your hand: Forget not the poor. {10:13} Therefore does the wicked condemn God, And say in his heart, you will not require [it]? {10:14} you have seen [it]; for you behold mischief and spite, to repay it with your hand: The helpless commits [himself] unto you; you have been the helper of the fatherless. {10:15} Break you the arm of the wicked; And as for the evil man, seek out his wickedness till you find none. {10:16} Yahweh is King forever and ever: The nations are perished out of his land. {10:17} Yahweh, you have heard the desire of the meek: you will prepare their heart, you will cause your ear to hear; {10:18} To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, That man who is of the earth may be terrible no more.

{O19}11} Psalm Chapter Eleven. For the Chief Musician. [A Psalm] of David. {11:1} In Yahweh do I take refuge: How say you to my soul, Flee [as] a bird to your mountain; {11:2} For, lo, the wicked bend the bow, They make ready their arrow upon the string, That they may shoot in darkness at the upright in heart; {11:3} If the foundations be destroyed, What can the lawful workers do? {11:4} Yahweh is in his holy temple; Yahweh, his throne is in heaven; His eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men. {11:5} Yahweh tries the righteous; But the wicked and him that loves violence his soul hates. {11:6} Upon the wicked he will rain snares; Fire and brimstone and burning wind shall be the portion of their cup. {11:7} For Yahweh is good works; he loves good works: The upright shall behold his face.

{O19}12} Psalm Chapter Twelve. For the Chief Musician; set to the Sheminith. A Psalm of David. {12:1} Help, Yahweh; for the godly man ceases; For the faithful fail from among the children of men. {12:2} They speak falsehood everyone with his neighbor: With flattering lip, and with a double heart, do they speak. {12:3} Yahweh will cut off all flattering lips, The tongue that speaks great things; {12:4} Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; Our lips are our own: who is lord over us? {12:5} Because of the oppression of the poor, because of the sighing of the needy, Now will I arise, said Yahweh; I will set him in the safety he pants for. {12:6} The words of Yahweh are pure words; As silver tried in a furnace on the earth, Purified seven times. {12:7} you will keep them, O Yahweh, you will preserve them from this generation forever. {12:8} The wicked walk on every side, When vileness is exalted among the sons of men.

{O19}13} Psalms Chapter Thirteen. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {13:1} How long, O Yahweh? will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? {13:2}

How long shall I take counsel in my soul, Having sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall mine enemy be exalted over me? {13:3} Consider [and] answer me, O Yahweh my God: Lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the [sleep of] death; {13:4} Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; [Lest] mine adversaries rejoice when I am moved. {13:5} But I have trusted in your agape loving kindness; My heart shall rejoice in your salvation. {13:6} I will sing unto Yahweh, Because he has dealt bountifully with me.

{O19}14} Psalm Chapter Fourteen. [A Psalm of David]. {14:1} The fool has said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works; There is none [corrupt] that does good. {14:2} Yahweh looked down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there were any that did understand, That did seek after God. {14:3} They are all [that are corrupt have] gone aside; they are [all] together become filthy; There is none [corrupt or filthy] that does good, no, not one. {14:4} Have all the workers of works against law [have] no knowledge, Who eat up my people [as] they eat bread, And call not upon Yahweh? {14:5} There were they in great fear; For God is in the generation of the lawful worker. {14:6} you put to shame the counsel of the poor, Because Yahweh is his refuge [for the poor]. {14:7} Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When Yahweh brings back the captivity of his people, Then shall Jacob rejoice, [and] Israel shall be glad.

{O19}15} Psalm Chapter Fifteen. A Psalm of David. {15:1} Yahweh, who shall sojourn in your tabernacle? Who shall dwell in your holy hill? {15:2} He that walks uprightly, and works good works, And speaks truth in his heart; {15:3} He that slanders not with his tongue, Nor does evil to his friend, Nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor; {15:4} In whose eyes a reprobate is despised, But who honors them that fear Yahweh; He that swears to his own hurt, and changes not; {15:5} He that puts not out his money to interest, Nor takes reward against the innocent. He that does these things shall never be moved.

{O19}16} Psalm Chapter Sixteen. Michtam of David. {16:1} Preserve me, O God; for in you do I take refuge. {16:2} [O my soul], you have said unto Yahweh, you are my Lord: I have no good beyond you. {16:3} As for the Holy People that are in the earth, They are the excellent in whom is all my delight. {16:4} Their sorrows shall be multiplied that give gifts for another [god]: Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer, Nor take their names upon my lips. {16:5} Yahweh is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: you maintains my lot. {16:6} The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; behold, I have a goodly heritage. {16:7} I will bless Yahweh, who has given me counsel; behold, my heart instructs me in the night seasons. {16:8} I have set Yahweh always before me: Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. {16:9} Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; My flesh also shall dwell in safety. {16:10} For you will not leave my soul to Sheol; Neither will you suffer your holy one to see corruption. {16:11} you will show me the path of life: In your presence is fullness of joy; In your right hand there are pleasures forevermore.

{O19}17} Psalm Chapter Seventeen. A Prayer of David. {17:1} Hear the right, O Yahweh, attend unto my cry; Give ear unto my prayer, that goes not out of feigned lips. {17:2} Let my sentence come forth from your presence; Let your eyes look upon equity. {17:3} you have proved my heart; you have visited me in the night; you have tried me, and find nothing; I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress. {17:4} As for the works of men, by the word of your lips I have kept me from the ways of the violent. {17:5} My steps have held fast to your paths, My feet have not slipped. {17:6} I have called upon you, for you will answer me, O God: Incline your ear unto me, [and] hear my speech. {17:7} Show your marvelous agape loving kindness, O you that saves by your right hand them that take refuge [in you] From those that rise up [against them]. {17:8} Keep me as the apple of the eye; Hide me under the shadow of your wings, {17:9} From the wicked that oppress me, My deadly enemies, that compass me about. {17:10} They are enclosed in their own fat: With their mouth they speak proudly. {17:11} They have now around us in our steps; They set their eyes to cast [us] down to the earth. {17:12} He is like a lion that is greedy of his prey, And as it were a young lion lurking in secret places. {17:13} Arise, O

Yahweh, Confront him, cast him down: Deliver my soul from the wicked by your sword; {17:14} From men by your hand, O Yahweh, From men of the world, whose portion is in [this] life, And whose belly you fill with your treasure: They are satisfied with children, And leave the rest of their substance to their babes. {17:15} As for me, I shall behold your face in lawful works; I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with [beholding] your form.

{O19}18} Psalm Chapter Eighteen. [A Psalm] of David the servant of Yahweh, who spoke unto Yahweh the words of this song in the day that Yahweh delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: and he said, {18:1} I agape love you, O Yahweh, my strength. {18:2} Yahweh is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; My God, my rock, in whom I will take refuge; My shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower. {18:3} I will call upon Yahweh, who is worthy to be praised: So shall I be saved from mine enemies. {18:4} The cords of death around me, And the floods of ungodliness made me afraid. {18:5} The cords of Sheol were round about me; The snares of death came upon me. {18:6} In my distress I called upon Yahweh, And cried unto my God: He heard my voice out of his temple, And my cry before him came into his ears. {18:7} Then the earth shook and trembled; The foundations also of the mountains quaked And were shaken, because he was angry. {18:8} There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, And fire out of his mouth devoured: Coals were kindled by it. {18:9} He bowed the heavens also, and came down; And thick darkness was under his feet. {18:10} And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly; behold, he soared upon the wings of the wind. {18:11} He made darkness his hiding-place, his pavilion round about him, Darkness of waters, thick clouds of the skies. {18:12} At the brightness before him his thick clouds passed, Hailstones and coals of fire. {18:13} Yahweh also thundered in the heavens, And the Most High uttered his voice, Hailstones and coals of fire. {18:14} And he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; behold, lightnings manifold, and discomfited them. {18:15} Then the channels of waters appeared, And the foundations of the world were laid bare, At your rebuke, O Yahweh, At the blast of the breath of your nostrils. {18:16} He sent from on high, he took me; He drew me out of many waters. {18:17} He delivered me from my strong enemy, And from them that hated me; for they were too mighty for me. {18:18} They came upon me in the day of my calamity; But Yahweh was my stay. {18:19} He brought me forth also into a large place; He delivered me, because he delighted in me. {18:20} Yahweh has rewarded me according to my lawful works; According to the cleanness of my hands has he recompensed me. {18:21} For I have kept the ways of Yahweh, And have not wickedly departed from my God. {18:22} For all his ordinances were before me, And I put not away his statutes from me. {18:23} I was also perfect with him, And I kept myself from mine works against law. {18:24} Therefore has Yahweh recompensed me according to my lawful works, According to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight. {18:25} With the merciful you will show yourself merciful; With the perfect man you will show yourself perfect; {18:26} With the pure you will show yourself pure; And with the perverse you will show yourself ill-tempered. {18:27} For you will save the afflicted people; But the haughty eyes you will bring down. {18:28} For you will light my lamp: Yahweh my God will lighten my darkness. {18:29} For by you I run upon a troop; And by my God do I leap over a wall. {18:30} As for God, his way is perfect: The word of Yahweh is tried; He is a shield unto all them that take refuge in him. {18:31} For who is God, save Yahweh? And who is a rock, besides our God, {18:32} The God that girds me with strength, And makes my way perfect? {18:33} He makes my feet like hinds' [feet]: And sets me upon my high places. {18:34} He teaches my hands to war; So that mine arms do bend a bow of brass. {18:35} you have also given me the shield of your salvation; And your right hand has held me up, And your gentleness has made me great. {18:36} you have enlarged my steps under me, And my feet have not slipped. {18:37} I will pursue mine enemies, and overtake them; Neither will I turn again till they are consumed. {18:38} I will smite them through, so that they shall not be able to rise: They shall fall under my feet. {18:39} For you have girded me with strength unto the battle: you have subdued under me those that rose up against me. {18:40} you have also made mine enemies turn their backs unto me, That I might cut off

them that hate me. {18:41} They cried, but there was none to save; Even unto Yahweh, but he answered them not. {18:42} Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind; I did cast them out as the mire of the streets. {18:43} you have delivered me from the strivings of the people; you have made me the head of the nations: A people whom I have not known shall serve me. {18:44} As soon as they hear of me they shall obey me; The foreigners shall submit themselves unto me. {18:45} The foreigners shall fade away, And shall come trembling out of their close places. {18:46} Yahweh lives; and blessed be my rock; And exalted be the God of my salvation, {18:47} Even the God that executes vengeance for me, And subdues peoples under me. {18:48} He rescues me from mine enemies; behold, you lift me up above them that rise up against me; you delivers me from the violent man. {18:49} Therefore I will give thanks unto you, O Yahweh, among the nations, And will sing praises unto your name. {18:50} Great deliverance gives he to his king, And shows agape loving kindness to his anointed, To David and to his seed, forevermore.

{O19}19} Psalm Chapter Nineteen. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {19:1} The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows his handiwork. {19:2} Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night shows knowledge. {19:3} There is no speech nor language; Their voice is not heard. {19:4} Their line is gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun, {19:5} Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoices as a strong man to run his course. {19:6} His going forth is from the end of the heavens, And his circuit unto the ends of it; And there is nothing hid from the heat there. {19:7} The law of Yahweh is perfect, restoring the soul: The testimony of Yahweh is sure, making wise the simple. {19:8} The precepts of Yahweh are right, rejoicing the heart: The commandment of Yahweh is pure, enlightening the eyes. {19:9} The fear of Yahweh is clean, enduring forever: The ordinances of Yahweh are true, [and] lawful works altogether. {19:10} More to be desired are they than gold, behold, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the droppings of the honeycomb. {19:11} Furthermore by them is your servant warned: In keeping them there is great reward. {19:12} Who can discern [his] errors? Clear you me from hidden [faults]. {19:13} Keep back your servant also from presumptuous [sins]; Let them not have dominion over me: Then shall I be upright, And I shall be clear from great transgression of the law. {19:14} Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in your sight, O Yahweh, my rock, and my redeemer.

{O19}20} Psalm Chapter Twenty. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {20:1} Yahweh answer you in the day of trouble; The name of the God of Jacob set you up on high; {20:2} Send you help from the sanctuary, And strengthen you out of Zion; {20:3} Remember all your offerings, And accept your burnt-sacrifice; Selah {20:4} Grant you your heart's desire, And fulfill all your counsel. {20:5} We will triumph in your salvation, And in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Yahweh fulfill all your petitions. {20:6} Now know I that Yahweh saves his anointed; He will answer him from his holy heaven With the saving strength of his right hand. {20:7} Some [trust] in chariots, and some in horses; But we will make mention of the name of Yahweh our God. {20:8} They are bowed down and fallen; But we are risen, and stand upright. {20:9} Save, Yahweh: Let the King answer us when we call.

{O19}21} Psalm Chapter Twenty One. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {21:1} The king shall joy in your strength, O Yahweh; And in your salvation how greatly shall he rejoice! {21:2} you have given him his heart's desire, And have not withheld the request of his lips. Selah {21:3} For you meet him with the blessings of goodness: you set a crown of fine gold on his head. {21:4} He asked life of you, you gave it him, Even length of days forever and ever. {21:5} His glory is great in your salvation: Honor and majesty do you lay upon him. {21:6} For you make him most blessed forever: you make him glad with joy in your presence. {21:7} For the king trusts in Yahweh; And through the agape loving kindness of the Most High he shall not be moved. {21:8} Your hand will find out all your enemies; Your right hand will find out those that hate you. {21:9} you will make them as a fiery furnace in the time of your anger:

Yahweh will swallow them up in his Anger, And the fire shall devour them. {21:10} Their fruit will you destroy from the earth, And their seed from among the children of men. {21:11} For they intended evil against you; They conceived a device which they are not able to perform. {21:12} For you will make them turn their back; you will make ready with your bowstrings against their face. {21:13} Be you exalted, O Yahweh, in your strength: So will we sing and praise your power.

{O19)22} Psalm Chapter Twenty Two. For the Chief Musician; set to Aijalsetshash-Shahar. A Psalm of David. {22:1} My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? [Why are you so] far from helping me, [and from] the words of my groaning? {22:2} O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you answer not; And in the night season, and am not silent. {22:3} But you are holy, O you that inhabits the praises of Israel. {22:4} Our fathers trusted in you: They trusted, and you did deliver them. {22:5} They cried unto you, and were delivered: They trusted in you, and were not put to shame. {22:6} But I am a worm, and no man; A reproach of men, and despised of the people. {22:7} All they that see me laugh me to scorn: They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, [saying], {22:8} Commit [yourself] unto Yahweh; Let him deliver him: Let him rescue him, seeing he delights in him. {22:9} But you are he that took me out of the womb; you did make me trust [when I was] upon my mother's breasts. {22:10} I was cast upon you from the womb; you are my God since my mother bare me. {22:11} Be not far from me; for trouble is near; For there is none to help. {22:12} Many bulls have around me; Strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round. {22:13} They gape upon me with their mouth, [As] a ravening and a roaring lion. {22:14} I am poured out like water, And all my bones are out of joint: My heart is like wax; It is melted within me. {22:15} My strength is dried up like a potsherd; And my tongue cleaves to my jaws; And you have brought me into the dust of death. {22:16} For dogs have around me: A company of evil-doers have enclosed me; They pierced my hands and my feet. {22:17} I may count all my bones; They look and stare upon me. {22:18} They part my garments among them, And upon my vesture do they cast lots. {22:19} But be not you far off, O Yahweh: O you my succor, haste you to help me. {22:20} Deliver my soul from the sword, My darling from the power of the dog. {22:21} Save me from the lion's mouth; behold, from the horns of the wild-oxen you have answered me. {22:22} I will declare your name unto my brethren: In the midst of the Ekklesia will I praise you. {22:23} you that fear Yahweh, praise him; All you the seed of Jacob, glorify him; And stand in awe of him, all you the seed of Israel. {22:24} For he has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Neither has he hid his face from him; But when he cried unto him, he heard. {22:25} Of you comes my praise in the great Ekklesia: I will pay my vows before them that fear him. {22:26} The meek shall eat and be satisfied; They shall praise Yahweh that seek after him: Let your heart live forever. {22:27} All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn unto Yahweh; And all the kindred's of the nations shall worship before you. {22:28} For the kingdom is Yahweh's; And he is the ruler over the nations. {22:29} All the fat ones of the earth shall eat and worship: All they that go down to the dust shall bow before him, Even he that cannot keep his soul alive. {22:30} A seed shall serve him; It shall be told of the Lord unto the [next] generation. {22:31} They shall come and shall declare his lawful works Unto a people that shall be born, that he has done it.

{O19)23} Psalm Chapter Twenty Three. A Psalm of David. {23:1} Yahweh is my shepherd; I shall not want. {23:2} He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. {23:3} He restores my soul: He guides me in the paths of lawful works for his name's sake. {23:4} behold, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; Your rod and your staff, they comfort me. {23:5} you prepare a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: you have anointed my head with oil; My cup runs over. {23:6} Surely goodness and agape loving kindness shall follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of Yahweh forever.

{O19)24} Psalm Chapter Twenty Four. A Psalm of David. {24:1} The earth is Yahweh's, and the fullness there; The world, and they that dwell therein. {24:2} For he has founded it upon

the seas, And established it upon the floods. {24:3} Who shall ascend into the hill of Yahweh? And who shall stand in his holy place? {24:4} He that has clean hands, and a pure heart; Who has not lifted up his soul unto falsehood, And has not sworn deceitfully. {24:5} He shall receive a blessing from Yahweh, And lawful works from the God of his salvation. {24:6} This is the generation of them that seek after him, That seek your face, [even] Jacob. Selah {24:7} Lift up your heads, O you gates; And be you lifted up, you everlasting doors: And the King of glory will come in. {24:8} Who is the King of glory? Yahweh strong and mighty, Yahweh mighty in battle. {24:9} Lift up your heads, O you gates; behold, lift them up, you everlasting doors: And the King of glory will come in. {24:10} Who is this King of glory? Yahweh of hosts, He is the King of glory. Selah

{O19}25} Psalms Chapter Twenty Five. [A Psalm] of David. {25:1} Unto you, O Yahweh, do I lift up my soul. {25:2} O my God, in you have I trusted, Let me not be put to shame; Let not mine enemies triumph over me. {25:3} behold, none that wait for you shall be put to shame: They shall be put to shame that deal treacherously outside cause. {25:4} Show me your ways, O Yahweh; Teach me your paths. {25:5} Guide me in your truth, and teach me; For you are the God of my salvation; For you do I wait all the day. {25:6} Remember, O Yahweh, your tender mercies and your agape loving kindness; For they have been ever of old. {25:7} Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgression of the law: According to your loving kindness remember you me, For your goodness' sake, O Yahweh. {25:8} Good and upright is Yahweh: Therefore will he instruct sinners in the way. {25:9} The meek will he guide in justice; And the meek will he teach his way. {25:10} All the paths of Yahweh are agape loving kindness and truth Unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies. {25:11} For your name's sake, O Yahweh, Pardon mine works against law, for it is great. {25:12} What man is he that fears Yahweh? Him shall he instruct in the way that he shall choose. {25:13} His soul shall dwell at ease; And his seed shall inherit the land. {25:14} The friendship of Yahweh is with them that fear him; And he will show them his covenant. {25:15} Mine eyes are ever toward Yahweh; For he will pluck my feet out of the net. {25:16} Turn you unto me, and have mercy upon me; For I am desolate and afflicted. {25:17} The troubles of my heart are enlarged: Oh bring you me out of my distresses. {25:18} Consider mine affliction and my travail; And forgive all my sins. {25:19} Consider mine enemies, for they are many; And they hate me with cruel hatred. {25:20} Oh keep my soul, and deliver me: Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you. {25:21} Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, For I wait for you. {25:22} Redeem Israel, O God, Out all of his troubles.

{O19}26} Psalms Chapter Twenty Six. A Psalm of David. {26:1} Judge me, O Yahweh, for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in Yahweh outside wavering. {26:2} Examine me, O Yahweh, and prove me; Try my heart and my mind. {26:3} For your agape loving kindness is before mine eyes; And I have walked in your truth. {26:4} I have not sat with men of falsehood; Neither will I go in with dissemblers. {26:5} I hate the assembly of evil-doers, And will not sit with the wicked. {26:6} I will wash my hands in innocence: So will I compass your altar, O Yahweh; {26:7} That I may make the voice of thanksgiving to be heard, And tell of all your wondrous works. {26:8} Yahweh, I agape love the habitation of your house, And the place where your glory dwells. {26:9} Gather not my soul with sinners, Nor my life with men of blood; {26:10} In whose hands is wickedness, And their right hand is full of bribes. {26:11} But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: Redeem me, and be merciful unto me. {26:12} My foot stands in an even place: In the congregations will I bless Yahweh.

{O19}27} Psalm Chapter Twenty Seven. [A Psalm] of David. {27:1} Yahweh is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? Yahweh is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid? {27:2} When evil-doers came upon me to eat up my flesh, [Even] mine adversaries and my foes, they stumbled and fell. {27:3} though a host should encamp against me, My heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, Even then will I be confident. {27:4} One thing have I asked of Yahweh, that will I seek after; That I may dwell in the house of Yahweh all the days of my life, To behold the beauty of Yahweh, And to inquire in his temple. {27:5} For in the day of

trouble he will keep me secretly in his pavilion: In the covert of his tabernacle will he hide me; He will lift me up upon a rock. {27:6} And now shall my head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me. And I will offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, behold, I will sing praises unto Yahweh. {27:7} Hear, O Yahweh, when I cry with my voice: Have mercy also upon me, and answer me. {27:8} [When you said], Seek you my face; My heart said unto you, Your face, Yahweh, will I seek. {27:9} Hide not your face from me; Put not your servant away in anger: you have been my help; Cast me not off, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. {27:10} When my father and my mother forsake me, Then Yahweh will take me up. {27:11} Teach me your way, O Yahweh; And lead me in a plain path, Because of mine enemies. {27:12} Deliver me not over unto the will of mine adversaries: For false witnesses are risen up against me, And such as breathe out cruelty. {27:13} [I had fainted], unless I had believed to see the goodness of Yahweh In the land of the living. {27:14} Wait for Yahweh: Be strong, and let your heart take courage; behold, wait you for Yahweh.

{O19}28} Psalm Chapter Twenty Eight. [A Psalm] of David. {28:1} Unto you, O Yahweh, will I call: My rock, be not you deaf unto me; Lest, if you be silent unto me, I become like them that go down into the pit. {28:2} Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto you, When I lift up my hands toward your holy oracle. {28:3} Draw me not away with the wicked, And with the workers of works against law; That speak peace with their neighbors, But mischief is in their hearts. {28:4} Give them according to their work, and according to the wickedness of their doings: Give them after the operation of their hands; Render to them their desert. {28:5} Because they regard not the works of Yahweh, Nor the operation of his hands, He will break them down and not build them up. {28:6} Blessed be Yahweh, Because he has heard the voice of my supplications. {28:7} Yahweh is my strength and my shield; My heart has trusted in him, and I am helped: Therefore my heart greatly rejoices; And with my song will I praise him. {28:8} Yahweh is their strength, And he is a stronghold of salvation to his anointed. {28:9} Save your people, and bless your inheritance: Be their shepherd also, and bear them up forever.

{O19}29} Psalm Chapter Twenty Nine. A Psalm of David. {29:1} Ascribe unto Yahweh, O you sons of the mighty, Ascribe unto Yahweh glory and strength. {29:2} Ascribe unto Yahweh the glory due unto his name; Worship Yahweh in holy array. {29:3} The voice of Yahweh is upon the waters: The God of glory thunders, Even Yahweh upon many waters. {29:4} The voice of Yahweh is powerful; The voice of Yahweh is full of majesty. {29:5} The voice of Yahweh breaks the cedars; behold, Yahweh breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon. {29:6} He makes them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild-ox. {29:7} The voice of Yahweh cleaves the flames of fire. {29:8} The voice of Yahweh shakes the wilderness; Yahweh shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. {29:9} The voice of Yahweh makes the hinds to calve, And strips the forests bare: And in his temple everything said, Glory. {29:10} Yahweh sat [as King] at the Flood; behold, Yahweh sits as King forever. {29:11} Yahweh will give strength unto his people; Yahweh will bless his people with peace.

{O19}30} Psalm Chapter Thirty. A Psalm; a Song at the Dedication of the House. [A Psalm] of David. {30:1} I will extol you, O Yahweh; for you have raised me up, And have not made my foes to rejoice over me. {30:2} O Yahweh my God, I cried unto you, and you have healed me. {30:3} O Yahweh, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit. {30:4} Sing praise unto Yahweh, O you Holy People of his, And give thanks to his holy memorial [name]. {30:5} For his anger is but for a moment; His favor is for a life-time: Weeping may tarry for the night, But joy [comes] in the morning. {30:6} As for me, I said in my prosperity, I shall never be moved. {30:7} you, Yahweh, of your favor had made my mountain to stand strong: you did hide your face; I was troubled. {30:8} I cried to you, O Yahweh; And unto Yahweh I made supplication: {30:9} What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? shall the dust praise you? shall it declare your truth? {30:10} Hear, O Yahweh, and have mercy upon me: Yahweh, be you my helper. {30:11} you have turned for me my grieving into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness; {30:12}

To the end that [my] glory may sing praise to you, and not be silent. O Yahweh my God, I will give thanks unto you forever.

{O19}31} Psalm Chapter Thirty One. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {31:1} In you, O Yahweh, do I take refuge; Let me never be put to shame: Deliver me in your lawful works. {31:2} Bow down your ear unto me; deliver me speedily: Be you to me a strong rock, A house of defense to save me. {31:3} For you are my rock and my fortress; Therefore for your name's sake lead me and guide me. {31:4} Pluck me out of the net that they have laid a hidden snare for me; For you are my stronghold. {31:5} Into your hand I commend my spirit: you have redeemed me, O Yahweh, you God of truth. {31:6} I hate them that regard lying vanities; But I trust in Yahweh. {31:7} I will be glad and rejoice in your agape loving kindness; For you have seen my affliction: you have known my soul in adversities; {31:8} And you have not shut me up into the hand of the enemy; you have set my feet in a large place. {31:9} Have mercy upon me, O Yahweh, for I am in distress: Mine eye wastes away with grief, [behold], my soul and my body. {31:10} For my life is spent with sorrow, And my years with sighing: My strength fails because of mine [illegal] works against law, And my bones are wasted away. {31:11} Because of all mine adversaries I am become a reproach, behold, unto my neighbors exceedingly, And a fear to mine acquaintance: They that did see me outside fled from me. {31:12} I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel. {31:13} For I have heard the defaming of many, Terror on every side: While they took counsel together against me, They devised to take away my life. {31:14} But I trusted in you, O Yahweh: I said, you are my God. {31:15} My times are in your hand: Deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me. {31:16} Make your face to shine upon your servant: Save me in your agape loving kindness. {31:17} Let me not be put to shame, O Yahweh; for I have called upon you: Let the wicked be put to shame, let them be silent in Sheol. {31:18} Let the lying lips be dumb, Which speak against the lawful works insolently, With pride and contempt. {31:19} Oh how great is your goodness, Which you have laid up for them that fear you, Which you have wrought for them that take refuge in you, Before the sons of men! {31:20} In the covert of your presence will you hide them from the plottings of man: you will keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues. {31:21} Blessed be Yahweh; For he has showed me his marvelous agape loving kindness in a strong city. {31:22} As for me, I said in my haste, I am cut off from before your eyes: Nevertheless you heard the voice of my supplications When I cried unto you. {31:23} Oh agape love Yahweh, all you his Holy People: Yahweh preserves the faithful, And plentifully rewards him that deals proudly. {31:24} Be strong, and let your heart take courage, All you that hope in Yahweh.

{O19}32} Psalm Chapter Thirty Two. [A Psalm] of David. Maschil. {32:1} Blessed is he whose transgression of the law is forgiven, Whose sin is covered. {32:2} Blessed is the man unto whom Yahweh does not count [his] works [he has done] against law, And in whose spirit there is no guile. {32:3} When I kept silence, my bones wasted away Through my groaning all the day long. {32:4} For day and night your hand was heavy upon me: My moisture was changed [as] with the drought of summer. Selah {32:5} I acknowledged my sin unto you, And mine works against law did I not hide: I said, I will confess my transgression of the law unto Yahweh; And you forgave the works against law of my sin. Selah {32:6} For this let everyone that is godly pray unto you in a time when you may be found: Surely when the great waters overflow they shall not reach unto him. {32:7} you are my hiding-place; you will preserve me from trouble; you will compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah {32:8} I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you shall go: I will counsel you with mine eye upon you. {32:9} Be you not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding; Whose trappings must be bit and bridle to hold them in, [Else] they will not come near unto you. {32:10} Many sorrows shall be to the wicked; But he that trusts in Yahweh, agape loving kindness shall compass him about. {32:11} Be glad in Yahweh, and rejoice, you in lawful works; And shout for joy, all you that are upright in heart.

{O19}33} Psalm Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} Rejoice in Yahweh, O you lawful worker: Praise is comely for the upright. {33:2} Give thanks unto Yahweh with the harp: Sing praises unto him with the psaltery of ten strings. {33:3} Sing unto him a new song; Play skillfully with a loud noise. {33:4} For the word of Yahweh is right; And all his work is [done] in faithfulness. {33:5} He agape loves lawful works and justice: The earth is full of the agape loving kindness of Yahweh. {33:6} By the word of Yahweh were the heavens made, And all the host of them by the breath of his mouth. {33:7} He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap: He lays up the deeps in store-houses. {33:8} Let all the earth fear Yahweh: Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. {33:9} For he spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast. {33:10} Yahweh brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the thoughts of the peoples to be of no effect. {33:11} The counsel of Yahweh stands fast forever, The thoughts of his heart to all generations. {33:12} Blessed is the nation whose God is Yahweh, The people whom he has chosen for his own inheritance. {33:13} Yahweh looks from heaven; He beholds all the sons of men; {33:14} From the place of his habitation he looks forth Upon all the inhabitants of the earth, {33:15} He that fashions the hearts of them all, That consider all their works. {33:16} There is no king saved by the multitude of a host: A mighty man is not delivered by great strength. {33:17} A horse is a vain thing for safety; Neither does he deliver any by his great power. {33:18} Behold, the eye of Yahweh is upon them that fear him, Upon them that hope in his agape loving kindness; {33:19} To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine. {33:20} Our soul has waited for Yahweh: He is our help and our shield. {33:21} For our heart shall rejoice in him, Because we have trusted in his holy name. {33:22} Let your Agape loving kindness, O Yahweh, be upon us, According as we have hoped in you.

{o19}34} Psalm Chapter Thirty Four. A Psalm of David; when he changed his behavior before Abimelech, who drove him away, and he departed. {34:1} I will bless Yahweh at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. {34:2} My soul shall make her boast in Yahweh: The meek shall hear there, and be glad. {34:3} Oh magnify Yahweh with me, And let us exalt his name together. {34:4} I sought Yahweh, and he answered me, And delivered me from all my fears. {34:5} They looked unto him, and were radiant; And their faces shall never be confounded. {34:6} This poor man cried, and Yahweh heard him, And saved him out of all his troubles. {34:7} The messenger of Yahweh encamps round about them that fear him, And delivers them. {34:8} Oh taste and see that Yahweh is good: Blessed is the man that takes refuge in him. {34:9} Oh fear Yahweh, you his Holy People; For there is no want to them that fear him. {34:10} The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger; But they that seek Yahweh shall not want any good thing. {34:11} Come, you children, hear unto me: I will teach you the fear of Yahweh. {34:12} What man is he that desires life, And loves [many] days, that he may see good? {34:13} Keep your tongue from evil, And your lips from speaking guile. {34:14} Depart from evil, and do good; Seek peace, and pursue it. {34:15} The eyes of Yahweh are toward the lawful worker, And his ears are [open] unto their cry. {34:16} The face of Yahweh is against them that do evil, To cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. {34:17} [The lawful worker] cried, and Yahweh heard, And delivered them out of all their troubles. {34:18} Yahweh is near unto them that are of a broken heart, And saves such as are of a contrite spirit. {34:19} Many are the afflictions of the lawful worker; But Yahweh delivers him out of them all. {34:20} He keeps all his bones: Not one of them is broken. {34:21} Evil shall slay the wicked; And they that hate the lawful worker shall be condemned. {34:22} Yahweh redeems the soul of his servants; And none of them that take refuge in him shall be condemned.

{O19}35} Psalm Chapter Thirty Five. [A Psalm] of David. {35:1} Strive you, O Yahweh, with them that strive with me: Fight you against them that fight against me. {35:2} Take hold of shield and buckler, And stand up for my help. {35:3} Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that pursue me: Say unto my soul, I am your salvation. {35:4} Let them be put to shame and brought to dishonor that seek after my soul: Let them be turned back and confounded that devise my hurt. {35:5} Let them be as chaff before the wind, And the messenger of Yahweh

driving [them] on. {35:6} Let their way be dark and slippery, And the messenger of Yahweh pursuing them. {35:7} For outside cause have they hid for me their net [in] a pit; outside cause have they dug [a pit] for my soul. {35:8} Let destruction come upon him unawares; And let his net that he has hid catch himself: With destruction let him fall therein. {35:9} And my soul shall be joyful in Yahweh: It shall rejoice in his salvation. {35:10} All my bones shall say, Yahweh, who is like unto you, Who delivers the poor from him that is too strong for him, behold, the poor and the needy from him that robs him? {35:11} Works of the unlawful witnesses rise up; They ask me of things that I know not. {35:12} They reward me evil for good, [To] the bereaving of my soul. {35:13} But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I afflicted my soul with fasting; And my prayer returned into mine own bosom. {35:14} I behaved myself as though it had been my friend or my brother: I bowed down grieving, as one that bewails his mother. {35:15} But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: The attackers gathered themselves together against me, and I knew [it] not; They did tear me, and ceased not: {35:16} Like the profane mockers in feasts, They gnashed upon me with their teeth. {35:17} Lord, how long will you look on? Rescue my soul from their destructions, My darling from the lions. {35:18} I will give you thanks in the great Ekklesia: I will praise you among much people. {35:19} Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me; Neither let them wink with the eye that hate me outside a cause. {35:20} For they speak not peace; But they devise deceitful words against them that are quiet in the land. {35:21} behold, they opened their mouth wide against me; They said, Aha, aha, our eye has seen it. {35:22} you have seen it, O Yahweh; keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me. {35:23} Stir up yourself, and awake to the justice [due] unto me, [Even] unto my cause, my God and my Lord. {35:24} Judge me, O Yahweh my God, according to your lawful works; And let them not rejoice over me. {35:25} Let them not say in their heart, Aha, so would we have it: Let them not say, We have swallowed him up. {35:26} Let them be put to shame and confounded together that rejoice at my hurt: Let them be clothed with shame and dishonor that magnify themselves against me. {35:27} Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favor my cause in lawful works: behold, let them say continually, Yahweh be magnified, Who has pleasure in the prosperity of his servant. {35:28} And my tongue shall talk of your lawful works [And] of your praise all the day long.

{019}36} Psalm Chapter Thirty Six. For the Chief Musician. [A Psalm] of David the servant of Yahweh. {36:1} The transgression of the law of the wicked said within my heart, There is no fear of God before his eyes. {36:2} For he flatters himself in his own eyes, That his works against law will not be found out and be hated. {36:3} The words of his mouth are works against law and deceit: He has ceased to be wise [and] to do good. {36:4} He devises work against law upon his bed; He sets himself in a way that is not good; He abhors not evil. {36:5} Your agape loving kindness, O Yahweh, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness [reach] unto the skies. {36:6} Your works of law is like the mountains of God; Your judgments are a great deep: O Yahweh, you preserve man and beast. {36:7} How precious is your agape loving kindness, O God! And the children of men take refuge under the shadow of your wings. {36:8} They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of your house; And you will make them drink of the river of your pleasures. {36:9} For with you is the fountain of life: In your light shall we see light. {36:10} Oh continue your agape loving kindness unto them that know you, And your works of law to the upright in heart. {36:11} Let not the foot of pride come against me, And let not the hand of the wicked drive me away. {36:12} There are the workers of work against law fallen: They are thrust down, and shall not be able to rise.

{019}37} Psalms Chapter Thirty Seven. [A Psalm] of David. {37:1} Worry not yourself because of evil-doers, Neither be you envious against them that [illegally] work outside law. {37:2} For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, And wither as the green herb. {37:3} Trust in Yahweh, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on [his] faithfulness. {37:4} Delight yourself also in Yahweh; And he will give you the desires of your heart. {37:5} Commit your way unto Yahweh; Trust also in him, and he will bring it to pass. {37:6} And he will make your

lawful works to go forth as the light, And your justice as the noon-day. {37:7} Rest in Yahweh, and wait patiently for him: Worry not yourself because of him who prospers in his way, Because of the man who brings wicked devices to pass. {37:8} Cease from anger, and forsake Anger: Worry not yourself, [it tend] only to evil-doing. {37:9} For evil-doers shall be cut off; But those that wait for Yahweh, they shall inherit the land. {37:10} For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: behold, you shall diligently consider his place, and he shall not be. {37:11} But the meek shall inherit the land, And shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace. {37:12} The wicked plots against the just, And gnashes upon him with his teeth. {37:13} The Lord will laugh at him; For he sees that his day is coming. {37:14} The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, To cast down the poor and needy, To slay such as are upright in the way. {37:15} Their sword shall enter into their own heart, And their bows shall be broken. {37:16} Better is a little that the lawful worker has Than the abundance of many wicked. {37:17} For the arms of the wicked shall be broken; But Yahweh upholds the lawful worker. {37:18} Yahweh knows the days of the perfect; And their inheritance shall be forever. {37:19} They shall not be put to shame in the time of evil; And in the days of famine they shall be satisfied. {37:20} But the wicked shall perish, And the enemies of Yahweh shall be as the fat of lambs: They shall consume; In smoke shall they consume away. {37:21} The wicked borrows, and pays not again; But the lawful worker deals graciously, and gives. {37:22} For such as are blessed of him shall inherit the land; And they that are cursed of him shall be cut off. {37:23} A man's goings are established of Yahweh; And he delights in his way. {37:24} though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; For Yahweh upholds him with his hand. {37:25} I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the lawful worker forsaken, Nor his seed begging bread. {37:26} All the daylong he deals graciously, and lends; And his seed is blessed. {37:27} Depart from evil, and do good; And dwell forevermore. {37:28} For Yahweh agape loves justice, And forsakes not his Holy People; They are preserved forever: But the seed of the wicked shall be cut off. {37:29} The lawful worker shall inherit the land, And dwell therein forever. {37:30} The mouth of the lawful worker talks of wisdom, And his tongue speaks justice. {37:31} The law of his God is in his heart; None of his steps shall slide. {37:32} The wicked watch the lawful worker, And seeks to slay him. {37:33} Yahweh will not leave him in his hand, Nor condemn him when he is judged. {37:34} Wait for Yahweh, and keep his way, And he will exalt you to inherit the land: When the wicked are cut off, you shall see it. {37:35} I have seen the wicked in great power, And spreading himself like a green tree in its native soil. {37:36} But one passed by, and, lo, he was not: behold, I sought him, but he could not be found. {37:37} Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; For there is a [happy] end to the man of peace. {37:38} As for transgressors, they shall be destroyed together; The end of the wicked shall be cut off. {37:39} But the salvation of the lawful worker is of Yahweh; He is their stronghold in the time of trouble. {37:40} And Yahweh helps them, and rescues them ; He rescues them from the wicked, and saves them, Because they have taken refuge in him.

{o19}38} Psalm Chapter Thirty Eight. A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance. {38:1} O Yahweh, rebuke me not in your Anger; Neither chastise me in your hot displeasure. {38:2} For your arrows stick fast in me, And your hand press me sore. {38:3} There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; Neither is there any health in my bones because of my sin. {38:4} For mine iniquities are gone over my head: As a heavy burden they are too heavy for me. {38:5} My wounds are loathsome and corrupt, Because of my foolishness. {38:6} I am pained and bowed down greatly; I go grieving all the day long. {38:7} For my loins are filled with burning; And there is no soundness in my flesh. {38:8} I am faint and sore bruised: I have groaned by reason of the disquietness of my heart. {38:9} Lord, all my desire is before you; And my groaning is not hid from you. {38:10} My heart throbs, my strength fails me: As for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me. {38:11} My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my plague; And my kinsmen stand afar off. {38:12} They also that seek after my life lay snares [for me]; And they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, And meditate deceits all the day long.

{38:13} But I, as a deaf man, hear not; And I am as a dumb man that opens not his mouth.
{38:14} behold, I am as a man that hears not, And in whose mouth are no reproofs. {38:15} For in you, O Yahweh, do I hope: you will answer, O Lord my God. {38:16} For I said, Lest they rejoice over me: When my foot slipped, they magnify themselves against me. {38:17} For I am ready to fall, And my sorrow is continually before me. {38:18} For I will declare mine work against law; I will be sorry for my sin. {38:19} But mine enemies are lively, [and] are strong; And they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied. {38:20} They also that render evil for good Are adversaries unto me, because I follow the thing that is good. {38:21} Forsake me not, O Yahweh: O my God, be not far from me. {38:22} Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation.

{O19)39} Psalm Chapter Thirty Nine. For the Chief Musician, Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.
{39:1} I said, I will take heed to my ways, That I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, While the wicked is before me. {39:2} I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good; And my sorrow was stirred. {39:3} My heart was hot within me; While I was musing the fire burned: [Then] spoke I with my tongue: {39:4} Yahweh, make me to know mine end, And the measure of my days, what it is; Let me know how frail I am. {39:5} Behold, you have made my days [as] handbreadths; And my life-time is as nothing before you: Surely every man at his best estate is altogether vanity. Selah {39:6} Surely every man walks in a vain show; Surely they are disquieted in vain: He heap up [riches], and knows not who shall gather them. {39:7} And now, Lord, what wait I for? My hope is in you. {39:8} Deliver me from all my transgression of the law: Make me not the reproach of the foolish. {39:9} I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; Because you did it. {39:10} Remove your stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of your hand. {39:11} When you with rebukes do correct man for works against law, you make his beauty to consume away like a moth: Surely every man is vanity. Selah {39:12} Hear my prayer, O Yahweh, and give ear unto my cry; Hold not your peace at my tears: For I am a stranger with you, A alien, as all my fathers were. {39:13} Oh spare me, that I may recover strength, Before I go from here, and be no more.

{O19)40} Psalm Chapter Forty. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {40:1} I waited patiently for Yahweh; And he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. {40:2} He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay; And he set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. {40:3} And he has put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: Many shall see it, and fear, And shall trust in Yahweh. {40:4} Blessed is the man that makes Yahweh his trust, And respects not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies. {40:5} Many, O Yahweh my God, are the wonderful works which you have done, And your thoughts which are to us-ward; They cannot be set in order unto you; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered. {40:6} Sacrifice and offering you have no delight in; Mine ears have you opened: Burnt-offering and sin-offering have you not required. {40:7} Then said I, Lo, I am come; In the roll of the book it is written of me: {40:8} I delight to do your will, O my God; behold, your law is within my heart. {40:9} I have proclaimed glad tidings of lawful works in the great Ekklesia; Lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Yahweh, you know. {40:10} I have not hid your works of law within my heart; I have declared your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your agape loving kindness and your truth from the great Ekklesia. {40:11} Withhold not you your tender mercies from me, O Yahweh; Let your agape loving kindness and your truth continually preserve me. {40:12} For innumerable evils have around me about; Mine illegal works against law have overtaken me, so that I am not able to look up; They are more than the hairs of my head; And my heart has failed me. {40:13} Be pleased, O Yahweh, to deliver me: Make haste to help me, O Yahweh. {40:14} Let them be put to shame and confounded together That seek after my soul to destroy it: Let them be turned backward and brought to dishonor That delight in my hurt. {40:15} Let them be desolate by reason of their shame That say unto me, Aha, aha. {40:16} Let all those that seek you rejoice and be glad in you: Let such as agape love your salvation say continually, Yahweh be magnified. {40:17} But I am poor and needy; [yet] the Lord thinks upon me: you are my help and my deliverer; tarry not, O my God.

{O19}41} Psalm Chapter Forty One. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {41:1} Blessed is he that considers the poor: Yahweh will deliver him in the day of evil. {41:2} Yahweh will preserve him, and keep him alive, And he shall be blessed upon the earth; And deliver not you him unto the will of his enemies. {41:3} Yahweh will support him upon the couch of languishing: you make all his bed in his sickness. {41:4} I said, O Yahweh, have mercy upon me: Heal my soul; for I have sinned against you. {41:5} Mine enemies speak evil against me, [saying], When will he die, and his name perish? {41:6} And if he come to see [me], he speaks falsehood; His heart gathers works against law to itself: When he goes abroad, he tells it. {41:7} All that hate me whisper together against me; Against me do they devise my hurt. {41:8} An evil disease, [say they], cleaves fast unto him; And now that he lies he shall rise up no more. {41:9} behold, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, Who did eat of my bread, Has lifted up his heel against me. {41:10} But you, O Yahweh, have mercy upon me, and raise me up, That I may repay them. {41:11} By this I know that you delight in me, Because mine enemy does not triumph over me. {41:12} And as for me, you uphold me in mine integrity, And set me before your face forever. {41:13} Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, From everlasting and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.

{O19}42} Psalm Chapter forty Two. Book II For the Chief Musician. Maschil of the sons of Korah. {42:1} As the hare pants after the water brooks, So pants my soul after you, O God. {42:2} My soul thirst for God, for the living God: When shall I come and appear before God? {42:3} My tears have been my food day and night, While they continually say unto me, Where is your God? {42:4} These things I remember, and pour out my soul within me, How I went with the throng, and led them to the house of God, With the voice of joy and praise, a multitude keeping holy [the] day. {42:5} Why are you cast down, O my soul? And [why] are you disquieted within me? Hope you in God; for I shall yet praise him [For] the help of his countenance. {42:6} O my God, my soul is cast down within me: Therefore do I remember you from the land of the Jordan, And the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar. {42:7} Deep calls unto deep at the noise of your waterfalls: All your waves and your billows are gone over me. {42:8} [yet] Yahweh will command his agape loving kindness in the day-time; And in the night his song shall be with me, [Even] a prayer unto the God of my life. {42:9} I will say unto God my rock, Why have you forgotten me? Why go I grieving because of the oppression of the enemy? {42:10} As with a sword in my bones, mine adversaries reproach me, While they continually say unto me, Where is your God? {42:11} Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope you in God; for I shall yet praise him, [Who is] the help of my countenance, and my God.

{O19}43} Psalm Chapter Forty Three. {43:1} Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: Oh deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man. {43:2} For you are the God of my strength; why have you cast me off? Why go I grieving because of the oppression of the enemy? {43:3} Oh send out your light and your truth; let them lead me: Let them bring me unto your holy hill, And to your tabernacles. {43:4} Then will I go unto the altar of God, Unto God my exceeding joy; And upon the harp will I praise you, O God, my God. {43:5} Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope you in God; for I shall yet praise him, [Who is] the help of my countenance, and my God.

{O19}44} Psalm Chapter Forty Four. For the Chief Musician. [A Psalm] of the sons of Korah. Maschil. {44:1} We have heard with our ears, O God, Our fathers have told us, What work you did in their days, In the days of old. {44:2} you did drive out the nations with your hand; But them you did plant: you did afflict the peoples; But them you did spread abroad. {44:3} For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, Neither did their own arm save them; But your right hand, and your arm, and the light of your countenance, Because you was favorable unto them. {44:4} you are my King, O God: Command deliverance for Jacob. {44:5} Through you will we push down our adversaries: Through your name will we tread them under that rise up against us. {44:6} For I will not trust in my bow, Neither shall my sword save me. {44:7} But you have saved us from our adversaries, And have put them to shame that hate us. {44:8} In God

have we made our boast all the day long, And we will give thanks unto your name forever. Selah {44:9} But now you have cast [us] off, and brought us to dishonor, And go not forth with our hosts. {44:10} you make us to turn back from the adversary; And they that hate us take spoil for themselves. {44:11} you have made us like sheep [appointed] for food, And have scattered us among the nations. {44:12} you sell your people for nothing, And have not increased [your wealth] by their price. {44:13} you make us a reproach to our neighbors, A scoffing and a derision to them that are round about us. {44:14} you make us a byword among the nations, A shaking of the head among the peoples. {44:15} All the day long is my dishonor before me, And the shame of my face has covered me, {44:16} For the voice of him that reproaches and blasphemes, By reason of the enemy and the avenger. {44:17} All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten you, Neither have we dealt falsely in your covenant. {44:18} Our heart is not turned back, Neither have our steps declined from your way, {44:19} That you have sore broken us in the place of jackals, And covered us with the shadow of death. {44:20} If we have forgotten the name of our God, Or spread forth our hands to a strange god; {44:21} Will not God search this out? For he knows the secrets of the heart. {44:22} behold, for your sake are we killed all the day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. {44:23} Awake, why sleep you, O Lord? Arise, cast [us] not off forever. {44:24} Therefore hide you your face, And forget our affliction and our oppression? {44:25} For our soul is bowed down to the dust: Our body cleaves unto the earth. {44:26} Rise up for our help, And redeem us for your agape loving kindness' sake.

{O19}45} Psalm Chapter Forty Five. For the Chief Musician; set to Shoshannim. [A Psalm] of the sons of Korah. Maschil. A Song of agape loves. {45:1} My heart over flows with a goodly matter; I speak the things which I have made touching the king: My tongue is the pen of a ready writer. {45:2} you are fairer than the children of men; Grace is poured into your lips: Therefore God has blessed you forever. {45:3} Gird your sword upon your thigh, O mighty one, Your glory and your majesty. {45:4} And in your majesty ride on prosperously, Because of truth and meekness [and] good works: And your right hand shall teach you terrible things. {45:5} your arrows are sharp; The peoples fall under you; [They are] in the heart of the king's enemies.

{45:6} Your throne, O God, is forever and ever: A Scepter of equity is the Scepter of your kingdom. {45:7} you have agape loved lawful works, and hated wickedness: Therefore God, your God, has anointed you With the oil of gladness above your fellows. {45:8} All your garments [smell of] myrrh, and aloes, [and] cassia; Out of ivory palaces make glad [the heart].

{45:9} Kings' daughters are among your honorable women: At your right hand does stand the queen in gold of Ophir. {45:10} Hear, O daughter, and consider, and incline your ear; Forget also your own people, and your father's house: {45:11} So will the king desire your beauty; For he is your lord; and reverence you him. {45:12} And the daughter of Tyre [shall be there] with a gift; The rich among the people shall entreat your favor. {45:13} The king's daughter within [the palace] is all glorious: Her clothing is inwrought with gold. {45:14} She shall be led unto the king in brodered work: The virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto you. {45:15} With gladness and rejoicing shall they be led: They shall enter into the king's palace. {45:16} Instead of your fathers shall be your children, Whom you shall make princes in all the earth. {45:17} I will make your name to be remembered in all generations: Therefore shall the peoples give you thanks forever and ever.

{O19}46} Psalm Chapter Forty Six. For the Chief Musician. [A Psalm] of the sons of Korah; set to Alamoth. A Song. {46:1} God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. {46:2} Therefore will we not fear, though the earth does change, And though the mountains be shaken into the heart of the seas; {46:3} though the waters of it roar and be troubled, though the mountains tremble with the swelling there. Selah {46:4} There is a river, the streams where make glad the city of God, The holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High. {46:5} God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God will help her, and that right early. {46:6} The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved: He uttered his voice, the earth melted. {46:7} Yahweh of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah {46:8} Come,

behold the works of Yahweh, What desolations he has made in the earth. {46:9} He makes wars to cease unto the end of the earth; He breaks the bow, and cuts the spear in sunder; He burns the chariots in the fire. {46:10} Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. {46:11} Yahweh of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

{O19}47} Psalm Chapter Forty Seven. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. {47:1} Oh clap your hands, all you peoples; Shout unto God with the voice of triumph. {47:2} For Yahweh Most High is terrible; He is a great King over all the earth. {47:3} He subdues peoples under us, And nations under our feet. {47:4} He chooses our inheritance for us, The glory of Jacob whom he agape loved. Selah

{47:5} God is gone up with a shout, Yahweh with the sound of a trumpet. {47:6} Sing praise to God, sing praises: Sing praises unto our King, sing praises. {47:7} For God is the King of all the earth: Sing you praises with understanding. {47:8} God reigns over the nations: God sits upon his holy throne. {47:9} The princes of the peoples are gathered together [To be] the people of the God of Abraham: For the shields of the earth belong unto God; He is greatly exalted.

{O19}48} Psalm Chapter Forty Eight. A Song; a Psalm of the sons of Korah. {48:1} Great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised, In the city of our God, in his holy mountain. {48:2} Beautiful in elevation, the joy of the whole earth, Is mount Zion, [on] the sides of the north, The city of the great King. {48:3} God has made himself known in her palaces for a refuge. {48:4} For, lo, the kings assembled themselves, They passed by together. {48:5} They saw it, then were they amazed; They were dismayed, they hurried away. {48:6} Trembling took hold of them there, Pain, as of a woman in travail. {48:7} With the east wind you breaks the ships of Tarshish. {48:8} As we have heard, so have we seen In the city of Yahweh of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it forever. Selah {48:9} We have thought on your agape loving kindness, O God, In the midst of your temple. {48:10} As is your name, O God, So is your praise unto the ends of the earth: Your right hand is full of good works. {48:11} Let mount Zion be glad, Let the daughters of Judah rejoice, Because of your judgments. {48:12} Walk about Zion, and go round about her; Number the towers there; {48:13} Mark you well her bulwarks; Consider her palaces: That you may tell it to the generation following. {48:14} For this God is our God forever and ever: He will be our guide [even] unto death.

{O19}49} Psalm Chapter Forty Nine. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. {49:1} Hear this, all you peoples; Give ear, all you inhabitants of the world, {49:2} Both low and high, Rich and poor together. {49:3} My mouth shall speak wisdom; And the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. {49:4} I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp. {49:5} Therefore should I fear in the days of evil, When works against law at my heels encircle me about? {49:6} They that trust in their wealth, And boast themselves in the multitude of their riches; {49:7} None [of them] can by any means redeem his brother, Nor give to God a ransom for him; {49:8} (For the redemption of their life is costly, And it fails forever;) {49:9} That he should still live always, That he should not see corruption. {49:10} For he shall see it. Wise men die; The fool and the brutish alike perish, And leave their wealth to others. {49:11} Their inward thought is, [that] their houses [shall continue] forever, [And] their dwelling-places to all generations; They call their lands after their own names. {49:12} But man [being] in honor abides not: He is like the beasts that perish. {49:13} This their way is their folly: yet after them men approve their sayings. Selah {49:14} They are appointed as a flock for Sheol; Death shall be their shepherd; And the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; And their beauty shall be for Sheol to consume, That there be no habitation for it. {49:15} But God will redeem my soul from the power of Sheol; For he will receive me. Selah {49:16} Be not you afraid when one is made rich, When the glory of his house is increased. {49:17} For when he dies he shall carry nothing away; His glory shall not descend after him. {49:18} though while he lived he blessed his soul (And men praise you, when you do well to yourself,) {49:19} He shall

go to the generation of his fathers; They shall never see the light. {49:20} Man that is in honor, and understands not, Is like the beasts that perish.

{O19}50} Psalm Chapter Fifty. A Psalm of Asaph. {50:1} The Mighty One, God, Yahweh, has spoken, And called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down there. {50:2} Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God has shined forth. {50:3} Our God comes, and does not keep silence: A fire devours before him, And it is very tempestuous round about him. {50:4} He calls to the heavens above, And to the earth, that he may judge his people: {50:5} Gather my Holy People together unto me, Those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. {50:6} And the heavens shall declare his lawful works; For God is judge himself. Selah {50:7} Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify unto you: I am God, [even] your God. {50:8} I will not reprove you for your sacrifices; And your burnt-offerings are continually before me. {50:9} I will take no bull out of your house, Nor he-goats out of your folds. {50:10} Forevery beast of the forest is mine, And the cattle upon a thousand hills. {50:11} I know all the birds of the mountains; And the wild beasts of the field are mine. {50:12} If I were hungry, I would not tell you; For the world is mine, and the fullness there. {50:13} Will I eat the flesh of bulls, Or drink the blood of goats? {50:14} Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving; And pay your vows unto the Most High: {50:15} And call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me. {50:16} But unto the wicked God said, What have you to do to declare my statutes, And that you have taken my covenant in your mouth, {50:17} Seeing you hate instruction, And casts my words behind you? {50:18} When you saw a thief, you did take pleasure with him, And have been partaker with adulterers. {50:19} you give your mouth to evil, And your tongue frames deceit. {50:20} you sit and speak against your brother; you slander your own mother's son. {50:21} These things have you done, and I kept silence; you ought that I was altogether such a one as yourself: [But] I will reprove you, and set [them] in order before your eyes. {50:22} Now consider this, you that forget God, Lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver: {50:23} Who so offers the sacrifice of thanksgiving glorifies me; And to him that orders his way [aright] Will I show the salvation of God.

{O19}51} Psalm Chapter Fifty One. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David; when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba. {51:1} Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your agape loving kindness: According to the multitude of your tender mercies blot out my transgression of the law. {51:2} Wash me thoroughly from mine works against law, And cleanse me from my sin. {51:3} For I know my transgression of the law; And my sin is ever before me. {51:4} Against you, you only, have I sinned, And done that which is evil in your sight; That you may be justified when you speak, And be clear when you judge. {51:5} Behold, I was brought forth in works against law; And in sin did my mother conceive me. {51:6} Behold, you desire truth in the inward parts; And in the hidden part you will make me to know wisdom. {51:7} Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. {51:8} Make me to hear joy and gladness, That the bones which you have broken may rejoice. {51:9} Hide your face from my sins, And blot out all mine iniquities. {51:10} Create in me a clean heart, O God; And renew a right spirit within me. {51:11} Cast me not away from your presence; And take not your holy Spirit from me. {51:12} Restore unto me the joy of your salvation; And uphold me with a willing spirit. {51:13} Then will I teach transgressors your ways; And sinners shall be converted unto you. {51:14} Deliver me from blood guiltiness, O God, you God of my salvation; [And] my tongue shall sing aloud of your lawful works. {51:15} O Lord, open you my lips; And my mouth shall show forth your praise. {51:16} For you delight not in sacrifice; else would I give it: you have no pleasure in burnt-offering. {51:17} The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. {51:18} Do good in your good pleasure unto Zion: Build you the walls of Jerusalem. {51:19} Then will you delight in the sacrifices of of lawful works, In burnt-offering and in whole burnt-offering: Then will they offer bulls upon your altar.

{O19}52} Psalm Chapter Fifty Two. For the Chief Musician. Maschil of David; when Doeg the Edomite came and told Saul, and said unto him, David is come to the house of Abimelech.

{52:1} Why boast you yourself in mischief, O mighty man? The agape loving kindness of God [endures] continually. {52:2} Your tongue devise very wickedness, Like a sharp razor, working deceitfully. {52:3} you agape love [the welfare of] evil more than good, And lying rather than to speak lawful works. Selah {52:4} you [that] love all devouring words, you deceitful tongue. {52:5} God will likewise destroy you forever; He will take you up, and pluck you out of your tent, And root you out of the land of the living. Selah {52:6} The lawful worker also shall see [it], and fear, And shall laugh at him, [saying], {52:7} Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength, But trusted in the abundance of his riches, And strengthened himself in his wickedness. {52:8} But as for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God: I trust in the agape loving kindness of God forever and ever. {52:9} I will give you thanks forever, because you have done it; And I will hope in your name, for it is good, in the presence of your Holy People.

{o19}53} Psalm Fifty Three. For the Chief Musician; set to Mahalath. Maschil of David. {53:1} The fool has said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable works against law; There is none that does good. {53:2} God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there were any that did understand, That did seek after God. {53:3} Everyone of them is gone back; they are together become corrupted; There is none [corrupt] that does good, no, not one. {53:4} Have the workers of works against law no knowledge, Who eat up my people [as] they eat bread, And call not upon God? {53:5} There were they in great fear, where no fear was; For God has scattered the bones of him that encamps against you: you have put them to shame, because of God has rejected them. {53:6} Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When God brings back the captivity of his people, Then shall Jacob rejoice, [and] Israel shall be glad.

{O19}54} Psalm Chapter Fifty Four. For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. Maschil of David; when the Ziphites came and said to Saul, Does not David hide himself with us? {54:1} Save me, O God, by your name, And judge me in your might. {54:2} Hear my prayer, O God; Give ear to the words of my mouth. {54:3} For strangers are risen up against me, And violent men have sought after my soul: They have not set God before them. Selah {54:4} Behold, God is my helper: The Lord is of them that uphold my soul. {54:5} He will repay the evil unto mine enemies: Destroy you them in your truth. {54:6} With a freewill-offering will I sacrifice unto you: I will give thanks unto your name, O Yahweh, for it is good. {54:7} For he has delivered me out of all trouble; And mine eye has seen [my desire] upon mine enemies.

{O19}55} Psalm Chapter Fifty Five. For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. Maschil of David. {55:1} Give ear to my prayer, O God; And hide not yourself from my supplication. {55:2} Attend unto me, and answer me: I am restless in my complaint, and moan, {55:3} Because of the voice of the enemy, Because of the oppression of the wicked; For they cast works against law upon me, And in anger they persecute me. {55:4} My heart is sore pained within me: And the terrors of death are fallen upon me. {55:5} Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, And horror has overwhelmed me. {55:6} And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! Then would I fly away, and be at rest. {55:7} Lo, then would I wander far off, I would lodge in the wilderness. Selah {55:8} I would haste me to a shelter From the stormy wind and tempest. {55:9} Destroy, O Lord, [and] divide their tongue; For I have seen violence and strife in the city. {55:10} Day and night they go about it upon the walls there: Works against law also and mischief are in the midst of it. {55:11} Wickedness is in the midst there: Oppression and guile depart not from its streets. {55:12} For it was not an enemy that reproached me; Then I could have borne it: Neither was it he that hated me that did magnify himself against me; Then I would have hid myself from him: {55:13} But it was you, a man mine equal, My companion, and my familiar friend. {55:14} We took sweet counsel together; We walked in the house of God with the throng. {55:15} Let death come suddenly upon them, Let them go down alive into Sheol; For wickedness is in their dwelling, in the midst of them. {55:16} As for me, I will call upon God;

And Yahweh will save me. {55:17} Evening, and morning, and at noonday, will I complain, and moan; And he will hear my voice. {55:18} He has redeemed my soul in peace from the battle that was against me; For they were many [that strove] with me. {55:19} God will hear, and answer them, Even he that abides of old, Selah [The men] who have no changes, And who fear not God. {55:20} He has put forth his hands against such as were at peace with him: He has profaned his covenant. {55:21} His mouth was smooth as butter, But his heart was war: His words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords. {55:22} Cast your burden upon Yahweh, and he will sustain you: He will never suffer the lawful worker to be moved. {55:23} But you, O God, will bring them down into the pit of destruction: Bloodthirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; But I will trust in you.

{O19}56} Psalms Fifty Six. For the Chief Musician; set to Jonath elem rehokim. [A Psalm] of David. Michtam: when the Philistines took him in Goth. {56:1} Be merciful unto me, O God; for man would swallow me up: All the day long he fighting oppresses me. {56:2} Mine enemies would swallow me up all the day long; For they are many that fight proudly against me. {56:3} What time I am afraid, I will put my trust in you. {56:4} In God (I will praise his word), In God have I put my trust, I will not be afraid; What can flesh do unto me? {56:5} All the day long they withhold my words: All their thoughts are against me for evil. {56:6} They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, They mark my steps, Even as they have waited for my soul. {56:7} shall they escape by works against law? In anger cast down the peoples, O God. {56:8} you number my wanderings: Put you my tears into your bottle; Are they not in your book? {56:9} Then shall mine enemies turn back in the day that I call: This I know, that God is for me. {56:10} In God (I will praise [his] word), In Yahweh (I will praise [his] word), {56:11} In God have I put my trust, I will not be afraid; What can man do unto me? {56:12} Your vows are upon me, O God: I will render thank-offerings unto you. {56:13} For you have delivered my soul from death: [Have you] not [delivered] my feet from falling, That I may walk before God In the light of the living?

{O19}57} Psalm Chapter Fifty Seven. For the Chief Musician; [set to] Al-tash-heth. [A Psalm] of David. Michtam; when he fled from Saul, in the cave. {57:1} Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me; For my soul takes refuge in you: behold, in the shadow of your wings will I take refuge, Until [these] calamities be overpass. {57:2} I will cry unto God Most High, Unto God that performs [all things] for me. {57:3} He will send from heaven, and save me, [When] he that would swallow me up reproaches; Selah. God will send forth his agape loving kindness and his truth. {57:4} My soul is among lions; I lie among them that are set on fire, Even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, And their tongue a sharp sword. {57:5} Be you exalted, O God, above the heavens; [Let] your glory [be] above all the earth. {57:6} They have prepared a net for my steps; My soul is bowed down: They have dug a pit before me; They are fallen into the midst of it themselves. Selah {57:7} My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing, behold, I will sing praises. {57:8} Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake right early. {57:9} I will give thanks unto you, O Lord, among the peoples: I will sing praises unto you among the nations. {57:10} For your agape loving kindness is great unto the heavens, And your truth unto the skies. {57:11} Be you exalted, O God, above the heavens; [Let] your glory [be] above all the earth.

{O19}58} Psalm Chapter Fifty Eight. For the Chief Musician; [set to] Al-tashheth. [A Psalm] of David. Michtam. {58:1} Do you indeed in silence speak lawful works? Do you judge uprightly, O you sons of men? {58:2} No, in heart you work wickedness; you weigh out the violence of your hands in the earth. {58:3} The wicked are estranged from the womb: They go astray as soon as they are born, speaking lies. {58:4} Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: [They are] like the deaf adder that stops her ear, {58:5} Which hears not to the voice of charmers, Charming never so wisely. {58:6} Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: Break out the great teeth of the young lions, O Yahweh. {58:7} Let them melt away as water that runs apace: When he aims his arrows, let them be as though they were cut off. {58:8} [Let them be] as a snail which

melts and passes away, [Like] the untimely birth of a woman, that has not seen the sun. {58:9} Before your pots can feel the thorns, He will take them away with a whirlwind, the green and the burning alike. {58:10} The lawful worker shall rejoice when he sees the vengeance: He shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked; {58:11} So that men shall say, Verily there is a reward for the lawful worker: Verily there is a God that judges in the earth.

{O19}59} Psalm Chapter Fifty Nine. For the Chief Musician; [set to] Al-tashheth. [A Psalm] of David. Michtam; when Saul sent, and they watched the house to kill him. {59:1} Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: Set me on high from them that rise up against me. {59:2} Deliver me from the workers of works against law, And save me from the bloodthirsty men. {59:3} For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul; The mighty gather themselves together against me: Not for my transgression of the law, nor for my sin, O Yahweh. {59:4} They run and prepare themselves outside [my] fault: Awake you to help me, and behold. {59:5} Even you, O The God Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Arise to visit all the nations: Be not merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah {59:6} They return at evening, they howl like a dog, And go round about the city. {59:7} Behold, they belch out with their mouth; Swords are in their lips: For who, [say they], does hear? {59:8} But you, O Yahweh, will laugh at them; you will have all the nations in derision. {59:9} [Because of] his strength I will give heed unto you; For God is my high tower. {59:10} My God with his agape loving kindness will meet me: God will let me see [my desire] upon mine enemies. {59:11} Slay them not, lest my people forget: Scatter them by your power, and bring them down, O Lord our shield. {59:12} [For] the sin of their mouth, [and] the words of their lips, Let them even be taken in their pride, And for cursing and lying which they speak. {59:13} Consume them in Anger, consume them, so that they shall be no more: And let them know that God rules in Jacob, Unto the ends of the earth. Selah {59:14} And at evening let them return, let them howl like a dog, And go round about the city. {59:15} They shall wander up and down for food, And tarry all night if they be not satisfied. {59:16} But I will sing of your strength; behold, I will sing aloud of your agape loving kindness in the morning: For you have been my high tower, And a refuge in the day of my distress. {59:17} Unto you, O my strength, will I sing praises: For God is my high tower, the God of my mercy.

{O19}60} Psalm Chapter Sixty. For the Chief Musician; [set to] Shushan Eduth. Michtam of David, to teach; and when he strove with Aram-naharaim and with Aram-zobah, and Joab returned, and smote of Edom in the Valley of Salt twelve thousand. {60:1} O God you have cast us off, you have broken us down; you have been angry; oh restore us again. {60:2} you have made the land to tremble; you have rent it: Heal the breaches there; for it shakes. {60:3} you have showed your people hard things: you have made us to drink the wine of staggering. {60:4} you have given a banner to them that fear you, That it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah {60:5} That your agape beloved may be delivered, Save with your right hand, and answer us. {60:6} God has spoken in his holiness: I will exult; I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth. {60:7} Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine; Ephraim also is the defense of my head; Judah is my Scepter. {60:8} Moab is my wash pot; Upon Edom will I cast my shoe: Philistia, shout you because of me. {60:9} Who will bring me into the strong city? Who has led me unto Edom? {60:10} Have not you, O God, cast us off? And you go not forth, O God, with our hosts. {60:11} Give us help against the adversary; For vain is the help of man. {60:12} Through God we shall do valiantly; For he it is that will tread down our adversaries.

{O19}61} Psalm Chapter Sixty One. For the Chief Musician; on a stringed instrument. [A Psalm] of David. {61:1} Hear my cry, O God; Attend unto my prayer. {61:2} From the end of the earth will I call unto you, when my heart is overwhelmed: Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. {61:3} For you have been a refuge for me, A strong tower from the enemy. {61:4} I will dwell in your tabernacle forever: I will take refuge in the covert of your wings. Selah {61:5} For you, O God, have heard my vows: you have given [me] the heritage of those that fear your name. {61:6} you will prolong the king's life; His years shall be as many generations. {61:7} He shall abide before God forever: Oh prepare agape loving kindness and truth, that they may

preserve him. {61:8} So will I sing praise unto your name forever, That I may daily perform my vows.

{O19}62} Psalm Chapter Sixty Two. For the Chief Musician; after the manner of Jeduthan. A Psalm of David. {62:1} My soul waits in silence for God only: From him [comes] my salvation. {62:2} He only is my rock and my salvation: [He is] my high tower; I shall not be greatly moved. {62:3} How long will you set upon a man, That you may slay [him], all of you, Like a leaning wall, like a tottering fence? {62:4} They only consult to thrust him down from his dignity; They delight in lies; They bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. Selah {62:5} My soul, wait you in silence for God only; For my expectation is from him. {62:6} He only is my rock and my salvation: [He is] my high tower; I shall not be moved. {62:7} With God is my salvation and my glory: The rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God. {62:8} Trust in him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us. Selah {62:9} Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a lie: In the balances they will go up; They are together lighter than vanity. {62:10} Trust not in oppression, And become not vain in robbery: If riches increase, set not your heart [thereon]. {62:11} God has spoken once, Twice have I heard this, That power belongs unto God. {62:12} Also unto you, O Lord, belongs Agape loving kindness; For you renders to every man according to his work.

{O19}63} Psalm Chapter Sixty Three. A Psalm of David when he was in the wilderness of Judah. {63:1} O God, you are my God; earnestly will I seek you: My soul thirst for you, my flesh longs for you, In a dry and weary land, where no water is. {63:2} So have I looked upon you in the sanctuary, To see your power and your glory. {63:3} Because your agape loving kindness is better than life, My lips shall praise you. {63:4} So will I bless you while I live: I will lift up my hands in your name. {63:5} My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; And my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips; {63:6} When I remember you upon my bed, [And] meditate on you in the night-watches. {63:7} For you have been my help, And in the shadow of your wings will I rejoice. {63:8} My soul follows hard after you: Your right hand upholds me. {63:9} But those that seek my soul, to destroy it, shall go into the lower parts of the earth. {63:10} They shall be given over to the power of the sword: They shall be a portion for foxes. {63:11} But the king shall rejoice in God: Everyone that swears by him shall glory; For the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

{O19}64} Psalms Chapter Sixty Four. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {64:1} Hear my voice, O God, in my complaint: Preserve my life from fear of the enemy. {64:2} Hide me from the secret counsel of evil-doers, From the tumult of the workers of works against law; {64:3} Who have whet their tongue like a sword, And have aimed their arrows, even bitter words, {64:4} That they may shoot in secret places at the perfect: Suddenly do they shoot at him, and fear not. {64:5} They encourage themselves in an evil purpose; They commune of laying snares privily; They say, Who will see them? {64:6} They search out iniquities; We have accomplished, [say they], a diligent search: And the inward thought and the heart of everyone is deep. {64:7} But God will shoot at them; With an arrow suddenly shall they be wounded. {64:8} So they shall be made to stumble, their own tongue being against them: All that see them shall wag the head. {64:9} And all men shall fear; And they shall declare the work of God, And shall wisely consider of his doing. {64:10} The lawful worker shall be glad in Yahweh, and shall take refuge in him; And all the upright in heart shall glory.

{O19}65} Psalm Chapter Sixty Five. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm. A song of David. {65:1} Praise waits for you, O God, in Zion; And unto you shall the vow be performed. {65:2} O you that hear prayer, Unto you shall all flesh come. {65:3} Iniquities prevail against me: As for our transgression of the law, you will forgive them. {65:4} Blessed is the man whom you choose, and cause to approach [unto you], That he may dwell in your courts: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, Your holy temple. {65:5} By terrible things you will answer us in lawful works, Oh God of our salvation, you that are the confidence of all the ends of the earth,

And of them that are afar off upon the sea: {65:6} Who by his strength sets fast the mountains, Being girded about with might; {65:7} Who stills the roaring of the seas, The roaring of their waves, And the tumult of the peoples. {65:8} They also that dwell in the outermost parts are afraid at your tokens: you make the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice. {65:9} you visits the earth, and waters it, you greatly enriches it; The river of God is full of water: you provide them grain, when you have so prepared the earth. {65:10} you water its furrows abundantly; you settle the ridges there: you make it soft with showers; you bless the springing there. {65:11} you crown the year with your goodness; And your paths drop fatness. {65:12} They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness; And the hills are girded with joy. {65:13} The pastures are clothed with flocks; The valleys also are covered over with grain; They shout for joy, they also sing.

{O19}66} Psalm Chapter Sixty Six. For the Chief Musician. A song, a Psalm. {66:1} Make a joyful noise unto God, all the earth: {66:2} Sing forth the glory of his name: Make his praise glorious. {66:3} Say unto God, How terrible are your works! Through the greatness of your power shall your enemies submit themselves unto you. {66:4} All the earth shall worship you, And shall sing unto you; They shall sing to your name. Selah {66:5} Come, and see the works of God; [He is] terrible in his doing toward the children of men. {66:6} He turned the sea into dry land; They went through the river on foot: There did we rejoice in him. {66:7} He rules by his might forever; His eyes observe the nations: Let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah {66:8} Oh bless our God, you peoples, And make the voice of his praise to be heard; {66:9} Who holds our soul in life, And suffers not our feet to be moved. {66:10} For you, O God, have proved us: you have tried us, as silver is tried. {66:11} you brought us into the net; you lays a sore burden upon our loins. {66:12} you did cause men to ride over our heads; We went through fire and through water; But you brought us out into a wealthy place. {66:13} I will come into your house with burnt-offerings; I will pay you my vows, {66:14} Which my lips uttered, And my mouth spoke, when I was in distress. {66:15} I will offer unto you burnt-offerings of fatlings, With the incense of rams; I will offer bulls with goats. Selah {66:16} Come, and hear, all you that fear God, And I will declare what he has done for my soul. {66:17} I cried unto him with my mouth, And he was extolled with my tongue. {66:18} If I regard works against law in my heart, The Lord will not hear: {66:19} But verily God has heard; He has attended to the voice of my prayer. {66:20} Blessed be God, Who has not turned away my prayer, Nor his agape loving kindness from me.

{O19}67} Psalm Chapter Sixty Seven. For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. A Psalm, a song. {67:1} God be merciful unto us, and bless us, [And] cause his face to shine upon us; Selah {67:2} That your way may be known upon earth, Your salvation among all nations. {67:3} Let the peoples praise you, O God; Let all the peoples praise you. {67:4} Oh let the nations be glad and sing for joy; For you will judge the peoples with equity, And govern the nations upon earth. Selah {67:5} Let the peoples praise you, O God; Let all the peoples praise you. {67:6} The earth has yielded its increase: God, even our own God, will bless us. {67:7} God will bless us; And all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

{O19}68} Psalm Chapter Sixty Eight. For the Chief Musician; A Psalm of David, a song. {68:1} Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered; Let them also that hate him flee before him. {68:2} As smoke is driven away, so drive them away: As wax melts before the fire, So let the wicked perish at the presence of God. {68:3} But let the lawful worker be glad; let them exult before God: behold, let them rejoice with gladness. {68:4} Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: Cast up a highway for him that rides through the deserts; His name is Yahweh; and exult you before him. {68:5} A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, Is God in his holy habitation. {68:6} God sets the solitary in families: He brings out the prisoners into prosperity; But the rebellious dwell in a parched land. {68:7} O God, when you went forth before your people, When you did march through the wilderness; Selah {68:8} The earth trembled, The heavens also dropped [rain] at the presence of God: Yon Sinai [trembled] at the presence of God,

the God of Israel. {68:9} you, O God, did send a plentiful rain, you did confirm your inheritance, when it was weary. {68:10} Your congregation lived therein: you, O God, did prepare of your goodness for the poor. {68:11} The Lord gives the word: The women that publish the tidings are a great host. {68:12} Kings of armies flee, they flee; And she that tarries at home divides the spoil. {68:13} When you lie among the sheepfolds, [It is as] the wings of a dove covered with silver, And her pinions with yellow gold. {68:14} When the Almighty scattered kings therein, [It was as when] it snows in Zalmon. {68:15} A mountain of God is the mountain of Bashan; A high mountain is the mountain of Bashan. {68:16} Why look you askance, you high mountains, At the mountain which God has desired for his abode? behold, Yahweh will dwell [in it] forever. {68:17} The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands upon thousands; The Lord is among them, [as in] Sinai, in the sanctuary. {68:18} you have ascended on high, you have led away captives; you have received gifts among men, behold, [among] the rebellious also, that The God Yahweh might dwell [with them]. {68:19} Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears our burden, Even the God who is our salvation. Selah {68:20} God is unto us a God of deliverances; And unto Yahweh the Lord belongs escape from death. {68:21} But God will smite through the head of his enemies, The hairy scalp of such a one as goes on still in his guiltiness. {68:22} The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring [them] again from the depths of the sea; {68:23} That you may crush [them], [dipping] your foot in blood, That the tongue of your dogs may have its portion from [your] enemies. {68:24} They have seen your goings, O God, Even the goings of my God, my King, into the sanctuary. {68:25} The singers went before, the minstrels followed after, In the midst of the maids playing with timbrels. {68:26} Bless you God in the congregations, Even the Lord, [you that are] of the fountain of Israel. {68:27} There is little Benjamin their ruler, The princes of Judah [and] their council, The princes of Zebulun, the princes of Naphtali. {68:28} Your God has commanded your strength: Strengthen, O God, that which you have wrought for us. {68:29} Because of your temple at Jerusalem Kings shall bring presents unto you. {68:30} Rebuke the wild beast of the reeds, The multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the peoples, Trampling under foot the pieces of silver: He has scattered the peoples that delight in war. {68:31} Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall haste to stretch out her hands unto God. {68:32} Sing unto God, you kingdoms of the earth; Oh sing praises unto the Lord; Selah {68:33} To him that rides upon the heaven of heavens, which are of old; Lo, he utters his voice, a mighty voice. {68:34} Ascribe you strength unto God: His excellency is over Israel, And his strength is in the skies. {68:35} O God, [you are] terrible out of your holy places: The God of Israel, he gives strength and power unto [his] people. Blessed be God.

{O19}69} Psalm Chapter Sixty Nine. For the Chief Musician; set to Shoshanim. [A Psalm] of David. {69:1} Save me, O God; For the waters are come in unto my soul. {69:2} I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me. {69:3} I am weary with my crying; my throat is dried: Mine eyes fail while I wait for my God. {69:4} They that hate me outside a cause are more than the hairs of my head: They that would cut me off, being mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: That which I took not away I have to restore. {69:5} O God, you know my foolishness; And my sins are not hid from you. {69:6} Let not them that wait for you be put to shame through me, O Lord Yahweh of hosts: Let not those that seek you be brought to dishonor through me, O God of Israel. {69:7} Because for your sake I have borne reproach; Shame has covered my face. {69:8} I am become a stranger unto my brethren, And an alien unto my mother's children. {69:9} For the zeal of your house has eaten me up; And the reproaches of them that reproach you are fallen upon me. {69:10} When I wept, [and chastens] my soul with fasting, That was to my reproach. {69:11} When I made sackcloth my clothing, I became a byword unto them. {69:12} They that sit in the gate talk of me; And [I am] the song of the drunkards. {69:13} But as for me, my prayer is unto you, O Yahweh, in an acceptable time: O God, in the abundance of your agape loving kindness, Answer me in the truth of your salvation. {69:14} Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: Let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters. {69:15} Let not the water flood overwhelm

me, Neither let the deep shallow me up; And let not the pit shut its mouth upon me. {69:16} Answer me, O Yahweh; for your agape loving kindness is good: According to the multitude of your tender mercies turn you unto me. {69:17} And hide not your face from your servant; For I am in distress; answer me speedily. {69:18} Draw near unto my soul, and redeem it: Ransom me because of mine enemies. {69:19} you know my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonor: Mine adversaries are all before you. {69:20} Reproach has broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: And I looked for some to take pity, but there was none; And for comforters, but I found none. {69:21} They gave me also gall for my food; And in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink. {69:22} Let their table before them become a snare; And when they are in peace, [let it become] a trap. {69:23} Let their eyes be darkened, so that they cannot see; And make their loins continually to shake. {69:24} Pour out your indignation upon them, And let the fierceness of your anger overtake them. {69:25} Let their habitation be desolate; Let none dwell in their tents. {69:26} For they persecute him whom you have smitten; And they tell of the sorrow of those whom you have wounded. {69:27} Add works against law unto their works against law; And let them not come into your good works. {69:28} Let them be blotted out of the book of life, And not be written with the lawful worker. {69:29} But I am poor and sorrowful: Let your salvation, O God, set me up on high. {69:30} I will praise the name of God with a song, And will magnify him with thanksgiving. {69:31} And it will please Yahweh better than an ox, [Or] a bull that has horns and hoofs. {69:32} The meek have seen it, and are glad: you that seek after God, let your heart live. {69:33} For Yahweh hears the needy, And despises not his prisoners. {69:34} Let heaven and earth praise him, The seas, and everything that moves therein. {69:35} For God will save Zion, and build the cities of Judah; And they shall abide there, and have it in possession. {69:36} The seed also of his servants shall inherit it; And they that agape love his name shall dwell therein.

{O19}70} Psalm Chapter Seventy. For the Chief Musician. [A Psalm] of David; to bring to remembrance. {70:1} [Make haste], O God, to deliver me; Make haste to help me, O Yahweh. {70:2} Let them be put to shame and confounded That seek after my soul: Let them be turned backward and brought to dishonor That delight in my hurt. {70:3} Let them be turned back by reason of their shame That say, Aha, aha. {70:4} Let all those that seek you rejoice and be glad in you; And let such as agape love your salvation say continually, Let God be magnified. {70:5} But I am poor and needy; Make haste unto me, O God: you are my help and my deliverer; O Yahweh, make no tarrying.

{ O19}71} Psalm Chapter Seventy One. {71:1} In you, O Yahweh, do I take refuge: Let me never be put to shame. {71:2} Deliver me in your good works, and rescue me: Bow down your ear unto me, and save me. {71:3} Be you to me a rock of habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: you have given commandment to save me; For you are my rock and my fortress. {71:4} Rescue me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, Out of the hand of the unlawful worker and cruel man. {71:5} For you are my hope, O Lord Yahweh: [you are] my trust from my youth. {71:6} By you have I been held up from the womb; you are he that took me out of my mother's bowels: My praise shall be continually of you. {71:7} I am as a wonder unto many; But you are my strong refuge. {71:8} My mouth shall be filled with your praise, And with your honor all the day. {71:9} Cast me not off in the time of old age; Forsake me not when my strength fails. {71:10} For mine enemies speak concerning me; And they that watch for my soul take counsel together, {71:11} Saying, God has forsaken him: Pursue and take him; for there is none to deliver. {71:12} O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste to help me. {71:13} Let them be put to shame [and] consumed that are adversaries to my soul; Let them be covered with reproach and dishonor that seek my hurt. {71:14} But I will hope continually, And will praise you yet more and more. {71:15} My mouth shall tell of your lawful works, [And] of your salvation all the day; For I know not the numbers [there]. {71:16} I will come with the mighty acts of the Lord Yahweh: I will make mention of your good works, even of yours only. {71:17} O God, you have taught me from my youth; And here have I declared your wondrous works.

{71:18} behold, even when I am old and gray headed, O God, forsake me not, Until I have declared your strength unto [the next] generation, Your might to everyone that is to come. {71:19} Your good works also, O God, is very high; you who have done great things, O God, who is like unto you? {71:20} you, who have showed us many and sore troubles, Will quicken us again, And will bring us up again from the depths of the earth. {71:21} Increase you my greatness, And turn again and comfort me. {71:22} I will also praise you with the psaltery, [Even] your truth, O my God: Unto you will I sing praises with the harp, O you Holy One of Israel. {71:23} My lips shall shout for joy when I sing praises unto you; And my soul, which you have redeemed. {71:24} My tongue also shall talk of your good works all the day long; For they are put to shame, for they are confounded, that seek my hurt.

{O19}72} Psalm Chapter Seventy Two. [A Psalm] of Solomon. {72:1} Give the king your judgments, O God, And your lawful works unto the king's son. {72:2} He will judge your people with lawful works, And your poor with justice. {72:3} The mountains shall bring peace to the people, And the hills, in lawful works. {72:4} He will judge the poor of the people, He will save the children of the needy, And will break in pieces the oppressor. {72:5} They shall fear you while the sun endures, And so long as the moon, throughout all generations. {72:6} He will come down like rain upon the mown grass, As showers that water the earth. {72:7} In his days shall the lawful worker flourish, And abundance of peace, till the moon be no more. {72:8} He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River unto the ends of the earth. {72:9} They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; And his enemies shall lick the dust. {72:10} The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall render tribute: The kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts. {72:11} behold, all kings shall fall down before him; All nations shall serve him. {72:12} For he will deliver the needy when he cries, And the poor, that has no helper. {72:13} He will have pity on the poor and needy, And the souls of the needy he will save. {72:14} He will redeem their soul from oppression and violence; And precious will their blood be in his sight: {72:15} And they shall live; and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba: And men shall pray for him continually; They shall bless him all the day long. {72:16} There shall be abundance of grain in the earth upon the top of the mountains; The fruit of it shall shake like Lebanon: And they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth. {72:17} His name shall endure forever; His name shall be continued as long as the sun: And men shall be blessed in him; All nations shall call him happy. {72:18} Blessed be The God Yahweh, the God of Israel, Who only does wondrous things: {72:19} And blessed be his glorious name forever; And let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen, and Amen. {72:20} The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

{O19}73} Psalm Chapter Seventy Three. BOOK III A Psalm of Asaph. {73:1} Surely God is good to Israel, [Even] to such as are pure in heart. {73:2} But as for me, my feet were almost gone; My steps had well near slipped. {73:3} For I was envious at the arrogant, When I saw the prosperity of the wicked. {73:4} For there are no pangs in their death; But their strength is firm. {73:5} They are not in trouble as [other] men; Neither are they plagued like [other] men. {73:6} Therefore pride is as a chain about their neck; Violence covers them as a garment. {73:7} Their eyes stand out with fatness: They have more than heart could wish. {73:8} They scoff, and in wickedness utter oppression: They speak loftily. {73:9} They have set their mouth in the heavens, And their tongue walks through the earth. {73:10} Therefore his people return here: And waters of a full [cup] are drained by them. {73:11} And they say, How does God know? And is there knowledge in the Most High? {73:12} Behold, these are the wicked; And, being always at ease, they increase in riches. {73:13} Surely in vain have I cleansed my heart, And washed my hands in innocence; {73:14} For all the day long have I been plagued, And chastens every morning. {73:15} If I had said, I will speak thus; Behold, I had dealt treacherously with the generation of your children. {73:16} When I thought how I might know this, It was too painful for me; {73:17} Until I went into the sanctuary of God, And considered their latter end. {73:18} Surely you set them in slippery places: you casts them down to destruction. {73:19} How are they become a desolation in a moment! They are utterly consumed with terrors. {73:20} As a dream

when one awakes, So, O Lord, when you awake, you will despise their image. {73:21} For my soul was grieved, And I was pricked in my heart: {73:22} So brutish was I, and ignorant; I was [as] a beast before you. {73:23} Nevertheless I am continually with you: you have held my right hand. {73:24} you will guide me with your counsel, And afterward receive me to glory. {73:25} Whom have I in heaven [but you]? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides you. {73:26} My flesh and my heart fails; [But] God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. {73:27} For, lo, they that are far from you shall perish: you have destroyed all them that play the prostitute, [departing] from you. {73:28} But it is good for me to draw near unto God: I have made the Lord Yahweh my refuge, That I may tell of all your works.

{O19}74} Psalm Chapter Seventy Four. Maschil of Asaph. {74:1} O God, why have you cast [us] off forever? Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture? {74:2} Remember your congregation, which you have gotten of old, Which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your inheritance; [And] mount Zion, wherein you have dwelt. {74:3} Lift up your feet unto the perpetual ruins, All the evil that the enemy has done in the sanctuary. {74:4} your adversaries have roared in the midst of your assembly; They have set up their ensigns for signs. {74:5} They seemed as men that lifted up Axes upon a thicket of trees. {74:6} And now all the carved work there They break down with hatchet and hammers. {74:7} They have set your sanctuary on fire; They have profaned the dwelling-place of your name [by casting it] to the ground. {74:8} They said in their heart, Let us make havoc of them altogether: They have burned up all the synagogues of God in the land. {74:9} We see not our signs: There is no more any prophet; Neither is there among us any that know-how long. {74:10} How long, O God, shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme your name forever? {74:11} Why draw you back your hand, even your right hand? [Pluck it] out of your bosom [and] consume [them]. {74:12} yet God is my King of old, Working salvation in the midst of the earth. {74:13} you did divide the sea by your strength: you brake the heads of the sea-monsters in the waters. {74:14} you brake the heads of leviathan in pieces; you gave him to be food to the people inhabiting the wilderness. {74:15} you did cleave fountain and flood: you dry up mighty rivers. {74:16} The day is your, the night also is your: you have prepared the light and the sun. {74:17} you have set all the borders of the earth: you have made summer and winter. {74:18} Remember this, that the enemy has reproached, O Yahweh, And that a foolish people has blasphemed your name. {74:19} Oh deliver not the soul of your turtle-dove unto the wild beast: Forget not the life of your poor forever. {74:20} Have respect unto the covenant; For the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of violence. {74:21} Oh let not the oppressed return ashamed: Let the poor and needy praise your name. {74:22} Arise, O God, plead your own cause: Remember how the foolish man reproaches you all the day. {74:23} Forget not the voice of your adversaries: The tumult of those that rise up against you ascend continually.

{O19}75} Psalm Chapter Seventy Five. For the Chief Musician; [set to] Al-tash-heth. A Psalm of Asaph; a song. {75:1} We give thanks unto you, O God; We give thanks, for your name is near: Men tell of your wondrous works. {75:2} When I shall find the set time, I will judge uprightly. {75:3} The earth and all the inhabitants of it are dissolved: I have set up the pillars of it. Selah {75:4} I said unto the arrogant, Deal not arrogantly; And to the wicked, Lift not up the horn: {75:5} Lift not up your horn on high; Speak not with a stiff neck. {75:6} For neither from the east, nor from the west, Nor yet from the south, [comes] lifting up. {75:7} But God is the judge: He puts down one, and lifts up another. {75:8} For in the hand of Yahweh there is a cup, and the wine foams; It is full of mixture, and he pours out of the same: Surely the dregs there, all the wicked of the earth shall drain them, and drink them. {75:9} But I will declare forever, I will sing praises to the God of Jacob. {75:10} All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; But the horns of the lawful worker shall be lifted up.

{O19}76} Psalm Chapter Seventy Six. For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. A Psalm of Asaph, a song. {76:1} In Judah is God known: His name is great in Israel. {76:2} In Salem also is his tabernacle, And his dwelling-place in Zion. {76:3} There he brake the arrows of

the bow; The shield, and the sword, and the battle. Selah (Rest and think about that.) {76:4} Glorious are you [and] excellent, From the mountains of prey. {76:5} The stouthearted are made a spoil, They have slept their sleep; And none of the men of might have found their hands. {76:6} At your rebuke, O God of Jacob, Both chariot and horse are cast into a deep sleep. {76:7} you, even you, are to be feared; And who may stand in your sight when once you are angry? {76:8} you did cause sentence to be heard from heaven; The earth feared, and was still, {76:9} When God arose to judgment, To save all the meek of the earth. Selah {76:10} Surely the Anger of man shall praise you: The residue of Anger shall you gird upon you. {76:11} Vow, and pay unto Yahweh your God: Let all that are round about him bring presents unto him that ought to be feared. {76:12} He will cut off the spirit of princes: He is terrible to the kings of the earth.

{O19}77} Psalm Chapter Seventy Seven. For the Chief Musician; after the manner of Jeduthan. A Psalm of Asaph. {77:1} I will cry unto God with my voice, Even unto God with my voice; and he will give ear unto me. {77:2} In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord: My hand was stretched out in the night, and slacked not; My soul refused to be comforted. {77:3} I remember God, and am disquieted: I complain, and my spirit is overwhelmed. Selah {77:4} you hold mine eyes watching: I am so troubled that I cannot speak. {77:5} I have considered the days of old, The years of ancient times. {77:6} I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine own heart; And my spirit makes diligent search. {77:7} Will the Lord cast off forever? And will he be favorable no more? {77:8} Is his agape loving kindness clean gone forever? Does his promise fail forevermore? {77:9} Has God forgotten to be gracious? Has he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah {77:10} And I said, This is my infirmity; [But I will remember] the years of the right hand of the Most High. {77:11} I will make mention of the deeds of Yahweh; For I will remember your wonders of old. {77:12} I will meditate also upon all your work, And muse on your doings. {77:13} Your way, O God, is in the sanctuary: Who is a great god like unto God? {77:14} you are the God that do wonders: you have made known your strength among the peoples. {77:15} you have with your arm redeemed your people, The sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah {77:16} The waters saw you, O God; The waters saw you, they were afraid: The depths also trembled. {77:17} The clouds poured out water; The skies sent out a sound: your arrows also went abroad. {77:18} The voice of your thunder was in the whirlwind; The lightnings lightened the world: The earth trembled and shook. {77:19} Your way was in the sea, And your paths in the great waters, And your footsteps were not known. {77:20} you led your people like a flock, By the hand of Moses and Aaron.

{o19}78} Psalm Chapter Seventy Eight. Maschil of Asaph. {78:1} Give ear, O my people, to my law: Incline your ears to the words of my mouth. {78:2} I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings of old, {78:3} Which we have heard and known, And our fathers have told us. {78:4} We will not hide them from their children, Telling to the generation to come the praises of Yahweh, And his strength, and his wondrous works that he has done. {78:5} For he established a testimony in Jacob, And appointed a law in Israel, Which he commanded our fathers, That they should make them known to their children; {78:6} That the generation to come might know [them], even the children that should be born; Who should arise and tell [them] to their children, {78:7} That they might set their hope in God, And not forget the works of God, But keep his commandments, {78:8} And might not be as their fathers, A stubborn and rebellious generation, A generation that set not their heart aright, And whose spirit was not steadfast with God. {78:9} The children of Ephraim, being armed and carrying bows, Turned back in the day of battle. {78:10} They kept not the covenant of God, And refused to walk in his law; {78:11} And they forgot his doings, And his wondrous works that he had showed them. {78:12} Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, In the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan. {78:13} He clave the sea, and caused them to pass through; And he made the waters to stand as a heap. {78:14} In the day-time also he led them with a cloud, And all the night with a light of fire. {78:15} He clave rocks in the wilderness, And gave them drink abundantly as out of the depths. {78:16} He brought streams also out of the rock, And caused waters to run down like rivers.

{78:17} yet went they on still to sin against him, To rebel against the Most High in the desert. {78:18} And they tempted God in their heart By asking food according to their desire. {78:19} behold, they spoke against God; They said, Can God prepare a table in the wilderness? {78:20} Behold, he smote the rock, so that waters gushed out, And streams overflowed; Can he give bread also? Will he provide flesh for his people? {78:21} Therefore Yahweh heard, and was angry; And a fire was kindled against Jacob, And anger also went up against Israel; {78:22} Because they believed not in God, And trusted not in his salvation. {78:23} yet he commanded the skies above, And opened the doors of heaven; {78:24} And he rained down manna upon them to eat, And gave them food from heaven. {78:25} Man did eat the bread of the mighty: He sent them food to the full. {78:26} He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens; And by his power he guided the south wind. {78:27} He rained flesh also upon them as the dust, And winged birds as the sand of the seas: {78:28} And he let it fall in the midst of their camp, Round about their habitations. {78:29} So they did eat, and were well filled; And he gave them their own desire. {78:30} They were not estranged from that which they desired, Their food was yet in their mouths, {78:31} When the anger of God went up against them, And slew of the fattest of them, And smote down the young men of Israel. {78:32} For all this they sinned still, And believed not in his wondrous works. {78:33} Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, And their years in terror. {78:34} When he slew them, then they inquired after him; And they returned and sought God earnestly. {78:35} And they remembered that God was their rock, And the Most High God their redeemer. {78:36} But they flattered him with their mouth, And lied unto him with their tongue. {78:37} For their heart was not right with him, Neither were they faithful in his covenant. {78:38} But he, being merciful, forgave [their] works against law, and destroyed [them] not: behold, many a time turned he his anger away, And did not stir up all his Anger. {78:39} And he remembered that they were but flesh, A wind that passes away, and comes not again. {78:40} How oft did they rebel against him in the wilderness, And grieve him in the desert! {78:41} And they turned again and tempted God, And provoked the Holy One of Israel. {78:42} They remember not his hand, Nor the day when he redeemed them from the adversary; {78:43} How he set his signs in Egypt, And his wonders in the field of Zoan, {78:44} And turned their rivers into blood, And their streams, so that they could not drink. {78:45} He sent among them swarms of flies, which devoured them; And frogs, which destroyed them. {78:46} He gave also their increase unto the caterpillar, And their labor unto the locust. {78:47} He destroyed their vines with hail, And their sycamore-trees with frost. {78:48} He gave over their cattle also to the hail, And their flocks to hot thunderbolts. {78:49} He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, Anger, and indignation, and trouble, A band of messengers of evil. {78:50} He made a path for his anger; He spared not their soul from death, But gave their life over to the pestilence, {78:51} And smote all the first-born in Egypt, The chief of their strength in the tents of Ham. {78:52} But he led forth his own people like sheep, And guided them in the wilderness like a flock. {78:53} And he led them safely, so that they feared not; But the sea overwhelmed their enemies. {78:54} And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, To this mountain, which his right hand had gotten. {78:55} He drove out the nations also before them, And allotted them for an inheritance by line, And made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents. {78:56} yet they tempted and rebelled against the Most High God, And kept not his testimonies; {78:57} But turned back, and dealt treacherously like their fathers: They were turned aside like a deceitful bow. {78:58} For they provoked him to anger with their high places, And moved him to jealousy with their graven images. {78:59} When God heard [this], he was angry, And greatly abhorred Israel; {78:60} So that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, The tent which he placed among men; {78:61} And delivered his strength into captivity, And his glory into the adversary's hand. {78:62} He gave his people over also unto the sword, And was angry with his inheritance. {78:63} Fire devoured their young men; And their virgins had no marriage-song. {78:64} Their priests fell by the sword; And their widows made no lamentation. {78:65} Then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, Like a mighty man that shouts by reason of wine. {78:66} And he defeated his adversaries backward: He put them to a

perpetual reproach. {78:67} Furthermore he refused the tent of Joseph, And chose not the tribe of Ephraim, {78:68} But chose the tribe of Judah, The mount Zion which he agape loved. {78:69} And he built his sanctuary like the heights, Like the earth which he has established forever. {78:70} He chose David also his servant, And took him from the sheepfolds: {78:71} From following the ewes that have their young he brought him, To be the shepherd of Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance. {78:72} So he was their shepherd according to the integrity of his heart, And guided them by the skillfulness of his hands.

{O19}79} Psalm Chapter Seventy Nine. A Psalm of Asaph. {79:1} O God, the nations are come into your inheritance; Your holy temple have they defiled; They have laid Jerusalem in heaps. {79:2} The dead bodies of your servants have they given to be food unto the birds of the heavens, The flesh of your Holy People unto the beasts of the earth. {79:3} Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem; And there was none to bury them. {79:4} We are become a reproach to our neighbors, A scoffing and derision to them that are round about us. {79:5} How long, O Yahweh? will you be angry forever? shall your jealousy burn like fire? {79:6} Pour out your Anger upon the nations that know you not, And upon the kingdoms that call not upon your name. {79:7} For they have devoured Jacob, And laid waste his habitation. {79:8} Remember not against us the iniquities of our forefathers: Let your tender mercies speedily meet us; For we are brought very low. {79:9} Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; And deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake. {79:10} Therefore should the nations say, Where is their God? Let the avenging of the blood of your servants which is shed Be known among the nations in our sight. {79:11} Let the sighing of the prisoner come before you: According to the greatness of your power preserve you those that are appointed to death; {79:12} And render unto our neighbors sevenfold into their bosom Their reproach, by which they have reproached you, O Lord. {79:13} So we your people and sheep of your pasture Will give you thanks forever: We will show forth your praise to all generations.

{O19}80} Psalm Chapter Eighty. For the Chief Musician, set to Shoshanim Eduth.. A Psalm of Asaph. {80:1} Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that lead Joseph like a flock; you that sits [above] the cherubim, shine forth. {80:2} Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh, stir up your might, And come to save us. {80:3} Turn us again, O God; And cause your face to shine, and we shall be saved. {80:4} O The God Yahweh of hosts, How long will you be angry against the prayer of your people? {80:5} you have fed them with the bread of tears, And given them tears to drink in large measure. {80:6} you make us a strife unto our neighbors; And our enemies laugh among themselves. {80:7} Turn us again, O God of hosts; And cause your face to shine, and we shall be saved. {80:8} you brought a vine out of Egypt: you did drive out the nations, and plant it. {80:9} you prepared [room] before it, And it took deep root, and filled the land. {80:10} The mountains were covered with the shadow of it, And the boughs of it was [like] cedars of God. {80:11} It sent out its branches unto the sea, And its shoots unto the River. {80:12} Why have you broken down its walls, So that all they that pass by the way do pluck it? {80:13} The boar out of the wood does ravage it, And the wild beasts of the field feed on it. {80:14} Turn again, we ask you, O God of hosts: Look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine, {80:15} And the stock which your right hand planted, And the branch that you made strong for yourself. {80:16} It is burned with fire, it is cut down: They perish at the rebuke of your countenance. {80:17} Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, Upon the son of man whom you made strong for yourself. {80:18} So shall we not go back from you: Quickened you us, and we will call upon your name. {80:19} Turn us again, O The God Yahweh of hosts; Cause your face to shine, and we shall be saved.

{O19}81} Psalm Chapter Eighty One. For the Chief Musician; set to the Gittith. [A Psalm] of Asaph. {81:1} Sing aloud unto God our strength: Make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. {81:2} Raise a song, and bring here the timbrel, The pleasant harp with the psaltery. {81:3} Blow the trumpet at the new moon, At the full moon, on our feast-day. {81:4} For it is a statute for Israel, An ordinance of the God of Jacob. {81:5} He appointed it in Joseph for a testimony, When

he went out over the land of Egypt, [Where] I heard a language that I knew not. {81:6} I removed his shoulder from the burden: His hands were freed from the basket. {81:7} you called in trouble, and I delivered you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I proved you at the waters of Meribah. Selah {81:8} Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto you: O Israel, if you would hear unto me! {81:9} There shall no strange god be in you; Neither shall you worship any foreign god. {81:10} I am Yahweh your God, Who brought you up out of the land of Egypt: Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it. {81:11} But my people heard not to my voice; And Israel would none of me. {81:12} So I let them go after the stubbornness of their heart, That they might walk in their own counsels. {81:13} Oh that my people would hear unto me, That Israel would walk in my ways! {81:14} I would soon subdue their enemies, And turn my hand against their adversaries. {81:15} The haters of Yahweh should submit themselves unto him: But their time should endure forever. {81:16} He would feed them also with the finest of the wheat; And with honey out of the rock would I satisfy you.

{O19}82} Psalms Eighty Two. A Psalm of Asaph. {82:1} God stands in the Ekklesia of God; He judges among the gods. {82:2} How long will you judge unjustly, And favor the persons of the wicked? Selah {82:3} Judge the poor and fatherless: Do justice to the afflicted and destitute. {82:4} Rescue the poor and needy: Deliver them out of the hand of the wicked. {82:5} They know not, neither do they understand; They walk to and fro in darkness: All the foundations of the earth are shaken. {82:6} I said, you are gods, And all of you sons of the Most High. {82:7} Nevertheless you shall die like men, And fall like one of the princes. {82:8} Arise, O God, judge the earth; For you shall inherit all the nations.

{O19}83} Psalm Chapter Eighty Three. A song. A Psalm of Asaph. {83:1} O God, keep not your silence: Hold not your peace, and be not still, O God. {83:2} For, lo, your enemies make a tumult; And they that hate you have lifted up the head. {83:3} Your take crafty counsel against your people, And consult together against your hidden ones. {83:4} They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; That the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. {83:5} For they have consulted together with one consent; Against you do they make a covenant: {83:6} The tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites; Moab, and the Hagarenes; {83:7} Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; Philistia with the inhabitants of Tyre: {83:8} Assyria also is joined with them; They have helped the children of Lot. Selah {83:9} Do you unto them as unto Midian, As to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the river Kishon; {83:10} Who perished at Endor, Who became as dung for the earth. {83:11} Make their nobles like Oreb and Zeeb; behold, all their princes like Zebah and Zalmunna; {83:12} Who said, Let us take to ourselves in possession The habitations of God. {83:13} O my God, make them like the whirling dust; As stubble before the wind. {83:14} As the fire that burns the forest, And as the flame that sets the mountains on fire, {83:15} So pursue them with your tempest, And terrify them with your storm. {83:16} Fill their faces with confusion, That they may seek your name, O Yahweh. {83:17} Let them be put to shame and dismayed forever; behold, let them be confounded and perish; {83:18} That they may know that you alone, whose name is Yahweh, are the Most High over all the earth.

{O19}84} Psalm Chapter Eighty Four. For the Chief Musician; set to the Gittith. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. {84:1} How amiable are your tabernacles, O Yahweh of hosts! {84:2} My soul longs, behold, even faints for the courts of Yahweh; My heart and my flesh cry out unto the living God. {84:3} behold, the sparrow has found her a house, And the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, Even your altars, O Yahweh of hosts, My King, and my God. {84:4} Blessed are they that dwell in your house: They will be still praising you. Selah {84:5} Blessed is the man whose strength is in you; In whose heart are the highways [to Zion]. {84:6} Passing through the valley of Weeping they make it a place of springs; behold, the early rain covers it with blessings. {84:7} They go from strength to strength; Everyone of them appears before God in Zion. {84:8} O The God Yahweh of hosts, hear my prayer; Give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah {84:9} Behold, O God our shield, And look upon the face of your anointed. {84:10} For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the

house of my God, Than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. {84:11} For The God Yahweh is a sun and a shield: Yahweh will give grace and glory; No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. {84:12} O Yahweh of hosts, Blessed is the man that trusts in you.

{O19}85} Psalm Chapter Eighty Five. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. {85:1} Yahweh, you have been favorable unto your land; you have brought back the captivity of Jacob. {85:2} you have forgiven the works against law of your people; you have covered all their sin. Selah {85:3} you have taken away all your Anger; you have turned [yourself] from the fierceness of your anger. {85:4} Turn us, O God of our salvation, And cause your indignation toward us to cease. {85:5} Will you be angry with us forever? Will you draw out your anger to all generations? {85:6} Will you not quicken us again, That your people may rejoice in you? {85:7} Show us your agape loving kindness, O Yahweh, And grant us your salvation. {85:8} I will hear what God Yahweh will speak; For he will speak peace unto his people, and to his Holy People: But let them not turn again to folly. {85:9} Surely his salvation is near them that fear him, That glory may dwell in our land. {85:10} Mercy and truth are met together; lawful works and peace have kissed each other. {85:11} Truth springs out of the earth; And good works has looked down from heaven. {85:12} behold, Yahweh will give that which is good; And our land shall yield its increase. {85:13} Lawful works shall go before him, And shall make his footsteps a way [to walk in].

{O19}86} Psalm Chapter Eighty Six A Prayer of David {86:1} Bow down your ear, O Yahweh, and answer me; For I am poor and needy. {86:2} Preserve my soul; for I am godly: O you my God, save your servant that trusts sin you. {86:3} Be merciful unto me, O Lord; For unto you do I cry all the day long. {86:4} Rejoice the soul of your servant; For unto you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. {86:5} For you, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in agape loving kindness unto all them that call upon you. {86:6} Give ear, O Yahweh, unto my prayer; And hear unto the voice of my supplications. {86:7} In the day of my trouble I will call upon you; For you will answer me. {86:8} There is none like unto you among the gods, O Lord; Neither [are there any works] like unto your works. {86:9} All nations whom you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord; And they shall glorify your name. {86:10} For you are great, and do wondrous things: you are God alone. {86:11} Teach me your way, O Yahweh; I will walk in your truth: Unite my heart to fear your name. {86:12} I will praise you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart; And I will glorify your name forevermore. {86:13} For great is your agape loving kindness toward me; And you have delivered my soul from the lowe Sheol. {86:14} O God, the proud are risen up against me, And a company of violent men have sought after my soul, And have not set you before them. {86:15} But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness and truth. {86:16} Oh turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; Give your strength unto your servant, And save the son of your handmaid. {86:17} Show me a token for good, That they who hate me may see it, and be put to shame, Because you, Yahweh, have helped me, and comforted me.

{O19}87} Psalm Chapter Eighty Seven. A Psalm of the sons of Korah; a Song. {87:1} His foundation is in the holy mountains. {87:2} Yahweh agape loves the gates of Zion More than all the dwellings of Jacob. {87:3} Glorious things are spoken of you, O city of God. Selah {87:4} I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon as among them that know me: Behold, Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia: This one was born there. {87:5} behold, of Zion it shall be said, This one and that one was born in her; And the Most High himself will establish her. {87:6} Yahweh will count, when he writes up the peoples, This one was born there. Selah {87:7} They that sing as well as they that dance [shall say], All my fountains are in you.

{O19}88} Psalm Chapter Eighty Eight. A Song, a Psalm of the sons of Korah; for the Chief Musician; set to Mahalath Leannoth. Maschil of Heman the Ezrahite. {88:1} O Yahweh, the God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before you. {88:2} Let my prayer enter into your presence; Incline your ear unto my cry. {88:3} For my soul is full of troubles, And my life draws near unto Sheol. {88:4} I am reckoned with them that go down into the pit; I am as a man that has

no help, {88:5} Cast off among the dead, Like the slain that lie in the grave, Whom you remember no more, And they are cut off from your hand. {88:6} you have laid me in the lowe pit, In dark places, in the deeps. {88:7} Your Anger lies hard upon me, And you have afflicted me with all your waves. Selah {88:8} you have put mine acquaintance far from me; you have made me an abomination unto them: I am shut up, and I cannot come forth. {88:9} Mine eye waste away by reason of affliction: I have called daily upon you, O Yahweh; I have spread forth my hands unto you. {88:10} Will you show wonders to the dead? shall they that are deceased arise and praise you? Selah {88:11} shall your agape loving kindness be declared in the grave? Or your faithfulness in Destruction? {88:12} shall your wonders be known in the dark? And your good works in the land of forgetfulness? {88:13} But unto you, O Yahweh, have I cried; And in the morning shall my prayer come before you. {88:14} Yahweh, why cast you off my soul? Why hide you your face from me? {88:15} I am afflicted and ready to die from my youth up: While I suffer your terrors I am distracted. {88:16} Your fierce Anger is gone over me; Your terrors have cut me off. {88:17} They came round about me like water all the day long; They around me about together. {88:18} Lover and friend have you put far from me, And mine acquaintance into darkness.

{O19}89} Psalm Chapter Eighty Nine. Maschil of Ethan the Ezrahite. {89:1} I will sing of the agape loving kindness of Yahweh forever: With my mouth will I make known your faithfulness to all generations. {89:2} For I have said, Mercy shall be built up forever; Your faithfulness will you establish in the very heavens. {89:3} I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant: {89:4} Your seed will I establish forever, And build up your throne to all generations. Selah {89:5} And the heavens shall praise your wonders, O Yahweh; Your faithfulness also in the Ekklesia of the holy ones. {89:6} For who in the skies can be compared unto Yahweh? Who among the sons of the mighty is like unto Yahweh, {89:7} A God very terrible in the council of the holy ones, And to be feared above all them that are round about him? {89:8} O The God Yahweh of hosts, Who is a mighty one, like unto you, O Yahweh? And your faithfulness is round about you. {89:9} you rule the pride of the sea: When the waves of it arise, you stillest them. {89:10} you have broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; you have scattered your enemies with the arm of your strength. {89:11} The heavens are yours, the earth also is yours: The world and the fullness there, you have founded them. {89:12} The north and the south, you have created them: Tabor and Hermon rejoice in your name. {89:13} you have a mighty arm; Strong is your hand, and high is your right hand. {89:14} Lawful works and justice are the foundation of your throne: Agape Loving kindness and truth go before your face. {89:15} Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: They walk, O Yahweh, in the light of your countenance. {89:16} In your name they do rejoice all the day; And in your lawful works they are exalted. {89:17} For you are the glory of their strength; And in your favor our horn shall be exalted. {89:18} For our shield belongs unto Yahweh; And our king to the Holy One of Israel. {89:19} Then you spoke in vision to your Holy People, And said, I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people. {89:20} I have found David my servant; With my holy oil have I anointed him: {89:21} With whom my hand shall be established; Mine arm also shall strengthen him. {89:22} The enemy shall not exact from him, Nor the son of wickedness afflict him. {89:23} And I will beat down his adversaries before him, And smite them that hate him. {89:24} But my faithfulness and my agape loving kindness shall be with him; And in my name shall his horn be exalted. {89:25} I will set his hand also on the sea, And his right hand on the rivers. {89:26} He shall cry unto me, you are my Father, My God, and the rock of my salvation. {89:27} I also will make him [my] first-born, The highest of the kings of the earth. {89:28} My agape loving kindness will I keep for him forevermore; And my covenant shall stand fast with him. {89:29} His seed also will I make to endure forever, And his throne as the days of heaven. {89:30} If his children forsake my law, And walk not in mine ordinances; {89:31} If they break my statutes, And keep not my commandments; {89:32} Then will I visit their transgression of the law with the rod, And their works against law with stripes. {89:33} But my

agape loving kindness will I not utterly take from him, Nor suffer my faithfulness to fail. {89:34} My covenant will I not break, Nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips. {89:35} Once have I sworn by my holiness: I will not lie unto David: {89:36} His seed shall endure forever, And his throne as the sun before me. {89:37} It shall be established forever as the moon, And [as] the faithful witness in the sky. Selah {89:38} But you have cast off and rejected, you have been angry with your anointed. {89:39} you have abhorred the covenant of your servant: you have profaned his crown [by casting it] to the ground. {89:40} you have broken down all his hedges; you have brought his strongholds to ruin. {89:41} All that pass by the way rob him: He is become a reproach to his neighbors. {89:42} you have exalted the right hand of his adversaries; you have made all his enemies to rejoice. {89:43} behold, you turn back the edge of his sword, And have not made him to stand in the battle. {89:44} you have made his brightness to cease, And cast his throne down to the ground. {89:45} The days of his youth have you shortened: you have covered him with shame. Selah {89:46} How long, O Yahweh? will you hide yourself forever? [How long] shall your Anger burn like fire? {89:47} Oh remember how short my time is: For what vanity have you created all the children of men! {89:48} What man is he that shall live and not see death, That shall deliver his soul from the power of Sheol? Selah {89:49} Lord, where are your former agape loving kindnesses, Which you swearst unto David in your faithfulness? {89:50} Remember, Lord, the reproach of your servants; How I do bear in my bosom [the reproach of] all the mighty peoples, {89:51} By which your enemies have reproached, O Yahweh, By which they have reproached the footsteps of your anointed. {89:52} Blessed be Yahweh forevermore. Amen, and Amen.

{019}90} Psalm Chapter Ninety. BOOK IV A Prayer of Moses the man of God. {90:1} Lord, you have been our dwelling-place In all generations. {90:2} Before the mountains were brought forth, Or before you had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, you are God. {90:3} you turn man to destruction, And say, Return, you children of men. {90:4} For thousands of years [to man], in your sight, [thousands of years] are but as yesterday when it is past, And [our thousands of years to man, is to you only] a [three hour] watch in the night. {90:5} you carry them away as with a flood; they [like thousands of years to us] are [to you only] as a sleep: In the morning they are like grass which grows up. {90:6} In the morning it flourishes, and grows up; In the evening it is cut down, and withers. {90:7} For we are consumed in your anger, And in your Anger are we troubled. {90:8} you have set our iniquities before you, Our secret sins in the light of your countenance. {90:9} For all our days are passed away in your Anger: We bring our years to an end as a sigh. {90:10} The days of our years are seventy years, Or even by reason of strength eighty years; yet is their pride but labor and sorrow; For it is soon gone, and we fly away. {90:11} Who knows the power of your anger, And your Anger according to the fear that is due unto you? {90:12} So teach us to number our days, That we may get us a heart of wisdom. {90:13} Return, O Yahweh; how long? And let it repent you concerning your servants. {90:14} Oh satisfy us in the morning with your agape loving kindness, That we may rejoice and be glad all our days. {90:15} Make us glad according to the days wherein you have afflicted us, And the years wherein we have seen evil. {90:16} Let your work appear unto your servants, And your glory upon their children. {90:17} And let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us; And establish you the work of our hands upon us; behold, the work of our hands you establish it.

{019}91} Psalm Chapter Ninety One. {91:1} He that dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. {91:2} I will say of Yahweh, He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in whom I trust. {91:3} For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler, And from the deadly pestilence. {91:4} He will cover you with his pinions, And under his wings shall you take refuge: His truth is a shield and a protection. {91:5} you shall not be afraid for the terror by night, Nor for the arrow that flies by day; {91:6} For the pestilence that walks in darkness, Nor for the destruction that wastes at noonday. {91:7} A thousand shall fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; [But] it shall not come near you. {91:8} Only

with your eyes shall you behold, And see the reward of the wicked. {91:9} For you, O Yahweh, are my refuge! you have made the Most High your habitation; {91:10} There shall no evil befall you, Neither shall any plague come near your tent. {91:11} For he will give his messengers charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. {91:12} They shall bear you up in their hands, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. {91:13} you shall tread upon the lion and adder: The young lion and the serpent shall you trample under foot. {91:14} Because he has set his agape love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he has known my name. {91:15} He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him, and honor him. {91:16} With long life will I satisfy him, And show him my salvation.

{O19}92} Psalm Chapter Ninety Two. A Psalm, a Song for the Sabbath day. {92:1} It is a good thing to give thanks unto Yahweh, And to sing praises unto your name, O Most High; {92:2} To show forth your agape loving kindness in the morning, And your faithfulness every night, {92:3} With an instrument of ten strings, and with the psaltery; With a solemn sound upon the harp. {92:4} For you, Yahweh, have made me glad through your work: I will triumph in the works of your hands. {92:5} How great are your works, O Yahweh! Your thoughts are very deep. {92:6} A brutish man knows not; Neither does a fool understand this: {92:7} When the wicked spring as the grass, And when all the workers of works against law do flourish; It is that they shall be destroyed forever. {92:8} But you, O Yahweh, are on high forevermore. {92:9} For, lo, your enemies, O Yahweh, For, lo, your enemies shall perish; All the workers of works against law shall be scattered. {92:10} But my horn have you exalted like [the horn of] the wild-ox: I am anointed with fresh oil. {92:11} Mine eye also has seen [my desire] on mine enemies, Mine ears have heard [my desire] of the evil-doers that rise up against me. {92:12} The lawful worker shall flourish like the palm-tree: He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. {92:13} They are planted in the house of Yahweh; They shall flourish in the courts of our God. {92:14} They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; They shall be full of sap and green: {92:15} To show that Yahweh is upright; He is my rock, and there is no works that will cause pain or suffering because of him.

{O19}93} Psalm Chapter Ninety Three. {93:1} Yahweh reigns; he is clothed with majesty; Yahweh is clothed with strength; he has girded himself with: The world also is established, that it cannot be moved. {93:2} Your throne is established of old: you are from everlasting. {93:3} The floods have lifted up, O Yahweh, The floods have lifted up their voice; The floods lift up their waves. {93:4} Above the voices of many waters, The mighty breakers of the sea, Yahweh on high is mighty. {93:5} Your testimonies are very sure: Holiness becomes your house, O Yahweh, forevermore.

{O19}94} Psalm Chapter Ninety Four. {94:1} O Yahweh, you God to whom vengeance belongs, you God to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth. {94:2} Lift up yourself, you judge of the earth: Render to the proud [their] desert. {94:3} Yahweh, how long shall the wicked, How long shall the wicked triumph? {94:4} They prate, they speak arrogantly: All the workers of works against law boast themselves. {94:5} They break in pieces your people, O Yahweh, And afflict your heritage. {94:6} They slay the widow and the alien, And murder the fatherless. {94:7} And they say, Yahweh will not see, Neither will the God of Jacob consider. {94:8} Consider, you brutish among the people; And you fools, when will you be wise? {94:9} He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? He that formed the eye, shall he not see? {94:10} He that chastises the nations, shall not he correct, [Even] he that teaches man knowledge? {94:11} Yahweh knows the thoughts of man, That they are vanity. {94:12} Blessed is the man whom you chastise, O Yahweh, And teach out of your law; {94:13} That you may give him rest from the days of adversity, Until the pit be dug for the wicked. {94:14} For Yahweh will not cast off his [holy] people, Neither will he forsake his inheritance. {94:15} For judgment shall return unto lawful works; And all the upright in heart shall follow it. {94:16} Who will rise up for me against the evil-doers? Who will stand up for me against the workers of works against law? {94:17} Unless Yahweh had been my help, My soul [would have] had soon lived in silence. {94:18}

When I said, My foot slipped; Your Agape loving kindness, O Yahweh, held me up. {94:19} In the multitude of my thoughts within me Your comforts delight my soul. {94:20} shall the throne of wickedness have fellowship with you, Which frames mischief by statute? {94:21} They gather themselves together against the soul of the lawful worker, And condemn the innocent blood. {94:22} But Yahweh has been my high tower, And my God the rock of my refuge. {94:23} And he has brought upon them their own works against law, And will cut them off in their own wickedness; Yahweh our God will cut them off.

{O19}95} Psalm Chapter Ninety Five. {95:1} Oh come, let us sing unto Yahweh; Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. {95:2} Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; Let us make a joyful noise unto him with Psalms. {95:3} For Yahweh is a great God, And a great King above all gods. {95:4} In his hand are the deep places of the earth; The heights of the mountains are his also. {95:5} The sea is his, and he made it; And his hands formed the dry land. {95:6} Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before Yahweh our Maker: {95:7} For he is our God, And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To-day, oh that you would hear his voice! {95:8} Harden not your heart, as at Meribah, As in the day of Massah in the wilderness; {95:9} When your fathers tempted me, Proved me, and saw my work. {95:10} Forty years long was I grieved with [that] generation, And said, It is a people that do err in their heart, And they have not known my ways: {95:11} Therefore I swear in my Anger, That they should not enter into my rest.

O19}96 Psalm Chapter Ninety Six. {96:1} Oh sing unto Yahweh a new song: Sing unto Yahweh, all the earth. {96:2} Sing unto Yahweh, bless his name; Show forth his salvation from day to day. {96:3} Declare his glory among the nations, His marvellous works among all the peoples. {96:4} For great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised: He is to be feared above all gods. {96:5} For all the gods of the peoples are idols; But Yahweh made the heavens. {96:6} Honor and majesty are before him: Strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. {96:7} Ascribe unto Yahweh, you kindreds of the peoples, Ascribe unto Yahweh glory and strength. {96:8} Ascribe unto Yahweh the glory due unto his name: Bring an offering, and come into his courts. {96:9} Oh worship Yahweh in holy array: Tremble before him, all the earth. {96:10} Say among the nations, Yahweh reigns: The world also is established that it cannot be moved: He will judge the peoples with equity. {96:11} Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; Let the sea roar, and the fullness there; {96:12} Let the field exult, and all that is therein; Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy {96:13} Before Yahweh; for he comes, For he comes to judge the earth: He will judge the world with good works, And the peoples with his truth.

{O19}97} Psalm Chapter Ninety Seven. {97:1} Yahweh reigns; let the earth rejoice; Let the multitude of isles be glad. {97:2} Clouds and darkness are round about him: Lawful works and justice are the foundation of his throne. {97:3} A fire goes before him, And burns up his adversaries round about. {97:4} His lightnings lightened the world: The earth saw, and trembled. {97:5} The mountains melted like wax at the presence of Yahweh, At the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. {97:6} The heavens declare his good works, And all the peoples have seen his glory. {97:7} Let all them be put to shame that serve graven images, That boast themselves of idols: Worship him, all you gods. {97:8} Zion heard and was glad, And the daughters of Judah rejoiced, Because of your judgments, O Yahweh. {97:9} For you, Yahweh, are most high above all the earth: you are exalted far above all gods. {97:10} O you that agape love Yahweh, hate evil: He preserves the souls of his Holy People; He delivers them out of the hand of the wicked. {97:11} Light is sown for the lawful worker, And gladness for the upright in heart. {97:12} Be glad in Yahweh, you lawful worker; And give thanks to his holy memorial [name].

{O19}98} Psalm Chapter Ninety Eight. A Psalm. {98:1} Oh sing unto Yahweh a new song; For he has done marvelous things: His right hand, and his holy arm, has wrought salvation for him. {98:2} Yahweh has made known his salvation: His good works he has openly showed in the sight of the nations. {98:3} He has remembered his agape loving kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. {98:4}

Make a joyful noise unto Yahweh, all the earth: Break forth and sing for joy, behold, sing praises. {98:5} Sing praises unto Yahweh with the harp; With the harp and the voice of melody. {98:6} With trumpets and sound of cornet Make a joyful noise before the King, Yahweh. {98:7} Let the sea roar, and the fullness there; The world, and they that dwell therein; {98:8} Let the floods clap their hands; Let the hills sing for joy together {98:9} Before Yahweh; for he comes to judge the earth: He will judge the world with lawful works, And [also] the peoples with works against law.

{O19)99} Psalm Chapter Ninety Nine. {99:1} Yahweh reigns; let the peoples tremble: He sits [above] the cherubim; let the earth be moved. {99:2} Yahweh is great in Zion; And he is high above all the peoples. {99:3} Let them praise your great and terrible name: Holy is he. {99:4} The king's strength also agape loves justice; you do establish equity; you execute justice and lawful works in Jacob. {99:5} Exalt you Yahweh our God, And worship at his footstool: Holy is he. {99:6} Moses and Aaron among his priests, And Samuel among them that call upon his name; They called upon Yahweh, and he answered them. {99:7} He spoke unto them in the pillar of cloud: They kept his testimonies, And the statute that he gave them. {99:8} you answered them, O Yahweh our God: you was a God that forgave them, though you took vengeance of their doings. {99:9} Exalt you Yahweh our God, And worship at his holy hill; For Yahweh our God is holy.

{O19)100} Psalms Chapter One Hundred. A Psalm of thanksgiving. {100:1} Make a joyful noise unto Yahweh, all you lands. {100:2} Serve Yahweh with gladness: Come before his presence with singing. {100:3} Know you that Yahweh, he is God: It is he that has made us, and we are his; We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. {100:4} Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, And into his courts with praise: Give thanks unto him, and bless his name. {100:5} For Yahweh is good; his agape loving kindness [endures] forever, And his faithfulness unto all generations.

{O19)101} Psalm Chapter one hundred and one. A Psalm of David. {101:1} I will sing of agape loving kindness and justice: Unto you, O Yahweh, will I sing praises. {101:2} I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way: Oh when will you come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart. {101:3} I will set no base thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; It shall not cleave unto me. {101:4} A perverse heart shall depart from me: I will know no evil thing. {101:5} Who so secretly slanders his neighbor, him will I destroy: Him that has a high look and a proud heart I will not suffer. {101:6} Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: He that walks in a perfect way, he shall minister unto me. {101:7} He that works deceit shall not dwell within my house: He that speaks falsehood shall not be established before mine eyes. {101:8} Morning by morning will I destroy all the wicked of the land; To cut off all the workers of works against law from the city of Yahweh.

{O19)102} Psalm Chapter 102. A Prayer of the afflicted, when he is overwhelmed, and pours out his complaint before Yahweh. {102:1} Hear my prayer, O Yahweh, And let my cry come unto you. {102:2} Hide not your face from me in the day of my distress: Incline your ear unto me; In the day when I call answer me speedily. {102:3} For my days consume away like smoke, And my bones are burned as a firebrand. {102:4} My heart is smitten like grass, and withered; For I forget to eat my bread. {102:5} By reason of the voice of my groaning My bones cleave to my flesh. {102:6} I am like a pelican of the wilderness; I am become as an owl of the waste places. {102:7} I watch, and am become like a sparrow That is alone upon the house-top. {102:8} Mine enemies reproach me all the day; They that are mad against me do curse by me. {102:9} For I have eaten ashes like bread, And mingled my drink with weeping, {102:10} Because of your indignation and your Anger: For you have taken me up, and cast me away. {102:11} My days are like a shadow that declines; And I am withered like grass. {102:12} But you, O Yahweh, will abide forever; And your memorial unto all generations. {102:13} you will arise, and have mercy upon Zion; For it is time to have pity upon her, behold, the set time is come. {102:14} For your servants take pleasure in her stones, And have pity upon her dust. {102:15} So the nations shall fear the name of Yahweh, And all the kings of the earth your glory.

{102:16} For Yahweh has built up Zion; He has appeared in his glory. {102:17} He has regarded the prayer of the destitute, And has not despised their prayer. {102:18} This shall be written for the generation to come; And a people which shall be created shall praise Yahweh. {102:19} For he has looked down from the height of his sanctuary; From heaven did Yahweh behold the earth; {102:20} To hear the sighing of the prisoner; To lose those that are appointed to death; {102:21} That men may declare the name of Yahweh in Zion, And his praise in Jerusalem; {102:22} When the peoples are gathered together, And the kingdoms, to serve Yahweh. {102:23} He weakened my strength in the way; He shortened my days. {102:24} I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days: Your years are throughout all generations. {102:25} Of old did you lay the foundation of the earth; And the heavens are the work of your hands. {102:26} They shall perish, but you shall endure; behold, all of them shall wax old like a garment; As a vesture shall you change them, and they shall be changed: {102:27} But you are the same, And your years shall have no end. {102:28} The children of your servants shall continue, And their seed shall be established before you.

O19)103 Psalm Chapter 103 [A Psalm] of David. {103:1} Bless Yahweh, O my soul; And all that is within me, [bless] his holy name. {103:2} Bless Yahweh, O my soul, And forget not all his benefits: {103:3} Who forgives all your iniquities; Who heals all your diseases; {103:4} Who redeems your life from destruction; Who crowns you with agape loving kindness and tender mercies; {103:5} Who satisfies your desire with good things, [So that] your youth is renewed like the eagle. {103:6} Yahweh executes benevolent acts, And judgments for all that are oppressed. {103:7} He made known his ways unto Moses, His doings unto the children of Israel. {103:8} Yahweh is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness. {103:9} He will not always chide; Neither will he keep [his anger] forever. {103:10} He has not dealt with us after our sins, Nor rewarded us after our works against law. {103:11} For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is his agape loving kindness toward them that fear him. {103:12} As far as the east is from the west, So far has he removed our transgression of the law from us. {103:13} Like as a father pities his children, So Yahweh pities them that fear him. {103:14} For he knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust. {103:15} As for man, his days are as grass; As a flower of the field, so he flourishes. {103:16} For the wind passes over it, and it is gone; And the place of it shall know it no more. {103:17} But the agape loving kindness of Yahweh is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, And his lawful works unto children's children; {103:18} To such as keep his covenant, And to those that remember his precepts to do them. {103:19} Yahweh has established his throne in the heavens; And his kingdom rules over all. {103:20} Bless Yahweh, you his messengers, That are mighty in strength, that fulfill his word, Hearing unto the voice of his word. {103:21} Bless Yahweh, all you his hosts, you ministers of his, that do his pleasure. {103:22} Bless Yahweh, all you his works, In all places of his dominion: Bless Yahweh, O my soul.

{O19)104} Psalm Chapter 104. {104:1} Bless Yahweh, O my soul. O Yahweh my God, you are very great; you are clothed with honor and majesty: {104:2} Who cover yourself with light as with a garment; Who stretch out the heavens like a curtain; {104:3} Who lays the beams of his chambers in the waters; Who makes the clouds his chariot; Who walks upon the wings of the wind; {104:4} Who makes winds his messengers; Flames of fire his ministers; {104:5} Who laid the foundations of the earth, That it should not be moved forever. {104:6} you covers it with the deep as with a vesture; The waters stood above the mountains. {104:7} At your rebuke they fled; At the voice of your thunder they hurried away {104:8} (The mountains rose, the valleys sank down) Unto the place which you had founded for them. {104:9} you have set a bound that they may not pass over; That they turn not again to cover the earth. {104:10} He sends forth springs into the valleys; They run among the mountains; {104:11} They give drink to every beast of the field; The wild donkeys quench their thirst. {104:12} By them the birds of the heavens have their habitation; They sing among the branches. {104:13} He waters the mountains from his chambers: The earth is filled with the fruit of your works. {104:14} He causes the grass

to grow for the cattle, And herb for the service of man; That he may bring forth food out of the earth, {104:15} And wine that makes glad the heart of man, [And] oil to make his face to shine, And bread that strengthens man's heart. {104:16} The trees of Yahweh are filled [with moisture], The cedars of Lebanon, which he has planted; {104:17} Where the birds make their nests: As for the stork, the fir-trees are her house. {104:18} The high mountains are for the wild goats; The rocks are a refuge for the conies. {104:19} He appointed the moon for seasons: The sun knows his going down. {104:20} you make darkness, and it is night, Wherein all the beasts of the forest creep forth. {104:21} The young lions roar after their prey, And seek their food from God. {104:22} The sun arises, they get them away, And lay them down in their dens. {104:23} Man goes forth unto his work And to his labor until the evening. {104:24} O Yahweh, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all: The earth is full of your riches. {104:25} Yonder is the sea, great and wide, Wherein are things creeping innumerable, Both small and great beasts. {104:26} There go the ships; There is leviathan, whom you have formed to play therein. {104:27} These wait all for you, That you may give them their food in due season. {104:28} you give unto them, they gather; you open your hand, they are satisfied with good. {104:29} you hide your face, they are troubled; you take away their breath, they die, And return to their dust. {104:30} you send forth your Spirit, they are created; And you renew the face of the ground. {104:31} Let the glory of Yahweh endure forever; Let Yahweh rejoice in his works: {104:32} Who looks on the earth, and it trembles; He touches the mountains, and they smoke. {104:33} I will sing unto Yahweh as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have any being. {104:34} Let your meditation be sweet unto him: I will rejoice in Yahweh. {104:35} Let sinners be consumed out of the earth. And let the wicked be no more. Bless Yahweh, O my soul. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}105} Psalm Chapter 105. {105:1} Oh give thanks unto Yahweh, call upon his name; Make known among the peoples his doings. {105:2} Sing unto him, sing praises unto him; Talk you of all his marvelous works. {105:3} Glory you in his holy name: Let the heart of them rejoice that seek Yahweh. {105:4} Seek you Yahweh and his strength; Seek his face evermore. {105:5} Remember his marvellous works that he has done, His wonders, and the judgments of his mouth, {105:6} O you seed of Abraham his servant, you children of Jacob, his chosen ones. {105:7} He is Yahweh our God: His judgments are in all the earth. {105:8} He has remembered his covenant forever, The word which he commanded to a thousand generations, {105:9} [The covenant] which he made with Abraham, And his oath unto Isaac, {105:10} And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a statute, To Israel for an everlasting covenant, {105:11} Saying, Unto you will I give the land of Canaan, The lot of your inheritance; {105:12} When they were but a few men in number, behold, very few, and aliens in it. {105:13} And they went about from nation to nation, From one kingdom to another people. {105:14} He suffered no man to do them wrong; behold, he reprov'd kings for their sakes, {105:15} [Saying], Touch not mine anointed ones, And do my prophets no harm. {105:16} And he called for a famine upon the land; He brake the whole staff of bread. {105:17} He sent a man before them; Joseph was sold for a servant: {105:18} His feet they hurt with fetters: He was laid in [chains of] iron, {105:19} Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of Yahweh tried him. {105:20} The king sent and loosed him; Even the ruler of peoples, and let him go free. {105:21} He made him lord of his house, And ruler of all his substance; {105:22} To bind his princes at his pleasure, And teach his elders wisdom. {105:23} Israel also came into Egypt; And Jacob sojourn'd in the land of Ham. {105:24} And he increased his people greatly, And made them stronger than their adversaries. {105:25} He turned their heart to hate his people, To deal subtly with his servants. {105:26} He sent Moses his servant, [And] Aaron whom he had chosen. {105:27} They set among them his signs, And wonders in the land of Ham. {105:28} He sent darkness, and made it dark; And they rebelled not against his words. {105:29} He turned their waters into blood, And slew their fish. {105:30} Their land swarmed with frogs In the chambers of their kings. {105:31} He spoke, and there came swarms of flies, And lice in all their borders. {105:32} He gave them hail for rain, [And] flaming fire in their land.

{105:33} He smote their vines also and their fig-trees, And brake the trees of their borders.
 {105:34} He spoke, and the locust came, And the grasshopper, and that outside number,
 {105:35} And did eat up every herb in their land, And did eat up the fruit of their ground.
 {105:36} He smote also all the first-born in their land, The chief of all their strength. {105:37}
 And he brought them forth with silver and gold; And there was not one feeble person among his tribes.
 {105:38} Egypt was glad when they departed; For the fear of them had fallen upon them.
 {105:39} He spread a cloud for a covering, And fire to give light in the night. {105:40} They asked, and he brought quails, And satisfied them with the bread of heaven. {105:41} He opened the rock, and waters gushed out; They ran in the dry places [like] a river. {105:42} For he remembered his holy word, [And] Abraham his servant. {105:43} And he brought forth his people with joy, [And] his chosen with singing. {105:44} And he gave them the lands of the nations; And they took the labor of the peoples in possession: {105:45} That they might keep his statutes, And observe his laws. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}106} Psalm Chapter 106. {106:1} Praise you Yahweh. Oh give thanks unto Yahweh; for he is good; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {106:2} Who can utter the mighty acts of Yahweh, Or show forth all his praise? {106:3} Blessed are they that keep justice, And he that does good works at all times. {106:4} Remember me, O Yahweh, with the favor that you bear unto your people; Oh visit me with your salvation, {106:5} That I may see the prosperity of your chosen, That I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation, That I may glory with your inheritance. {106:6} We have sinned with our fathers, We have committed works against law, we have done wickedly. {106:7} Our fathers understood not your wonders in Egypt; They remembered not the multitude of your agape loving kindnesses, But were rebellious at the sea, even at the Red Sea. {106:8} Nevertheless he saved them for his name's sake, That he might make his mighty power to be known. {106:9} He rebuked the Sea of Reeds also, and it was dried up: So he led them through the depths, as through a wilderness. {106:10} And he saved them from the hand of him that hated them, And redeemed them from the hand of the enemy. {106:11} And the waters covered their adversaries; There was not one of them left. {106:12} Then believed they his words; They sang his praise. {106:13} They soon forgot his works; They waited not for his counsel, {106:14} But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, And tempted God in the desert. {106:15} And he gave them their request, But sent leanness into their soul. {106:16} They envied Moses also in the camp, [And] Aaron the Holy Person of Yahweh. {106:17} The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, And covered the company of Abiram. {106:18} And a fire was kindled in their company; The flame burned up the wicked. {106:19} They made a calf in Horeb, And worshipped a molten image. {106:20} Thus they changed their glory For the likeness of an ox that eats grass. {106:21} They forgot God their Savior, Who had done great things in Egypt, {106:22} Wondrous works in the land of Ham, [And] terrible things by the Red Sea. {106:23} Therefore he said that he would destroy them, Had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, To turn away his Anger, lest he should destroy [them]. {106:24} behold, they despised the pleasant land, They believed not his word, {106:25} But murmured in their tents, And heard not unto the voice of Yahweh. {106:26} Therefore he swear unto them, That he would overthrow them in the wilderness, {106:27} And that he would overthrow their seed among the nations, And scatter them in the lands. {106:28} They joined themselves also unto Baal-peor, And ate the sacrifices of the dead. {106:29} Thus they provoked him to anger with their doings; And the plague brake in upon them. {106:30} Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment; And so the plague was stayed. {106:31} And that was reckoned unto him for lawful works, Unto all generations forevermore. {106:32} They angered him also at the waters of Meribah, So that it went ill with Moses for their sakes; {106:33} Because they were rebellious against his spirit, And he spoke unadvisedly with his lips. {106:34} They did not destroy the peoples, As Yahweh commanded them, {106:35} But mingled themselves with the nations, And learned their works, {106:36} And served their idols, Which became a snare unto them. {106:37} behold, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto demons, {106:38} And shed innocent blood, Even

the blood of their sons and of their daughters, Whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan; And the land was polluted with blood. {106:39} Thus were they defiled with their works, And played the prostitute in their doings. {106:40} Therefore was the Anger of Yahweh kindled against his people, And he abhorred his inheritance. {106:41} And he gave them into the hand of the nations; And they that hated them ruled over them. {106:42} Their enemies also oppressed them, And they were brought into subjection under their hand. {106:43} Many times did he deliver them; But they were rebellious in their counsel, And were brought low in their works against law. {106:44} Nevertheless he regarded their distress, When he heard their cry: {106:45} And he remembered for them his covenant, And repented according to the multitude of his agape loving kindnesses. {106:46} He made them also to be pitied Of all those that carried them captive. {106:47} Save us, O Yahweh our God, And gather us from among the nations, To give thanks unto your holy name, And to triumph in your praise. {106:48} Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, From everlasting even to everlasting. And let all the people say, Amen. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}107} Psalm Chapter 107. BOOK V {107:1} O give thanks unto Yahweh; For he is good; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {107:2} Let the redeemed of Yahweh say [so], Whom he has redeemed from the hand of the adversary, {107:3} And gathered out of the lands, From the east and from the west, From the north and from the south. {107:4} They wandered in the wilderness in a desert way; They found no city of habitation. {107:5} Hungry and thirsty, Their soul fainted in them. {107:6} Then they cried unto Yahweh in their trouble, And he delivered them out of their distresses, {107:7} He led them also by a straight way, That they might go to a city of habitation. {107:8} Oh that men would praise Yahweh for his agape loving kindness, And for his wonderful works to the children of men! {107:9} For he satisfies the longing soul, And the hungry soul he fills with good. {107:10} Such as sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, Being bound in affliction and iron, {107:11} Because they rebelled against the words of God, And contemned the counsel of the Most High: {107:12} Therefore he brought down their heart with labor; They fell down, and there was none to help. {107:13} Then they cried unto Yahweh in their trouble, And he saved them out of their distresses. {107:14} He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, And brake their bonds in sunder. {107:15} Oh that men would praise Yahweh for his agape loving kindness, And for his wonderful works to the children of men! {107:16} For he has broken the gates of brass, And cut the bars of iron in sunder. {107:17} Fools because of their transgression of the law, And because of their iniquities, are afflicted. {107:18} Their soul abhors all manner of food; And they draw near unto the gates of death. {107:19} Then they cry unto Yahweh in their trouble, And he saves them out of their distresses. {107:20} He sends his word, and heals them, And delivers [them] from their destructions. {107:21} Oh that men would praise Yahweh for his agape loving kindness, And for his wonderful works to the children of men! {107:22} And let them offer the sacrifices of thanksgiving, And declare his works with singing. {107:23} They that go down to the sea in ships, That do business in great waters; {107:24} These see the works of Yahweh, And his wonders in the deep. {107:25} For he commands, and raises the stormy wind, Which lifts up the waves there. {107:26} They mount up to the heavens, they go down again to the depths: Their soul melts away because of trouble. {107:27} They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunk man, And are at their wits' end. {107:28} Then they cry unto Yahweh in their trouble, And he brings them out of their distresses. {107:29} He makes the storm a calm, So that the waves of it are still. {107:30} Then are they glad because they are quiet; So he brings them unto their desired haven. {107:31} Oh that men would praise Yahweh for his agape loving kindness, And for his wonderful works to the children of men! {107:32} Let them exalt him also in the Ekklesia of the people, And praise him in the seat of the elders. {107:33} He turns rivers into a wilderness, And water springs into a thirsty ground; {107:34} A fruitful land into a salt desert, For the wickedness of them that dwell therein. {107:35} He turns a wilderness into a pool of water, And a dry land into water springs. {107:36} And there he makes the hungry to dwell, That they may prepare a

city of habitation, {107:37} And sow fields, and plant vineyards, And get them fruits of increase. {107:38} He blesses them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; And he suffers not their cattle to decrease. {107:39} Again, they are diminished and bowed down Through oppression, trouble, and sorrow. {107:40} He pours contempt upon princes, And causes them to wander in the waste, where there is no way. {107:41} yet sets he the needy on high from affliction, And makes[him] families like a flock. {107:42} The upright shall see it, and be glad; And all works against law shall stop her mouth. {107:43} Who so is wise will give heed to these things; And they will consider the agape loving kindnesses of Yahweh.

{O19}108} Psalm Chapter 108. A Song, A Psalm of David. {108:1} My heart is fixed, O God; I will sing, behold, I will sing praises, even with my glory. {108:2} Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake right early. {108:3} I will give thanks unto you, O Yahweh, among the peoples; And I will sing praises unto you among the nations. {108:4} For your agape loving kindness is great above the heavens; And your truth [reach] unto the skies. {108:5} Be you exalted, O God, above the heavens, And your glory above all the earth. {108:6} That your agape beloved may be delivered, Save with your right hand, and answer us. {108:7} God has spoken in his holiness: I will exult; I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth. {108:8} Gilead is mine; Manasseh is mine; Ephraim also is the defense of my head; Judah is my Scepter. {108:9} Moab is my wash pot; Upon Edom will I cast my shoe; Over Philistia will I shout. {108:10} Who will bring me into the fortified city? Who has led me unto Edom? {108:11} Have not you cast us off, O God? And you go not forth, O God, with our hosts. {108:12} Give us help against the adversary; For vain is the help of man. {108:13} Through God we shall do valiantly: For he it is that will tread down our adversaries.

{O19}109} Psalm Chapter 109. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {109:1} Hold not your peace, O God of my praise; {109:2} For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of deceit have they opened against me: They have spoken unto me with a lying tongue. {109:3} They have around me about also with words of hatred, And fought against me outside a cause. {109:4} For my agape love they are my adversaries: But I [give myself unto] prayer. {109:5} And they have rewarded me evil for good, And hatred for my agape love. {109:6} Set you a wicked man over him; And let an adversary stand at his right hand. {109:7} When he is judged, let him come forth guilty; And let his prayer be turned into sin. {109:8} Let his days be few; [And] let another take his office. {109:9} Let his children be fatherless, And his wife a widow. {109:10} Let his children be vagabonds, and beg; And let them seek [their bread] out of their desolate places. {109:11} Let the extortioner catch all that he has; And let strangers make spoil of his labor. {109:12} Let there be none to extend kindness unto him; Neither let there be any to have pity on his fatherless children. {109:13} Let his posterity be cut off; In the generation following let their name be blotted out. {109:14} Let the works against law of his fathers be remembered with Yahweh; And let not the sin of his mother be blotted out. {109:15} Let them be before Yahweh continually, That he may cut off the memory of them from the earth; {109:16} Because he remembered not to show kindness, But persecuted the poor and needy man, And the broken in heart, to slay [them]. {109:17} behold, he loved cursing, and it came unto him; And he delighted not in blessing, and it was far from him. {109:18} He clothed himself also with cursing as with his garment, And it came into his inward parts like water, And like oil into his bones. {109:19} Let it be unto him as the raiment by which he covers himself, And for the girdle by which he is girded continually. {109:20} This is the reward of mine adversaries from Yahweh, And of them that speak evil against my soul. {109:21} But deal you with me, O Yahweh the Lord, for your name's sake: Because your agape loving kindness is good, deliver you me; {109:22} For I am poor and needy, And my heart is wounded within me. {109:23} I am gone like the shadow when it declines: I am tossed up and down as the locust. {109:24} My knees are weak through fasting; And my flesh fails of fatness. {109:25} I am become also a reproach unto them: When they see me, they shake their head. {109:26} Help me, O Yahweh my God; Oh save me according to your agape loving kindness: {109:27} That they may know that this is your hand;

[That] you, Yahweh, have done it. {109:28} Let them curse, but bless you: When they arise, they shall be put to shame, But your servant shall rejoice. {109:29} Let mine adversaries be clothed with dishonor, And let them cover themselves with their own shame as with a robe. {109:30} I will give great thanks unto Yahweh with my mouth; behold, I will praise him among the multitude. {109:31} For he will stand at the right hand of the needy, To save him from them that judge his soul.

{O19}110} Psalm Chapter 110. A Psalm of David. {110:1} Yahweh said unto my Lord, Sit you at my right hand, Until I make your enemies your footstool. {110:2} Yahweh will send forth the rod of your strength out of Zion: Rule you in the midst of your enemies. {110:3} Your people offer themselves willingly In the day of your power, in holy array: Out of the womb of the morning you have the dew of your youth. {110:4} Yahweh has sworn, and will not repent: you are a priest forever After the order of Melchizedek. {110:5} The Lord at your right hand Will strike through kings in the day of his Anger. {110:6} He will judge among the nations, He will fill [the places] with dead bodies; He will strike through the head in many countries. {110:7} He will drink of the brook in the way: Therefore will he lift up the head.

{O19}111} Psalm Chapter 111. {111:1} Praise you Yahweh. I will give thanks unto Yahweh with my whole heart, In the council of the upright, and in the congregation. {111:2} The works of Yahweh are great, Sought out of all them that have pleasure therein. {111:3} His work is honor and majesty; And his works of benevolence endures forever. {111:4} He has made his wonderful works to be remembered: Yahweh is gracious and merciful. {111:5} He has given food unto them that fear him: He will ever be mindful of his covenant. {111:6} He has showed his people the power of his works, In giving them the heritage of the nations. {111:7} The works of his hands are truth and justice; All his precepts are sure. {111:8} They are established forever and ever; They are done in truth and uprightness. {111:9} He has sent redemption unto his people; He has commanded his covenant forever: Holy and reverend is his name. {111:10} The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all they that do [his commandments]: His praise endures forever.

{O19}112} Psalm Chapter 112. {112:1} Praise you Yahweh. Blessed is the man that fears Yahweh, That delights greatly in his commandments. {112:2} His seed shall be mighty upon earth: The generation of the upright shall be blessed. {112:3} Wealth and riches are in his house; And his benevolence endures forever. {112:4} Unto the upright there arises light in the darkness: [He is] gracious, and merciful, and righteous. {112:5} Well is it with the man that deals graciously and lends; He shall maintain his cause in judgment. {112:6} For he shall never be moved; The lawful worker shall be had in everlasting remembrance. {112:7} He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: His heart is fixed, trusting in Yahweh. {112:8} His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, Until he see [his desire] upon his adversaries. {112:9} He has dispersed, he has given to the needy; His lawful works endures forever: His horn shall be exalted with honor. {112:10} The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; He shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: The desire of the wicked shall perish.

{O19}113} Psalm Chapter 113. {113:1} Praise you Yahweh. Praise, O you servants of Yahweh, Praise the name of Yahweh. {113:2} Blessed be the name of Yahweh From this time forth and forevermore. {113:3} From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same Yahweh's name is to be praised. {113:4} Yahweh is high above all nations, And his glory above the heavens. {113:5} Who is like unto Yahweh our God, That has his seat on high, {113:6} That humbles himself to behold [The things that are] in heaven and in the earth? {113:7} He raises up the poor out of the dust, And lifts the needy from the dunghill; {113:8} That he may set him with princes, Even with the princes of his people. {113:9} He makes the barren woman to keep house, [And to be] a joyful mother of children. Praise you Yahweh.

O19}114 Psalm Chapter 114. {114:1} When Israel went forth out of Egypt, The house of Jacob from a people of strange language; {114:2} Judah became his sanctuary, Israel his dominion. {114:3} The sea saw it, and fled; The Jordan was driven back. {114:4} The mountains

skipped like rams, The little hills like lambs. {114:5} What ails you, O you sea, that you flee? you Jordan, that you turn back? {114:6} you mountains, that you skip like rams; you little hills, like lambs? {114:7} Tremble, you earth, at the presence of the Lord, At the presence of the God of Jacob, {114:8} Who turned the rock into a pool of water, The flint into a fountain of waters.

{O19)115} Psalm Chapter 115. {115:1} Not unto us, O Yahweh, not unto us, But unto your name give glory, For your agape loving kindness, and for your truth's sake. {115:2} Therefore should the nations say, Where is now their God? {115:3} But our God is in the heavens: He has done whatever he pleased. {115:4} Their idols are silver and gold, The work of men's hands. {115:5} They have mouths, but they speak not; Eyes have they, but they see not; {115:6} They have ears, but they hear not; Noses have they, but they smell not; {115:7} They have hands, but they handle not; Feet have they, but they walk not; Neither speak they through their throat. {115:8} They that make them shall be like unto them; behold, everyone that trusts in them. {115:9} O Israel, trust you in Yahweh: He is their help and their shield. {115:10} O house of Aaron, trust you in Yahweh: He is their help and their shield. {115:11} you that fear Yahweh, trust in Yahweh: He is their help and their shield. {115:12} Yahweh has been mindful of us; he will bless [us]: He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron. {115:13} He will bless them that fear Yahweh, Both small and great. {115:14} Yahweh increase you more and more, You and your children. {115:15} Blessed are you of Yahweh, Who made heaven and earth. {115:16} The heavens are the heavens of Yahweh; But the earth has he given to the children of men. {115:17} The dead praise not Yahweh, Neither any that go down into silence; {115:18} But we will bless Yahweh From this time forth and forevermore. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19)116} Psalms Chapter 116. {116:1} I agape love Yahweh, because he hears My voice and my supplications. {116:2} Because he has inclined his ear unto me, Therefore will I call [upon him] as long as I live. {116:3} The cords of death around me, And the pains of Sheol got hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow. {116:4} Then called I upon the name of Yahweh: O Yahweh, I ask you, deliver my soul. {116:5} Gracious is Yahweh, and in works is benvolent; behold, our God is merciful. {116:6} Yahweh preserve the simple: I was brought low, and he saved me. {116:7} Return unto your rest, O my soul; For Yahweh has dealt bountifully with you. {116:8} For you have delivered my soul from death, Mine eyes from tears, [And] my feet from falling. {116:9} I will walk before Yahweh In the land of the living. {116:10} I believe, for I will speak: I was greatly afflicted: {116:11} I said in my haste, All men are liars. {116:12} What shall I render unto Yahweh For all his benefits toward me? {116:13} I will take the cup of salvation, And call upon the name of Yahweh. {116:14} I will pay my vows unto Yahweh, behold, in the presence of all his people. {116:15} Precious in the sight of Yahweh Is the death of his Holy People. {116:16} O Yahweh, truly I am your servant: I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds. {116:17} I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving, And will call upon the name of Yahweh. {116:18} I will pay my vows unto Yahweh, behold, in the presence of all his people, {116:19} In the courts of Yahweh's house, In the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19)117} Psalm Chapter 117. {117:1} O praise Yahweh, all you nations; Laud him, all you peoples. {117:2} For his agape loving kindness is great toward us; And the truth of Yahweh [endures] forever. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19)118} Psalm Chapter 118. {118:1} Oh give thanks unto Yahweh; for he is good; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {118:2} Let Israel now say, That his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {118:3} Let the house of Aaron now say, That his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {118:4} Let them now that fear Yahweh say, That his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {118:5} Out of my distress I called upon Yahweh: Yahweh answered me [and set me] in a large place. {118:6} Yahweh is on my side; I will not fear: What can man do unto me? {118:7} Yahweh is on my side among them that help me: Therefore shall I see [my desire] upon them that hate me. {118:8} It is better to take refuge in Yahweh than to put

confidence in man. {118:9} It is better to take refuge in Yahweh than to put confidence in princes. {118:10} All nations around me about: In the name of Yahweh I will cut them off. {118:11} They around me about; behold, they around me about: In the name of Yahweh I will cut them off. {118:12} They around me about like bees; They are quenched as the fire of thorns: In the name of Yahweh I will cut them off. {118:13} you did thrust sore at me that I might fall; But Yahweh helped me. {118:14} Yahweh is my strength and song; And he is become my salvation. {118:15} The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the lawful worker: The right hand of Yahweh does valiantly. {118:16} The right hand of Yahweh is exalted: The right hand of Yahweh does valiantly. {118:17} I shall not die, but live, And declare the works of Yahweh. {118:18} Yahweh has chastens me sore; But he has not given me over unto death. {118:19} Open to me the gates of lawful works: I will enter into them, I will give thanks unto Yahweh. {118:20} This is the gate of Yahweh; The lawful worker shall enter into it. {118:21} I will give thanks unto you; for you have answered me, And are become my salvation. {118:22} The stone which the builders rejected Is become the head of the corner. {118:23} This is Yahweh's doing; It is marvellous in our eyes. {118:24} This is the day which Yahweh has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it. {118:25} Save now, we ask you, O Yahweh: O Yahweh, we ask you, send now prosperity. {118:26} Blessed be he that comes in the name of Yahweh: We have blessed you out of the house of Yahweh. {118:27} Yahweh is God, and he has given us light: Bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar. {118:28} you are my God, and I will give thanks unto you: you are my God, I will exalt you. {118:29} Oh give thanks unto Yahweh; for he is good; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever.

{O19}119} Psalm Chapter 119. ALEPH. {119:1} Blessed are they that are perfect in the way, Who walk in the law of Yahweh. {119:2} Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, That seek him with the whole heart. {119:3} behold, they do no [illegal] works against law; They walk in his ways. {119:4} you have commanded [us] your precepts, That we should observe them diligently. {119:5} Oh that my ways were established To observe your statutes! {119:6} Then shall I not be put to shame, When I have respect unto all your commandments. {119:7} I will give thanks unto you with uprightness of heart, When I learn your works of just judgments. {119:8} I will observe your statutes: Oh forsake me not utterly. BETH. {119:9} By which shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed [there] according to your word. {119:10} With my whole heart have I sought you: Oh let me not wander from your commandments. {119:11} Your word have I laid up in my heart, That I might not sin against you. {119:12} Blessed are you, O Yahweh: Teach me your statutes. {119:13} With my lips have I declared All the ordinances of your mouth. {119:14} I have rejoiced in the way of your testimonies, As much as in all riches. {119:15} I will meditate on your precepts, And have respect unto your ways. {119:16} I will delight myself in your statutes: I will not forget your word. GIMEL. {119:17} Deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live; So will I observe your word. {119:18} Open you mine eyes, that I may behold Wondrous things out of your law. {119:19} I am a alien in the earth: Hide not your commandments from me. {119:20} My soul breaks for the longing That it has unto your ordinances at all times. {119:21} you have rebuked the proud that are cursed, That do wander from your commandments. {119:22} Take away from me reproach and contempt; For I have kept your testimonies. {119:23} Princes also sat and talked against me; [But] your servant did meditate on your statutes. {119:24} Your testimonies also are my delight [And] my counselors. DALETH. {119:25} My soul cleaves unto the dust: Quickened you me according to your word. {119:26} I declared my ways, and you answered me: Teach me your statutes. {119:27} Make me to understand the way of your precepts: So shall I meditate on your wondrous works. {119:28} My soul melts for heaviness: Strengthen you me according unto your word. {119:29} Remove from me the way of falsehood; And grant me your law graciously. {119:30} I have chosen the way of faithfulness: your ordinances have I set [before me]. {119:31} I cleave unto your testimonies: O Yahweh, put me not to shame. {119:32} I will run the way of your commandments, When you shall enlarge my heart. HE. {119:33} Teach me, O Yahweh, the

way of your statutes; And I shall keep it unto the end. {119:34} Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; behold, I shall observe it with my whole heart. {119:35} Make me to go in the path of your commandments; For therein do I delight. {119:36} Incline my heart unto your testimonies, And not to covetousness. {119:37} Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity, And quicken me in your ways. {119:38} Confirm unto your servant your word, Which [is in order] unto the fear of you. {119:39} Turn away my reproach where I am afraid; For your ordinances are good. {119:40} Behold, I have longed after your precepts: Quicken me in [keeping] lawful your works . VAV. {119:41} Let your agape loving kindnesses also come unto me, O Yahweh, Even your salvation, according to your word. {119:42} So shall I have an answer for him that reproaches me; For I trust in your word. {119:43} And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; For I have hoped in your ordinances. {119:44} So shall I observe your law continually Forever and ever. {119:45} And I shall walk at liberty; For I have sought your precepts. {119:46} I will also speak of your testimonies before kings, And shall not be put to shame. {119:47} And I will delight myself in your commandments, Which I have agape loved. {119:48} I will lift up my hands also unto your commandments, which I have agape loved; And I will meditate on your statutes. ZAYIN. {119:49} Remember the word unto your servant, Because you have made me to hope. {119:50} This is my comfort in my affliction; For your word has quickened me. {119:51} The proud have had me greatly in derision: [yet] have I not swerved from your law. {119:52} I have remembered your ordinances of old, O Yahweh, And have comforted myself. {119:53} Hot indignation has taken hold upon me, Because of the wicked that forsake your law. {119:54} Your statutes have been my songs In the house of my pilgrimage. {119:55} I have remembered your name, O Yahweh, in the night, And have observed your law. {119:56} This I have had, Because I have kept your precepts. HHETH. {119:57} Yahweh is my portion: I have said that I would observe your words. {119:58} I entreated your favor with my whole heart: Be merciful unto me according to your word. {119:59} I thought on my ways, And turned my feet unto your testimonies. {119:60} I made haste, and delayed not, To observe your commandments. {119:61} The cords of the wicked have wrapped me round; [But] I have not forgotten your law. {119:62} At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto you Because of your lawful works [in] ordinances. {119:63} I am a companion of all them that fear you, And of them that observe your precepts. {119:64} The earth, O Yahweh, is full of your agape loving kindness: Teach me your statutes. TETH. {119:65} you have dealt well with your servant, O Yahweh, according unto your word. {119:66} Teach me good judgment and knowledge; For I have believed in your commandments. {119:67} Before I was afflicted I went astray; But now I observe your word. {119:68} you are good, and do good; Teach me your statutes. {119:69} The proud have forged a lie against me: With my whole heart will I keep your precepts. {119:70} Their heart is as fat as grease; But I delight in your law. {119:71} It is good for me that I have been afflicted; That I may learn your statutes. {119:72} The law of your mouth is better unto me Than thousands of gold and silver. {119:73} Your hands have made me and fashioned me: Give me understanding, that I may learn your commandments. {119:74} They that fear you shall see me and be glad, Because I have hoped in your word. {119:75} I know, O Yahweh, that your judgments are righteous, And that in faithfulness you have afflicted me. {119:76} Let, I pray you, your agape loving kindness be for my comfort, According to your word unto your servant. {119:77} Let your tender mercies come unto me, that I may live; For your law is my delight. {119:78} Let the proud be put to shame; For they have overthrown me wrongfully: [But] I will meditate on your precepts. {119:79} Let those that fear you turn unto me; And they shall know your testimonies. {119:80} Let my heart be perfect in your statutes, That I be not put to shame. KAPH. {119:81} My soul faints for your salvation; [But] I hope in your word. {119:82} Mine eyes fail for your word, While I say, When will you comfort me? {119:83} For I am become like a wine-skin in the smoke; yet do I not forget your statutes. {119:84} How many are the days of your servant? When will you execute judgment on them that persecute me? {119:85} The proud have dug pits for me, Who are not according to your law. {119:86} All your commandments are

faithful: They persecute me wrongfully; help you me. {119:87} They had almost consumed me upon earth; But I forsook not your precepts. {119:88} Quicken me after your agape loving kindness; So shall I observe the testimony of your mouth. LAMEDH. {119:89} Forever, O Yahweh, Your word is settled in heaven. {119:90} Your faithfulness is unto all generations: you have established the earth, and it abides. {119:91} They abide this day according to your ordinances; For all things are your servants. {119:92} Unless your law had been my delight, I should then have perished in mine affliction. {119:93} I will never forget your precepts; For with them you have quickened me. {119:94} I am your, save me; For I have sought your precepts. {119:95} The wicked have waited for me, to destroy me; [But] I will consider your testimonies. MEM. {119:96} I have seen an end of all perfection; [But] your commandment is exceeding broad. {119:97} Oh how I agape love your law! It is my meditation all the day. {119:98} Your commandments make me wiser than mine enemies; For they are ever with me. {119:99} I have more understanding than all my teachers; For your testimonies are my meditation. {119:100} I understand more than the aged, Because I have kept your precepts. {119:101} I have refrained my feet from every evil way, That I might observe your word. {119:102} I have not turned aside from your ordinances; For you have taught me. {119:103} How sweet are your words unto my taste! [behold, sweeter] than honey to my mouth! {119:104} Through your precepts I get understanding: Therefore I hate every false way. NUN. {119:105} Your word is a lamp unto my feet, And light unto my path. {119:106} I have sworn, and have confirmed it, That I will observe your righteous ordinances. {119:107} I am afflicted very much: Quicken me, O Yahweh, according unto your word. {119:108} Accept, I ask you, the freewill-offerings of my mouth, O Yahweh, And teach me your ordinances. {119:109} My soul is continually in my hand; yet do I not forget your law. {119:110} The wicked have laid a snare for me; yet have I not gone astray from your precepts. {119:111} Your testimonies have I taken as a heritage forever; For they are the rejoicing of my heart. {119:112} I have inclined my heart to perform your statutes Forever, even unto the end. SAMEKH. {119:113} I hate them that are of a double mind; But your law do I agape love. {119:114} you are my hiding-place and my shield: I hope in your word. {119:115} Depart from me, you evil-doers, That I may keep the commandments of my God. {119:116} Uphold me according unto your word, that I may live; And let me not be ashamed of my hope. {119:117} Hold you me up, and I shall be safe, And shall have respect unto your statutes continually. {119:118} you have set at nothing all them that err from your statutes; For their deceit is falsehood. {119:119} you put away all the wicked of the earth like dross: Therefore I love your testimonies. {119:120} My flesh trembles for fear of you; And I am afraid of your judgments. AYIN. {119:121} I have done justice and good works: Leave me not to mine oppressors. {119:122} Be assured for your servant for good: Let not the proud oppress me. {119:123} Mine eyes fail for your salvation, And for your righteous word. {119:124} Deal with your servant according unto your agape loving kindness, And teach me your statutes. {119:125} I am your servant; give me understanding, That I may know your testimonies. {119:126} It is time for Yahweh to work; [For] they have made void your law. {119:127} Therefore I agape love your commandments Above gold, behold, above fine gold. {119:128} Therefore I esteem all [your] precepts concerning all [things] to be right; [And] I hate every false way. PE. {119:129} Your testimonies are wonderful; Therefore does my soul keep them. {119:130} The opening of your words gives light; It gives understanding unto the simple. {119:131} I opened wide my mouth, and panted; For I longed for your commandments. {119:132} Turn you unto me, and have mercy upon me, As you use to do unto those that love your name. {119:133} Establish my footsteps in your word; And let not any works against law have dominion over me. {119:134} Redeem me from the oppression of man: So will I observe your precepts. {119:135} Make your face to shine upon your servant; And teach me your statutes. {119:136} Streams of water run down mine eyes, Because they observe not your law. TSADHE. {119:137} Righteous are you, O Yahweh, And upright are your judgments. {119:138} you have commanded your testimonies in good works And very faithfulness. {119:139} My zeal has consumed me, Because mine

adversaries have forgotten your words. {119:140} Your word is very pure; Therefore your servant loves it. {119:141} I am small and despised; [yet] do I not forget your precepts. {119:142} Your good works is an everlasting good works, And your law is truth. {119:143} Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me; [yet] your commandments are my delight. {119:144} Your testimonies are righteous forever: Give me understanding, and I shall live. QOPH. {119:145} I have called with my whole heart; answer me, O Yahweh: I will keep your statutes. {119:146} I have called unto you; save me, And I shall observe your testimonies. {119:147} I anticipated the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in your words. {119:148} Mine eyes anticipated the night-watches, That I might meditate on your word. {119:149} Hear my voice according unto your agape loving kindness: Quicken me, O Yahweh, according to your ordinances. {119:150} They draw near that follow after wickedness; They are far from your law. {119:151} you are near, O Yahweh; And all your commandments are truth. {119:152} Of old have I known from your testimonies, That you have founded them forever. RESH. {119:153} Consider mine affliction, and deliver me; For I do not forget your law. {119:154} Plead you my cause, and redeem me: Quicken me according to your word. {119:155} Salvation is far from the wicked; For they seek not your statutes. {119:156} Great are your tender mercies, O Yahweh: Quicken me according to your ordinances. {119:157} Many are my persecutors and mine adversaries; [yet] have I not swerved from your testimonies. {119:158} I watched the treacherous, and was grieved, Because they observe not your word. {119:159} Consider how I love your precepts: Quicken me, O Yahweh, according to your agape loving kindness. {119:160} The sum of your word is truth; And everyone of your righteous ordinances [endures] forever. SHIN. {119:161} Princes have persecuted me outside a cause; But my heart stands in awe of your words. {119:162} I rejoice at your word, As one that finds great spoil. {119:163} I hate and abhor falsehood; [But] your law do I agape love. {119:164} Seven times a day do I praise you, Because of your righteous ordinances. {119:165} Great peace have they that agape love your law; And they have no occasion of stumbling. {119:166} I have hoped for your salvation, O Yahweh, And have done your commandments. {119:167} My soul has observed your testimonies; And I agape love them exceedingly. {119:168} I have observed your precepts and your testimonies; For all my ways are before you. TAV. {119:169} Let my cry come near before you, O Yahweh: Give me understanding according to your word. {119:170} Let my supplication come before you: Deliver me according to your word. {119:171} Let my lips utter praise; For you teach me your statutes. {119:172} Let my tongue sing of your word; For all your commandments are good works. {119:173} Let your hand be ready to help me; For I have chosen your precepts. {119:174} I have longed for your salvation, O Yahweh; And your law is my delight. {119:175} Let my soul live, and it shall praise you; And let your ordinances help me. {119:176} I have gone astray like a lost sheep; Seek your servant; For I do not forget your commandments.

{O19}120} Psalm Chapter 120. A Song of Ascents. {120:1} In my distress I cried unto Yahweh, And he answered me. {120:2} Deliver my soul, O Yahweh, from lying lips, [And] from a deceitful tongue. {120:3} What shall be given unto you, and what shall be done more unto you, you deceitful tongue? {120:4} Sharp arrows of the mighty, With coals of juniper. {120:5} Woe is me, that I sojourn in Meshech, That I dwell among the tents of Kedar! {120:6} My soul has long had her dwelling With him that hates peace. {120:7} I am [for] peace: But when I speak, they are for war.

{O19}121} Psalm Chapter 121. A Song of Ascents. {121:1} I will lift up mine eyes unto the mountains: From where shall my help come? {121:2} My help [comes] from Yahweh, Who made heaven and earth. {121:3} He will not suffer your foot to be moved: He that keeps you will not slumber. {121:4} Behold, he that keeps Israel Will neither slumber nor sleep. {121:5} Yahweh is your keeper: Yahweh is your shade upon your right hand. {121:6} The sun shall not smite you by day, Nor the moon by night. {121:7} Yahweh will keep you from all evil; He will keep your soul. {121:8} Yahweh will keep your going out and your coming in From this time forth and forevermore.

{O19}122} Psalm Chapter 122. A Song of Ascents; of David. {122:1} I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go unto the house of Yahweh. {122:2} Our feet are standing Within your gates, O Jerusalem, {122:3} Jerusalem, that are built As a city that is compact together; {122:4} Where the tribes go up, even the tribes of Yahweh, [For] an ordinance for Israel, To give thanks unto the name of Yahweh. {122:5} For there are set thrones for judgment, The thrones of the house of David. {122:6} Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: They shall prosper that Agape love you. {122:7} Peace be within your walls, And prosperity within your palaces. {122:8} For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be within you. {122:9} For the sake of the house of Yahweh our God I will seek your good.

{O19}123} Psalms Chapter 123. A Song of Ascents. {123:1} Unto you do I lift up mine eyes, O you that sits in the heavens. {123:2} Behold, as the eyes of servants [look] unto the hand of their master, As the eyes of a maid unto the hand of her mistress; So our eyes [look] unto Yahweh our God, Until he have mercy upon us. {123:3} Have mercy upon us, O Yahweh, have mercy upon us; For we are exceedingly filled with contempt. {123:4} Our soul is exceedingly filled With the scoffing of those that are at ease, And with the contempt of the proud.

{O19}124} Psalms Chapter 124. A Song of Ascents; of David. {124:1} If it had not been Yahweh who was on our side, Let Israel now say, {124:2} If it had not been Yahweh who was on our side, When men rose up against us; {124:3} Then they had swallowed us up alive, When their Anger was kindled against us; {124:4} Then the waters had overwhelmed us, The stream had gone over our soul; {124:5} Then the proud waters had gone over our soul. {124:6} Blessed be Yahweh, Who has not given us as a prey to their teeth. {124:7} Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: The snare is broken, and we are escaped. {124:8} Our help is in the name of Yahweh, Who made heaven and earth.

{O19}125} Psalm Chapter 125. A Song of Ascents. {125:1} They that trust in Yahweh Are as mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. {125:2} As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, So Yahweh is round about his people From this time forth and forevermore. {125:3} For the [same] Scepter of wickedness shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; That the righteous [should] put not forth their hands unto works against law. {125:4} Do good, O Yahweh, unto those that are good, And to them that are upright in their hearts. {125:5} But as for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, Yahweh will lead them forth with the workers of works against law. Peace be upon Israel.

{O19}126} Psalm Chapter 126. A Song of Ascents. {126:1} When Yahweh brought back those that returned to Zion, We were like unto them that dream. {126:2} Then was our mouth filled with laughter, And our tongue with singing: Then said they among the nations, Yahweh has done great things for them. {126:3} Yahweh has done great things for us, [Where] we are glad. {126:4} Turn again our captivity, O Yahweh, As the streams in the South. {126:5} They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. {126:6} He that goes forth and weeps, bearing seed for sowing, shall doubtless come again with joy, bringing his sheaves [with him].

{O19}127} Psalm Chapter 127. A Song of Ascents; of Solomon. {127:1} Except Yahweh build the house, They labor in vain that build it: Except Yahweh keep the city, The watchman wakes but in vain. {127:2} It is vain for you to rise up early, To take rest late, To eat the bread of toil; [For] so he gives unto his agape beloved sleep. {127:3} Lo, children are a heritage of Yahweh; [And] the fruit of the womb is [his] reward. {127:4} As arrows in the hand of a mighty man, So are the children of youth. {127:5} Happy is the man that has his quiver full of them: They shall not be put to shame, When they speak with their enemies in the gate.

{O19}128} Psalms Chapter 128. A Song of Ascents. {128:1} Blessed is everyone that fears Yahweh, That walks in his ways. {128:2} For you shall eat the labor of your hands: Happy shall you be, and it shall be well with you. {128:3} Your wife shall be as a fruitful vine, In the innermost parts of your house; Your children like olive plants, Round about your table. {128:4} Behold, thus shall the man be blessed That fears Yahweh. {128:5} Yahweh bless you out of Zion:

And see you the good of Jerusalem all the days of your life. {128:6} behold, see you your children's children. Peace be upon Israel.

{O19)129} Psalm Chapter 129. A Song of Ascents. {129:1} Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth up, Let Israel now say, {129:2} Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth up: yet they have not prevailed against me. {129:3} The plowers plowed upon my back; They made long their furrows. {129:4} Yahweh is righteous: He has cut asunder the cords of the wicked. {129:5} Let them be put to shame and turned backward, All they that hate Zion. {129:6} Let them be as the grass upon the housetops, Which withers before it grows up; {129:7} By which the reaper fills not his hand, Nor he that binds sheaves his bosom. {129:8} Neither do they that go by say, The blessing of Yahweh be upon you; We bless you in the name of Yahweh.

{O19)130} Psalms Chapter 130. A Song of Ascents. {130:1} Out of the depths have I cried unto you, O Yahweh. {130:2} Lord, hear my voice: Let your ears be attentive To the voice of my supplications. {130:3} If you, Yahweh, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? {130:4} But there is forgiveness with you, That you may be feared. {130:5} I wait for Yahweh, my soul does wait, And in his word do I hope. {130:6} My soul [waits] for the Lord more than watchmen [wait] for the morning; [behold, more than] watchmen for the morning. {130:7} O Israel, hope in Yahweh; For with Yahweh there is Agape loving kindness, And with him is plenteous redemption. {130:8} And he will redeem Israel From all his iniquities.

{O19)131} Psalm Chapter 131. A Song of Ascents; of David. {131:1} Yahweh, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty; Neither do I exercise myself in great matters, Or in things too wonderful for me. {131:2} Surely I have stilled and quieted my soul; Like a weaned child with his mother, Like a weaned child is my soul within me. {131:3} O Israel, hope in Yahweh From this time forth and forevermore.

{O19)132} Psalm Chapter 132. A Song of Ascents. {132:1} Yahweh, remember for David All his affliction; {132:2} How he swore unto Yahweh, And vowed unto the Mighty One of Jacob: {132:3} Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, Nor go up into my bed; {132:4} I will not give sleep to mine eyes, Or slumber to mine eyelids; {132:5} Until I find out a place for Yahweh, A tabernacle for the Mighty One of Jacob. {132:6} Lo, we heard of it in Ephrathah: We found it in the field of the wood. {132:7} We will go into his tabernacles; We will worship at his footstool. {132:8} Arise, O Yahweh, into your resting-place; you, and the ark of your strength. {132:9} Let your priest be clothed with good works; And let your Holy People shout for joy. {132:10} For your servant David's sake Turn not away the face of your anointed. {132:11} Yahweh has sworn unto David in truth; He will not turn from it: Of the fruit of your body will I set upon your throne. {132:12} If your children will keep my covenant And my testimony that I shall teach them, Their children also shall sit upon your throne forevermore. {132:13} For Yahweh has chosen Zion; He has desired it for his habitation. {132:14} This is my resting-place forever: Here will I dwell; for I have desired it. {132:15} I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread. {132:16} Her priests also will I clothe with salvation; And her Holy People shall shout aloud for joy. {132:17} There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed. {132:18} His enemies will I clothe with shame; But upon himself shall his crown flourish.

{O19)133} Psalm Chapter 133. A Song of Ascents; of David. {133:1} Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brethren to dwell together in unity! {133:2} It is like the precious oil upon the head, That ran down upon the beard, Even Aaron's beard; That came down upon the skirt of his garments; {133:3} Like the dew of Hermon, That comes down upon the mountains of Zion: For there Yahweh commanded the blessing, Even life forevermore.

{O19)134} Psalm Chapter 134. A Song of Ascents. {134:1} Behold, bless you Yahweh, all you servants of Yahweh, That by night stand in the house of Yahweh. {134:2} Lift up your hands to the sanctuary, And bless you Yahweh. {134:3} Yahweh bless you out of Zion; Even he that made heaven and earth.

{O19}135} Psalm Chapter 135. {135:1} Praise you Yahweh. Praise you the name of Yahweh; Praise [him], O you servants of Yahweh, {135:2} you that stand in the house of Yahweh, In the courts of the house of our God. {135:3} Praise you Yahweh; for Yahweh is good: Sing praises unto his name; for it is pleasant. {135:4} For Yahweh has chosen Jacob unto himself, [And] Israel for his own possession. {135:5} For I know that Yahweh is great, And that our Lord is above all gods. {135:6} Whatever Yahweh pleased, that has he done, In heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps; {135:7} Who causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; Who makes lightning for the rain; Who brings forth the wind out of his treasures; {135:8} Who smote the first-born of Egypt, Both of man and beast; {135:9} Who sent signs and wonders into the midst of you, O Egypt, Upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants; {135:10} Who smote many nations, And slew mighty kings, {135:11} Sihon king of the Amorites, And Og king of Bashan, And all the kingdoms of Canaan, {135:12} And gave their land for a heritage, A heritage unto Israel his people. {135:13} Your name, O Yahweh, [endures] forever; Your memorial [name], O Yahweh, throughout all generations. {135:14} For Yahweh will judge his people, And repent himself concerning his servants. {135:15} The idols of the nations are silver and gold, The work of men's hands. {135:16} They have mouths, but they speak not; Eyes have they, but they see not; {135:17} They have ears, but they hear not; Neither is there any breath in their mouths. {135:18} They that make them shall be like unto them; behold, everyone that trusts in them. {135:19} O house of Israel, bless you Yahweh: O house of Aaron, bless you Yahweh: {135:20} O house of Levi, bless you Yahweh: you that fear Yahweh, bless you Yahweh. {135:21} Blessed be Yahweh out of Zion, Who dwells at Jerusalem. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}136} Psalm Chapter 136. {136:1} Oh give thanks unto Yahweh; for he is good; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {136:2} Oh give thanks unto the God of gods; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {136:3} Oh give thanks unto the Lord of lords; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:4} To him who alone does great wonders; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:5} To him that by understanding made the heavens; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:6} To him that spread forth the earth above the waters; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:7} To him that made great lights; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:8} The sun to rule by day; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:9} The moon and stars to rule by night; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:10} To him that smote Egypt in their first-born; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:11} And brought out Israel from among them; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:12} With a strong hand, and with an outstretched arm; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:13} To him that divided the Red Sea in sunder; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:14} And made Israel to pass through the midst of it; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:15} But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:16} To him that led his people through the wilderness; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:17} To him that smote great kings; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:18} And slew famous kings; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:19} Sihon king of the Amorites; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:20} And Og king of Bashan; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:21} And gave their land for a heritage; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:22} Even a heritage unto Israel his servant; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:23} Who remembered us in our low estate; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; {136:24} And has delivered us from our adversaries; For his loving kindness [endures] forever: {136:25} Who gives food to all flesh; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever. {136:26} Oh give thanks unto the God of heaven; For his agape loving kindness [endures] forever.

{O19}137} Psalm Chapter 137. {137:1} By the rivers of Babylon, There we sat down, behold, we wept, When we remembered Zion. {137:2} Upon the willows in the midst of it We hunged up our harps. {137:3} For there they that led us captive required of us songs, And they

that wasted us [required of us] mirth, [saying], Sing us one of the songs of Zion. {137:4} How shall we sing Yahweh's song In a foreign land? {137:5} If I forget you, O Jerusalem, Let my right hand forget [her skill]. {137:6} Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, If I remember you not; If I prefer not Jerusalem Above my chief joy. {137:7} Remember, O Yahweh, against the children of Edom The day of Jerusalem; Who said, Raise it, raise it, Even to the foundation there. {137:8} O daughter of Babylon, that are to be destroyed, Happy shall he be, that rewards you As you have served us. {137:9} Happy shall he be, that takes and dashes your little ones Against the rock.

{O19}138} Psalm Chapter 138. A [Psalm] of David. {138:1} I will give you thanks with my whole heart: Before the gods will I sing praises unto you. {138:2} I will worship toward your holy temple, And give thanks unto your name for your agape loving kindness and for your truth: For you have magnified your word above all your name. {138:3} In the day that I called you answered me, you did encourage me with strength in my soul. {138:4} All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Yahweh, For they have heard the words of your mouth. {138:5} behold, they shall sing of the ways of Yahweh; For great is the glory of Yahweh. {138:6} For though Yahweh is high, yet has he respect unto the lowly; But the haughty he knows from afar. {138:7} though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will revive me; you will stretch forth your hand against the Anger of mine enemies, And your right hand will save me. {138:8} Yahweh will perfect that which concerns me: Your agape loving kindness, O Yahweh, [endures] forever; Forsake not the works of your own hands.

{O19}139} Psalms Chapter 139. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {139:1} O Yahweh, you have searched me, and known [me]. {139:2} you know my down sitting and mine uprising; you understand my thought afar off. {139:3} you search out my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. {139:4} For there is not a word in my tongue, But, lo, O Yahweh, you know it altogether. {139:5} you have beset me behind and before, And laid your hand upon me. {139:6} [Such] knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain unto it. {139:7} Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? {139:8} If I ascend up into heaven, you are there: If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, you are there. {139:9} If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the outermost parts of the sea; {139:10} Even there shall your hand lead me, And your right hand shall hold me. {139:11} If I say, Surely the darkness shall overwhelm me, And the light about me shall be night; {139:12} Even the darkness hides not from you, But the night shines as the day: The darkness and the light are both alike [to you]. {139:13} For you did form my inward parts: you did cover me in my mother's womb. {139:14} I will give thanks unto you; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: Wonderful are your works; And that my soul knows right well. {139:15} My frame was not hidden from you, When I was made in secret, [And] curiously wrought in the lower parts of the earth. {139:16} your eyes did see mine unformed substance; And in your book they were all written, [Even] the days that were ordained [for me], When as yet there was none of them. {139:17} How precious also are your thoughts unto me, O God! How great is the sum of them! {139:18} If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: When I awake, I am still with you. {139:19} Surely you will slay the wicked, O God: Depart from me therefore, you bloodthirsty men. {139:20} For they speak against you wickedly, And your enemies take [your name] in vain. {139:21} Do not I hate them, O Yahweh, that hate you? And am not I grieved with those that rise up against you? {139:22} I hate them with perfect hatred: They are become mine enemies. {139:23} Search me, O God, and know my heart: Try me, and know my thoughts; {139:24} And see if there be any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

{O19}140} Psalms Chapter 140. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. {140:1} Deliver me, O Yahweh, from the evil man; Preserve me from the violent man: {140:2} Who devise mischief in their heart; Continually do they gather themselves together for war. {140:3} They have sharpened their tongue like a serpent; Adders' poison is under their lips. Selah {140:4} Keep me, O Yahweh, from the hands of the wicked; Preserve me from the violent man:

Who have purposed to thrust aside my steps. {140:5} The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; They have spread a net by the wayside; They have set gins for me. Selah {140:6} I said unto Yahweh, you are my God: Give ear unto the voice of my supplications, O Yahweh. {140:7} O Yahweh the Lord, the strength of my salvation, you have covered my head in the day of battle. {140:8} Grant not, O Yahweh, the desires of the wicked; Further not his evil device, [lest] they exalt themselves. Selah {140:9} As for the head of those that compass me about, Let the mischief of their own lips cover them. {140:10} Let burning coals fall upon them: Let them be cast into the fire, Into deep pits, where they shall not rise. {140:11} An evil speaker shall not be established in the earth: Evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow him. {140:12} I know that Yahweh will maintain the cause of the afflicted, And justice for the needy. {140:13} Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto your name: The upright shall dwell in your presence.

{O19}141} Psalm Chapter 141. A Psalm of David. {141:1} Yahweh, I have called upon you; make haste unto me: Give ear unto my voice, when I call unto you. {141:2} Let my prayer be set forth as incense before you; The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. {141:3} Set a watch, O Yahweh, before my mouth; Keep the door of my lips. {141:4} Incline not my heart to any evil thing, To practice deeds of wickedness With men that work works against law: And let me not eat of their dainties. {141:5} Let the righteous smite me, [it shall be] a kindness; And let him reprove me, [it shall be as] oil upon the head; Let not my head refuse it: For even in their wickedness shall my prayer continue. {141:6} Their judges are thrown down by the sides of the rock; And they shall hear my words; for they are sweet. {141:7} As when one plows and cleaves the earth, Our bones are scattered at the mouth of Sheol. {141:8} For mine eyes are unto you, O Yahweh the Lord: In you do I take refuge; leave not my soul destitute. {141:9} Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me, And from the gins of the workers of works against law. {141:10} Let the wicked fall into their own nets, Whilst that I with escape.

{O19}142} Psalm Chapter 142. Maschil of David, when he was in the cave; a Prayer. {142:1} I cry with my voice unto Yahweh; With my voice unto Yahweh do I make supplication. {142:2} I pour out my complaint before him; I show before him my trouble. {142:3} When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, you knew my path. In the way wherein I walk Have they hidden a snare for me. {142:4} Look on [my] right hand, and see; For there is no man that knows me: Refuge has failed me; No man cares for my soul. {142:5} I cried unto you, O Yahweh; I said, you are my refuge, My portion in the land of the living. {142:6} Attend unto my cry; For I am brought very low: Deliver me from my persecutors; For they are stronger than I. {142:7} Bring my soul out of prison, That I may give thanks unto your name: The righteous shall compass me about; For you will deal bountifully with me.

{O19}143} Psalm Chapter 143. A Psalm of David. {143:1} Hear my prayer, O Yahweh; give ear to my supplications: In your faithfulness answer me, [and] in your good works. {143:2} And enter not into judgment with your servant; For in your sight no man living is righteous. {143:3} For the enemy has persecuted my soul; He has smitten my life down to the ground: He has made me to dwell in dark places, as those that have been long dead. {143:4} Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; My heart within me is desolate. {143:5} I remember the days of old; I meditate on all your doings; I muse on the work of your hands. {143:6} I spread forth my hands unto you: My soul [thirst] after you, as a weary land. Selah {143:7} Make haste to answer me, O Yahweh; my spirit fails: Hide not your face from me, Lest I become like them that go down into the pit. {143:8} Cause me to hear youragape loving kindness in the morning; For in you do I trust: Cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; For I lift up my soul unto you. {143:9} Deliver me, O Yahweh, from mine enemies: I flee unto you to hide me. {143:10} Teach me to do your will; For you are my God: Your Spirit is good; Lead me in the land of uprightness. {143:11} Quicken me, O Yahweh, for your name's sake: In your good works bring my soul out of trouble. {143:12} And in your loving kindness cut off mine enemies, And destroy all them that afflict my soul; For I am your servant.

{O19}144} Psalm Chapter 144. [A Psalm] of David. {144:1} Blessed be Yahweh my rock, Who teaches my hands to war, [And] my fingers to fight: {144:2} My agape loving kindness, and my fortress, My high tower, and my deliverer; My shield, and he in whom I take refuge; Who subdues my people under me. {144:3} Yahweh, what is man, that you takes knowledge of him? Or the son of man, that you make account of him? {144:4} Man is like to vanity: His days are as a shadow that passes away. {144:5} Bow your heavens, O Yahweh, and come down: Touch the mountains, and they shall smoke. {144:6} Cast forth lightning, and scatter them; Send out your arrows, and discomfit them. {144:7} Stretch forth your hand from above; Rescue me, and deliver me out of great waters, Out of the hand of aliens; {144:8} Whose mouth speaks deceit, And whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood. {144:9} I will sing a new song unto you, O God: Upon a psaltery of ten strings will I sing praises unto you. {144:10} you are he that gives salvation unto kings; Who rescues David his servant from the hurtful sword. {144:11} Rescue me, and deliver me out of the hand of aliens, Whose mouth speaks deceit, And whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood. {144:12} When our sons shall be as plants grown up in their youth, And our daughters as corner-stones hewn after the fashion of a palace; {144:13} [When] our garners are full, affording all manner of store, [And] our sheep bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our fields; {144:14} [When] our oxen are well loaded; [When there is] no breaking in, and no going forth, And no outcry in our streets: {144:15} Happy is the people that is in such a case; [behold], happy is the people whose God is Yahweh.

{O19}145} Psalm Chapter 145. [A] [Psalm] [of] praise; of David. {145:1} I will extol you, my God, O King; And I will bless your name forever and ever. {145:2} Every day will I bless you; And I will praise your name forever and ever. {145:3} Great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised; And his greatness is unreachable. {145:4} One generation shall laud your works to another, And shall declare your mighty acts. {145:5} Of the glorious majesty of your honor, And of your wondrous works, will I meditate. {145:6} And men shall speak of the might of your terrible acts; And I will declare your greatness. {145:7} They shall utter the memory of your great goodness, And shall sing of your good works. {145:8} Yahweh is gracious, and merciful; Slow to anger, and of great agape loving kindness. {145:9} Yahweh is good to all; And his tender mercies are over all his works. {145:10} All your works shall give thanks unto you, O Yahweh; And your Holy People shall bless you. {145:11} They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, And talk of your power; {145:12} To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, And the glory of the majesty of his kingdom. {145:13} Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, And your dominion [endures] throughout all generations. {145:14} Yahweh upholds all that fall, And raises up all those that are bowed down. {145:15} The eyes of all wait for you; And you give them their food in due season. {145:16} you open your hand, And satisfies the desire of every living thing. {145:17} Yahweh is righteous in all his ways, And gracious in all his works. {145:18} Yahweh is near unto all them that call upon him, To all that call upon him in truth. {145:19} He will fulfill the desire of them that fear him; He also will hear their cry and will save them. {145:20} Yahweh preserves all them that Agape loves him; But all the wicked will he destroy. {145:21} My mouth shall speak the praise of Yahweh; And let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

{O19}146} Psalm Chapter 146. {146:1} Praise you Yahweh. Praise Yahweh, O my soul. {146:2} While I live will I praise Yahweh: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being. {146:3} Put not your trust in princes, Nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help. {146:4} His breath goes forth, he returns to his earth; In that very day his thoughts perish. {146:5} Happy is he that has the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope is in Yahweh his God: {146:6} Who made heaven and earth, The sea, and all that in them is; Who keeps truth forever; {146:7} Who executes justice for the oppressed; Who gives food to the hungry. Yahweh looses the prisoners; {146:8} Yahweh opens[the eyes of] the blind; Yahweh raises up them that are bowed down; Yahweh agape loves righteous; {146:9} Yahweh preserves the aliens; He upholds the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked he turns upside down. {146:10} Yahweh will reign forever, Your God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}147} Psalm Chapter 147. {147:1} Praise you Yahweh; For it is good to sing praises unto our God; For it is pleasant, [and] praise is comely. {147:2} Yahweh does build up Jerusalem; He gathers together the outcasts of Israel. {147:3} He heals the broken in heart, And binds up their wounds. {147:4} He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by [their] names. {147:5} Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite. {147:6} Yahweh upholds the meek: He brings the wicked down to the ground. {147:7} Sing unto Yahweh with thanksgiving; Sing praises upon the harp unto our God, {147:8} Who covers the heavens with clouds, Who prepares rain for the earth, Who makes grass to grow upon the mountains. {147:9} He gives to the beast his food, [And] to the young ravens which cry. {147:10} He delights not in the strength of the horse: He takes no pleasure in the legs of a man. {147:11} Yahweh takes pleasure in them that fear him, In those that hope in his agape loving kindness. {147:12} Praise Yahweh, O Jerusalem; Praise your God, O Zion. {147:13} For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; He has blessed your children within you. {147:14} He makes peace in your borders; He fills you with the finest of the wheat. {147:15} He sends out his commandment upon earth; His word runs very swiftly. {147:16} He gives snow like wool; He scatters the hoar-frost like ashes. {147:17} He cast forth his ice like morsels: Who can stand before his cold? {147:18} He sends out his word, and melts them: He causes his wind to blow, and the waters flow. {147:19} He shows his word unto Jacob, His statutes and his ordinances unto Israel. {147:20} He has not dealt so with any nation; And as for his ordinances, they have not known them. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}148} Psalm Chapter 148. {148:1} Praise you Yahweh. Praise you Yahweh from the heavens: Praise him in the heights. {148:2} Praise you him, all his messengers: Praise you him, all his host. {148:3} Praise you him, sun and moon: Praise him, all you stars of light. {148:4} Praise him, you heavens of heavens, And you waters that are above the heavens. {148:5} Let them praise the name of Yahweh; For he commanded, and they were created. {148:6} He has also established them forever and ever: He has made a decree which shall not pass away. {148:7} Praise Yahweh from the earth, you sea-monsters, and all deeps. {148:8} Fire and hail, snow and vapor; Stormy wind, fulfilling his word; {148:9} Mountains and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars; {148:10} Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying birds; {148:11} Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth; {148:12} Both young men and virgins; Old men and children: {148:13} Let them praise the name of Yahweh; For his name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and the heavens. {148:14} And he has lifted up the horn of his people, The praise of all his Holy People; Even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}149} Psalm Chapter 149. {149:1} Praise you Yahweh. Sing unto Yahweh a new song, And his praise in the Ekklesia of the Holy People. {149:2} Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. {149:3} Let them praise his name in the dance: Let them sing praises unto him with timbrel and harp. {149:4} For Yahweh takes pleasure in his people: He will beautify the meek with salvation. {149:5} Let the Holy People exult in glory: Let them sing for joy upon their beds. {149:6} [Let] the high praises of God [be] in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand; {149:7} To execute vengeance upon the nations, And punishments upon the peoples; {149:8} To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters of iron; {149:9} To execute upon them the judgment written: This honor have all his Holy People. Praise you Yahweh.

{O19}150} Psalms Chapter 150. {150:1} Praise you Yahweh. Praise God in his sanctuary: Praise him in the firmament of his power. {150:2} Praise him for his mighty acts: Praise him according to his excellent greatness. {150:3} Praise him with trumpet sound: Praise him with psaltery and harp. {150:4} Praise him with timbrel and dance: Praise him with stringed instruments and pipe. {150:5} Praise him with loud cymbals: Praise him with high sounding cymbals. {150:6} Let everything that has breath praise Yahweh. Praise you Yahweh.

The Book of Proverbs

{o20}1 Proverbs Chapter One. {1:1} The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel: {1:2} To know wisdom and instruction; To discern the words of understanding; {1:3} To receive instruction in wise dealing, In good works and justice and equity; {1:4} To give prudence to the simple, To the young man knowledge and discretion: {1:5} That the wise man may hear, and increase in learning; And that the man of understanding may attain unto sound counsels: {1:6} To understand a proverb, and a figure, The words of the wise, and their dark sayings. {1:7} The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of knowledge; [But] the foolish despise wisdom and instruction. {1:8} My son, hear the instruction of your father, And forsake not the law of your mother: {1:9} For they shall be a chaplet of grace unto your head, And chains about your neck. {1:10} My son, if sinners entice you, Consent you not. {1:11} If they say, Come with us, Let us lay wait for blood; Let us lurk in ambush for the innocent outside cause; {1:12} Let us swallow them up alive as Sheol, And whole, as those that go down into the pit; {1:13} We shall find all precious substance; We shall fill our houses with spoil; {1:14} you shall cast your lot among us; We will all have one purse: {1:15} My son, walk not you in the way with them; Refrain your foot from their path: {1:16} For their feet run to evil, And they make haste to shed blood. {1:17} For in vain is the net spread In the sight of any bird: {1:18} And these lay wait for their own blood; They lurk in ambush for their own lives. {1:19} So are the ways of everyone that is greedy of gain; It takes away the life of the owners there. {1:20} Wisdom cries aloud in the street; She utters her voice in the broad places; {1:21} She cries in the chief place of concourse; At the entrance of the gates, In the city, she utters her words: {1:22} How long, you simple ones, will you love simplicity? And scoffers delight them in scoffing, And fools hate knowledge? {1:23} Turn you at my reproof: Behold, I will pour out my spirit upon you; I will make known my words unto you. {1:24} Because I have called, and you have refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man has regarded; {1:25} But you have set at nothing all my counsel, And would none of my reproof: {1:26} I also will laugh in [the day of] your calamity; I will mock when your fear comes; {1:27} When your fear comes as a storm, And your calamity comes on as a whirlwind; When distress and anguish come upon you. {1:28} Then will they call upon me, but I will not answer; They will seek me diligently, but they shall not find me: {1:29} For that they hated knowledge, And did not choose the fear of Yahweh: {1:30} They would none of my counsel; They despised all my reproof. {1:31} Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, And be filled with their own devices. {1:32} For the backsliding of the simple shall slay them, And the careless ease of fools shall destroy them. {1:33} But who so hears unto me shall dwell securely, And shall be quiet outside fear of evil.

{O20}2 Proverbs Chapter Two. {2:1} My son, if you will receive my words, And lay up my commandments with you; {2:2} So as to incline your ear unto wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; {2:3} behold, if you cry after discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding; {2:4} If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hid treasures: {2:5} Then shall you understand the fear of Yahweh, And find the knowledge of God. {2:6} For Yahweh gives wisdom; Out of his mouth [comes] knowledge and understanding: {2:7} He lays up sound wisdom for the upright; [He is] a shield to them that walk in integrity; {2:8} That he may guard the paths of justice, And preserve the way of his Holy People. {2:9} Then shall you understand good works and justice, And equity, [behold], every good path. {2:10} For wisdom shall enter into your heart, And knowledge shall be pleasant unto your soul; {2:11} Discretion shall watch over you; Understanding shall keep you: {2:12} To deliver you from the way of evil, From the men that speak perverse things; {2:13} Who forsake the paths of uprightness, To walk in the ways of darkness; {2:14} Who rejoice to do evil, And delight in the perverseness of evil; {2:15} Who are crooked in their ways, And wayward in their paths: {2:16} To deliver you from the strange woman, Even from the foreigner that flatters with her words; {2:17} That forsakes the friend of her youth, And forgets the covenant of her God: {2:18} For her house inclines unto death, And her paths unto the dead; {2:19} None that go unto her return again, Neither do they

attain unto the paths of life: {2:20} That you may walk in the way of good men, And keep the paths of the righteous. {2:21} For the upright shall dwell in the land, And the perfect shall remain in it. {2:22} But the wicked shall be cut off from the land, And the treacherous shall be rooted out of it.

{O20}3} Porverbs Chapter Three. {3:1} My son, forget not my law; But let your heart keep my commandments: {3:2} For length of days, and years of life, And peace, will they add to you. {3:3} Let not [agape] kindness and truth forsake you: Bind them about your neck; Write them upon the tablet of your heart: {3:4} So shall you find favor and good understanding In the sight of God and man. {3:5} Trust in Yahweh with all your heart, And lean not upon your own understanding: {3:6} In all your ways acknowledge him, And he will direct your paths. {3:7} Be not wise in your own eyes; Fear Yahweh, and depart from evil: {3:8} It will be health to your navel, And marrow to your bones. {3:9} Honor Yahweh with your substance, And with the first-fruits of all your increase: {3:10} So shall your barns be filled with plenty, And your vats shall overflow with new wine. {3:11} My son, despise not the chastisement; of Yahweh; Neither be weary of his reproof: {3:12} For whom Yahweh agape loves he reproves; Even as a father the son in whom he delight. {3:13} Happy is the man that finds wisdom, And the man that gets understanding. {3:14} For the gaining of it is better than the gaining of silver, And the profit of it than fine gold. {3:15} She is more precious than rubies: And none of the things you Can desire are to be compared unto her. {3:16} Length of days is in her right hand; In her left hand are riches and honor. {3:17} Her ways are ways of pleasantness, And all her paths are peace. {3:18} She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: And happy is everyone that retains her. {3:19} Yahweh by wisdom founded the earth; By understanding he established the heavens. {3:20} By his knowledge the depths were broken up, And the skies drop down the dew. {3:21} My son, let them not depart from your eyes; Keep sound wisdom and discretion: {3:22} So shall they be life unto your soul, And grace to your neck. {3:23} Then shall you walk in your way securely, And your foot shall not stumble. {3:24} When you lie down, you shall not be afraid: behold, you shall lie down, and your sleep shall be sweet. {3:25} Be not afraid of sudden fear, Neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it comes: {3:26} For Yahweh will be your confidence, And will keep your foot from being taken. {3:27} Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, When it is in the power of your hand to do it. {3:28} Say not unto your neighbor, Go, and come again, And to-morrow I will give; When you have it by you. {3:29} Devise not evil against your neighbor, Seeing he dwells securely by you. {3:30} Strive not with a man outside cause, If he have done you no harm. {3:31} Envy you not the man of violence, And choose none of his ways. {3:32} For the perverse is an abomination to Yahweh; But his friendship is with the upright. {3:33} The curse of Yahweh is in the house of the wicked; But he blesses the habitation of the righteous. {3:34} Surely he scoffs at the scoffers; But he gives grace unto the lowly. {3:35} The wise shall inherit glory; But shame shall be the promotion of fools.

{O20}4} Proverbs Chapter Four. {4:1} Hear, [my] sons, the instruction of a father, And attend to know understanding: {4:2} For I give you good instructions; Forsake you not my law. {4:3} For I was a son unto my father, Tender and only agape beloved in the sight of my mother. {4:4} And he taught me, and said unto me: Let your heart retain my words; Keep my commandments, and live; {4:5} Get wisdom, get understanding; Forget not, neither decline from the words of my mouth; {4:6} Forsake her not, and she will preserve you; Love her, and she will keep you. {4:7} Wisdom [is] the principal thing; [therefore] get wisdom; behold, with all your getting get understanding. {4:8} Exalt her, and she will promote you; She will bring you to honor, when you do embrace her. {4:9} She will give to your head a chaplet of grace; A crown of beauty will she deliver to you. {4:10} Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; And the years of your life shall be many. {4:11} I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in paths of uprightness. {4:12} When you go, your steps shall not be straitened; And if you run, you shall not stumble. {4:13} Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: Keep her; for she is your life. {4:14} Enter not into the path of the wicked, And walk not in the way of evil men. {4:15} Avoid it, pass

not by it; Turn from it, and pass on. {4:16} For they sleep not, except they do evil; And their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall. {4:17} For they eat the bread of wickedness, And drink the wine of violence. {4:18} But the path of the righteous is as the dawning light, That shines more and more unto the perfect day. {4:19} The way of the wicked is as darkness: They know not at what they stumble. {4:20} My son, attend to my words; Incline your ear unto my sayings. {4:21} Let them not depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart. {4:22} For they are life unto those that find them, And health to all their flesh. {4:23} Keep your heart with all diligence; For out of it are the issues of life. {4:24} Put away from you a wayward mouth, And perverse lips put far from you. {4:25} Let your eyes look right on, And let your eyelids look straight before you. {4:26} Make level the path of your feet, And let all your ways be established. {4:27} Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: Remove your foot from evil.

{o20}5} Proverbs Chapter Five. {5:1} My son, attend unto my wisdom; Incline your ear to my understanding: {5:2} That you may preserve discretion, And that your lips may keep knowledge. {5:3} For the lips of a strange woman drop honey, And her mouth is smoother than oil: {5:4} But in the end she is bitter as wormwood, Sharp as a two-edged sword. {5:5} Her feet go down to death; Her steps take hold on Sheol; {5:6} So that she finds not the level path of life: Her ways are unstable, [and] she knows[it] not. {5:7} Now therefore, [my] sons, hear unto me, And depart not from the words of my mouth. {5:8} Remove your way far from her, And come not near the door of her house; {5:9} Lest you give your honor unto others, And your years unto the cruel; {5:10} Lest strangers be filled with your strength, And your labors [be] in the house of an alien, {5:11} And you grieve at your latter end, When your flesh and your body are consumed, {5:12} And say, How have I hated instruction, And my heart despised reproof; {5:13} Neither have I obeyed the voice of my teachers, Nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me! {5:14} I was well-near in all evil In the midst of the assembly and congregation. {5:15} Drink waters out of your own cistern, And running waters out of your own well. {5:16} Should your springs be dispersed abroad, And streams of water in the streets? {5:17} Let them be for yourself alone, And not for strangers with you. {5:18} Let your fountain be blessed; And rejoice in the wife of your youth. {5:19} [As] a loving hind and a pleasant doe, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; And be you ravished always with her love. {5:20} For why should you, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, And embrace the bosom of a foreigner? {5:21} For the ways of man are before the eyes of Yahweh; And he makes level all his paths. {5:22} His own iniquities shall take the wicked, And he shall be held with the cords of his sin. {5:23} He shall die for lack of instruction; And in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

{o20}6} Proverbs Chapter Six. {6:1} My son, if you are become a guarantee for your neighbor, If you have stricken your hands for a stranger; {6:2} you are snared with the words of your mouth, you are taken with the words of your mouth. {6:3} Do this now, my son, and deliver yourself, Seeing you are come into the hand of your neighbor: Go, humble yourself, and importune your neighbor; {6:4} Give not sleep to your eyes, Nor slumber to your eyelids; {6:5} Deliver yourself as a roe from the hand [of the hunter], And as a bird from the hand of the fowler. {6:6} Go to the ant, you sluggard; Consider her ways, and be wise: {6:7} Which having no chief, Overseer, or ruler, {6:8} Provides her bread in the summer, And gathers her food in the harvest. {6:9} How long will you sleep, O sluggard? When will you arise out of your sleep? {6:10} [yet] a little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep: {6:11} So shall your poverty come as a robber, And your want as an armed man. {6:12} A worthless person, a man of works against law, Is he that walks with a perverse mouth; {6:13} That winks with his eyes, that speaks with his feet, That makes signs with his fingers; {6:14} In whose heart is perverseness, Who devises evil continually, Who sows discord. {6:15} Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; On a sudden shall he be broken, and that outside remedy. {6:16} There are six things which Yahweh hates; behold, seven which are an abomination unto him: {6:17} Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood; {6:18} A heart that devises wicked purposes, Feet that are swift in running to mischief, {6:19} A false witness that utters lies, And he that sows

discord among brethren. {6:20} My son, keep the commandment of your father, And forsake not the law of your mother: {6:21} Bind them continually upon your heart; Tie them about your neck. {6:22} When you walk, it shall lead you; When you sleep, it shall watch over you; And when you awake, it shall talk with you. {6:23} For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; And reproofs of instruction are the way of life: {6:24} To keep you from the evil woman, From the flattery of the foreigner's tongue. {6:25} Lust not after her beauty in your heart; Neither let her take you with her eyelids. {6:26} For on account of a prostitute [a man is brought] to a piece of bread; And the adulteress hunts for the precious life. {6:27} Can a man take fire in his bosom, And his clothes not be burned? {6:28} Or can one walk upon hot coals, And his feet not be scorched? {6:29} So he that goes in to his neighbor's wife; Anyone who touches her shall not be unpunished. {6:30} Men do not despise a thief, if he steal To satisfy himself when he is hungry: {6:31} But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; He shall give all the substance of his house. {6:32} He that commits adultery with a woman is void of understanding: He does it who would destroy his own soul. {6:33} Wounds and dishonor shall he get; And his reproach shall not be wiped away. {6:34} For jealousy is the rage of a man; And he will not spare in the day of vengeance. {6:35} He will not regard any ransom; Neither will he rest content, though you give many gifts.

{o20}7} Proverbs Chapter Seven. {7:1} My son, keep my words, And lay up my commandments with you. {7:2} Keep my commandments and live; And my law as the apple of your eye. {7:3} Bind them upon your fingers; Write them upon the tablet of your heart. {7:4} Say unto wisdom, you are my sister; And call understanding [your] kinswoman: {7:5} That they may keep you from the strange woman, From the foreigner that flatters with her words. {7:6} For at the window of my house I looked forth through my lattice; {7:7} And I watched among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, A young man void of understanding, {7:8} Passing through the street near her corner; And he went the way to her house, {7:9} In the twilight, in the evening of the day, In the middle of the night and in the darkness. {7:10} And, behold, there met him a woman With the attire of a prostitute, and wily of heart. {7:11} She is clamorous and willful; Her feet abide not in her house: {7:12} Now she is in the streets, now in the broad places, And lies in wait at every corner. {7:13} So she caught him, and kissed him, [And] with an impudent face she said unto him: {7:14} Sacrifices of peace-offerings are with me; This day have I paid my vows. {7:15} Therefore came I forth to meet you, Diligently to seek your face, and I have found you. {7:16} I have spread my couch with carpets of tapestry, With striped cloths of the yarn of Egypt. {7:17} I have perfumed my bed With myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon. {7:18} Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning; Let us solace ourselves with loves. {7:19} For the man is not at home; He is gone a long journey: {7:20} He has taken a bag of money with him; He will come home at the full moon. {7:21} With her much fair speech she causes him to yield; With the flattering of her lips she forces him along. {7:22} He goes after her immediately, As an ox goes to the slaughter, Or as [one in] fetters to the correction of the fool; {7:23} Till an arrow strike through his liver; As a bird hurries to the snare, And knows not that it is for his life. {7:24} Now therefore, [my] sons, hear unto me, And attend to the words of my mouth. {7:25} Let not your heart decline to her ways; Go not astray in her paths. {7:26} For she has cast down many wounded: behold, all her slain are a mighty host. {7:27} Her house is the way to Sheol, Going down to the chambers of death.

{o20}8} Proverbs Chapter Eight. {8:1} Does not wisdom cry, And understanding put forth her voice? {8:2} On the top of high places by the way, Where the paths meet, she stands; {8:3} Beside the gates, at the entry of the city, At the coming in at the doors, she cries aloud: {8:4} Unto you, O men, I call; And my voice is to the sons of men. {8:5} O you simple, understand prudence; And, you fools, be of an understanding heart. {8:6} Hear, for I will speak excellent things; And the opening of my lips shall be right things. {8:7} For my mouth shall utter truth; And wickedness is an abomination to my lips. {8:8} All the words of my mouth are in good

works; There is nothing crooked or perverse in them. {8:9} They are all plain to him that understands, And right to them that find knowledge. {8:10} Receive my instruction, and not silver; And knowledge rather than choice gold. {8:11} For wisdom is better than rubies; And all the things that may be desired are not to be compared unto it. {8:12} I wisdom have made prudence my dwelling, And find out knowledge [and] discretion. {8:13} The fear of Yahweh is to hate evil: Pride, and arrogance, and the evil way, And the perverse mouth, do I hate. {8:14} Counsel is mine, and sound knowledge: I am understanding; I have might. {8:15} By me kings reign, And princes decree justice. {8:16} By me princes rule, And nobles, [even] all the judges of the earth. {8:17} I agape love them that agape love me; And those that seek me diligently shall find me. {8:18} Riches and honor are with me; [behold], durable wealth and good works. {8:19} My fruit is better than gold, behold, than fine gold; And my revenue than choice silver. {8:20} I walk in the way of good works, In the midst of the paths of justice; {8:21} That I may cause those that agape love me to inherit substance, And that I may fill their treasuries. {8:22} Yahweh possessed me in the beginning of his way, Before his works of old. {8:23} I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, Before the earth was. {8:24} When there were no depths, I was brought forth, When there were no fountains abounding with water. {8:25} Before the mountains were settled, Before the hills was I brought forth; {8:26} While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, Nor the beginning of the dust of the world. {8:27} When he established the heavens, I was there: When he set a circle upon the face of the deep, {8:28} When he made firm the skies above, When the fountains of the deep became strong, {8:29} When he gave to the sea its bound, That the waters should not transgress his commandment, When he marked out the foundations of the earth; {8:30} Then I was by him, [as] a master workman; And I was daily [his] delight, Rejoicing always before him, {8:31} Rejoicing in his habitable earth; And my delight was with the sons of men. {8:32} Now therefore, [my] sons, hear unto me; For blessed are they that keep my ways. {8:33} Hear instruction, and be wise, And refuse it not. {8:34} Blessed is the man that hears me, Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at the posts of my doors. {8:35} For who so finds me finds life, And shall obtain favor of Yahweh. {8:36} But he that sins against me wrongs his own soul: All they that hate me love death.

{o20}9} Proverbs chapter Nine. {9:1} Wisdom has built her house; She has hewn out her seven pillars: {9:2} She has killed her beasts; She has mingled her wine; She has also furnished her table: {9:3} She has sent forth her maidens; She cries upon the highest places of the city: {9:4} Who so is simple, let him turn in here: As for him that is void of understanding, she said to him, {9:5} Come, eat you of my bread, And drink of the wine which I have mingled. {9:6} Leave off, you simple ones, and live; And walk in the way of understanding. {9:7} He that corrects a scoffer get to himself reviling; And he that reproves a wicked man [gets] himself a blot. {9:8} Reprove not a scoffer, lest he hate you: Reprove a wise man, and he will agape love you. {9:9} Give [instruction] to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: Teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. {9:10} The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom; And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. {9:11} For by me your days shall be multiplied, And the years of your life shall be increased. {9:12} If you are wise, you are wise for yourself; And if you scoff, you alone shall bear it. {9:13} The foolish woman is clamorous; [She is] simple, and [a] know-nothing. {9:14} And she sits the door of her house, On a seat in the high places of the city, {9:15} To call to them that pass by, Who go right on their ways: {9:16} Who so is simple, let him turn in here; And as for him that is void of understanding, she said to him, {9:17} Stolen waters are sweet, And bread [eaten] in secret is pleasant. {9:18} But he knows not that the dead are there; That her guests are in the depths of Sheol.

{o20}10} Proverbs Chapter Ten. {10:1} The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son makes a glad father; But a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother. {10:2} Treasures of wickedness profit nothing; But good works delivers from death. {10:3} Yahweh will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish; But he thrust away the desire of the wicked. {10:4} He becomes poor that works with a slack hand; But the hand of the diligent makes rich. {10:5} He that gathers in

summer is a wise son; [But] he that sleeps in harvest is a son that causes shame. {10:6} Blessings are upon the head of the righteous; But violence covers the mouth of the wicked. {10:7} The memory of the righteous is blessed; But the name of the wicked shall rot. {10:8} The wise in heart will receive commandments; But a prating fool shall fall. {10:9} He that walks uprightly walks surely; But he that perverts his ways shall be known. {10:10} He that winks with the eye causes sorrow; But a prating fool shall fall. {10:11} The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life; But violence covers the mouth of the wicked. {10:12} Hatred stirs up strife; But agape love covers all transgression of the law. {10:13} In the lips of him that has discernment wisdom is found; But a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding. {10:14} Wise men lay up knowledge; But the mouth of the foolish is a present destruction. {10:15} The rich man's wealth is his strong city: The destruction of the poor is their poverty. {10:16} The labor of the righteous [tends] to life; The increase of the wicked, to sin. {10:17} He is in the way of life that heeds correction; But he that forsakes reproof errs. {10:18} He that hides hatred is of lying lips; And he that utters a slander is a fool. {10:19} In the multitude of words there wants not transgression of the law; But he that refrains his lips does wisely. {10:20} The tongue of the righteous is [as] choice silver: The heart of the wicked is little worth. {10:21} The lips of the righteous feed many; But the foolish die for lack of understanding. {10:22} The blessing of Yahweh, it makes rich; And he adds no sorrow there with. {10:23} It is as sport to a fool to do wickedness; And [so is] wisdom to a man of understanding. {10:24} The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him; And the desire of the righteous shall be granted. {10:25} When the whirlwind passes, the wicked is no more; But the righteous is an everlasting foundation. {10:26} As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, So is the sluggard to them that send him. {10:27} The fear of Yahweh prolongs days; But the years of the wicked shall be shortened. {10:28} The hope of the righteous [shall be] gladness; But the expectation of the wicked shall perish. {10:29} The way of Yahweh is a stronghold to the upright; But it is a destruction to the workers of works against law. {10:30} The righteous shall never be removed; But the wicked shall not dwell in the land. {10:31} The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom; But the perverse tongue shall be cut off. {10:32} The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable; But the mouth of the wicked [speaks] perverseness.

{o20}11} Proverbs Chapter Eleven. {11:1} A false scale is an abomination to Yahweh; But a just weight is his delight. {11:2} When pride comes, then comes shame; But with the lowly is wisdom. {11:3} The integrity of the upright shall guide them; But the perverseness of the treacherous shall destroy them. {11:4} Riches profit not in the day of Anger; But good works delivers from death. {11:5} The good works of the perfect shall direct his way; But the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness. {11:6} The good works of the upright shall deliver them; But the treacherous shall be taken in their own works against law. {11:7} When a wicked man dies, [his] expectation shall perish; And the hope of works against law perishes. {11:8} The righteous is delivered out of trouble, And the wicked comes in his stead. {11:9} With his mouth the godless man destroys his neighbor; But through knowledge shall the righteous be delivered. {11:10} When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices; And when the wicked perish, there is shouting. {11:11} By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted; But it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked. {11:12} He that despises his neighbor is void of wisdom; But a man of understanding holds his peace. {11:13} He that goes about as a tale-bearer reveals secrets; But he that is of a faithful spirit conceals the matter. {11:14} Where no wise guidance is, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety. {11:15} He that is a guarantee for a stranger shall suffer for it; But he that hates to be a guarantee [for another] is secure. {11:16} A gracious woman obtains honor; And violent men obtain riches. {11:17} The merciful man does good to his own soul; But he that is cruel troubles his own flesh. {11:18} The wicked earns deceitful wages; But he that sows good works [has] a sure reward. {11:19} He that is steadfast in good works [shall attain] unto life; And he that pursues evil [does it] to his own death. {11:20} They that are perverse in heart are an abomination to Yahweh; But such as are perfect in [their] way are his delight. {11:21} [Though] hand [join] in hand, the evil man shall not be unpunished; But the seed

of the righteous shall be delivered. {11:22} [As] a ring of gold in a swine's snout, [So is] a beautiful woman that is outside discretion. {11:23} The desire of the righteous is only good; [But] the expectation of the wicked is Anger. {11:24} There is that scatters, and increases yet more; And there is that withholds more than is meet, but [it tends] only to want. {11:25} The benevolent soul shall be made fat; And he that waters shall be watered also himself. {11:26} He that withholds grain, the people shall curse him; But blessing shall be upon the head of him that sells it. {11:27} He that diligently seeks good seeks favor; But he that searches after evil, it shall come unto him. {11:28} He that trusts in his riches shall fall; But the righteous shall flourish as the green leaf. {11:29} He that troubles his own house shall inherit the wind; And the foolish shall be servant to the wise of heart. {11:30} The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; And he that is wise wins souls. {11:31} Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: How much more the wicked and the sinner!

{o20}12} Proverbs Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Who so agape loves correction [agape] loves knowledge; But he that hates reproof is brutish. {12:2} A good man shall obtain favor of Yahweh; But a man of wicked devices will he condemn. {12:3} A man shall not be established by wickedness; But the root of the righteous shall not be moved. {12:4} A worthy woman is the crown of her husband; But she that makes ashamed is as rottenness in his bones. {12:5} The thoughts of the righteous are just; [But] the counsels of the wicked are deceit. {12:6} The words of the wicked are of lying in wait for blood; But the mouth of the upright shall deliver them. {12:7} The wicked are overthrown, and are not; But the house of the righteous shall stand. {12:8} A man shall be commended according to his wisdom; But he that is of a perverse heart shall be despised. {12:9} Better is he that is lightly esteemed, and has a servant, Than he that honors himself, and lacks bread. {12:10} A righteous man regards the life of his beast; But the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel. {12:11} He that tills his land shall have plenty of bread; But he that follows after vain [persons] is void of understanding. {12:12} The wicked desires the net of evil men; But the root of the righteous yields [fruit]. {12:13} In the transgression of the law of the lips is a snare to the evil man; But the righteous shall come out of trouble. {12:14} A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth; And the doings of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him. {12:15} The way of a fool is right in his own eyes; But he that is wise hear unto counsel. {12:16} A fool's vexation is presently known; But a prudent man conceals shame. {12:17} He that utters truth shows forth good works; But a false witness, deceit. {12:18} There is [he] that speaks rashly like the piercing of a sword; But the tongue of the wise is health. {12:19} The lip of truth shall be established forever; But a lying tongue is but for a moment. {12:20} Deceit is in the heart of them that devise evil; But to the counselors of peace is joy. {12:21} There shall no mischief happen to the righteous; But the wicked shall be filled with evil. {12:22} Lying lips are an abomination to Yahweh; But they that deal truly are his delight. {12:23} A prudent man conceals knowledge; But the heart of fools proclaims foolishness. {12:24} The hand of the diligent shall bear rule; But the slothful shall be put under task work. {12:25} Heaviness in the heart of a man makes it stoop; But a good word makes it glad. {12:26} The righteous is a guide to his neighbor; But the way of the wicked causes them to err. {12:27} The slothful man roast not that which he took in hunting; But the precious substance of men [is to] the diligent. {12:28} In the way of good works is life; And in the pathway of it there is no death.

{o20}13} Proverbs Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} A wise son [hears] his father's instruction; But a scoffer hears not rebuke. {13:2} A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth; But the soul of the treacherous [shall eat] violence. {13:3} He that guards his mouth keeps his life; [But] he that opens wide his lips shall have destruction. {13:4} The soul of the sluggard desires, and has nothing; But the soul of the diligent shall be made fat. {13:5} A righteous man hates lying; But a wicked man is loathsome, and comes to shame. {13:6} Good works guards him that is upright in the way; But wickedness over throws the sinner. {13:7} There is that makes himself rich, yet has nothing; There is that makes himself poor, yet has great wealth. {13:8} The ransom of a man's

life is his riches; But the poor hears no threatening. {13:9} The light of the righteous rejoices; But the lamp of the wicked shall be put out. {13:10} By pride comes only contention; But with the well-advised is wisdom. {13:11} Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished; But he that gathers by labor shall have increase. {13:12} Hope deferred makes the heart sick; But when the desire comes, it is a tree of life. {13:13} Who so despises the word [of Yahweh] brings destruction on himself; But he that fears the commandment shall be rewarded. {13:14} The law of the wise is a fountain of life, That one may depart from the snares of death. {13:15} Good understanding gives favor; But the way of the transgressor is hard. {13:16} Every prudent man works with knowledge; But a fool flaunts [his] folly. {13:17} A wicked messenger falls into evil; But a faithful ambassador is health. {13:18} Poverty and shame [shall be to] him that refuses correction; But he that regards reproof shall be honored. {13:19} The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul; But it is an abomination to fools to depart from evil. {13:20} Walk with wise men, and you shall be wise; But the companion of fools shall suffer for it. {13:21} Evil pursues sinners; But the righteous shall be recompensed with good. {13:22} A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children; And the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the righteous. {13:23} Much food [is in] the tillage of the poor; But there is that is destroyed by reason of injustice. {13:24} He that spares his rod hates his son; But he that agape loves him [will] chasten him at times. {13:25} The righteous eat to the satisfying of his soul; But the belly of the wicked shall want.

{o20}14} Proverbs Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Every wise woman builds her house; But the foolish plucks it down with her own hands. {14:2} He that walks in his uprightness fears Yahweh; But he that is perverse in his ways despises him. {14:3} In the mouth of the foolish is a rod for [his] pride; But the lips of the wise shall preserve them. {14:4} Where no oxen are, the crib is clean; But much increase is by the strength of the ox. {14:5} A faithful witness will not lie; But a false witness utters lies. {14:6} A scoffer seeks wisdom, and [finds it] not; But knowledge is easy unto him that has understanding. {14:7} Go into the presence of a foolish man, And you shall not perceive [in him] the lips of knowledge. {14:8} The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way; But the folly of fools is deceit. {14:9} A trespass-offering mocks fools; But among the upright there is good will. {14:10} The heart knows its own bitterness; And a stranger does not intermeddle with its joy. {14:11} The house of the wicked shall be overthrown; But the tent of the upright shall flourish. {14:12} There is a way which seems right unto a man; But the end of it are the ways of death. {14:13} Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; And the end of mirth is heaviness. {14:14} The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways; And a good man [shall be satisfied] from himself. {14:15} The simple believes every word; But the prudent man looks well to his going. {14:16} A wise man fears, and departs from evil; But the fool bears himself insolently, and is confident. {14:17} He that is quick [to become] angry will deal foolishly; And a man of wicked devices is hated. {14:18} The simple inherit folly; But the prudent are crowned with knowledge. {14:19} The evil bow down before the good; And the wicked, at the gates of the righteous. {14:20} The poor is hated even of his own neighbor; But the rich has many friends. {14:21} He that despises his neighbor sins; But he that has pity on the poor, happy is he. {14:22} Do they not err that devise evil? But mercy and truth [shall be to] them that devise good. {14:23} In all labor there is profit; But the talk of the lips [tends] only to extreme poverty. {14:24} The crown of the wise is their riches; [But] the folly of fools is [only] folly. {14:25} A true witness delivers souls; But he that utters lies [causes] deceit. {14:26} In the fear of Yahweh is strong confidence; And his children shall have a place of refuge. {14:27} The fear of Yahweh is a fountain of life, That one may depart from the snares of death. {14:28} In the multitude of people is the king's glory; But in the want of people is the destruction of the prince. {14:29} He that is slow to anger is of great understanding; But he that is heavy of spirit exalts folly. {14:30} A tranquil heart is the life of the flesh; But envy is the rottenness of the bones. {14:31} He that oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker; But he that has mercy on the needy honors him. {14:32} The wicked is thrust down in his evil-doing; But the righteous has a refuge

in his death. {14:33} Wisdom rests in the heart of him that has understanding; But [that which is] in the inward part of fools is made known. {14:34} Good works exalts a nation; But sin is a reproach to any people. {14:35} The king's favor is toward a servant that deals wisely; But his Anger will be [against] him that causes shame.

{o20}15} Proverbs Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} A soft answer turns away Anger; But a grievous word stirs up anger. {15:2} The tongue of the wise utters knowledge aright; But the mouth of fools pours out folly. {15:3} The eyes of Yahweh are in every place, Keeping watch upon the evil and the good. {15:4} A gentle tongue is a tree of life; But perverseness therein is a breaking of the spirit. {15:5} A fool despise his father's correction; But he that regards reproof gets prudence. {15:6} In the house of the righteous is much treasure; But in the revenues of the wicked is trouble. {15:7} The lips of the wise disperse knowledge; But the heart of the foolish [does] not so. {15:8} The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to Yahweh; But the prayer of the upright is his delight. {15:9} The way of the wicked is an abomination to Yahweh; But he agape loves him that follows after good works. {15:10} There is grievous correction for him that forsakes the way; [And] he that hates reproof shall die. {15:11} Sheol and Abaddon are before Yahweh: How much more then the hearts of the children of men! {15:12} A scoffer loves not to be reproved; He will not go unto the wise. {15:13} A young man's heart makes a cheerful countenance; But by sorrow of heart the spirit is broken. {15:14} The heart of him that has understanding seeks knowledge; But the mouth of fools feeds on folly. {15:15} All the days of the afflicted are evil; But he that is of a cheerful heart [has] a continual feast. {15:16} Better is little, with the fear of Yahweh, Than great treasure and trouble with. {15:17} Better is a meal of herbs, where agape love is, Than a stalled ox and hatred with. {15:18} An Angerfilled man stirs up contention; But he that is slow to anger appeases strife. {15:19} The way of the sluggard is as a hedge of thorns; But the path of the upright is made a highway. {15:20} A wise son makes a extreme poverty man father; But a foolish man despise his mother. {15:21} Folly is joy to him that is void of wisdom; But a man of understanding makes straight his going. {15:22} Where there is no counsel, purposes are disappointed; But in the multitude of counselors they are established. {15:23} A man has joy in the answer of his mouth; And a word in due season, how good is it! {15:24} To the wise the way of life [goes] upward, That he may depart from Sheol beneath. {15:25} Yahweh will root up the house of the proud; But he will establish the border of the widow. {15:26} Evil devices are an abomination to Yahweh; But pleasant words [are] pure. {15:27} He that is greedy of gain troubles his own house; But he that hates bribes shall live. {15:28} The heart of the righteous studies to answer; But the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things. {15:29} Yahweh is far from the wicked; But he hears the prayer of the righteous. {15:30} The light of the eyes rejoices the heart; [And] good tidings make the bones fat. {15:31} The ear that hear to the reproof of life shall abide among the wise. {15:32} He that refuses correction despise his own soul; But he that hear to reproof gets understanding. {15:33} The fear of Yahweh is the instruction of wisdom; And before honor [goes] humility.

{o20}16} Proverbs Sixteen. {16:1} The plans of the heart belong to man; But the answer of the tongue is from Yahweh. {16:2} All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; But Yahweh weighs the spirits. {16:3} Commit your works unto Yahweh, And your purposes shall be established. {16:4} Yahweh has made everything for its own end; behold, even the wicked for the day of evil. {16:5} Everyone that is proud in heart is an abomination to Yahweh: [though] hand [join] in hand, he shall not be unpunished. {16:6} By mercy and truth works against law is atoned for; And by the fear of Yahweh men depart from evil. {16:7} When a man's ways please Yahweh, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. {16:8} Better is a little, with good works, Than great revenues with injustice. {16:9} A man's heart devises his way; But Yahweh directs his steps. {16:10} A divine sentence is in the lips of the king; His mouth shall not transgress in judgment. {16:11} A just balance and scales are Yahweh's; All the weights of the bag are his work. {16:12} It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness; For the throne is established by good works. {16:13} Righteous lips are the delight of kings; And they agape love him that

speaks right. {16:14} The Anger of a king is [as] messengers of death; But a wise man will pacify it. {16:15} In the light of the king's countenance is life; And his favor is as a cloud of the latter rain. {16:16} How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! behold, to get understanding is rather to be chosen than silver. {16:17} The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: He that keeps his way preserves his soul. {16:18} Pride [goes] before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall. {16:19} Better it is to be of a lowly spirit with the poor, Than to divide the spoil with the proud. {16:20} He that gives heed unto the word shall find good; And who so trusts in Yahweh, happy is he. {16:21} The wise in heart shall be called prudent; And the sweetness of the lips increases learning. {16:22} Understanding is a well-spring of life unto him that has it; But the correction of fools is [their] folly. {16:23} The heart of the wise instructs his mouth, And adds learning to his lips. {16:24} Pleasant words are [as] a honeycomb, Sweet to the soul, and health to the bones. {16:25} There is a way which seems right unto a man, But the end of it are the ways of death. {16:26} The appetite of the laboring man labors for him; For his mouth urges him [there]. {16:27} A worthless man devises mischief; And in his lips there is as a scorching fire. {16:28} A perverse man scatters abroad strife; And a whisperer separates chief friends. {16:29} A man of violence entices his neighbor, And leads him in a way that is not good. {16:30} He that shuts his eyes, [it is] to devise perverse things: He that compress his lips brings evil to pass. {16:31} The hoary head is a crown of glory; It shall be found in the way of good works. {16:32} He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; And he that rules his spirit, than he that takes a city. {16:33} The lot is cast into the lap; But the whole disposing of it is of Yahweh.

O2017} Proverbs Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} Better is a dry morsel, and quietness with, Than a house full of feasting with strife. {17:2} A servant that deals wisely shall have rule over a son that causes shame, And shall have part in the inheritance among the brethren. {17:3} The refining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold; But Yahweh tries the hearts. {17:4} An evil-doer gives heed to wicked lips; [And] a liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue. {17:5} Who so mocks the poor reproaches his Maker; [And] he that is [made] glad at calamity shall not be unpunished. {17:6} Children's children are the crown of old men; And the glory of children are their fathers. {17:7} Excellent speech becomes not a fool; Much less do lying lips a prince. {17:8} A bribe is [as] a precious stone in the eyes of him that has it; Where so ever it turns, it prospers. {17:9} He that covers transgression of the law seeks love; But he that harps on a matter separates chief friends. {17:10} A rebuke enters deeper into one that has understanding Than a hundred stripes into a fool. {17:11} An evil man seeks only rebellion; Therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him. {17:12} Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, Rather than a fool in his folly. {17:13} Who so rewards evil for good, Evil shall not depart from his house. {17:14} The beginning of strife is [as] when one lets out water: Therefore leave off contention, before there is quarrelling. {17:15} He that justifies the wicked, and he that condemns the righteous, Both of them alike are an abomination to Yahweh. {17:16} Therefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to buy wisdom, Seeing he has no understanding? {17:17} A friend loves at all times; And a brother is born for adversity. {17:18} A man void of understanding strike hands, And becomes a guarantee in the presence of his neighbor. {17:19} He loves transgression of the law that loves strife: He that raises high his gate seeks destruction. {17:20} He that has a wayward heart finds no good; And he that has a perverse tongue falls into mischief. {17:21} He that begets a fool [does it] to his sorrow; And the father of a fool has no joy. {17:22} A cheerful heart is a good medicine; But a broken spirit dries up the bones. {17:23} A wicked man receives a bribe out of the bosom, To pervert the ways of justice. {17:24} Wisdom is before the face of him that has understanding; But the eyes of a fool are in the ends of the earth. {17:25} A foolish son is a grief to his father, And bitterness to her that bare him. {17:26} Also to punish the righteous is not good, [Nor] to smite the noble for [their] uprightness. {17:27} He that spares his words has knowledge; And he that is of a cool spirit is a man of understanding. {17:28} Even a fool, when he holds his peace, is counted wise; When he shuts his lips, he is [esteemed as] prudent.

{o20}18} Proverbs Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} He that separates himself seeks [his own] desire, And rage against all sound wisdom. {18:2} A fool has no delight in understanding, But only that his heart may reveal itself. {18:3} When the wicked comes, there comes also contempt, And with ignominy [comes] reproach. {18:4} The words of a man's mouth are [as] deep waters; The wellspring of wisdom is [as] a flowing brook. {18:5} To respect the person of the wicked is not good, [Nor] to turn aside the righteous in judgment. {18:6} A fool's lips enter into contention, And his mouth calls for stripes. {18:7} A fool's mouth is his destruction, And his lips are the snare of his soul. {18:8} The words of a whisperer are as dainty food morsels, And they go down into the innermost parts. {18:9} He also that is slack in his work Is brother to him that is a destroyer. {18:10} The name of Yahweh is a strong tower; The righteous runs into it, and is safe. {18:11} The rich man's wealth is his strong city, And as a high wall in his own imagination. {18:12} Before destruction the heart of man [that] is haughty; And before honor [goes] humility. {18:13} He that gives answer before he hears, It is folly and shame unto him. {18:14} The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; But a broken spirit who can bear? {18:15} The heart of the prudent gets knowledge; And the ear of the wise seeks knowledge. {18:16} A man's gift makes room for him, And brings him before great men. {18:17} He that pleads his cause first [seems] just; But his neighbor comes and searches him out. {18:18} The lot causes contentions to cease, And parts between the mighty. {18:19} A brother offended [is harder to be won] than a strong city; And [such] contentions are like the bars of a castle. {18:20} A man's belly shall be filled with the fruit of his mouth; With the increase of his lips shall he be satisfied. {18:21} Death and life are in the power of the tongue; And they that love it shall eat the fruit there. {18:22} Who so finds a wife finds a good thing, And obtains favor of Yahweh. {18:23} The poor uses entreaties; But the rich answers roughly. {18:24} He that makes many friends [does it] to his own destruction; But there is a friend that sticks closer than a brother.

{o20}19} Proverbs Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} Better is the poor that walks in his integrity Than he that is perverse in his lips and is a fool. {19:2} Also, that the soul be outside knowledge is not good; And he that hurries with his feet sins. {19:3} The foolishness of man subverts his way; And his heart hateful against Yahweh. {19:4} Wealth adds many friends; But the poor is separated from his friend. {19:5} A false witness shall not be unpunished; And he that utters lies shall not escape. {19:6} Many will entreat the favor of the liberal man; And every man is a friend to him that gives gifts. {19:7} All the brethren of the poor do hate him: How much more do his friends go far from him! He pursues [them with] words, [but] they are gone. {19:8} He that gets wisdom agape loves his own soul: He that keeps understanding shall find good. {19:9} A false witness shall not be unpunished; And he that utters lies shall perish. {19:10} Delicate living is not seemly for a fool; Much less for a servant to have rule over princes. {19:11} The discretion of a man makes him slow to anger; And it is his glory to pass over a transgression of the law. {19:12} The king's Anger is as the roaring of a lion; But his favor is as dew upon the grass. {19:13} A foolish son is the calamity of his father; And the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping. {19:14} House and riches are an inheritance from fathers; But a prudent wife is from Yahweh. {19:15} Slothfulness cast into a deep sleep; And the idle soul shall suffer hunger. {19:16} He that keeps the commandment keeps his soul; [But] he that is careless of his ways shall die. {19:17} He that has pity upon the poor lends unto Yahweh, And his good deed will he pay him again. {19:18} Chasten your son, seeing there is hope; and set not your heart on his destruction. {19:19} A man of great Anger shall bear the penalty; For if you deliver [him], you must do it yet again. {19:20} Hear counsel, and receive instruction, That you may be wise in your latter end. {19:21} There are many devices in a man's heart; But the counsel of Yahweh, that shall stand. {19:22} That which makes a man to be desired is his kindness; And a poor man is better than a liar. {19:23} The fear of Yahweh [tends] to life; And he [that has it] shall abide satisfied; He shall not be visited with evil. {19:24} The sluggard buries his hand in the dish, And will not so much as bring it to his mouth again. {19:25} Smite a scoffer, and the simple will learn prudence; And reprove one that has understanding, [and] he will understand knowledge. {19:26} He that does

violence to his father, and chases away his mother, Is a son that causes shame and brings reproach. {19:27} Cease, my son, to hear instruction [Only] to err from the words of knowledge. {19:28} A worthless witness mocks at justice; And the mouth of the wicked swallows works against law. {19:29} Judgments are prepared for scoffers, And stripes for the back of fools.

{o20}20} Proverbs Chapter Twenty. {20:1} Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler; And anyone who errs thereby is not wise. {20:2} The terror of a king is as the roaring of a lion: He that provokes him to anger sins [against] his own life. {20:3} It is an honor for a man to keep aloof from strife; But every fool will be quarrelling. {20:4} The sluggard will not plow by reason of the winter; Therefore he shall beg in harvest, and have nothing. {20:5} Counsel in the heart of man is [like] deep water; But a man of understanding will draw it out. {20:6} Most men will proclaim everyone his own kindness; But a faithful man who can find? {20:7} A righteous man that walks in his integrity, Blessed are his children after him. {20:8} A king that sits on the throne of judgment Scatters away all evil with his eyes. {20:9} Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin? {20:10} Different weights, and different measures, Both of them alike are an abomination to Yahweh. {20:11} Even a child makes himself known by his doings, Whether his work be pure, and whether it be right. {20:12} The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, Yahweh has made even both of them. {20:13} Aape Love [does] not sleep, lest you come to poverty; Open your eyes, [and] you shall be satisfied with bread. {20:14} It is bad, it is bad, said the buyer; But when he is gone his way, then he boasts. {20:15} There is gold, and abundance of rubies; But the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel. {20:16} Take his garment that is a guarentee for a stranger; And hold him in pledge [that is a guarentee] for foreigners. {20:17} Bread of falsehood is sweet to a man; But afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel. {20:18} Every purpose is established by counsel; And by wise guidance make you war. {20:19} He that goes about as a tale-bearer reveals secrets; Therefore company not with him that opens wide his lips. {20:20} Who so curses his father or his mother, His lamp shall be put out in blackness of darkness. {20:21} An inheritance [may be] gotten hurriedly at the beginning; But the end of it shall not be blessed. {20:22} Say not you, I will recompense evil: Wait for Yahweh, and he will save you. {20:23} Different weights are an abomination to Yahweh; And a false balance is not good. {20:24} A man's goings are of Yahweh; How then can man understand his way? {20:25} It is a snare to a man rashly to say, [It is] holy, And after vows to make inquiry. {20:26} A wise king winnows the wicked, And brings the [threshing] -wheel over them. {20:27} The spirit of man is the lamp of Yahweh, Searching all his innermost parts. {20:28} Kindness and truth preserve the king; And his throne is upheld by kindness. {20:29} The glory of young men is their strength; And the beauty of old men is the hoary head. {20:30} Stripes that wound cleanse away evil; And strokes [reach] the innermost parts.

{o20}21} Proverbs Chapter TwentyOne. {21:1} The king's heart is in the hand of Yahweh as the water courses: He turns it whether so ever he will. {21:2} Every way of a man is right in his own eyes; But Yahweh weighs the hearts. {21:3} To do good works and justice Is more acceptable to Yahweh than sacrifice. {21:4} A high look, and a proud heart, [Even] the lamp of the wicked, is sin. {21:5} The thoughts of the diligent [tend] only to plenteousness; But everyone that is hasty [hurries] only to want. {21:6} The getting of treasures by a lying tongue Is a vapor driven to and fro by them that seek death. {21:7} The violence of the wicked shall sweep them away, Because they refuse to do justice. {21:8} The way of him that is laden with guilt is exceeding crooked; But as for the pure, his work is right. {21:9} It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, Than with a contentious woman in a wide house. {21:10} The soul of the wicked desires evil: His neighbor finds no favor in his eyes. {21:11} When the scoffer is punished, the simple is made wise; And when the wise is instructed, he receives knowledge. {21:12} The righteous man considers the house of the wicked, [How] the wicked are overthrown to [their] ruin. {21:13} Who so stops his ears at the cry of the poor, He also shall cry, but shall not be heard. {21:14} A gift in secret pacifies anger; And a present in the bosom, strong Anger. {21:15} It is joy to the righteous to do justice; But it is a destruction to the workers of works against law.

{21:16} The man that wanders out of the way of understanding shall rest in the assembly of the dead. {21:17} He that loves pleasure shall be a poor man: He that loves wine and oil shall not be rich. {21:18} The wicked is a ransom for the righteous; And the treacherous [comes] in the stead of the upright. {21:19} It is better to dwell in a desert land, Than with a contentious and hateful woman. {21:20} There is precious treasure and oil in the dwelling of the wise; But a foolish man swallows it up. {21:21} He that follows after good works and kindness finds life, good works, and honor. {21:22} A wise man scales the city of the mighty, And brings down the strength of the confidence there. {21:23} Who so keeps his mouth and his tongue Keeps his soul from troubles. {21:24} The proud and haughty man, scoffer is his name; He works in the arrogance of pride. {21:25} The desire of the sluggard kills him; For his hands refuse to labor. {21:26} There is that covets greedily all the day long; But the righteous gives and withholds not. {21:27} The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination: How much more, when he brings it with a wicked mind! {21:28} A false witness shall perish; But the man that hears shall speak so as to endure. {21:29} A wicked man hardens his face; But as for the upright, he establishes his ways. {21:30} There is no wisdom nor understanding Nor counsel against Yahweh. {21:31} The horse is prepared against the day of battle; But victory is of Yahweh.

{o20}22} Proverbs Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} A [good] name is rather to be chosen than great riches, [And] loving favor rather than silver and gold. {22:2} The rich and the poor meet together: Yahweh is the maker of them all. {22:3} A prudent man sees the evil, and hides himself; But the simple pass on, and suffer for it. {22:4} The reward of humility [and] the fear of Yahweh [Is] riches, and honor, and life. {22:5} Thorns [and] snares are in the way of the perverse: He that keeps his soul shall be far from them. {22:6} Train up a child in the way he should go, And even when he is old he will not depart from it. {22:7} The rich rules over the poor; And the borrower is servant to the lender. {22:8} He that sows works against law shall reap calamity; And the rod of his Anger shall fail. {22:9} He that has a bountiful eye shall be blessed; For he gives of his bread to the poor. {22:10} Cast out the scoffer, and contention will go out; behold, strife and ignominy will cease. {22:11} He that agape loves pureness of heart, [For] the grace of his lips the king will be his friend. {22:12} The eyes of Yahweh preserve [him that has] knowledge; But he over throws the words of the treacherous man. {22:13} The sluggard said, There is a lion outside: I shall be slain in the streets. {22:14} The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: He that is abhorred of Yahweh shall fall therein. {22:15} Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; [But] the rod of correction shall drive it far from him. {22:16} He that oppresses the poor to increase his [gain], [And] he that gives to the rich, [shall come] only to want. {22:17} Incline your ear, and hear the words of the wise, And apply your heart unto my knowledge. {22:18} For it is a pleasant thing if you keep them within you, If they be established together upon your lips. {22:19} That your trust may be in Yahweh, I have made [them] known to you this day, even to you. {22:20} Have not I written unto you excellent things Of counsels and knowledge, {22:21} To make you know the certainty of the words of truth, That you may carry back words of truth to them that send you? {22:22} Rob not the poor, because he is poor; Neither oppress the afflicted in the gate: {22:23} For Yahweh will plead their cause, And despoil of life those that despoil them. {22:24} Make no friendship with a man that is given to anger; And with a Angerful man you shall not go: {22:25} Lest you learn this ways, And get a snare to your soul. {22:26} Be you not one of them that strike hands, [Or] of them that are sureties for debts. {22:27} If you have not by which to pay, Why should he take away your bed from under you? {22:28} Remove not the ancient landmark, Which your fathers have set. {22:29} See you a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; He shall not stand before mean men.

{o20}23} Proverbs Chapter TwentyThree. {23:1} When you sits to eat with a ruler, Consider diligently him that is before you; {23:2} And put a knife to your throat, If you be a man given to appetite. {23:3} Be not desirous of his dainties; Seeing they are deceitful food. {23:4} Weary not yourself to be rich; Cease from your own wisdom. {23:5} Will you set your eyes upon that which is not? For [riches] certainly make themselves wings, Like an eagle that flies toward

heaven. {23:6} Eat you not the bread of him that has an evil eye, Neither desire you his dainties: {23:7} For as he thinks within himself, so is he: Eat and drink, said he to you; But his heart is not with you. {23:8} The morsel which you have eaten shall you vomit up, And lose your sweet words. {23:9} Speak not in the hearing of a fool; For he will despise the wisdom of your words. {23:10} Remove not the ancient landmark; And enter not into the fields of the fatherless: {23:11} For their Redeemer is strong; He will plead their cause against you. {23:12} Apply your heart unto instruction, And your ears to the words of knowledge. {23:13} Withhold not correction from the child; [For] if you beat him with the rod, he will not die. {23:14} you shall beat him with the rod, And shall deliver his soul from Sheol. {23:15} My son, if your heart be wise, My heart will be glad, even mine: {23:16} behold, my heart will rejoice, When your lips speak right things. {23:17} Let not your heart envy sinners; But [be you] in the fear of Yahweh all the day long: {23:18} For surely there is a reward; And your hope shall not be cut off. {23:19} Hear you, my son, and be wise, And guide your heart in the way. {23:20} Be not among winebibbers, Among gluttonous eaters of flesh: {23:21} For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty; And drowsiness will clothe [a man] with rags. {23:22} Hear unto your father that begot you, And despise not your mother when she is old. {23:23} Buy the truth, and sell it not; [behold], wisdom, and instruction, and understanding. {23:24} The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; And he that begets a wise child will have joy of him. {23:25} Let your father and your mother be glad, And let her that bare you rejoice. {23:26} My son, give me your heart; And let your eyes delight in my ways. {23:27} For a prostitute is a deep ditch; And a foreign woman is a narrow pit. {23:28} behold, she lies in wait as a robber, And increases the treacherous among men. {23:29} Who has curse? who has sorrow? who has contentions? Who has complaining? who has wounds outside cause? Who has redness of eyes? {23:30} They that tarry long at the wine; They that go to seek out mixed wine. {23:31} Look not you upon the wine when it is red, When it sparkles in the cup, When it goes down smoothly: {23:32} At the last it bit like a serpent, And stings like an adder. {23:33} your eyes shall behold strange things, And your heart shall utter perverse things. {23:34} behold, you shall be as he that lies down in the midst of the sea, Or as he that lies upon the top of a mast. {23:35} They have stricken me, [shall you say], and I was not hurt; They have beaten me, and I felt it not: When shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.

{o20}24} Proverbs Chapter TwentyFour. {24:1} Be not you envious against evil men; Neither desire to be with them: {24:2} For their heart studies oppression, And their lips talk of mischief. {24:3} Through wisdom is a house built; And by understanding it is established; {24:4} And by knowledge are the chambers filled With all precious and pleasant riches. {24:5} A wise man is strong; behold, a man of knowledge increases might {24:6} For by wise guidance you shall make your war; And in the multitude of counselors there is safety. {24:7} Wisdom is too high for a fool: He opens not his mouth in the gate. {24:8} He that devises to do evil, Men shall call him a mischief-maker. {24:9} The thought of foolishness is sin; And the scoffer is an abomination to men. {24:10} If you faint in the day of adversity, Your strength is small. {24:11} Deliver them that are carried away unto death, And those that are ready to be slain see that you hold back. {24:12} If you say, Behold, we knew not this; Does not he that weighs the hearts consider it? And he that keeps your soul, does not he know it? And shall not he render to every man according to his work? {24:13} My son, eat you honey, for it is good; And the droppings of the honeycomb, which are sweet to your taste: {24:14} So shall you know wisdom to be unto your soul; If you have found it, then shall there be a reward, And your hope shall not be cut off. {24:15} Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the habitation of the righteous; Destroy not his resting-place: {24:16} For a righteous man falls seven times, and rises up again; But the wicked are overthrown by calamity. {24:17} Rejoice not when your enemy falls, And let not your heart be glad when he is overthrown; {24:18} Lest Yahweh see it, and it displease him, And he turn away his Anger from him. {24:19} Worry not yourself because of evil-doers; Neither be you envious at the wicked: {24:20} For there shall be no reward to the evil man; The lamp of the wicked shall be put out. {24:21} My son, fear you Yahweh and the king; [And] company not with

them that are given to change: {24:22} For their calamity shall rise suddenly; And the destruction from them both, who knows it?

{24:23} These also are [sayings] of the wise. To have respect of persons in judgment is not good. {24:24} He that said unto the wicked, you are righteous; Peoples shall curse him, nations shall abhor him: {24:25} But to them that rebuke [him] shall be delight, And a good blessing shall come upon them. {24:26} He kisses the lips Who gives a right answer. {24:27} Prepare your work outside, And make it ready for you in the field; And afterwards build your house. {24:28} Be not a witness against your neighbor outside cause; And deceive not with your lips. {24:29} Say not, I will do so to him as he has done to me; I will render to the man according to his work. {24:30} I went by the field of the sluggard, And by the vineyard of the man void of understanding; {24:31} And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, The face of it was covered with nettles, And the stone wall of it was broken down. {24:32} Then I watched, and considered well; I saw, and received instruction: {24:33} [yet] a little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep; {24:34} So shall your poverty come as a robber, And your want as an armed man.

{O20}25} Proverbs Chapter TwentyFive. {25:1} These also are proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out. {25:2} It is the glory of God to conceal a thing; But the glory of kings is to search out a matter. {25:3} As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, So the heart of kings is unreachable. {25:4} Take away the dross from the silver, And there comes forth a vessel for the refiner: {25:5} Take away the wicked [from] before the king, And his throne shall be established in good works. {25:6} Put not yourself forward in the presence of the king, And stand not in the place of great men: {25:7} For better is it that it be said unto you, Come up here, Than that you should be put lower in the presence of the prince, Whom your eyes have seen. {25:8} Go not forth in a hurry to strive, Lest [you know not] what to do in the end there, When your neighbor has put you to shame. {25:9} Debate your cause with your neighbor [himself], And disclose not the secret of another; {25:10} Lest he that hears it revile you, And your infamy turn not away. {25:11} A word fitly spoken Is [like] apples of gold in network of silver. {25:12} [As] an ear-ring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, [So is] a wise reprover upon an obedient ear. {25:13} As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, [So is] a faithful messenger to them that send him; For he refreshes the soul of his masters. {25:14} [As] clouds and wind outside rain, [So is] he that boasts himself of his gifts falsely. {25:15} By long forbearing is a ruler persuaded, And a soft tongue breaks the bone. {25:16} Have you found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for you, Lest you be filled with, and vomit it. {25:17} Let your foot be seldom in your neighbor's house, Lest he be weary of you, and hate you. {25:18} A man that bears false witness against his neighbor Is a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow. {25:19} Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble Is [like] a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint. {25:20} [As] one that takes off a garment in cold weather, [and as] vinegar upon soda, So is he that sings songs to a heavy heart. {25:21} If your enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; And if he be thirsty, give him water to drink: {25:22} For you will heap coals of fire upon his head, And Yahweh will reward you. {25:23} The north wind brings forth rain: So does a backbiting tongue an angry countenance. {25:24} It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, Than with a contentious woman in a wide house. {25:25} [As] cold waters to a thirsty soul, So is good news from a far country. {25:26} [As] a troubled fountain, and a corrupted spring, [So is] a righteous man that gives way before the wicked. {25:27} It is not good to eat much honey: So [for men] to search out their own glory is grievous. {25:28} He whose spirit is outside restraint Is [like] a city that is broken down and outside walls.

{O20}26} Proverbs Chapter 26. {26:1} As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, So honor is not seemly for a fool. {26:2} As the sparrow in her wandering, as the swallow in her flying, So the curse that is causeless alights not. {26:3} A whip for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, And a rod for the back of fools. {26:4} Answer not a fool according to his folly, Lest you also be like unto him. {26:5} Answer a fool according to his folly, Lest he be wise in his own conceit. {26:6}

He that sends a message by the hand of a fool Cuts off [his own] feet, [and] drinks in damage. {26:7} The legs of the lame hang loose: So is a parable in the mouth of fools. {26:8} As one that binds a stone in a sling, So is he that gives honor to a fool. {26:9} [As] a thorn that goes up into the hand of a drunkard, So is a parable in the mouth of fools. {26:10} [As] an archer that wounds all, So is he that hires a fool and he that hires them that pass by. {26:11} As a dog that returns to his vomit, [So is] a fool that repeats his folly. {26:12} See you a man wise in his own conceit? There is more hope of a fool than of him. {26:13} The sluggard said, There is a lion in the way; A lion is in the streets. {26:14} [As] the door turns upon its hinges, So does the sluggard upon his bed. {26:15} The sluggard buries his hand in the dish; It wearies him to bring it again to his mouth. {26:16} The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit Than seven men that can render a reason. {26:17} He that passes by, [and] vexes himself with strife belonging not to him, Is [like] one that takes a dog by the ears. {26:18} As a madman who cast firebrands, Arrows, and death, {26:19} So is the man that deceives his neighbor, And said, Am not I in sport? {26:20} For lack of wood the fire goes out; And where there is no whisperer, contention ceases. {26:21} [As] coals are to hot embers, and wood to fire, So is a contentious man to inflame strife. {26:22} The words of a whisperer are as dainty morsels, And they go down into the innermost parts. {26:23} Fervent lips and a wicked heart Are [like] an earthen vessel overlaid with silver dross. {26:24} He that hates dissembles with his lips; But he lays up deceit within him: {26:25} When he speaks fair, believe him not; For there are seven abominations in his heart: {26:26} though [his] hatred cover itself with guile, His wickedness shall be openly showed before the assembly. {26:27} Who so digs a pit shall fall therein; And he that rolls a stone, it shall return upon him. {26:28} A lying tongue hates those whom it has wounded; And a flattering mouth works ruin.

{o20}27} Proverbs Chapter TwentySeven. {27:1} Boast not yourself of tomorrow; For you know not what a day may bring forth. {27:2} Let another man praise you, and not your own mouth; A stranger, and not your own lips. {27:3} A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; But a fool's vexation is heavier than they both. {27:4} Anger is cruel, and anger is overwhelming; But who is able to stand before jealousy? {27:5} Better is open rebuke Than love that is hidden. {27:6} Faithful are the wounds of a friend; But the kisses of an enemy are profuse. {27:7} The full soul loathes a honeycomb; But to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet. {27:8} As a bird that wanders from her nest, So is a man that wanders from his place. {27:9} Oil and perfume rejoice the heart; So does the sweetness of a man's friend [that comes] of hearty counsel. {27:10} your own friend, and your father's friend, forsake not; And go not to your brother's house in the day of your calamity: Better is a neighbor that is near than a brother far off. {27:11} My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, That I may answer him that reproaches me. {27:12} A prudent man sees the evil, [and] hides himself; [But] the simple pass on, [and] suffer for it. {27:13} Take his garment that is guarantee for a stranger; And hold him in pledge [that is a guarantee] for a foreign woman. {27:14} He that blesses his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, It shall be counted woe to him. {27:15} A continual dropping in a very rainy day And a contentious woman are alike: {27:16} He that would restrain her restrains the wind; And his right hand encounters oil. {27:17} Iron sharpens iron; So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend. {27:18} Who so keeps the fig-tree shall eat the fruit there; And he that regards his master shall be honored. {27:19} As in water face [answers] to face, So the heart of man to man. {27:20} Sheol and Abaddon are never satisfied; And the eyes of man are never satisfied. {27:21} The refining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold; And a man is [tried] by his praise. {27:22} though you should pulverise a fool in a mortar with a pestle along [like] with bruised grain, yet his foolishness will not depart from him. {27:23} Be you diligent to know the state of your flocks, [And] look well to your herds: {27:24} For riches are not forever: And does the crown endure unto all generations? {27:25} The hay is carried, and the tender grass shows itself, And the herbs of the mountains are gathered in. {27:26} The lambs are for your clothing, And the goats are the

price of the field; {27:27} And [there will be] goats' milk enough for your food, for the food of your household, And maintenance for your maidens.

{o20}28} Proverbs Chapter TwentyEight. {28:1} The wicked flee when no man pursues; But the righteous are bold as a lion. {28:2} For the transgression of the law of a land many are the princes there; But by men of understanding [and] knowledge the state [there] shall be prolonged. {28:3} A needy man that oppresses the poor Is [like] a sweeping rain which leaves no food. {28:4} They that forsake the law praise the wicked; But such as keep the law contend with them. {28:5} Evil men understand not justice; But they that seek Yahweh understand all things. {28:6} Better is the poor that walks in his integrity, Than he that is perverse in [his] ways, though he be rich. {28:7} Who so keeps the law is a wise son; But he that is a companion of gluttons shames his father. {28:8} He that augments his substance by interest and increase, gathers it for him that has pity on the poor. {28:9} He that turns away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer is an abomination. {28:10} Who so causes the upright to go astray in an evil way, He shall fall himself into his own pit; But the perfect shall inherit good. {28:11} The rich man is wise in his own conceit; But the poor that has understanding searches him out. {28:12} When the righteous triumph, there is great glory; But when the wicked rise, men hide themselves. {28:13} He that covers his transgression of the law shall not prosper: But who so confesses and forsakes them shall obtain mercy. {28:14} Happy is the man that fears always; But he that hardens his heart shall fall into mischief. {28:15} [As] a roaring lion, and a ranging bear, [So is] a wicked ruler over a poor people. {28:16} The prince that lacks understanding is also a great oppressor; [But] he that hates covetousness shall prolong his days. {28:17} A man that is laden with the blood of any person shall flee unto the pit; let no man stay him. {28:18} Who so walks uprightly shall be delivered; But he that is perverse in [his] ways shall fall at once. {28:19} He that tills his land shall have plenty of bread; But he that follows after vain [persons] shall have poverty enough. {28:20} A faithful man shall abound with blessings; But he that makes haste to be rich shall not be unpunished. {28:21} To have respect of persons is not good; Neither that a man should transgress the law for a piece of bread. {28:22} he that has an evil eye hurries after riches, And knows not that want shall come upon him. {28:23} He that rebukes a man shall afterward find more favor Than he that flatters with the tongue. {28:24} Who so robs his father or his mother, and said, It is no transgression of the law, The same is the companion of a destroyer. {28:25} He that is of a greedy spirit stirs up strife; But he that puts his trust in Yahweh shall be made fat. {28:26} He that trusts in his own heart is a fool; But who so walks wisely, he shall be delivered. {28:27} He that gives unto the poor shall not lack; But he that hides his eyes shall have many woe. {28:28} When the wicked rise, men hide themselves; But when they perish, the righteous increase.

{o20}29} Proverbs Chapter TwentyNine. {29:1} He that being often reprov'd hardens his neck shall suddenly be destroyed, and that outside remedy. {29:2} When the righteous are increased, the people rejoice; But when a wicked man bears rule, the people sigh. {29:3} Who so loves wisdom rejoices his father; But he that keeps company with prostitutes wastes [his] substance. {29:4} The king by justice establishes the land; But he that exacts gifts over throws it. {29:5} A man that flatters his neighbor spreads a net for his steps. {29:6} In the transgression of the law of an evil man there is a snare; But the righteous does sing and rejoice. {29:7} The righteous takes knowledge of the cause of the poor; The wicked has not understanding to know [it]. {29:8} Scoffers set a city in a flame; But wise men turn away Anger. {29:9} If a wise man has a controversy with a foolish man, Whether he be angry or laugh, there will be no rest. {29:10} The bloodthirsty hate him that is perfect; And as for the upright, they seek his life. {29:11} A fool utters all his anger; But a wise man keeps it back and cools it. {29:12} If a ruler listens to lies, All his servants are wicked. {29:13} The poor man and the oppressor meet together; Yahweh lightens the eyes of them both. {29:14} The king that faithfully judges the poor, His throne shall be established forever. {29:15} The rod and reproof give wisdom; But a child left to himself causes shame to his mother. {29:16} When the wicked are increased, transgression of the law increases;

But the righteous shall look upon their fall. {29:17} Correct your son, and he will give you rest; behold, he will give delight unto your soul. {29:18} Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint; But he that keeps the law, happy is he. {29:19} A servant will not be corrected by words; For though he understand, he will not give heed. {29:20} Sees you a man that is hasty in his words? There is more hope of a fool than of him. {29:21} He that delicately brings up his servant from a child shall have him become a son at the last. {29:22} An angry man stirs up strife, And a Angerful man abounds in transgression of the law. {29:23} A man's pride shall bring him low; But he that is of a lowly spirit shall obtain honor. {29:24} Who so is partner with a thief hates his own soul; He hears the adjuration and utters nothing. {29:25} The fear of man brings a snare; But who so puts his trust in Yahweh shall be safe. {29:26} Many seek the ruler's favor; But a man's judgment [comes] from Yahweh. {29:27} An unjust man is an abomination to the righteous; And he that is upright in the way is an abomination to the wicked.

{O20}30} Proverbs Chapter Thirty. {30:1} The words of Agur the son of Jakeh; The oracle. The man said unto Ithiel, unto Ithiel and Ucal: {30:2} Surely I am more brutish than any man, And have not the understanding of a man; {30:3} And I have not learned wisdom, Neither have I the knowledge of the Holy One. {30:4} Who has ascended up into heaven, and descended? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has bound the waters in his garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is his son's name, if you know? {30:5} Every word of God is tried: He is a shield unto them that take refuge in him. {30:6} Add you not unto his words, Lest he reprove you, and you be found a liar. {30:7} Two things have I asked of you; Deny me [them] not before I die: {30:8} Remove far from me falsehood and lies; Give me neither poverty nor riches; Feed me with the food that is needful for me: {30:9} Lest I be full, and deny [you], and say, Who is Yahweh? Or lest I be poor, and steal, And use profanely the name of my God. {30:10} Slander not a servant unto his master, Lest he curse you, and you be held guilty. {30:11} There is a generation that curse their father, And bless not their mother. {30:12} There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, And [yet] are not washed from their filthiness. {30:13} There is a generation, oh how lofty are their eyes! And their eyelids are lifted up. {30:14} There is a generation whose teeth are [as] swords, and their jaw teeth [as] knives, To devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from among men. {30:15} The horseleech has two daughters, [crying], Give, give. There are three things that are never satisfied, [behold], four that say not, Enough: {30:16} Sheol; and the barren womb; The earth that is not satisfied with water; And the fire that said not, Enough. {30:17} The eye that mocks at his father, And despise to obey his mother, The ravens of the valley shall pick it out, And the young eagles shall eat it. {30:18} There are three things which are too wonderful for me, behold, four which I know not: {30:19} The way of an eagle in the air; The way of a serpent upon a rock; The way of a ship in the midst of the sea; And the way of a man with a maiden. {30:20} So is the way of an adulterous woman; She eats, and wipes her mouth, And said, I have done no wickedness. {30:21} For three things the earth does tremble, And for four, [which] it cannot bear: {30:22} For a servant when he is king; And a fool when he is filled with food; {30:23} For an odious woman when she is married; And a handmaid that is heir to her mistress. {30:24} There are four things which are little upon the earth, But they are exceeding wise: {30:25} The ants are a people not strong, yet they provide their food in the summer; {30:26} The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks; {30:27} The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands; {30:28} The lizard takes hold with her hands, yet is she in kings' palaces. {30:29} There are three things which are stately in their march, behold, four which are stately in going: {30:30} The lion, which is mightiest among beasts, And turns not away for any; {30:31} The greyhound; the he-goat also; And the king against whom there is no rising up. {30:32} If you have done foolishly in lifting up yourself, Or if you have evil thoughts, [Lay] your hand upon your mouth. {30:33} For the churning of milk brings forth butter, And the wringing of the nose brings forth blood; So the forcing of Anger brings forth strife.

{O20}31} Proverbs Chapter 31. {31:1} The words of king Lemuel; the oracle which his mother taught him. {31:2} What, my son? and what, O son of my womb? And what, O son of my vows? {31:3} Give not your strength unto women, Nor your ways to that which destroys kings. {31:4} It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; Nor for princes [to say], Where is strong drink? {31:5} Lest they drink, and forget the law, And pervert the justice [due] to any that is afflicted. {31:6} Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, And wine unto the bitter in soul: {31:7} Let him drink, and forget his poverty, And remember his misery no more. {31:8} Open your mouth for the dumb, In the cause of all such as are left desolate. {31:9} Open your mouth, judge righteously, And minister justice to the poor and needy. {31:10} A worthy woman who can find? For her price is far above rubies. {31:11} The heart of her husband trusts in her, And he shall have no lack of gain. {31:12} She does him good and not evil All the days of her life. {31:13} She seeks wool and flax, And works willingly with her hands. {31:14} She is like the merchant-ships; She brings her bread from afar. {31:15} She rises also while it is yet night, And gives food to her household, And their task to her maidens. {31:16} She considers a field, and buys it; With the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. {31:17} She girds her loins with strength, And makes strong her arms. {31:18} She perceives that her merchandise is profitable: Her lamp goes not out by night. {31:19} She lays her hands to the distaff, And her hands hold the spindle. {31:20} She stretches out her hand to the poor; behold, she reaches forth her hands to the needy. {31:21} She is not afraid of the snow for her household; For all her household are clothed with scarlet. {31:22} She makes for herself carpets of tapestry; Her clothing is fine linen and purple. {31:23} Her husband is known in the gates, When he sits among the elders of the land. {31:24} She makes linen garments and sells them, And delivers girdles unto the merchant. {31:25} Strength and dignity are her clothing; And she laughs at the time to come. {31:26} She opens her mouth with wisdom; And the law of kindness is on her tongue. {31:27} She looks well to the ways of her household, And eats not the bread of idleness. {31:28} Her children rise up, and call her blessed; Her husband [also], and he praises her, [saying]: {31:29} Many daughters have done worthily, But you excel them all. {31:30} Grace is deceitful, and beauty is vain; [But] a woman that fears Yahweh, she shall be praised. {31:31} Give her of the fruit of her hands; And let her works praise her in the gates.

The Book of Ekklesiastes or, "The book of the Ekkleser" or the Preacher Cohelief of the Ekklesia of God.

{O21}1} Ekklesiastes Chapter One. {1:1} The words of the [Ekklesia] Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem. {1:2} Vanity of vanities, said the [Ekklesia] Preacher; vanity of vanities, all is vanity. {1:3} What profit has man of all his labor wherein he labors under the sun? {1:4} One generation goes, and another generation comes; but the earth abides forever. {1:5} The sun also arises, and the sun goes down, and hurries to its place where it arises. {1:6} The wind goes toward the south, and turns about unto the north; it turns about continually in its course, and the wind returns again to its circuits. {1:7} All the rivers run into the sea, yet the sea is not full; unto the place where the rivers go, there they go again. {1:8} All things are full of weariness; man cannot utter [it]: the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing. {1:9} That which has been is that which shall be; and that which has been done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun. {1:10} Is there a thing where it may be said, See, this is new? it has been long ago, in the ages which were before us. {1:11} There is no remembrance of the former [generations]; neither shall there be any remembrance of the latter [generations] that are to come, among those that shall come after. {1:12} I the [Ekklesia] Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem. {1:13} And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom concerning all that is done under heaven: it is a sore travail that God has given to the sons of men to be exercised with. {1:14} I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. {1:15} That which is crooked cannot be made straight; and that which is wanting cannot be numbered. {1:16} I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I have gotten me great wisdom above all that were before me in Jerusalem;

behold, my heart has had great experience of wisdom and knowledge. {1:17} And I applied my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also was a striving after wind. {1:18} For in much wisdom is much grief; and he that increases knowledge increases sorrow.

{O21}2} Ekklesiastes Chapter One. {2:1} I said in my heart, Come now, I will prove you with mirth; therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also was vanity. {2:2} I said of laughter, It is mad; and of mirth, What does it? {2:3} I searched in my heart how to cheer my flesh with wine, my heart yet guiding [me] with wisdom, and how to lay hold on folly, till I might see what it was good for the sons of men that they should do under heaven all the days of their life. {2:4} I made me great works; I built me houses; I planted me vineyards; {2:5} I made me gardens and parks, and I planted trees in them of all kinds of fruit; {2:6} I made me pools of water, to water there from the forest where trees were reared; {2:7} I bought men-servants and maid-servants, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of herds and flocks, above all that were before me in Jerusalem; {2:8} I gathered me also silver and gold, and the treasure of kings and of the provinces; I got me men-singers and women-singers, and the delights of the sons of men, musical instruments, and that of all sorts. {2:9} So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me. {2:10} And whatever mine eyes desired I kept not from them; I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced because of all my labor; and this was my portion from all my labor. {2:11} Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labor that I had labored to do; and, behold, all was vanity and a striving after wind, and there was no profit under the sun. {2:12} And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what [can] the man [do] that comes after the king? [even] that which has been done long ago. {2:13} Then I saw that wisdom excels folly, as far as light excelled darkness. {2:14} The wise man's eyes are in his head, and the fool walks in darkness: and yet I perceived that one event happens to them all. {2:15} Then said I in my heart, As it happens to the fool, so will it happen even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then said I in my heart, that this also is vanity. {2:16} For of the wise man, even as of the fool, there is no remembrance forever; seeing that in the days to come all will have been long forgotten. And how does the wise man die even as the fool! {2:17} So I hated life, because the work that is wrought under the sun was grievous unto me; for all is vanity and a striving after wind. {2:18} And I hated all my labor wherein I labored under the sun, seeing that I must leave it unto the man that shall be after me. {2:19} And who knows whether he will be a wise man or a fool? yet will he have rule over all my labor wherein I have labored, and wherein I have showed myself wise under the sun. This also is vanity. {2:20} Therefore I turned about to cause my heart to despair concerning all the labor wherein I had labored under the sun. {2:21} For there is a man whose labor is with wisdom, and with knowledge, and with skillfulness; yet to a man that has not labored therein shall he leave it for his portion. This also is vanity and a great evil. {2:22} For what has a man of all his labor, and of the striving of his heart, wherein he labors under the sun? {2:23} For all his days are [but] sorrows, and his travail is grief; behold, even in the night his heart takes no rest. This also is vanity. {2:24} There is nothing better for a man [than] that he should eat and drink, and make his soul enjoy good in his labor. This also I saw, that it is from the hand of God. {2:25} For who can eat, or who can have enjoyment, more than I? {2:26} For to the man that pleases him [God] gives wisdom, and knowledge, and joy; but to the sinner he gives travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

{O21}3} Ekklesiastes Chapter Three. {3:1} Foreverything there is a season, and a time forevery purpose under heaven: {3:2} a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; {3:3} a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; {3:4} a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to grieve, and a time to dance; {3:5} a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; {3:6} a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to

keep, and a time to cast away; {3:7} a time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; {3:8} a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace. {3:9} What profit has he that works in that wherein he labors? {3:10} I have seen the travail which God has given to the sons of men to be exercised with. {3:11} He has made everything beautiful in its time: also he has set eternity in their heart, yet so that man cannot find out the work that God has done from the beginning even to the end. {3:12} I know that there is nothing better for them, than to rejoice, and to do good so long as they live. {3:13} And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy good in all his labor, is the gift of God. {3:14} I know that, whatever God does, it shall be forever: nothing can be put to it, nor anything taken from it; and God has done it, that men should fear before him. {3:15} That which is has been long ago; and that which is to be has long ago been: and God seeks again that which is passed away. {3:16} And furthermore I saw under the sun, in the place of justice, that wickedness was there; and in the place of good works, that wickedness was there. {3:17} I said in my heart, God will judge the righteous and the wicked; for there is a time there forevery purpose and forevery work. {3:18} I said in my heart, [It is] because of the sons of men, that God may prove them, and that they may see that they themselves are [but as] beasts. {3:19} For that which befall the sons of men befalls beasts; even one thing befalls them: as the one dies, so dies the other; behold, they have all one breath; and man has no preeminence above the beasts: for all is vanity. {3:20} All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again. {3:21} Who knows the spirit of man, whether it goes upward, and the spirit of the beast, whether it goes downward to the earth? {3:22} Therefore I saw that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him [back] to see what shall be after him?

{O21}4} Ekklesiastes Chapter Four. {4:1} Then I returned and saw all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and, behold, the tears of such as were oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the side of their oppressors there was power; but they had no comforter. {4:2} Therefore I praised the dead that have been long dead more than the living that are yet alive; {4:3} behold, better than them both [did I esteem] him that has not yet been, who has not seen the evil work that is done under the sun. {4:4} Then I saw all labor and every skilful work, that for this a man is envied of his neighbor. This also is vanity and a striving after wind. {4:5} The fool folds his hands together, and eats his own flesh. {4:6} Better is a handful, with quietness, than two handfuls with labor and striving after wind. {4:7} Then I returned and saw vanity under the sun. {4:8} There is one that is alone, and he has not a second; behold, he has neither son nor brother; yet is there no end of all his labor, neither are his eyes satisfied with riches. For whom then, [said he], do I labor, and deprive my soul of good? This also is vanity, behold, it is a sore travail. {4:9} Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor. {4:10} For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow; but woe to him that is alone when he falls, and has not another to lift him up. {4:11} Again, if two lie together, then they have warmth; but how can one be warm [alone]? {4:12} And if a man prevail against him that is alone, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken. {4:13} Better is a poor and wise youth than an old and foolish king, who knows not how to receive admonition any more. {4:14} For out of prison he came forth to be king; behold, even in his kingdom he was born poor. {4:15} I saw all the living that walk under the sun, that they were with the youth, the second, that stood up in his stead. {4:16} There was no end of all the people, even of all them over whom he was: yet they that come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also is vanity and a striving after wind.

{O21}5} Ekklesiastes Chapter Five. {5:1} Keep your foot when you go to the house of God; for to draw near to hear is better than to give the sacrifice of fools: for they know not that they do evil. {5:2} Be not rash with your mouth, and let not your heart be hasty to utter anything before God; for God is in heaven, and you upon earth: therefore let your words be few. {5:3} For a dream comes with a multitude of business, and a fool's voice with a multitude of words. {5:4} When you vow a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he has no pleasure in fools: pay that which you vow. {5:5} Better is it that you should not vow, than that you should vow and not pay.

{5:6} Suffer not your mouth to cause your flesh to sin; neither say you before the messenger, that is was an error: Therefore should God be angry at your voice, and destroy the work of your hands? {5:7} For in the multitude of dreams there are vanities, and in many words: but fear you God. {5:8} If you see the oppression of the poor, and the violent taking away of justice and good works in a province, marvel not at the matter: for one higher than the high regards; and there are higher than they. {5:9} Furthermore the profit of the earth is for all: the king [himself] is served by the field. {5:10} He that loves silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loves abundance, with increase: this also is vanity. {5:11} When goods increase, they are increased that eat them; and what advantage is there to the owner there, save the beholding [of them] with his eyes? {5:12} The sleep of a laboring man is sweet, whether he eat little or much; but the fullness of the rich will not suffer him to sleep. {5:13} There is a grievous evil which I have seen under the sun, [namely], riches kept by the owner of it to his hurt: {5:14} and those riches perish by evil adventure; and if he has begotten a son, there is nothing in his hand. {5:15} As he came forth from his mother's womb, naked shall he go again as he came, and shall take nothing for his labor, which he may carry away in his hand. {5:16} And this also is a grievous evil, that in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit has he that he labors for the wind? {5:17} All his days also he eats in darkness, and he is sore vexed, and has sickness and Anger. {5:18} Behold, that which I have seen to be good and to be comely is for one to eat and to drink, and to enjoy good in all his labor, wherein he labors under the sun, all the days of his life which God has given him: for this is his portion. {5:19} Every man also to whom God has given riches and wealth, and has given him power to eat there, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labor-this is the gift of God. {5:20} For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God answers [him] in the joy of his heart.

{O21}6} Ekklesiastes Chapter Six. {6:1} There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is heavy upon men: {6:2} a man to whom God gives riches, wealth, and honor, so that he lacks nothing for his soul of all that he desires, yet God gives him not power to eat there, but an alien eats it; this is vanity, and it is an evil disease. {6:3} If a man beget a hundred children, and live many years, so that the days of his years are many, but his soul be not filled with good, and furthermore he have no burial; I say, that an untimely birth is better than he: {6:4} for it comes in vanity, and departs in darkness, and the name of it is covered with darkness; {6:5} furthermore it has not seen the sun nor known it; this has rest rather than the other: {6:6} behold, though he live a thousand years twice told, and yet enjoy no good, do not all go to one place? {6:7} All the labor of man is for his mouth, and yet the appetite is not filled. {6:8} For what advantage has the wise more than the fool? [or] what has the poor man, that knows how to walk before the living? {6:9} Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the desire: this also is vanity and a striving after wind. {6:10} Whatever has been, the name of it was given long ago; and it is know what man is; neither can he contend with him that is mightier than he. {6:11} Seeing there are many things that increase vanity, what is man the better? {6:12} For who knows what is good for man in [his] life, all the days of his vain life which he spends as a shadow? for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?

{O21}7} Ekklesiastes Chapter Seven. {7:1} A [good] name is better than precious oil; and the day of death, than the day of one's birth. {7:2} It is better to go to the house of grieving than to go to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart. {7:3} Sorrow is better than laughter; for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made glad. {7:4} The heart of the wise is in the house of grieving; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth. {7:5} It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools. {7:6} For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this also is vanity. {7:7} Surely extortion makes the wise man foolish; and a bribe destroys the understanding. {7:8} Better is the end of a thing than the beginning there; [and] the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. {7:9} Be not hasty in your spirit to be angry; for anger rests in the bosom of fools. {7:10} Say not you, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for you do not

inquire wisely concerning this. {7:11} Wisdom is as good as an inheritance; behold, more excellent is it for them that see the sun. {7:12} For wisdom is a defense, even as money is a defense; but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom preserves the life of him that has it. {7:13} Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which he has made crooked? {7:14} In the day of prosperity be joyful, and in the day of adversity consider; behold, God has made the one side by side with the other, to the end that man should not find out anything [that shall be] after him. {7:15} All this have I seen in my days of vanity: there is a righteous man that perishes in his good works, and there is a wicked man that prolongs[his life] in his evil-doing. {7:16} Be not righteous overmuch; neither make yourself over wise: why should you destroy yourself? {7:17} Be not overmuch wicked, neither be you foolish: why should you die before your time? {7:18} It is good that you should take hold of this; behold, also from that withdraw not your hand: for he that fears God shall come forth from them all. {7:19} Wisdom is a strength to the wise man more than ten rulers that are in a city. {7:20} Surely there is not a righteous man upon earth, that does good, and sins not. {7:21} Also take not heed unto all words that are spoken, lest you hear your servant woe you; {7:22} for oftentimes also your own heart knows that you yourself likewise have Cursed others. {7:23} All this have I proved in wisdom: I said, I will be wise; but it was far from me. {7:24} That which is, is far off and exceeding deep; who can find it out? {7:25} I turned about, and my heart [was set] to know and to search out, and to seek wisdom and the reason [of things], and to know that wickedness is folly, and that foolishness is madness. {7:26} And I find more bitter than death the woman whose heart is snares and nets, [and] whose hands are bands: who so pleases God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her. {7:27} Behold, this have I found, said the [Ekklesia] Preacher, [laying] one thing to another, to find out the account; {7:28} which my soul still seeks, but I have not found: one man among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found. {7:29} Behold, this only have I found: that God made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions.

{O21}8} Ekklesiastes Chapter Eight. {8:1} Who is as the wise man? and who knows the interpretation of a thing? A man's wisdom makes his face to shine, and the hardness of his face is changed. {8:2} I [counsel you], Keep the king's command, and that in regard of the oath of God. {8:3} Be not hasty to go out of his presence; persist not in an evil thing: for he does whatever pleases him. {8:4} For the king's word [has] power; and who may say unto him, What do you? {8:5} Who so keeps the commandment shall know no evil thing; and a wise man's heart discerns time and judgment: {8:6} for to every purpose there is a time and judgment; because the misery of man is great upon him: {8:7} for he knows not that which shall be; for who can tell him how it shall be? {8:8} There is no man that has power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither has he power over the day of death; and there is no discharge in war: neither shall wickedness deliver him that is given to it. {8:9} All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: [there is] a time wherein one man has power over another to his hurt. {8:10} So I saw the wicked buried, and they came [to the grave]; and they that had done right went away from the holy place, and were forgotten in the city: this also is vanity. {8:11} Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. {8:12} though a sinner do evil a hundred times, and prolong his [days], yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, that fear before him: {8:13} but it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong [his] days, [which are] as a shadow; because he fears not before God. {8:14} There is a vanity which is done upon the earth, that there are righteous men unto whom it happens according to the work of the wicked; again, there are wicked men to whom it happens according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is vanity. {8:15} Then I commended mirth, because a man has no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be joyful: for that shall abide with him in his labor [all] the days of his life which God has given him under the sun. {8:16} When I applied my heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth (for also there is that neither day nor night sees sleep with his eyes), {8:17} then I watched all the work of God, that man cannot find out the

work that is done under the sun: because however much a man labor to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; behold furthermore, though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it.

{O21}9} Ekklesiastes Chapter Nine. {9:1} For all this I laid to my heart, even to explore all this: that the righteous, and the wise, and their works, are in the hand of God; whether it be love or hatred, man knows it not; all is before them. {9:2} All things come alike to all: there is one event to the righteous and to the wicked; to the good and to the clean and to the unclean; to him that sacrifice and to him that sacrifice not; as is the good, so is the sinner; [and] he that swears, as he that fears an oath. {9:3} This is an evil in all that is done under the sun, that there is one event unto all: behold also, the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that [they go] to the dead. {9:4} For to him that is joined with all the living there is hope; for a living dog is better than a dead lion. {9:5} For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not anything, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. {9:6} As well their love, as their hatred and their envy, is perished long ago; neither have they any more a portion forever in anything that is done under the sun. {9:7} Go your way, eat your bread with joy, and drink your wine with a merry heart; for God has already accepted your works. {9:8} Let your garments be always white; and let not your head lack oil. {9:9} Live joyfully with the wife whom you love all the days of your life of vanity, which he has given you under the sun, all your days of vanity: for that is your portion in life, and in your labor wherein you labor under the sun. {9:10} Whatever your hand finds to do, do [it] with your might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in Sheol, where you go. {9:11} I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favor to men of skill; but time and chance happens to them all. {9:12} For man also knows not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare, even so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falls suddenly upon them. {9:13} I have also seen wisdom under the sun on this wise, and it seemed great unto me: {9:14} There was a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it. {9:15} Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city; yet no man remembered that same poor man. {9:16} Then said I, Wisdom is better than strength: nevertheless the poor man's wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard. {9:17} The words of the wise heard in quiet are better than the cry of him that rules among fools. {9:18} Wisdom is better than weapons of war; but one sinner destroys much good.

{O21}10} Ekklesiastes Chapter Ten. {10:1} Dead flies cause the oil of the perfumer to send forth an evil odor; [so] does a little folly outweigh wisdom and honor. {10:2} A wise man's heart is at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left. {10:3} behold also, when the fool walks by the way, his understanding fails him, and he said to everyone [that] he is a fool. {10:4} If the spirit of the ruler rise up against you, leave not your place; for gentleness pacifies great offences. {10:5} There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, as it were an error which proceeds from the ruler: {10:6} folly is set in great dignity, and the rich sit in a low place. {10:7} I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking like servants upon the earth. {10:8} He that digs a pit shall fall into it; and who so breaks through a wall, a serpent shall bite him. {10:9} Who so hews out stones shall be hurt with; [and] he that cleaves wood is endangered thereby. {10:10} If the iron be blunt, and one do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct. {10:11} If the serpent bite before it is charmed, then is there no advantage in the charmer. {10:12} The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself. {10:13} The beginning of the words of his mouth is foolishness; and the end of his talk is mischievous madness. {10:14} A fool also multiplies words: [yet] man knows not what shall be; and that which shall be after him, who can tell him? {10:15} The labor of fools wearies everyone of them; for he knows not how to go to the city. {10:16} Woe to you, O land, when your king is a child, and your princes eat in the morning! {10:17} Happy are you, O land,

when your king is the son of nobles, and your princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness! {10:18} By slothfulness the roof sinks in; and through idleness of the hands the house leaks. {10:19} A feast is made for laughter, and wine makes glad the life; and money answers all things. {10:20} Revile not the king, no, not in your thought; and revile not the rich in your bedchamber: for a bird of the heavens shall carry the voice, and that which has wings shall tell the matter.

{O21}11} Ekklesiastes Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Cast your bread upon the waters; for you shall find it after many days. {11:2} Give a portion to seven, behold, even unto eight; for you know not what evil shall be upon the earth. {11:3} If the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves upon the earth; and if a tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falls, there shall it be. {11:4} He that observes the wind shall not sow; and he that regards the clouds shall not reap. {11:5} As you know not what is the way of the wind, [nor] how the bones [do grow] in the womb of her that is with child; even so you know not the work of God who does all. {11:6} In the morning sow your seed, and in the evening withhold not your hand; for you know not which shall prosper, whether this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good. {11:7} Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun. {11:8} behold, if a man live many years, let him rejoice in them all; but let him remember the days of darkness, for they shall be many. All that comes is vanity. {11:9} Rejoice, O young man, in your youth, and let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth, and walk in the ways of your heart, and in the sight of your eyes; but know you, that for all these things God will bring you into judgment. {11:10} Therefore remove sorrow from your heart, and put away evil from your flesh; for youth and the dawn of life are vanity.

{O21}12} Ekklesiastes Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come, and the years draw near, when you shall say, I have no pleasure in them; {12:2} before the sun, and the light, and the moon, and the stars, are darkened, and the clouds return after the rain; {12:3} in the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows shall be darkened, {12:4} and the doors shall be shut in the street; when the sound of the grinding is low, and one shall rise up at the voice of a bird, and all the daughters of music shall be brought low; {12:5} behold, they shall be afraid of [that which is] high, and terrors [shall be] in the way; and the almond-tree shall blossom, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail; because man goes to his everlasting home, and the grievours go about the streets: {12:6} before the silver cord is loosed, or the golden bowl is broken, or the pitcher is broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern, {12:7} and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns unto God who gave it. {12:8} Vanity of vanities, said the [Ekklesia] Preacher; all is vanity. {12:9} And further, because the [Ekklesia] Preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; behold, he pondered, and sought out, [and] set in order many proverbs. {12:10} The Preacher of Ekklesia sought to find out acceptable words, and that which was written uprightly, [even] words of truth. {12:11} The words of the wise are as goads; and as nails well fastened are [the words of] the professors of Ekklesia, [which] are given from [God] one shepherd. {12:12} And furthermore, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh. {12:13} [This is] the end of the matter; all has been heard: fear God, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole [duty] of man. {12:14} For God will bring every work into judgment, with every hidden thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

The Book Of The Song Of Solomon

{O22}1} Song of Songs Chapter One. {1:1} The Song of songs, which is Solomon's. {1:2} Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth; For your love is better than wine. {1:3} your oils have a goodly fragrance; Your name is [as] oil poured forth; Therefore do the virgins love you. {1:4} Draw me; we will run after you: The king has brought me into his chambers; We will be

glad and rejoice in you; We will make mention of your love more than of wine: Rightly do they love you. {1:5} I am black, but comely, Oh you daughters of Jerusalem, As the tents of Kedar, As the curtains of Solomon. {1:6} Look not upon me, because I am swarthy, Because the sun has scorched me. My mother's sons were incensed against me; They made me keeper of the vineyards; [But] mine own vineyard have I not kept. {1:7} Tell me, O you whom my soul loves, Where you feed [your flock], Where you make [it] to rest at noon: For why should I be as one that is veiled Beside the flocks of your companions? {1:8} If you know not, O you fairest among women, Go your way forth by the footsteps of the flock, And feed your kids beside the shepherds' tents. {1:9} I have compared you, O my love, To a steed in Pharaoh's chariots. {1:10} Your cheeks are comely with plaits [of hair], Your neck with strings of jewels. {1:11} We will make you plaits of gold With studs of silver. {1:12} While the king sat at his table, My spikenard sent forth its fragrance. {1:13} My beloved is unto me [as] a bundle of myrrh, That lies between my breasts. {1:14} My beloved is unto me [as] a cluster of henna-flowers In the vineyards of Engedi. {1:15} Behold, you are fair, my love; Behold you are fair; your eyes are [as] doves. {1:16} Behold, you are fair, my beloved, behold, pleasant: Also our couch is green. {1:17} The beams of our house are cedars, [and] our rafters are cypress.

{O22}2} Song of Songs Chapter Two. {2:1} I am a rose of Sharon, A lily of the valleys. {2:2} As a lily among thorns, So is my love among the daughters. {2:3} As the apple-tree among the trees of the wood, So is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, And his fruit was sweet to my taste. {2:4} He brought me to the banqueting-house, And his banner over me was love. {2:5} Stay you me with raisins, refresh me with apples; For I am sick from love. {2:6} His left hand [is] under my head, And his right hand does embrace me. {2:7} I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, By the roes, or by the hinds of the field, That you stir not up, nor awake [my] love, Until he please. {2:8} The voice of my beloved! behold, he comes, Leaping upon the mountains, Skipping upon the hills. {2:9} My beloved is like a roe or a young hare: Behold, he stands behind our wall; He looks in at the windows; He glances through the lattice. {2:10} My beloved spoke, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. {2:11} For, lo, the winter is past; The rain is over and gone; {2:12} The flowers appear on the earth; The time of the singing [of birds] is come, And the voice of the turtle-dove is heard in our land; {2:13} The fig-tree ripened her green figs, And the vines are in blossom; They give forth their fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away. {2:14} O my dove, that are in the clefts of the rock, In the covert of the steep place, Let me see your countenance, Let me hear your voice; For sweet is your voice, and your countenance is comely. {2:15} Take us the foxes, the little foxes, That spoil the vineyards; For our vineyards are in blossom. {2:16} My beloved is mine, and I am his: He feeds [his flock] among the lilies. {2:17} Until the day be cool, and the shadows flee away, Turn, my beloved, and be you like a roe or a young hare Upon the mountains of Bether.

{O22}3} Song of Songs Chapter Three. {3:1} By night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loves: I sought him, but I found him not. {3:2} [I said], I will rise now, and go about the city; In the streets and in the broad ways I will seek him whom my soul loves: I sought him, but I found him not. {3:3} The watchmen that go about the city found me; [To whom I said], Saw you him whom my soul loves? {3:4} It was but a little that I passed from them, When I found him whom my soul loves: I held him, and would not let him go, Until I had brought him into my mother's house, And into the chamber of her that conceived me. {3:5} I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, By the roes, or by the hinds of the field, That you stir not up, nor awake [my] love, Until he please. {3:6} Who is this that comes up from the wilderness Like pillars of smoke, Perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, With all powders of the merchant? {3:7} Behold, it is the litter of Solomon; sixty mighty men are about it, Of the mighty men of Israel. {3:8} They all handle the sword, [and] are expert in war: Every man has his sword upon his thigh, Because of fear in the night. {3:9} King Solomon made himself a palanquin Of the wood of Lebanon. {3:10}

He made the pillars of it of silver, The bottom of it of gold, the seat of it of purple, The midst of it being paved with love, From the daughters of Jerusalem. {3:11} Go forth, O you daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon, With the crown by which his mother has crowned him In the day of his espousals, And in the day of the gladness of his heart.

{O22}4} Song of Songs Chapter Four. {4:1} Behold, you are fair, my love; behold, you are fair; your eyes are [as] doves behind your veil. Your hair is as a flock of goats, That lie along the side of mount Gilead. {4:2} Your teeth are like a flock [of ewes] that are [newly] shorn, Which are come up from the washing, Where everyone has twins, And none is bereaved among them. {4:3} Your lips are like a thread of scarlet, And your mouth is comely. Your temples are like a piece of a pomegranate Behind your veil. {4:4} Your neck is like the tower of David built for an armory, Whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, All the shields of the mighty men. {4:5} Your two breasts are like two fawns That are twins of a roe, Which feed among the lilies. {4:6} Until the day be cool, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, And to the hill of frankincense. {4:7} you are all fair, my love; And there is no spot in you. {4:8} Come with me from Lebanon, [my] bride, With me from Lebanon: Look from the top of Amana, From the top of Senir and Hermon, From the lions' dens, From the mountains of the leopards. {4:9} you have ravished my heart, my sister, [my] bride; you have ravished my heart with one of your eyes, With one chain of your neck. {4:10} How fair is your love, my sister, [my] bride! How much better is your love than wine! And the fragrance of your oils than all manner of spices! {4:11} Your lips, O [my] bride, drop [as] the honeycomb: Honey and milk are under your tongue; And the smell of your garments is like the smell of Lebanon. {4:12} A garden shut up is my sister, [my] bride; A spring shut up, a fountain sealed. {4:13} Your shoots are an orchard of pomegranates, with precious fruits; Henna with spikenard plants, {4:14} Spikenard and saffron, Calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; Myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices. {4:15} [you are] a fountain of gardens, A well of living waters, And flowing streams from Lebanon. {4:16} Awake, O north wind; and come, you south; Blow upon my garden, that the spices of it may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, And eat his precious fruits.

{O22}5} Song of Songs Chapter Five. {5:1} I am come into my garden, my sister, [my] bride: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk. Eat, O friends; Drink, behold, drink abundantly, O beloved. {5:2} I was asleep, but my heart waked: It is the voice of my beloved that knocks, [saying], Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled; For my head is filled with dew, My locks with the drops of the night. {5:3} I have put off my garment; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them? {5:4} My beloved put in his hand by the hole [of the door], And my heart was moved for him. {5:5} I rose up to open to my beloved; And my hands drop with myrrh, And my fingers with liquid myrrh, Upon the handles of the bolt. {5:6} I opened to my beloved; But my beloved had withdrawn himself, [and] was gone. My soul had failed me when he spoke: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer. {5:7} The watchmen that go about the city found me, They smote me, they wounded me; The keepers of the walls took away my mantle from me. {5:8} I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, If you find my beloved, That you tell him, that I am sick from love. {5:9} What is your beloved more than [another] beloved, O you fairest among women? What is your beloved more than [another] beloved, That you do so adjure us? {5:10} My beloved is white and ruddy, The chief among ten thousand. {5:11} His head is [as] the most fine gold; His locks are bushy, [and] black as a raven. {5:12} His eyes are like doves beside the water-brooks, Washed with milk, [and] fitly set. {5:13} His cheeks are as a bed of spices, [As] banks of sweet herbs: His lips are [as] lilies, dropping liquid myrrh. {5:14} His hands are [as] rings of gold set with beryl: His body is [as] ivory work overlaid [with] sapphires. {5:15} His legs are [as] pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: His aspect is like Lebanon, excellent as the cedars. {5:16} His mouth is most sweet; behold, he is altogether lovely. This is my beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

{O22}6} Song of Songs Chapter Six. {6:1} Where is your beloved gone, O you fairest among women? Where has your beloved turned him, That we may seek him with you? {6:2} My beloved is gone down to his garden, To the beds of spices, To feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies. {6:3} I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine; He feeds [his flock] among the lilies, {6:4} you are fair, O my love, as Tirzah, Comely as Jerusalem, Terrible as an army with banners. {6:5} Turn away your eyes from me, For they have overcome me. Your hair is as a flock of goats, That lie along the side of Gilead. {6:6} Your teeth are like a flock of ewes, Which are come up from the washing; Where everyone has twins, And none is bereaved among them. {6:7} Your temples are like a piece of a pomegranate Behind your veil. {6:8} There are sixty queens, and eighty concubines, And virgins outside number. {6:9} My dove, my undefiled, is [but] one; She is the only one of her mother; She is the choice one of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and called her blessed; [behold], the queens and the concubines, and they praised her. {6:10} Who is she that looks forth as the morning, Fair as the moon, Clear as the sun, Terrible as an army with banners? {6:11} I went down into the garden of nuts, To see the green plants of the valley, To see whether the vine budded, [And] the pomegranates were in flower. {6:12} Before I was aware, my soul set me [Among] the chariots of my princely people. {6:13} Return, return, O Shulammite; Return, return, that we may look upon you. Why will you look upon the Shulammite, As upon the dance of Mahanaim?

{O22}7} Song of Songs Chapter Seven. {7:1} How beautiful are your feet in sandals, O prince's daughter! Your rounded thighs are like jewels, The work of the hands of a skilful workman. {7:2} Your body is [like] a round goblet, [Wherein] no mingled wine is wanting: Your waist is [like] a heap of wheat Set about with lilies. {7:3} Your two breasts are like two fawns That are twins of a roe. {7:4} Your neck is like the tower of ivory; your eyes [as] the pools in Heshbon, By the gate of Bath-rabbim; Your nose is like the tower of Lebanon Which looks toward Damascus. {7:5} Your head upon you is like Carmel, And the hair of your head like purple; The king is held captive in the tresses [there]. {7:6} How fair and how pleasant are you, O love, for delights! {7:7} This your stature is like to a palm-tree, And your breasts to its clusters. {7:8} I said, I will climb up into the palm-tree, I will take hold of the branches there: Let your breasts be as clusters of the vine, And the smell of your breath like apples, {7:9} And your mouth like the best wine, That goes down smoothly for my beloved, Gliding through the lips of those that are asleep. {7:10} I am my beloved's; And his desire is toward me. {7:11} Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; Let us lodge in the villages. {7:12} Let us get up early to the vineyards; Let us see whether the vine has budded, [And] its blossom is open, [And] the pomegranates are in flower: There will I give you my love. {7:13} The mandrakes give forth fragrance; And at our doors are all manner of precious fruits, new and old, Which I have laid up for you, O my beloved.

{O22}8} Song of Songs Chapter Eight. {8:1} Oh that you were as my brother, That sucked the breasts of my mother! [When] I should find you outside, I would kiss you; behold, and none would despise me. {8:2} I would lead you, [and] bring you into my mother's house, Who would instruct me; I would cause you to drink of spiced wine, Of the juice of my pomegranate. {8:3} His left hand [should be] under my head, And his right hand should embrace me. {8:4} I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, That you stir not up, nor awake [my] love, Until he please. {8:5} Who is this that comes up from the wilderness, Leaning upon her beloved? Under the apple-tree I awakened you: There your mother was in travail with you, There was she in travail that brought you forth. {8:6} Set me as a seal upon your heart, As a seal upon your arm: For love is strong as death; Jealousy is cruel as Sheol; The flashes of it are flashes of fire, A very flame of Yahweh. {8:7} Many waters cannot quench love, Neither can floods drown it: If a man would give all the substance of his house for love, He would utterly be condemned. {8:8} We have a little sister, And she has no breasts: What shall we do for our sister In the day when she shall be spoken for? {8:9} If she be a wall, We will build upon her a turret of silver: And if she be a door, We will enclose her with boards of cedar. {8:10} I am a wall, and my breasts like the towers [there] Then was I in his eyes as one that found peace. {8:11} Solomon had a vineyard at Baal-hamon; He let

out the vineyard unto keepers; Everyone for the fruit of it was to bring a thousand [pieces] of silver. {8:12} My vineyard, which is mine, is before me: you, O Solomon, shall have the thousand, And those that keep the fruit of it two hundred. {8:13} you that dwell in the gardens, The companions hear for your voice: Cause me to hear it. {8:14} Make haste, my beloved, And be you like to a roe or to a young hare Upon the mountains of spices.

The Book Of The Prophet Isaiah.

{O23}1} Isaiah Chapter One. {1:1} The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. {1:2} Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for Yahweh has spoken: I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me. {1:3} The ox knows his owner, and the donkey his master's crib; [but] Israel does not know, my people does not consider. {1:4} Ah sinful nation, a people laden with works against law, a seed of evil-doers, children that deal corruptly! they have forsaken Yahweh, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are estranged [and gone] backward. {1:5} Why will you be still stricken, that you revolt more and more? the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. {1:6} From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; [but] wounds, and bruises, and fresh stripes: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with oil. {1:7} Your country is desolate; your cities are burned with fire; your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers. {1:8} And the daughter of Zion is left as a booth in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city. {1:9} Except Yahweh of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, we should have been like unto Gomorrah. {1:10} Hear the word of Yahweh, you rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, you people of Gomorrah. {1:11} What unto me is the multitude of your sacrifices? said Yahweh: I have had enough of the burnt-offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of he-goats. {1:12} When you come to appear before me, who has required this at your hand, to trample my courts? {1:13} Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; new moon and Sabbath, the calling of assemblies,- I cannot away with works against law and the solemn meeting. {1:14} Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they are a trouble unto me; I am weary of bearing them. {1:15} And when you spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you; behold, when you make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood. {1:16} Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; {1:17} learn to do well; seek justice, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. {1:18} Come now, and let us reason together, said Yahweh: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. {1:19} If you be willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land: {1:20} but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured with the sword; for the mouth of Yahweh has spoken it. {1:21} How is the faithful city become a prostitute! she that was full of justice! good works lodged in her, but now murderers. {1:22} Your silver is become dross, your wine mixed with water. {1:23} Your princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves; everyone loves bribes, and follows after rewards: they judge not the fatherless, neither does the cause of the widow come unto them. {1:24} Therefore said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies; {1:25} and I will turn my hand upon you, and thoroughly purge away your dross, and will take away all your tin; {1:26} and I will restore your judges as at the first, and your counselors as at the beginning: afterward you shall be called The city of good works, a faithful town. {1:27} Zion shall be redeemed with justice, and her converts with good works. {1:28} But the destruction of transgressors and sinners shall be together, and they that forsake Yahweh shall be consumed. {1:29} For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which you have desired, and you shall be confounded for the gardens that you have chosen. {1:30} For you shall be as an oak whose leaf fades, and as a garden that has no water. {1:31} And the strong

shall be as tow, and his work as a spark; and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench them.

{O23}2} Isaiah Chapter Two. {2:1} The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. {2:2} And it shall come to pass in the latter days, that the mountain of Yahweh's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. {2:3} And many peoples shall go and say, Come you, and let us go up to the mountain of Yahweh, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of Yahweh from Jerusalem. {2:4} And he will judge between the nations, and will decide concerning many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. {2:5} O house of Jacob, come you, and let us walk in the light of Yahweh. {2:6} For you have forsaken your people the house of Jacob, because they are filled [with customs] from the east, and [are] soothsayers like the Philistines, and they strike hands with the children of foreigners. {2:7} And their land is full of silver and gold, neither is there any end of their treasures; their land also is full of horses, neither is there any end of their chariots. {2:8} Their land also is full of idols; they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers have made. {2:9} And the mean man is bowed down, and the great man is brought low: therefore forgive them not. {2:10} Enter into the rock, and hide you in the dust, from before the terror of Yahweh, and from the glory of his majesty. {2:11} The lofty looks of man shall be brought low, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and Yahweh alone shall be exalted in that day. {2:12} For there shall be a day of Yahweh of hosts upon all that is proud and haughty, and upon all that is lifted up; and it shall be brought low; {2:13} and upon all the cedars of Lebanon, that are high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan, {2:14} and upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills that are lifted up, {2:15} and upon every lofty tower, and upon every fortified wall, {2:16} and upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all pleasant imagery. {2:17} And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be brought low; and Yahweh alone shall be exalted in that day. {2:18} And the idols shall utterly pass away. {2:19} And men shall go into the caves of the rocks, and into the holes of the earth, from before the terror of Yahweh, and from the glory of his majesty, when he arises to shake mightily the earth. {2:20} In that day men shall cast away their idols of silver, and their idols of gold, which have been made for them to worship, to the moles and to the bats; {2:21} to go into the caverns of the rocks, and into the clefts of the ragged rocks, from before the terror of Yahweh, and from the glory of his majesty, when he arises to shake mightily the earth. {2:22} Cease you from man, whose breath is in his nostrils; for wherein is he to be accounted of?

{O23}3} Isaiah Chapter Three. {3:1} For, behold, the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, does take away from Jerusalem and from Judah stay and staff, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water; {3:2} the mighty man, and the man of war; the judge, and the prophet, and the diviner, and the elder; {3:3} the captain of fifty, and the honorable man, and the counselor, and the expert craftsman, and the skilful enchanter. {3:4} And I will give children to be their princes, and babes shall rule over them. {3:5} And the people shall be oppressed, everyone by another, and everyone by his neighbor: the child shall behave himself proudly against the old man, and the base against the honorable. {3:6} When a man shall take hold of his brother in the house of his father, [saying], you have clothing, be you our ruler, and let this ruin be under your hand; {3:7} in that day shall he lift up [his voice], saying, I will not be a healer; for in my house is neither bread nor clothing: you shall not make me ruler of the people. {3:8} For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen; because their tongue and their doings are against Yahweh, to provoke the eyes of his glory. {3:9} The show of their countenance does witness against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom, they hide it not. Woe unto their soul! for they have done evil unto themselves. {3:10} Say you of the righteous, that [it shall be] well [with him]; for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. {3:11} Woe unto the wicked! [it shall be] ill [with him]; for what his hands have done

shall be done unto him. {3:12} As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they that lead you cause you to err, and destroy the way of your paths. {3:13} Yahweh stands up to contend, and stands to judge the peoples. {3:14} Yahweh will enter into judgment with the elders of his people, and the princes there: It is you that have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor is in your houses: {3:15} what mean you that you crush my people, and grind the face of the poor? said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts. {3:16} Furthermore Yahweh said, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with outstretched necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet; {3:17} therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and Yahweh will lay bare their secret parts. {3:18} In that day the Lord will take away the beauty of their anklets, and the cauls, and the crescents; {3:19} the pendants, and the bracelets, and the mufflers; {3:20} the head tires, and the ankle chains, and the sashes, and the perfume-boxes, and the amulets; {3:21} the rings, and the nose-jewels; {3:22} the festival robes, and the mantles, and the shawls, and the satchels; {3:23} the hand-mirrors, and the fine linen, and the turbans, and the veils. {3:24} And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet spices there shall be rottenness; and instead of a girdle, a rope; and instead of well set hair, baldness; and instead of a robe, a girding of sackcloth; branding instead of beauty. {3:25} Your men shall fall by the sword, and your mighty in the war. {3:26} And her gates shall lament and grieve; and she shall be desolate and sit upon the ground.

{023}4} Isaiah Chapter Four. {4:1} And seven women shall take hold of one man in that day, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by your name; take you away our reproach. {4:2} In that day shall the branch of Yahweh be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. {4:3} And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remains in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even everyone that is written among the living in Jerusalem; {4:4} when the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst there, by the spirit of justice, and by the spirit of burning. {4:5} And Yahweh will create over the whole habitation of mount Zion, and over her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for over all the glory [shall be spread] a covering. {4:6} And there shall be a pavilion for a shade in the day-time from the heat, and for a refuge and for a covert from storm and from rain.

{023}5} Isaiah Chapter Five. {5:1} Let me sing for my well beloved a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My well beloved had a vineyard in a very fruitful hill: {5:2} and he dug it, and gathered out the stones there, and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and also hewed out a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes. {5:3} And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, between me and my vineyard. {5:4} What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? Therefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes? {5:5} And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge there, and it shall be eaten up; I will break down the wall there, and it shall be trodden down: {5:6} and I will lay it waste; it shall not be pruned nor hoed; but there shall come up briers and thorns: I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. {5:7} For the vineyard of Yahweh of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his agape pleasant plant: and he looked for justice, but, behold, oppression; for good works, but, behold, a cry. {5:8} Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be no room, and you be made to dwell alone in the midst of the land! {5:9} In mine ears [said] Yahweh of hosts, Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, even great and fair, outside inhabitant. {5:10} For ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath, and a homer of seed shall yield [but] an ephah. {5:11} Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that tarry late into the night, till wine inflame them! {5:12} And the harp and the lute, the tabret and the pipe, and wine, are [in] their feasts; but they regard not the work of Yahweh, neither have they

considered the operation of his hands. {5:13} Therefore my people are gone into captivity for lack of knowledge; and their honorable men are famished, and their multitude are parched with thirst. {5:14} Therefore Sheol has enlarged its desire, and opened its mouth outside measure; and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoices among them, descend [into it]. {5:15} And the mean man is bowed down, and the great man is humbled, and the eyes of the lofty are humbled: {5:16} but Yahweh of hosts is exalted in justice, and God the Holy One is sanctified in good works. {5:17} Then shall the lambs feed as in their pasture, and the waste places of the fat ones shall wanderers eat. {5:18} Woe unto them that draw works against law with cords of falsehood, and sin as it were with a cart rope; {5:19} that say, Let him make speed, let him hurry his work, that we may see it; and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw near and come, that we may know it! {5:20} Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! {5:21} Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! {5:22} Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink; {5:23} that justify the wicked for a bribe, and take away the good works of the righteous from him! {5:24} Therefore as the tongue of fire devours the stubble, and as the dry grass sinks down in the flame, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust; because they have rejected the law of Yahweh of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. {5:25} Therefore is the anger of Yahweh kindled against his people, and he has stretched forth his hand against them, and has smitten them; and the mountains tremble, and their dead bodies are as refuse in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. {5:26} And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss for them from the end of the earth; and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly. {5:27} None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken: {5:28} whose arrows are sharp, and all their bows bent; their horses' hoofs shall be accounted as flint, and their wheels as a whirlwind: {5:29} their roaring shall be like a lioness, they shall roar like young lions; behold, they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and carry it away safe, and there shall be none to deliver. {5:30} And they shall roar against them in that day like the roaring of the sea: and if one look unto the land, behold, darkness [and] distress; and the light is darkened in the clouds there.

{o23}6} Isaiah Chapter Six. {6:1} In the year that king Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. {6:2} Above him stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. {6:3} And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is Yahweh of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. {6:4} And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. {6:5} Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, Yahweh of hosts. {6:6} Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: {6:7} and he touched my mouth with it, and said, Lo, this has touched your lips; and your works against law is taken away, and your sin forgiven. {6:8} And I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then I said, Here am I; send me. {6:9} And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear you indeed, but understand not; and see you indeed, but perceive not. {6:10} Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and turn again, and be healed. {6:11} Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until cities be waste outside inhabitant, and houses outside man, and the land become utterly waste, {6:12} and Yahweh have removed men far away, and the forsaken places be many in the midst of the land. {6:13} And if there be yet a tenth in it, it also shall in turn be eaten up: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose stock remains, when they are felled; so the holy seed is the stock there.

{O23}7} Isaiah Chapter Seven. {7:1} And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up to Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it. {7:2} And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart trembled, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the forest tremble with the wind. {7:3} Then said Yahweh unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, you, and Shear-jashub your son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool, in the highway of the fuller's field; {7:4} and say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither let your heart be faint, because of these two tails of smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin and Syria, and of the son of Remaliah. {7:5} Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have purposed evil against you, saying, {7:6} Let us go up against Judah, and vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set up a king in the midst of it, even the son of Tabeel; {7:7} thus said the Lord Yahweh, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass. {7:8} For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin; and within sixty five years shall Ephraim be broken in pieces, so that it shall not be a people: {7:9} and the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. If you will not believe, surely you shall not be established. {7:10} And Yahweh spoke again unto Ahaz, saying, {7:11} Ask you a sign of Yahweh your God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. {7:12} But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt Yahweh. {7:13} And he said, Hear you now, O house of David: Is it a small thing for you to weary men, that you will weary my God also? {7:14} Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. {7:15} Butter and honey shall he eat, when he knows to refuse the evil, and choose the good. {7:16} For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land whose two kings you abhor shall be forsaken. {7:17} Yahweh will bring upon you, and upon your people, and upon your father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah-[even] the king of Assyria. {7:18} And it shall come to pass in that day, that Yahweh will hiss for the fly that is in the outermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria. {7:19} And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the clefts of the rocks, and upon all thorn-hedges, and upon all pastures. {7:20} In that day will the Lord shave with a razor that is hired in the parts beyond the River, [even] with the king of Assyria, the head and the hair of the feet; and it shall also consume the beard. {7:21} And it shall come to pass in that day, that a man shall keep alive a young cow, and two sheep; {7:22} and it shall come to pass, that because of the abundance of milk which they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall everyone eat that is left in the midst of the land. {7:23} And it shall come to pass in that day, that every place, where there were a thousand vines at a thousand silver coins, shall be for briers and thorns. {7:24} With arrows and with bow shall one come there, because all the land shall be briers and thorns. {7:25} And all the hills that were dug with the mattock, you shall not come there for fear of briers and thorns; but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of sheep.

{O23}8} Isaiah Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Yahweh said unto me, Take you a great tablet, and write upon it with the pen of a man, For Maher-shalal-hash-baz; {8:2} and I will take unto me faithful witnesses to record, Uriah the priest, and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah. {8:3} And I went unto the prophetess; and she conceived, and bare a son. Then said Yahweh unto me, Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz ("swift is booty, speedy is prey"). {8:4} For before the child shall have knowledge to cry, My father, and, My mother, the riches of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be carried away before the king of Assyria. {8:5} And Yahweh spoke unto me yet again, saying, {8:6} Forasmuch as this people have refused the waters of Shiloah that go softly, and rejoice in Rezin and Remaliah's son; {8:7} now therefore, behold, the Lord brings up upon them the waters of the River, strong and many, [even] the king of Assyria and all his glory: and it shall come up over all its channels, and go over all its banks; {8:8} and it shall sweep onward into Judah; it shall overflow and pass through; it shall reach even to the neck; and the stretching out of

its wings shall fill the breadth of your land, O Immanuel. {8:9} Make an uproar, O you peoples, and be broken in pieces; and give ear, all you of far countries: gird yourselves, and be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and be broken in pieces. {8:10} Take counsel together, and it shall be brought to nothing; speak the word, and it shall not stand: for God is with us. {8:11} For Yahweh spoke thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me not to walk in the way of this people, saying, {8:12} Say you not, A conspiracy, concerning all where this people shall say, A conspiracy; neither fear you their fear, nor be in dread [there]. {8:13} Yahweh of hosts, him shall you sanctify; and let him be your fear, and let him be your dread. {8:14} And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. {8:15} And many shall stumble thereon, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken. {8:16} Bind you up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples. {8:17} And I will wait for Yahweh, that hides his face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for him. {8:18} Behold, I and the children whom Yahweh has given me are for signs and for wonders in Israel from Yahweh of hosts, who dwells in mount Zion. {8:19} And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits and unto the wizards, that chirp and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? on behalf of the living [should they seek] unto the dead? {8:20} To the law and to the testimony! if they speak not according to this word, surely there is no morning for them. {8:21} And they shall pass through it, sore distressed and hungry; and it shall come to pass that, when they shall be hungry, they shall enrage themselves, and Woe by their king and by their God, and turn their faces upward: {8:22} and they shall look unto the earth, and behold, distress and darkness, the gloom of anguish; and into thick darkness [they shall be] driven away.

{O23}9} Isaiah Chapter Nine. {9:1} But there shall be no gloom to her that was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali; but in the latter time has he made it glorious, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. {9:2} The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that lived in the land of the shadow of death, upon them has the light shined. {9:3} you have multiplied the nation, you have increased their joy: they joy before you according to the joy in harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil. {9:4} For the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as in the day of Midian. {9:5} For all the armor of the armed man in the tumult, and the garments rolled in blood, shall be for burning, for fuel of fire. {9:6} For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. {9:7} Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with good works from here on even forever. The zeal of Yahweh of hosts will perform this. {9:8} The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it has lighted upon Israel. {9:9} And all the people shall know, [even] Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in pride and in stoutness of heart, {9:10} The bricks are fallen, but we will build with hewn stone; the sycamores are cut down, but we will put cedars in their place. {9:11} Therefore Yahweh will set up on high against him the adversaries of Rezin, and will stir up his enemies, {9:12} the Syrians before, and the Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel with open mouth. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. {9:13} yet the people have not turned unto him that defeated them, neither have they sought Yahweh of hosts. {9:14} Therefore Yahweh will cut off from Israel head and tail, palm-branch and rush, in one day. {9:15} The elder and the honorable man, he is the head; and the prophet that teaches lies, he is the tail. {9:16} For they that lead this people cause them to err; and they that are led of them are destroyed. {9:17} Therefore the Lord will not rejoice over their young men, neither will he have compassion on their fatherless and widows; foreverone is profane and an evil-doer, and every mouth speaks folly. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. {9:18} For wickedness burns as the fire; it devours the briers and thorns; behold, it kindles in the thickets of the forest,

and they roll upward in a column of smoke. {9:19} Through the Anger of Yahweh of hosts is the land burnt up; and the people are as the fuel of fire: no man spares his brother. {9:20} And one shall snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand, and they shall not be satisfied: they shall eat every man the flesh of his own arm: {9:21} Manasseh, Ephraim; and Ephraim, Manasseh; and they together shall be against Judah. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.

{O23}10} Isaiah Chapter Ten. {10:1} Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and to the writers that write perverseness; {10:2} to turn aside the needy from justice, and to rob the poor of my people of their right, that widows may be their spoil, and that they may make the fatherless their prey! {10:3} And what will you do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation which shall come from far? to whom will you flee for help? and where will you leave your glory? {10:4} They shall only bow down under the prisoners, and shall fall under the slain. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. {10:5} Ho Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, the staff in whose hand is mine indignation! {10:6} I will send him against a profane nation, and against the people of my Anger will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets. {10:7} However he means not so, neither does his heart think so; but it is in his heart to destroy, and to cut off nations not a few. {10:8} For he said, Are not my princes all of them kings? {10:9} Is not Calno as Carchemish? is not Hamath as Arpad? is not Samaria as Damascus? {10:10} As my hand has found the kingdoms of the idols, whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria; {10:11} shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols? {10:12} Therefore it shall come to pass, that, when the Lord has performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks. {10:13} For he has said, By the strength of my hand I have done it, and by my wisdom; for I have understanding: and I have removed the bounds of the peoples, and have robbed their treasures, and like a valiant man I have brought down them that sit [on thrones]: {10:14} and my hand has found as a nest the riches of the peoples; and as one gathers eggs that are forsaken, have I gathered all the earth: and there was none that moved the wing, or that opened the mouth, or chirped. {10:15} shall the axe boast itself against him that hews with? shall the saw magnify itself against him that wields it? as if a rod should wield them that lift it up, [or] as if a staff should lift up [him that is] not wood. {10:16} Therefore will the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory there shall be kindled a burning like the burning of fire. {10:17} And the light of Israel will be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame; and it will burn and devour his thorns and his briers in one day. {10:18} And he will consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both soul and body: and it shall be as when a standard-bearer faints. {10:19} And the remnant of the trees of his forest shall be few, so that a child may write them. {10:20} And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of Israel, and they that are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again lean upon him that defeated them, but shall lean upon Yahweh, the Holy One of Israel, in truth. {10:21} A remnant shall return, [even] the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God. {10:22} For though your people, Israel, be as the sand of the sea, [only] a remnant of them shall return: a destruction [is] determined, overflowing with good works. {10:23} For a full end, and that determined, will the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, make in the midst of all the earth. {10:24} Therefore thus said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, O my people that dwell in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian, though he smite you with the rod, and lift up his staff against you, after the manner of Egypt. {10:25} For yet a very little while, and the indignation [against you] shall be accomplished, and mine anger [shall be directed] to his destruction. {10:26} And Yahweh of hosts will stir up against him a scourge, as in the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb: and his rod will be over the sea, and he will lift it up after the manner of Egypt. {10:27} And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall depart from off your shoulder, and his yoke from off your neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed by reason of fatness. {10:28} He is come to Aiath, he is passed through Migron; at

Michmash he lays up his baggage; {10:29} they are gone over the pass; they have taken up their lodging at Geba; Ramah trembles; Gibeah of Saul is fled. {10:30} Cry aloud with your voice, O daughter of Gallim! hear, O Laishah! O you poor Anathoth! {10:31} Madmenah is a fugitive; the inhabitants of Gebim flee for safety. {10:32} This very day shall he halt at Nob: he shakes his hand at the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem. {10:33} Behold, the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, will lop the boughs with terror: and the high of stature shall be hewn down, and the lofty shall be brought low. {10:34} And he will cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall by a mighty one.

{O23}11} Isaiah Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And there shall come forth a shoot out of the stock of Jesse, and a branch out of his roots shall bear fruit. {11:2} And the Spirit of Yahweh shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Yahweh. {11:3} And his delight shall be in the fear of Yahweh; and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither decide after the hearing of his ears; {11:4} but with good works shall he judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth; and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. {11:5} And good works shall be the girdle of his waist, and faithfulness the girdle of his loins. {11:6} And the wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. {11:7} And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. {11:8} And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. {11:9} They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of Yahweh, as the waters cover the sea. {11:10} And it shall come to pass in that day, that the root of Jesse, that stands for an ensign of the peoples, unto him shall the nations seek; and his resting-place shall be glorious. {11:11} And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord will set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, that shall remain, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. {11:12} And he will set up an ensign for the nations, and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth. {11:13} The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and they that vex Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim. {11:14} And they shall fly down upon the shoulder of the Philistines on the west; together shall they despoil the children of the east: they shall put forth their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon shall obey them. {11:15} And Yahweh will utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his scorching wind will he wave his hand over the River, and will smite it into seven streams, and cause men to march over dry shod. {11:16} And there shall be a highway for the remnant of his people, that shall remain, from Assyria; like as there was for Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

{O23}12} Isaiah Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And in that day you shall say, I will give thanks unto you, O Yahweh; for though you was angry with me, your anger is turned away and you comforts me. {12:2} Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for Yahweh, [even] Yahweh, is my strength and song; and he is become my salvation. {12:3} Therefore with joy shall you draw water out of the wells of salvation. {12:4} And in that day shall you say, Give thanks unto Yahweh, call upon his name, declare his doings among the peoples, make mention that his name is exalted. {12:5} Sing unto Yahweh; for he has done excellent things: let this be known in all the earth. {12:6} Cry aloud and shout, you inhabitant of Zion; for great in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

{O23}13} Isaiah Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} The burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see. {13:2} Set you up an ensign upon the bare mountain, lift up the voice unto them, wave the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles. {13:3} I have commanded my consecrated ones, behold, I have called my mighty men for mine anger, even my proudly exulting

ones. {13:4} The noise of a multitude in the mountains, as of a great people! the noise of a tumult of the kingdoms of the nations gathered together! Yahweh of hosts is mustering the host for the battle. {13:5} They come from a far country, from the outermost part of heaven, even Yahweh, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land. {13:6} Wail you; for the day of Yahweh is at hand; as destruction from the Almighty shall it come. {13:7} Therefore shall all hands be feeble, and every heart of man shall melt: {13:8} and they shall be dismayed; pangs and sorrows shall take hold [of them]; they shall be in pain as a woman in travail: they shall look in amazement one at another; their faces [shall be] faces of flame. {13:9} Behold, the day of Yahweh comes, cruel, with Anger and fierce anger; to make the land a desolation, and to destroy the sinners of it out of it. {13:10} For the stars of heaven and the constellations of it shall not give their light; the sun shall be darkened in its going forth, and the moon shall not cause its light to shine. {13:11} And I will punish the world for [their] evil, and the wicked for their works against law: and I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. {13:12} I will make a man more rare than fine gold, even a man than the pure gold of Ophir. {13:13} Therefore I will make the heavens to tremble, and the earth shall be shaken out of its place, in the Anger of Yahweh of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger. {13:14} And it shall come to pass, that as the chased roe, and as sheep that no man gathers, they shall turn every man to his own people, and shall flee every man to his own land. {13:15} Everyone that is found shall be thrust through; and everyone that is taken shall fall by the sword. {13:16} Their infants also shall be dashed in pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be rifled, and their wives ravished. {13:17} Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, who shall not regard silver, and as for gold, they shall not delight in it. {13:18} And [their] bows shall dash the young men in pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children. {13:19} And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldeans' pride, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah. {13:20} It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be lived in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall shepherds make their flocks to lie down there. {13:21} But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; and ostriches shall dwell there, and wild goats shall dance there. {13:22} And wolves shall cry in their castles, and jackals in the pleasant palaces: and her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

{O23}14} Isaiah Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} For Yahweh will have compassion on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and set them in their own land: and the alien shall join himself with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob. {14:2} And the peoples shall take them, and bring them to their place; and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of Yahweh for servants and for handmaids: and they shall take them captive whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors. {14:3} And it shall come to pass in the day that Yahweh shall give you rest from your sorrow, and from your trouble, and from the hard service wherein you was made to serve, {14:4} that you shall take up this parable against the king of Babylon, and say, How has the oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased! {14:5} Yahweh has broken the staff of the wicked, the Scepter of the rulers; {14:6} that smote the peoples in Anger with a continual stroke, that ruled the nations in anger, with a persecution that none restrained. {14:7} The whole earth is at rest, [and] is quiet: they break forth into singing. {14:8} behold, the fir-trees rejoice at you, [and] the cedars of Lebanon, [saying], Since you are laid low, no hewer is come up against us. {14:9} Sheol from beneath is moved for you to meet you at your coming; it stirs up the dead for you, even all the chief ones of the earth; it has raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations. {14:10} All they shall answer and say unto you, are you also become weak as we? are you become like unto us? {14:11} Your pomp is brought down to Sheol, [and] the noise of your viols: the worm is spread under you, and worms cover you. {14:12} How are you fallen from heaven, O day-star, son of the morning! how are you cut down to the ground, that did lay low the nations! {14:13} And you said in your heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; and I will sit upon the mount of congregation, in the outermost parts of

the north; {14:14} I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High. {14:15} yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the outermost parts of the pit. {14:16} They that see you shall gaze at you, they shall consider you, [saying], Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; {14:17} that made the world as a wilderness, and overthrew the cities there; that let not loose his prisoners to their home? {14:18} All the kings of the nations, all of them, sleep in glory, everyone in his own house. {14:19} But you are cast forth away from your sepulcher like an abominable branch, clothed with the slain, that are thrust through with the sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a dead body trodden under foot. {14:20} you shall not be joined with them in burial, because you have destroyed your land, you have slain your people; the seed of evil-doers shall not be named forever. {14:21} Prepare you slaughter for his children for the works against law of their fathers, that they rise not up, and possess the earth, and fill the face of the world with cities. {14:22} And I will rise up against them, said Yahweh of hosts, and cut off from Babylon name and remnant, and son and son's son, said Yahweh. {14:23} I will also make it a possession for the porcupine, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, said Yahweh of hosts. {14:24} Yahweh of hosts has sworn, saying, Surely, as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand: {14:25} that I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their shoulder. {14:26} This is the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth; and this is the hand that is stretched out upon all the nations. {14:27} For Yahweh of hosts has purposed, and who shall annul it? and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back? {14:28} In the year that king Ahaz died was this burden. {14:29} Rejoice not, O Philistia, all of you, because the rod that smote you is broken; for out of the serpent's root shall come forth an adder, and his fruit shall be a fiery flying serpent. {14:30} And the first-born of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety; and I will kill your root with famine, and your remnant shall be slain. {14:31} Howl, O gate; cry, O city; you are melted away, O Philistia, all of you; for there comes a smoke out of the north, and there is no straggler in his ranks. {14:32} What then shall one answer the messengers of the nation? That Yahweh has founded Zion, and in her shall the afflicted of his people take refuge.

{O23}15} Isaiah Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} The burden of Moab. For in a night Ar of Moab is laid waste, [and] brought to nothing; for in a night Kir of Moab is laid waste, [and] brought to nothing. {15:2} They are gone up to Bayith, and to Dibon, to the high places, to weep: Moab wails over Nebo, and over Medeba; on all their heads is baldness, every beard is cut off. {15:3} In their streets they gird themselves with sackcloth; on their housetops, and in their broad places, everyone wails, weeping abundantly. {15:4} And Heshbon cries out, and Elealeh; their voice is heard even unto Jahaz: therefore the armed men of Moab cry aloud; his soul trembles within him. {15:5} My heart cries out for Moab; her nobles [flee] unto Zoar, to Eglath-shelishi-yah: for by the ascent of Luhith with weeping they go up; for in the way of Horonaim they raise up a cry of destruction. {15:6} For the waters of Nimrim shall be desolate; for the grass is withered away, the tender grass fails, there is no green thing. {15:7} Therefore the abundance they have gotten, and that which they have laid up, shall they carry away over the brook of the willows. {15:8} For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab; the wailing of it unto Eglaim, and the wailing of it unto Beer-elim. {15:9} For the waters of Dimon are full of blood; for I will bring yet more upon Dimon, a lion upon them of Moab that escape, and upon the remnant of the land.

{O23}16} Isaiah Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Send you the lambs for the ruler of the land from Selah to the wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter of Zion. {16:2} For it shall be that, as wandering birds, as a scattered nest, so shall the daughters of Moab be at the fords of the Arnon. {16:3} Give counsel, execute justice; make your shade as the night in the midst of the noonday; hide the outcasts; betray not the fugitive. {16:4} Let mine outcasts dwell with you; as for Moab, be you a covert to him from the face of the destroyer. For the extortioner is brought to nothing, destruction ceases, the oppressors are consumed out of the land. {16:5} And a throne

shall be established in agape loving kindness; and one shall sit thereon in truth, in the tent of David, judging, and seeking justice, and swift to do good works. {16:6} We have heard of the pride of Moab, [that] he is very proud; even of his arrogance, and his pride, and his Anger; his boastings are nothing. {16:7} Therefore shall Moab wail for Moab, everyone shall wail: for the raisin-cakes of Kir-haresets shall you grieve, utterly stricken. {16:8} For the fields of Heshbon languish, [and] the vine of Sibmah; the lords of the nations have broken down the choice branches there, which reached even unto Jazer, which wandered into the wilderness; its shoots were spread abroad, they passed over the sea. {16:9} Therefore I will weep with the weeping of Jazer for the vine of Sibmah; I will water you with my tears, O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for upon your summer fruits and upon your harvest the [battle] shout is fallen. {16:10} And gladness is taken away, and joy out of the fruitful field; and in the vineyards there shall be no singing, neither joyful noise: no treader shall tread out wine in the presses; I have made the [vintage] shout to cease. {16:11} Therefore my heart sounds like a harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kir-heres. {16:12} And it shall come to pass, when Moab presents himself, when he wearies himself upon the high place, and shall come to his sanctuary to pray, that he shall not prevail. {16:13} This is the word that Yahweh spoke concerning Moab in time past. {16:14} But now Yahweh has spoken, saying, Within three years, as the years of a hireling, the glory of Moab shall be brought into contempt, with all his great multitude; and the remnant shall be very small and of no account.

{O23}17} Isaiah Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap. {17:2} The cities of Aroer are forsaken; they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down, and none shall make them afraid. {17:3} And the fortress shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria; they shall be as the glory of the children of Israel, said Yahweh of hosts. {17:4} And it shall come to pass in that day, that the glory of Jacob shall be made thin, and the fatness of his flesh shall wax lean. {17:5} And it shall be as when the harvestman gathers the standing grain, and his arm reaps the ears; behold, it shall be as when one glean ears in the valley of Rephaim. {17:6} yet there shall be left therein gleanings, as the shaking of an olive-tree, two or three berries in the top of the uppermost bough, four or five in the outmost branches of a fruitful tree, said Yahweh, the God of Israel. {17:7} In that day shall men look unto their Maker, and their eyes shall have respect to the Holy One of Israel. {17:8} And they shall not look to the altars, the work of their hands; neither shall they have respect to that which their fingers have made, either the Asherim, or the sun-images. {17:9} In that day shall their strong cities be as the forsaken places in the wood and on the mountain top, which were forsaken from before the children of Israel; and it shall be a desolation. {17:10} For you have forgotten the God of your salvation, and have not been mindful of the rock of your strength; therefore you plant pleasant plants, and set it with strange slips. {17:11} In the day of your planting you hedge it in, and in the morning you make your seed to blossom; but the harvest flees away in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow. {17:12} Ah, the uproar of many peoples, that roar like the roaring of the seas; and the rushing of nations, that rush like the rushing of mighty waters! {17:13} The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but he shall rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before the wind, and like the whirling dust before the storm. {17:14} At eventide, behold, terror; [and] before the morning they are not. This is the portion of them that despoil us, and the lot of them that rob us.

{O23}18} Isaiah Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} Ah, the land of the rustling of wings, which is beyond the rivers of Ethiopia; {18:2} that sends ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of papyrus upon the waters, [saying], Go, you swift messengers, to a nation tall and smooth, to a people terrible from their beginning onward, a nation of continued waiting out and treaded down, whose land the rivers divide! {18:3} All you inhabitants of the world, and you dwellers on the earth, when an ensign is lifted up on the mountains, see you; and when the trumpet is blown, hear you. {18:4} For thus has Yahweh said unto me, I will be still, and I will behold in my dwelling-place, like clear heat in sunshine, like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest. {18:5} For before the

harvest, when the blossom is over, and the flower becomes a ripening grape, he will cut off the sprigs with pruning-hooks, and the spreading branches will he take away [and] cut down. {18:6} They shall be left together unto the ravenous birds of the mountains, and to the beasts of the earth; and the ravenous birds shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them. {18:7} In that time shall a present be brought unto Yahweh of hosts [from] a people tall and smooth, even from a people terrible from their beginning onward, a nation continued waiting and treaded down, whose land the rivers divide, to the place of the name of Yahweh of hosts, the mount Zion.

{O23}19} Isaiah Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} The burden of Egypt. Behold, Yahweh rides upon a swift cloud, and comes unto Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall tremble at his presence; and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it. {19:2} And I will stir up the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight everyone against his brother, and everyone against his neighbor; city against city, [and] kingdom against kingdom. {19:3} And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst of it; and I will destroy the counsel there: and they shall seek unto the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards. {19:4} And I will give over the Egyptians into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts. {19:5} And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and become dry. {19:6} And the rivers shall become foul; the streams of Egypt shall be diminished and dried up; the reeds and flags shall wither away. {19:7} The meadows by the Nile, by the brink of the Nile, and all the sown fields of the Nile, shall become dry, be driven away, and be no more. {19:8} And the fishers shall lament, and all they that cast hook into the Nile shall grieve, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish. {19:9} Furthermore they that work in combed flax, and they that weave white cloth, shall be confounded. {19:10} And the pillars [of Egypt] shall be broken in pieces; all they that work for hire [shall be] grieved in soul. {19:11} The princes of Zoan are utterly foolish; the counsel of the wisest counselors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say you unto Pharaoh, I am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings? {19:12} Where then are your wise men? and let them tell you now; and let them know what Yahweh of hosts has purposed concerning Egypt. {19:13} The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Memphis are deceived; they have caused Egypt to go astray, that are the cornerstone of her tribes. {19:14} Yahweh has mingled a spirit of perverseness in the midst of her; and they have caused Egypt to go astray in every work there, as a drunk man staggers in his vomit. {19:15} Neither shall there be for Egypt any work, which head or tail, palm-branch or rush, may do. {19:16} In that day shall the Egyptians be like unto women; and they shall tremble and fear because of the shaking of the hand of Yahweh of hosts, which he shakes over them. {19:17} And the land of Judah shall become a terror unto Egypt; everyone to whom mention is made there shall be afraid, because of the purpose of Yahweh of hosts, which he purposes against it. {19:18} In that day there shall be five cities in the land of Egypt that speak the language of Canaan, and swear to Yahweh of hosts; one shall be called The city of destruction. {19:19} In that day shall there be an altar to Yahweh in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border of it to Yahweh. {19:20} And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto Yahweh of hosts in the land of Egypt; for they shall cry unto Yahweh because of oppressors, and he will send them a savior, and a defender, and he will deliver them. {19:21} And Yahweh shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know Yahweh in that day; behold, they shall worship with sacrifice and oblation, and shall vow a vow unto Yahweh, and shall perform it. {19:22} And Yahweh will smite Egypt, smiting and healing; and they shall return unto Yahweh, and he will be entreated of them, and will heal them. {19:23} In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria; and the Egyptians shall worship with the Assyrians. {19:24} In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, a blessing in the midst of the earth; {19:25} for that Yahweh of hosts has blessed them, saying, Blessed be Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.

{O23}20} Isaiah Chapter Twenty. {20:1} In the year that Tarean came unto Ashdod, when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him, and he fought against Ashdod and took it; {20:2} at that time Yahweh spoke by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go, and loose the sackcloth from off your loins, and put your shoe from off your foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. {20:3} And Yahweh said, Like as my servant Isaiah has walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and a wonder concerning Egypt and concerning Ethiopia; {20:4} so shall the king of Assyria lead away the captives of Egypt, and the exiles of Ethiopia, young and old, naked and barefoot, and with buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt. {20:5} And they shall be dismayed and confounded, because of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory. {20:6} And the inhabitant of this coast-land shall say in that day, Behold, such is our expectation, where we fled for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and we, how shall we escape?

{O23}21} Isaiah Chapter TwentyOne. {21:1} The burden of the wilderness of the sea. As whirlwinds in the South sweep through, it comes from the wilderness, from a terrible land. {21:2} A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous man deals treacherously, and the destroyer destroys. Go up, O Elam; besiege, O Media; all the sighing of it have I made to cease. {21:3} Therefore are my loins filled with anguish; pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman in travail: I am pained so that I cannot hear; I am dismayed so that I cannot see. {21:4} My heart flutters, horror has affrighted me; the twilight that I desired has been turned into trembling unto me. {21:5} They prepare the table, they set the watch, they eat, they drink: rise up, you princes, anoint the shield. {21:6} For thus has the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman: let him declare what he sees: {21:7} and when he sees a troop, horsemen in pairs, a troop of donkeys, a troop of camels, he shall hear diligently with much heed. {21:8} And he cried as a lion: O Lord, I stand continually upon the watch-tower in the day-time, and am set in my ward whole nights; {21:9} and, behold, here comes a troop of men, horsemen in pairs. And he answered and said, Fallen, fallen is Babylon; and all the graven images of her gods are broken unto the ground. {21:10} O you my threshing, and the grain of my floor! that which I have heard from Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, have I declared unto you. {21:11} The burden of Dumah. One calls unto me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night? {21:12} The watchman said, The morning comes, and also the night: if you will inquire, inquire you: turn you, come. {21:13} The burden upon Arabia. In the forest in Arabia shall you lodge, O you caravans of Dedanites. {21:14} Unto him that was thirsty they brought water; the inhabitants of the land of Tema did meet the fugitives with their bread. {21:15} For they fled away from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war. {21:16} For thus has the Lord said unto me, Within a year, according to the years of a hireling, all the glory of Kedar shall fail; {21:17} and the residue of the number of the archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar, shall be few; for Yahweh, the God of Israel, has spoken it.

{O23}22} Isaiah Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} The burden of the valley of vision. What ails you now, that you are wholly gone up to the housetops? {22:2} O you that are full of shoutings, a tumultuous city, a joyous town; your slain are not slain with the sword, neither are they dead in battle. {22:3} All your rulers fled away together, they were bound by the archers; all that were found of you were bound together; they fled afar off. {22:4} Therefore said I, Look away from me, I will weep bitterly; labor not to comfort me for the destruction of the daughter of my people. {22:5} For it is a day of discomfiture, and of treading down, and of perplexity, from the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, in the valley of vision; a breaking down of the walls, and a crying to the mountains. {22:6} And Elam bare the quiver, with chariots of men [and] horsemen; and Kir uncovered the shield. {22:7} And it came to pass, that your choicest valleys were full of chariots, and the horsemen set themselves in array at the gate. {22:8} And he took away the covering of Judah; and you did look in that day to the armor in the house of the forest. {22:9} And you saw the breaches of the city of David, that they were many; and you gathered together the waters of the lower pool; {22:10} and you numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and you brake down the

houses to fortify the wall; {22:11} you made also a reservoir between the two walls for the water of the old pool. But you looked not unto him that had done this, neither had you respect unto him that purposed it long ago. {22:12} And in that day did the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, call to weeping, and to grieving, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth: {22:13} and behold, joy and gladness, slaying oxen and killing sheep, eating flesh and drinking wine: let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we shall die. {22:14} And Yahweh of hosts revealed himself in mine ears, Surely this works against law shall not be forgiven you till you die, said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts. {22:15} Thus said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, Go, get you unto this treasurer, even unto Shebna, who is over the house, [and say], {22:16} What do you here? and whom has you here, that you have hewed you out here a sepulcher? hewing him out a sepulcher on high, graving a habitation for himself in the rock! {22:17} Behold, Yahweh, like a [strong] man, will hurl you away violently; behold, he will wrap you up closely. {22:18} He will surely wind you round and round, [and toss you] like a ball into a large country; there shall you die, and there shall be the chariots of your glory, you shame of your lord's house. {22:19} And I will thrust you from your office; and from your station shall you be pulled down. {22:20} And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah: {22:21} and I will cloth him with your robe, and strengthen him with your girdle, and I will commit your government into his hand; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. {22:22} And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; and he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. {22:23} And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for a throne of glory to his father's house. {22:24} And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the issue, every small vessel, from the cups even to all the flagons. {22:25} In that day, said Yahweh of hosts, shall the nail that was fastened in a sure place give way; and it shall be hewn down, and fall; and the burden that was upon it shall be cut off; for Yahweh has spoken it.

{O23}23} Isaiah Chapter Twentythree. {23:1} The burden of Tyre. Howl, you ships of Tarshish; for it is laid waste, so that there is no house, no entering in: from the land of Kittim it is revealed to them. {23:2} Be still, you inhabitants of the coast, you whom the merchants of Sidon, that pass over the sea, have replenished. {23:3} And on great waters the seed of the Shihor, the harvest of the Nile, was her revenue; and she was the mare of nations. {23:4} Be you ashamed, O Sidon; for the sea has spoken, the stronghold of the sea, saying, I have not travailed, nor brought forth, neither have I nourished young men, nor brought up virgins. {23:5} When the report comes to Egypt, they shall be sorely pained at the report of Tyre. {23:6} Pass you over to Tarshish; wail, you inhabitants of the coast. {23:7} Is this your joyous [city], whose antiquity is of ancient days, whose feet carried her afar off to sojourn? {23:8} Who has purposed this against Tyre, the bestower of crowns, whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers are the honorable of the earth? {23:9} Yahweh of hosts has purposed it, to stain the pride of all glory, to bring into contempt all the honorable of the earth. {23:10} Pass through your land as the Nile, O daughter of Tarshish; there is no restraint any more. {23:11} He has stretched out his hand over the sea, he has shaken the kingdoms: Yahweh has given commandment concerning Canaan, to destroy the strongholds there. {23:12} And he said, you shall no more rejoice, O you oppressed virgin daughter of Sidon: arise, pass over to Kittim; even there shall you have no rest. {23:13} Behold, the land of the Chaldeans: this people was not; the Assyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderness; they set up their towers; they overthrew the palaces there; they made it a ruin. {23:14} Howl, you ships of Tarshish; for your stronghold is laid waste. {23:15} And it shall come to pass in that day, that Tyre shall be forgotten seventy years, according to the days of one king: after the end of seventy years it shall be unto Tyre as in the song of the prostitute. {23:16} Take a harp, go about the city, you prostitute that have been forgotten; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that you may be remembered. {23:17} And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that Yahweh will visit Tyre, and she shall return to her hire, and shall play the prostitute with all the kingdoms of the world upon the face of the earth. {23:18} And her

merchandise and her hire shall be holiness to Yahweh: it shall not be treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before Yahweh, to eat sufficiently, and for durable clothing.

{O23}24} Isaiah Chapter TwentyFour. {24:1} Behold, Yahweh makes the earth empty, and makes it waste, and turns it upside down, and scatters abroad the inhabitants there. {24:2} And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the creditor, so with the debtor; as with the taker of interest, so with the giver of interest to him. {24:3} The earth shall be utterly emptied, and utterly laid waste; for Yahweh has spoken this word. {24:4} The earth grieves and fades away, the world languishes and fades away, the lofty people of the earth do languish. {24:5} The earth also is polluted under the inhabitants there; because they have transgressed the laws, violated the statutes, broken the everlasting covenant. {24:6} Therefore has the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are found guilty: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left. {24:7} The new wine grieves, the vine languishes, all the merry-hearted do sigh. {24:8} The mirth of tabrets ceases, the noise of them that rejoice ends, the joy of the harp ceases. {24:9} They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it. {24:10} The waste city is broken down; every house is shut up, that no man may come in. {24:11} There is a crying in the streets because of the wine; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone. {24:12} In the city is left desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction. {24:13} For thus shall it be in the midst of the earth among the peoples, as the shaking of an olive-tree, as the gleanings when the vintage is done. {24:14} These shall lift up their voice, they shall shout; for the majesty of Yahweh they cry aloud from the sea. {24:15} Therefore glorify you Yahweh in the east, even the name of Yahweh, the God of Israel, in the isles of the sea. {24:16} From the outermost part of the earth have we heard songs: Glory to the righteous. But I said, I pine away, I pine away, woe is me! the treacherous have dealt treacherously; behold, the treacherous have dealt very treacherously. {24:17} Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon you, O inhabitant of the earth. {24:18} And it shall come to pass, that he who flees from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that comes up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows on high are opened, and the foundations of the earth tremble. {24:19} The earth is utterly broken, the earth is rent asunder, the earth is shaken violently. {24:20} The earth shall stagger like a drunk man, and shall sway to and fro like a hammock; and the transgression of the law of it shall be heavy upon it, and it shall fall, and not rise again. {24:21} And it shall come to pass in that day, that Yahweh will punish the host of the high ones on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth. {24:22} And they shall be gathered together, as prisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison; and after many days shall they be visited. {24:23} Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed; for Yahweh of hosts will reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem; and before his elders shall be glory.

{O23}25} Isaiah Chapter TwentyFive. {25:1} O Yahweh, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, [even] counsels of old, in faithfulness [and] truth. {25:2} For you have made of a city a heap, of a fortified city a ruin, a palace of strangers to be no city; it shall never be built. {25:3} Therefore shall a strong people glorify you; a city of terrible nations shall fear you. {25:4} For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shade from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall. {25:5} As the heat in a dry place will you bring down the noise of strangers; as the heat by the shade of a cloud, the song of the terrible ones shall be brought low. {25:6} And in this mountain will Yahweh of hosts make unto all peoples a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined. {25:7} And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering that covers all peoples, and the veil that is spread over all nations. {25:8} He has swallowed up death forever; and the Lord Yahweh will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the reproach of his people will he take away from off all the earth: for Yahweh has spoken it. {25:9} And it shall be

said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is Yahweh; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation. {25:10} For in this mountain will the hand of Yahweh rest; and Moab shall be trodden down in his place, even as straw is trodden down in the water of the dung-hill. {25:11} And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst there, as he that swims spreads forth [his hands] to swim; but [Yahweh] will lay low his pride together with the craft of his hands. {25:12} And the high fortress of your walls has he brought down, laid low, and brought to the ground, even to the dust.

{O23}26} Isaiah Chapter TwentySix. {26:1} In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah: we have a strong city; salvation will he appoint for walls and bulwarks. {26:2} Open you the gates, that the righteous nation which keeps faith may enter in. {26:3} you will keep [him] in perfect peace, [whose] mind [is] stayed [on you]; because he trusts in you. {26:4} Trust you in Yahweh forever; for in Yahweh, [even] Yahweh, is an everlasting rock. {26:5} For he has brought down them that dwell on high, the lofty city: he lays it low, he lays it low even to the ground; he brings it even to the dust. {26:6} The foot shall tread it down; even the feet of the poor, and the steps of the needy. {26:7} The way of the just is uprightness: you that are upright do direct the path of the just. {26:8} behold, in the way of your judgments, O Yahweh, have we waited for you; to your name, even to your memorial [name], is the desire of our soul. {26:9} With my soul have I desired you in the night; behold, with my spirit within me will I seek you earnestly: for when your judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world learn good works. {26:10} Let favor be showed to the wicked, yet will he not learn good works; in the land of uprightness will he deal wrongfully, and will not behold the majesty of Yahweh. {26:11} Yahweh, your hand is lifted up, yet they see not: but they shall see [your] zeal for the people, and be put to shame; behold, fire shall devour your adversaries. {26:12} Yahweh, you will ordain peace for us; for you have also wrought all our works for us. {26:13} O Yahweh our God, other lords besides you have had dominion over us; but by you only will we make mention of your name. {26:14} [They are] dead, they shall not live; [they are] deceased, they shall not rise: therefore have you visited and destroyed them, and made all remembrance of them to perish. {26:15} you have increased the nation, O Yahweh, you have increased the nation; you are glorified; you have enlarged all the borders of the land. {26:16} Yahweh, in trouble have they visited you; they poured out a prayer [when] your chastening was upon them. {26:17} Like as a woman with child, that draws near the time of her delivery, is in pain and cries out in her pangs; so we have been before you, O Yahweh. {26:18} We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen. {26:19} Your dead shall live; my dead bodies shall arise. Awake and sing, you that dwell in the dust; for your dew is [as] the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast forth the dead. {26:20} Come, my people, enter you into your chambers, and shut your doors about you: hide yourself for a little moment, until the indignation be overpass. {26:21} For, behold, Yahweh comes forth out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their works against law: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

{O23}27} Isaiah Chapter TwentySeven. {27:1} In that day Yahweh with his hard and great and strong sword will punish leviathan the swift serpent, and leviathan the crooked serpent; and he will slay the monster that is in the sea. {27:2} In that day: A vineyard of wine, sing you unto it. {27:3} I Yahweh am its keeper; I will water it every moment: lest any hurt it, I will keep it night and day. {27:4} Anger is not in me: would that the briers and thorns were against me in battle! I would march upon them, I would burn them together. {27:5} Or else let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me; [behold], let him make peace with me. {27:6} In days to come shall Jacob take root; Israel shall blossom and bud; and they shall fill the face of the world with fruit. {27:7} Has he smitten them as he smote those that defeated them? or are they slain according to the slaughter of them that were slain by them? {27:8} In measure, when you send them away, you do contend with them; he has removed [them] with his rough blast in the day of the east wind. {27:9} Therefore by this shall the works against law of Jacob be forgiven,

and this is all the fruit of taking away his sin: that he makes all the stones of the altar as chalkstones that are beaten in sunder, [so that] the Asherim and the sun-images shall rise no more. {27:10} For the fortified city is solitary, a habitation deserted and forsaken, like the wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down, and consume the branches there. {27:11} When the boughs of it are withered, they shall be broken off; the women shall come, and set them on fire; for it is a people of no understanding: therefore he that made them will not have compassion upon them, and he that formed them will show them no favor. {27:12} And it shall come to pass in that day, that Yahweh will beat off [his fruit] from the flood of the River unto the brook of Egypt; and you shall be gathered one by one, O you children of Israel. {27:13} And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great trumpet shall be blown; and they shall come that were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and they that were outcasts in the land of Egypt; and they shall worship Yahweh in the holy mountain at Jerusalem.

{O23}28} Isaiah Chapter TwentyEight. {28:1} Woe to the crown of pride of the drunkards of Ephraim, and to the fading flower of his glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley of them that are overcome with wine! {28:2} Behold, the Lord has a mighty and strong one; as a tempest of hail, a destroying storm, as a tempest of mighty waters overflowing, will he cast down to the earth with the hand. {28:3} The crown of pride of the drunkards of Ephraim shall be trodden under foot: {28:4} and the fading flower of his glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley, shall be as the first-ripe fig before the summer; which when he that looks upon it sees, while it is yet in his hand he eats it up. {28:5} In that day will Yahweh of hosts become a crown of glory, and a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people; {28:6} and a spirit of justice to him that sit-in judgment, and strength to them that turn back the battle at the gate. {28:7} And even these reel with wine, and stagger with strong drink; the priest and the prophet reel with strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they stagger with strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment. {28:8} For all tables are full of vomit [and] filthiness, [so that there is] no place [clean]. {28:9} Whom will he teach knowledge? and whom will he make to understand the message? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts? {28:10} For it is precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, there a little. {28:11} No, but by [men of] strange lips and with another tongue will he speak to this people; {28:12} to whom he said, This is the rest, give you rest to him that is weary; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. {28:13} Therefore shall the word of Yahweh be unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, there a little; that they may go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. {28:14} Therefore hear the word of Yahweh, you scoffers, that rule this people that is in Jerusalem: {28:15} Because you have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with Sheol are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us; for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: {28:16} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner -[stone] of sure foundation: he that believes shall not be in haste. {28:17} And I will make justice the line, and good works the plummet; and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding-place. {28:18} And your covenant with death shall be annulled, and your agreement with Sheol shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then you shall be trodden down by it. {28:19} As often as it passes through, it shall take you; for morning by morning shall it pass through, by day and by night: and it shall be nothing but terror to understand the message. {28:20} For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it; and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it. {28:21} For Yahweh will rise up as in mount Perazim, he will be angry as in the valley of Gibeon; that he may do his work, his strange work, and bring to pass his act, his strange act. {28:22} Now therefore be you not scoffers, lest your bonds be made strong; for a decree of destruction have I heard from the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, upon the whole earth. {28:23} Give you ear, and hear my voice; hear, and hear my speech. {28:24} Does he that plows to sow plow continually? does he [continually]

open and harrow his ground? {28:25} When he has leveled the face there, does he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cumin, and put in the wheat in rows, and the barley in the appointed place, and the spelt in the border there? {28:26} For his God does instruct him aright, [and] does teach him. {28:27} For the fitches are not threshed with a sharp [threshing] instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cumin; but the fitches are beaten out with a staff, and the cumin with a rod. {28:28} Bread [grain] is ground; for he will not be always threshing it: and though the wheel of his care and his horses scatter it, he does not grind it. {28:29} This also comes forth from Yahweh of hosts, who is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in wisdom.

{O23}29} Isaiah Chapter TwentyNine. {29:1} Ho Ariel, Ariel, the city where David encamped! add you year to year; let the feasts come round: {29:2} then will I distress Ariel, and there shall be grieving and lamentation; and she shall be unto me as Ariel. {29:3} And I will encamp against you round about, and will lay siege against you with posted troops, and I will raise siege works against you. {29:4} And you shall be brought down, and shall speak out of the ground, and your speech shall be low out of the dust; and your voice shall be as of one that has a familiar spirit, out of the ground, and your speech shall whisper out of the dust. {29:5} But the multitude of your foes shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones as chaff that passes away: behold, it shall be in an instant suddenly. {29:6} She shall be visited of Yahweh of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with whirlwind and tempest, and the flame of a devouring fire. {29:7} And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her stronghold, and that distress her, shall be as a dream, a vision of the night. {29:8} And it shall be as when a hungry man dreams, and, behold, he eats; but he awakes, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreams, and, behold, he drinks; but he awakes, and, behold, he is faint, and his soul has appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion. {29:9} Tarry you and wonder; take your pleasure and be blind: they are drunk, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink. {29:10} For Yahweh has poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and has closed your eyes, the prophets; and your heads, the seers, has he covered. {29:11} And all vision is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray you; and he said, I cannot, for it is sealed: {29:12} and the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray you; and he said, I am not learned. {29:13} And the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near [unto me], and with their mouth and with their lips to honor me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment of men which has been taught [them]; {29:14} therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid. {29:15} Woe unto them that hide deep their counsel from Yahweh, and whose works are in the dark, and that say, Who sees us? and who knows us? {29:16} you turn things upside down! shall the potter be esteemed as clay; that the thing made should say of him that made it, He made me not; or the thing formed say of him that formed it, He has no understanding? {29:17} Is it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest? {29:18} And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and out of darkness. {29:19} The meek also shall increase their joy in Yahweh, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. {29:20} For the terrible one is brought to nothing, and the scoffer ceases, and all they that watch for works against law are cut off; {29:21} that make a man an offender in [his] cause, and lay a snare for him that reproves in the gate, and turn aside the just with a thing of nothing. {29:22} Therefore thus said Yahweh, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob: Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale. {29:23} But when he sees his children, the work of my hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctify my name; behold, they shall sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall stand in awe of the God of Israel. {29:24} They also that err in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmur shall receive instruction.

{023}30} Isaiah Chapter Thirty. {30:1} Woe to the rebellious children, said Yahweh, that take counsel, but not of me; and that make a league, but not of my Spirit, that they may add sin to sin, {30:2} that set out to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to take refuge in the shadow of Egypt! {30:3} Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the refuge in the shadow of Egypt your confusion. {30:4} For their princes are at Zoan, and their ambassadors are come to Hanes. {30:5} They shall all be ashamed because of a people that cannot profit them, that are not a help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach. {30:6} The burden of the beasts of the South. Through the land of trouble and anguish, from where come the lioness and the lion, the viper and fiery flying serpent, they carry their riches upon the shoulders of young donkeys, and their treasures upon the humps of camels, to a people that shall not profit [them]. {30:7} For Egypt helps in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I called her Rahab that sits still. {30:8} Now go, write it before them on a tablet, and inscribe it in a book, that it may be for the [set] day to come [worship] forever and ever. {30:9} For it is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of Yahweh; {30:10} that say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits, {30:11} get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. {30:12} Therefore thus said the Holy One of Israel, Because you despise this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and rely thereon; {30:13} therefore this works against law shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking comes suddenly in an instant. {30:14} And he shall break it as a potter's vessel is broken, breaking it in pieces outside sparing; so that there shall not be found among the pieces of it a shard by which to take fire from the hearth, or to dip up water out of the cistern. {30:15} For thus said the Lord Yahweh, the Holy One of Israel, In returning and rest shall you be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength. And you would not: {30:16} but you said, No, for we will flee upon horses; therefore shall you flee: and, We will ride upon the swift; therefore shall they that pursue you be swift. {30:17} One thousand [shall flee] at the threat of one; at the threat of five shall you flee: till you be left as a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an ensign on a hill. {30:18} And therefore will Yahweh wait, that he may be gracious unto you; and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for Yahweh is a God of justice; blessed are all they that wait for him. {30:19} For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem; you shall weep no more; he will surely be gracious unto you at the voice of your cry; when he shall hear, he will answer you. {30:20} And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, yet shall not your teachers be hidden anymore, but your eyes shall see your teachers; {30:21} and your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, This is the way, walk you in it; when you turn to the right hand, and when you turn to the left. {30:22} And you shall defile the overlaying of your graven images of silver, and the plating of your molten images of gold: you shall cast them away as an unclean thing; you shall say unto it, Get you from here. {30:23} And he will give the rain for your seed, by which you shall sow the ground; and bread of the increase of the ground, and it shall be fat and plenteous. In that day shall your cattle feed in large pastures; {30:24} the oxen likewise and the young donkeys that till the ground shall eat savory provender, which has been winnowed with the shovel and with the fork. {30:25} And there shall be upon every lofty mountain, and upon every high hill, brooks [and] streams of waters, in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall. {30:26} Furthermore the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that Yahweh binds up the hurt of his people, and heals the stroke of their wound. {30:27} Behold, the name of Yahweh comes from far, burning with his anger, and in thick rising smoke: his lips are full of indignation, and his tongue is as a devouring fire; {30:28} and his breath is as an overflowing stream, that reaches even unto the neck, to sift the nations with the sieve of destruction: and a bridle that causes to err [shall be] in the jaws of the peoples. {30:29} you shall have a [moving] song as in the night when a holy [Passover] Solemnity is observed; and [with]

gladness of heart, as when one goes with a pipe to come into the mountain [fortress] of Yahweh, to the Petra of Israel. {30:30} And Yahweh will cause his glorious voice to be heard, and will show the lighting down of his arm, with the indignation of [his] anger, and the flame of a devouring fire, with a blast, and tempest, and hailstones. {30:31} For through the voice of Yahweh shall the Assyrian be dismayed; with his rod will he smite [him]. {30:32} And every stroke of the appointed staff, which Yahweh shall lay upon him, shall be with [the sound of] tabrets and harps; and in battles with the brandishing [of his arm] will he fight with them. {30:33} For a Topheth is prepared of old; behold, for the king it is made ready; he has made it deep and large; the pile of it is fire and much wood; the breath of Yahweh, like a stream of brimstone, does kindle it.

{O23}31} Isaiah Chapter ThirtyOne. {31:1} Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help, and rely on horses, and trust in chariots because they are many, and in horsemen because they are very strong, but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek Yahweh! {31:2} yet he also is wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words, but will arise against the house of the evil-doers, and against the help of them that work works against law. {31:3} Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit: and when Yahweh shall stretch out his hand, both he that helps shall stumble, and he that is helped shall fall, and they all shall be consumed together. {31:4} For thus said Yahweh unto me, As the lion and the young lion growling over his prey, if a multitude of shepherds be called forth against him, will not be dismayed at their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them: so will Yahweh of hosts come down to fight upon mount Zion, and upon the hill there. {31:5} As birds hovering, so will Yahweh of hosts protect Jerusalem; he will protect and deliver [it], he will pass over and preserve [it]. {31:6} Turn you unto him from whom you have deeply revolted, O children of Israel. {31:7} For in that day they shall cast away every man his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you for a sin. {31:8} And the Assyrian shall fall by the sword, not of man; and the sword, not of men, shall devour him; and he shall flee from the sword, and his young men shall become subject to task work. {31:9} And his rock shall pass away by reason of terror, and his princes shall be dismayed at the ensign, said Yahweh, whose fire is in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.

{O23}32} Isaiah Chapter ThirtyTwo. {32:1} Behold, a king shall reign in good works, and princes shall rule in justice. {32:2} And a man shall be as a hiding-place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest, as streams of water in a dry place, as the shade of a great rock in a weary land. {32:3} And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall hear. {32:4} And the heart of the rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak plainly. {32:5} The fool shall be no more called noble, nor the churl said to be bountiful. {32:6} For the fool will speak folly, and his heart will work works against law, to practice profaneness, and to utter error against Yahweh, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and to cause the drink of the thirsty to fail. {32:7} And the instruments of the churl are evil: he devises wicked devices to destroy the meek with lying words, even when the needy speaks right. {32:8} But the noble devises noble things; and in noble things shall he continue. {32:9} Rise up, you women that are at ease, [and] hear my voice; you careless daughters, give ear unto my speech. {32:10} For days beyond a year shall you be troubled, you careless women; for the vintage shall fail, the ingathering shall not come. {32:11} Tremble, you women that are at ease; be troubled, you careless ones; strip you, and make you bare, and gird [sackcloth] upon your loins. {32:12} They shall smite upon the breasts for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine. {32:13} Upon the land of my people shall come up thorns and briers; behold, upon all the houses of joy in the joyous city. {32:14} For the palace shall be forsaken; the populous city shall be deserted; the hill and the watch-tower shall be for dens forever, a joy of wild donkeys, a pasture of flocks; {32:15} until the Spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness become a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be esteemed as a forest. {32:16} Then justice shall dwell in the wilderness; and good works shall abide in the fruitful field. {32:17} And the work of good works

shall be peace; and the effect of good works, quietness and confidence forever. {32:18} And my people shall abide in a peaceable habitation, and in safe dwellings, and in quiet resting-places. {32:19} But it shall hail in the downfall of the forest; and the city shall be utterly laid low. {32:20} Blessed are you that sow beside all waters, that send forth the feet of the ox and the donkey.

{O23}33} Isaiah Chapter ThirtyThree. {33:1} Woe to you that destroy, and you was not destroyed; and deal treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with you! When you have ceased to destroy, you shall be destroyed; and when you have made an end of dealing treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with you. {33:2} O Yahweh, be gracious unto us; we have waited for you: be you our arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble. {33:3} At the noise of the tumult the peoples are fled; at the lifting up of yourself the nations are scattered. {33:4} And your spoil shall be gathered as the caterpillar gathers: as locusts leap shall men leap upon it. {33:5} Yahweh is exalted; for he dwells on high: he has filled Zion with justice and good works. {33:6} And there shall be stability in your times, abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge: the fear of Yahweh is your treasure. {33:7} Behold, their valiant ones cry outside; the ambassadors of peace weep bitterly. {33:8} The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceases: [the enemy] has broken the covenant, he has despised the cities, he regards not man. {33:9} The land grieves and languish; Lebanon is confounded and withers away; Sharon is like a desert; and Bashan and Carmel shake off [their leaves]. {33:10} Now will I arise, said Yahweh; now will I lift up myself; now will I be exalted. {33:11} you shall conceive chaff, you shall bring forth stubble: your breath is a fire that shall devour you. {33:12} And the peoples shall be as the burnings of lime, as thorns cut down, that are burned in the fire. {33:13} Hear, you that are far off, what I have done; and, you that are near, acknowledge my might. {33:14} The sinners in Zion are afraid; trembling has seized the godless ones: Who among us can dwell with the devouring fire? who among us can dwell with everlasting burnings? {33:15} He that walks righteously, and speaks uprightly; he that despises the gain of oppressions, that shakes his hands from taking a bribe, that stops his ears from hearing of blood, and shuts his eyes from looking upon evil: {33:16} He shall dwell on high; his place of defense shall be the munitions of rocks; his bread shall be given [him]; his waters shall be sure. {33:17} your eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold a land that reaches afar. {33:18} Your heart shall muse on the terror: Where is he that counted, where is he that weighed [the tribute]? where is he that counted the towers? {33:19} you shall not see the fierce people, a people of a deep speech that you Cannot comprehend, of a strange tongue that you Cannot understand. {33:20} Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: your eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tent that shall not be removed, the stakes where shall never be plucked up, neither shall any of the cords of it be broken. {33:21} But there Yahweh will be with us in majesty, a place of broad rivers and streams, wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby. {33:22} For Yahweh is our judge, Yahweh is our lawgiver, Yahweh is our king; he will save us. {33:23} Your tacklings are loosed; they could not strengthen the foot of their mast, they could not spread the sail: then was the prey of a great spoil divided; the lame took the prey. {33:24} And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their works against law.

{o23}34} Isaiah Chapter ThirtyFour. {34:1} Come near, you nations, to hear; and hear, you peoples: let the earth hear, and the fullness there; the world, and all things that come forth from it. {34:2} For Yahweh has indignation against all the nations, and Anger against all their host: he has utterly destroyed them, he has delivered them to the slaughter. {34:3} Their slain also shall be cast out, and the stench of their dead bodies shall come up; and the mountains shall be melted with their blood. {34:4} And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll; and all their host shall fade away, as the leaf fades from off the vine, and as a fading [leaf] from the fig-tree. {34:5} For my sword has drunk its fill in heaven: behold, it shall come down upon Edom, and upon the people of my curse, to judgment. {34:6}

The sword of Yahweh is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams; for Yahweh has a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Edom. {34:7} And the wild-oxen shall come down with them, and the bulls with the bulls: and their land shall be drunk with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness. {34:8} For Yahweh has a day of vengeance, a year of recompense for the cause of Zion. {34:9} And the streams of [Edom] shall be turned into pitch, and the dust of it into brimstone, and the land of it shall become burning pitch. {34:10} It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke of it shall go up forever; from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it forever and ever. {34:11} But the pelican and the porcupine shall possess it; and the owl and the raven shall dwell therein: and he will stretch over it the line of confusion, and the plummet of emptiness. {34:12} They shall call the nobles of it to the kingdom, but none shall be there; and all its princes shall be nothing. {34:13} And thorns shall come up in its palaces, nettles and thistles in the fortresses there; and it shall be a habitation of jackals, a court for ostriches. {34:14} And the wild beasts of the desert shall meet with the wolves, and the wild goat shall cry to his fellow; behold, the night-monster shall settle there, and shall find her a place of rest. {34:15} There shall the dare-snake make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shade; behold, there shall the kites be gathered, everyone with her mate. {34:16} Seek you out of the book of Yahweh, and read: no one of these shall be missing, none shall want her mate; for my mouth, it has commanded, and his Spirit, it has gathered them. {34:17} And he has cast the lot for them, and his hand has divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it forever; from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

{O23}35} Isaiah Chapter ThirtyFive. {35:1} The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. {35:2} It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing; the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon: they shall see the glory of Yahweh, the excellency of our God. {35:3} Strengthen you the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. {35:4} Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come [with] vengeance, [with] the recompense of God; he will come and save you. {35:5} Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. {35:6} Then shall the lame man leap as a hare, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing; for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. {35:7} And the glowing sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water: in the habitation of jackals, where they lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes. {35:8} And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for [the redeemed]: the wayfaring men, behold fools, shall not err [therein]. {35:9} No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast go up thereon; they shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk [there]: {35:10} and the ransomed of Yahweh shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads: they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

{O23}36} Isaiah Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} Now it came to pass in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, that Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah, and took them. {36:2} And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field. {36:3} Then came forth unto him Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the recorder. {36:4} And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say you now to Hezekiah, Thus said the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this wherein you trusts? {36:5} I say, [your] counsel and strength for the war are but vain words: now on whom do you trust, that you have rebelled against me? {36:6} Behold, you trusts upon the staff of this bruised reed, even upon Egypt, whereon if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust on him. {36:7} But if you say unto me, We trust in Yahweh our God: is not that he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah has taken away, and has said to Judah and to Jerusalem, you shall worship before

this altar? {36:8} Now therefore, I pray you, give pledges to my master the king of Assyria, and I will give you two thousand horses, if you be able on your part to set riders upon them. {36:9} How then Can you turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put your trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen? {36:10} And am I now come up outside Yahweh against this land to destroy it? Yahweh said unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it. {36:11} Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray you, unto your servants in the Syrian language; for we understand it: and speak not to us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the people that are on the wall. {36:12} But Rabshakeh said, Has my master sent me to your master, and to you, to speak these words? [has he] not [sent me] to the men that sit upon the wall, to eat their own dung, and to drink their own water with you? {36:13} Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said, Hear you the words of the great king, the king of Assyria. {36:14} Thus said the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you; for he will not be able to deliver you: {36:15} neither let Hezekiah make you trust in Yahweh, saying, Yahweh will surely deliver us; this city shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria. {36:16} Hear not to Hezekiah: for thus said the king of Assyria, Make your peace with me, and come out to me; and eat you everyone of his vine, and everyone of his fig-tree, and drink you everyone the waters of his own cistern; {36:17} until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards. {36:18} Beware lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, Yahweh will deliver us. Has any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria? {36:19} Where are the gods of Hamath and Arpad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim? and have they delivered Samaria out of my hand? {36:20} Who are they among all the gods of these countries, that have delivered their country out of my hand, that Yahweh should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand? {36:21} But they held their peace, and answered him not a word; for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not. {36:22} Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, that was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

{O23}37} Isaiah Chapter ThirtySeven. {37:1} And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of Yahweh. {37:2} And he sent Eliakim, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, unto Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz. {37:3} And they said unto him, Thus said Hezekiah, This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of contempt; for the children are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth. {37:4} It may be Yahweh your God will hear the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master has sent to defy the living God, and will rebuke the words which Yahweh your God has heard: Therefore lift up your prayer for the remnant that is left. {37:5} So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah. {37:6} And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall you say to your master, Thus said Yahweh, Be not afraid of the words that you have heard, by which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me. {37:7} Behold, I will put a spirit in him, and he shall hear tidings, and shall return unto his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land. {37:8} So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah; for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish. {37:9} And he heard say concerning Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, He is come out to fight against you. And when he heard it, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying, {37:10} Thus shall you speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not your God in whom you trust deceive you, saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria. {37:11} Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, by destroying them utterly: and shall you be delivered? {37:12} Have the gods of the nations delivered them, which my fathers have destroyed, Gozan, and Haran, and Rezech, and the children of Eden that were in Telassar? {37:13} Where is the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of Hena, and Ivvah? {37:14} And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it; and Hezekiah went up unto the

house of Yahweh, and spread it before Yahweh. {37:15} And Hezekiah prayed unto Yahweh, saying, {37:16} O Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, that sits [above] the cherubim, you are the God, even you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth. {37:17} Incline your ear, O Yahweh, and hear; open your eyes, O Yahweh, and see; and hear all the words of Sennacherib, who has sent to defy the living God. {37:18} Of a truth, Yahweh, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the countries, and their land, {37:19} and have cast their gods into the fire: for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone; therefore they have destroyed them. {37:20} Now therefore, O Yahweh our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you are Yahweh, even you only. {37:21} Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Whereas you have prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria, {37:22} this is the word which Yahweh has spoken concerning him: The virgin daughter of Zion has despised you and laughed you to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem has shaken her head at you. {37:23} Whom have you defied and blasphemed? and against whom have you exalted your voice and lifted up your eyes on high? [even] against the Holy One of Israel. {37:24} By your servants have you defied the Lord, and have said, With the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the innermost parts of Lebanon; and I will cut down the tall cedars there, and the choice fir-trees there; and I will enter into its highest of height, the forest of its fruitful field; {37:25} I have dug and drunk water, and with the sole of my feet will I dry up all the rivers of Egypt. {37:26} Have you not heard how I have done it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? now have I brought it to pass, that it should be your to lay waste fortified cities into ruinous heaps. {37:27} Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were dismayed and confounded; they were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, and as a field [of grain] before it is grown up. {37:28} But I know your sitting down, and your going out, and your coming in, and your raging against me. {37:29} Because of your raging against me, and because your arrogance is come up into mine ears, therefore will I put my hook in your nose, and my bridle in your lips, and I will turn you back by the way by which you came. {37:30} And this shall be the sign unto you: you shall eat this year that which grows of itself, and in the second year that which springs of the same; and in the third year sow you, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit there. {37:31} And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward. {37:32} For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and out of mount Zion they that shall escape. The zeal of Yahweh of hosts will perform this. {37:33} Therefore thus said Yahweh concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come unto this city, nor shoot an arrow there, neither shall he come before it with shield, nor cast up a mound against it. {37:34} By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and he shall not come unto this city, said Yahweh. {37:35} For I will defend this city to save it, for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake. {37:36} And the messenger of Yahweh went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and eighty five thousand; and when men arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies. {37:37} So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and lived at Nineveh. {37:38} And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Ararat. And Esar-haddon his son reigned in his stead.

{O23}38} Isaiah Chapter Thirty Eight. {38:1} In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus said Yahweh, Set your house in order; for you shall die, and not live. {38:2} Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto Yahweh, {38:3} and said, Remember now, O Yahweh, I ask you, how I have walked before you in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in your sight. And Hezekiah wept sore. {38:4} Then came the word of Yahweh to Isaiah, saying, {38:5} Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus said Yahweh, the God of David your father, I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears: behold, I will add unto your days fifteen years. {38:6}

And I will deliver you and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city. {38:7} And this shall be the sign unto you from Yahweh, that Yahweh will do this thing that he has spoken: {38:8} behold, I will cause the shadow on the steps, which is gone down on the dial of Ahaz with the sun, to return backward ten steps. So the sun returned ten steps on the dial whereon it was gone down. {38:9} The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and was recovered of his sickness. {38:10} I said, In the noontide of my days I shall go into the gates of Sheol: I am deprived of the residue of my years. {38:11} I said, I shall not see Yahweh, [even] Yahweh in the land of the living: I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants of the world. {38:12} My dwelling is removed, and is carried away from me as a shepherd's tent: I have rolled up, like a weaver, my life; he will cut me off from the loom: From day even to night will you make an end of me. {38:13} I quieted [myself] until morning; as a lion, so he breaks all my bones: From day even to night will you make an end of me. {38:14} Like a swallow [or] a crane, so did I chatter; I did moan as a dove; mine eyes fail [with looking] upward: O Lord, I am oppressed, be you my guarentee. {38:15} What shall I say? he has both spoken unto me, and himself has done it: I shall go softly all my years because of the bitterness of my soul. {38:16} O Lord, by these things men live; And wholly therein is the life of my spirit: Therefore recover you me, and make me to live. {38:17} Behold, [it was] for [my] peace [that] I had great bitterness: But you have in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption; For you have cast all my sins behind your back. {38:18} For Sheol cannot praise you, death cannot celebrate you: They that go down into the pit cannot hope for your truth. {38:19} The living, the living, he shall praise you, as I do this day: The father to the children shall make known your truth. {38:20} Yahweh is [ready] to save me: Therefore we will sing my songs with stringed instruments All the days of our life in the house of Yahweh. {38:21} Now Isaiah had said, Let them take a cake of figs, and lay it for a plaster upon the boil, and he shall recover. {38:22} Hezekiah also had said, What is the sign that I shall go up to the house of Yahweh?

{O23}39} Isaiah Chapter Thirty Nine. {39:1} At that time Marduk-Baladan the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah; for he heard that he had been sick, and was recovered. {39:2} And Hezekiah was glad of them, and showed them the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious oil, and all the house of his armor, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah showed them not. {39:3} Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? and from where came they unto you? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country unto me, even from Babylon. {39:4} Then said he, What have they seen in your house? And Hezekiah answered, All that is in my house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not showed them. {39:5} Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, Hear the word of Yahweh of hosts: {39:6} Behold, the days are coming, when all that is in your house, and that which your fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, said Yahweh. {39:7} And of your sons that shall issue from you, whom you shall beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon. {39:8} Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, Good is the word of Yahweh which you have spoken. He said furthermore, For there shall be peace and truth in my days.

{O23}40} Isaiah Chapter Forty. {40:1} Comfort you, comfort you my people, said your God. {40:2} Speak you comfortably to Jerusalem; and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her works against law is pardoned, that she has received of Yahweh's hand double for all her sins. {40:3} The voice of one that cries, Prepare you in the wilderness the way of Yahweh; make level in the desert a highway for our God. {40:4} Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the uneven shall be made level, and the rough places a plain: {40:5} and the glory of Yahweh shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of Yahweh has spoken it. {40:6} The voice of one saying, Cry. And one said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodness of it is as the flower of the field.

{40:7} The grass withers, the flower fades, because the breath of Yahweh blows upon it; surely the people is grass. {40:8} The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God shall stand forever. {40:9} O you that tell good tidings to Zion, get you up on a high mountain; O you that tell good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold, your God! {40:10} Behold, the Lord Yahweh will come as a mighty one, and his arm will rule for him: Behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. {40:11} He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will gather the lambs in his arm, and carry them in his bosom, [and] will gently lead those that have their young. {40:12} Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance? {40:13} Who has directed the Spirit of Yahweh, or being his counselor has taught him? {40:14} With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed to him the way of understanding? {40:15} Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are accounted as the small dust of the balance: Behold, he takes up the isles as a very little thing. {40:16} And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts of it sufficient for a burnt-offering. {40:17} All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing, and vanity. {40:18} To whom then will you liken God? or what likeness will you compare unto him? {40:19} The image, a workman has cast [it], and the goldsmith overlay it with gold, and cast [for it] silver chains. {40:20} He that is too impoverished for [such] an oblation choose a tree that will not rot; he seeks unto him a skilful workman to set up a graven image, that shall not be moved. {40:21} Have you not known? have yet not heard? has it not been told you from the beginning? have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? {40:22} [It is] he that sits above the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants of it are as grasshoppers; that stretches out the heavens as a curtain, and spreads them out as a tent to dwell in; {40:23} that brings princes to nothing; that makes the judges of the earth as vanity. {40:24} behold, they have not been planted; behold, they have not been sown; behold, their stock has not taken root in the earth: furthermore he blows upon them, and they wither, and the whirlwind takes them away as stubble. {40:25} To whom then will you liken me, that I should be equal [to him]? said the Holy One. {40:26} Lift up your eyes on high, and see who has created these, that brings out their host by number; he calls them all by name; by the greatness of his might, and for that he is strong in power, not one is lacking. {40:27} Why say you, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, My way is hid from Yahweh, and the justice [due] to me is passed away from my God? {40:28} Have you not known? have you not heard? The everlasting God, Yahweh, the Creator of the ends of the earth, faints not, neither is weary; there is no searching of his understanding. {40:29} He gives power to the faint; and to him that has no might he increases strength. {40:30} Even the young shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: {40:31} but they that wait for Yahweh shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint.

{O23}41} Isaiah Chapter Forty One. {41:1} Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the peoples renew their strength: let them come near; then let them speak; let us come near together to judgment. {41:2} Who has raised up one from the east, whom he calls in good works to his foot? he gives nations before him, and makes him rule over kings; he gives them as the dust to his sword, as the driven stubble to his bow. {41:3} He pursues them, and passes on safely, even by a way that he had not gone with his feet. {41:4} Who has wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I, Yahweh, the first, and with the last, I am he. {41:5} The isles have seen, and fear; the ends of the earth tremble; they draw near, and come. {41:6} They help everyone his neighbor; and [every one] said to his brother, Be of good courage. {41:7} So the carpenter encourages the goldsmith, [and] he that smoothes with the hammer him that smites anvil, saying of the soldering, It is good; and he fastens it with nails, that it should not be moved. {41:8} But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend, {41:9} you whom I have taken hold of from the ends of the earth, and called from the corners

there, and said unto you, you are my servant, I have chosen you and not cast you away; {41:10} Fear you not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you; behold, I will help you; behold, I will uphold you with the right hand of my good works. {41:11} Behold, all they that are incensed against you shall be put to shame and confounded: they that strive with you shall be as nothing, and shall perish. {41:12} you shall seek them, and shall not find them, even them that contend with you: they that war against you shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nothing. {41:13} For I, Yahweh your God, will hold your right hand, saying unto you, Fear not; I will help you. {41:14} Fear not, you worm Jacob, and you men of Israel; I will help you, said Yahweh, and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel. {41:15} Behold, I have made you [to be] a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth; you shall thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shall make the hills as chaff. {41:16} you shall winnow them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them; and you shall rejoice in Yahweh, you shall glory in the Holy One of Israel. {41:17} The poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue fails for thirst; I, Yahweh, will answer them, I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them. {41:18} I will open rivers on the bare heights, and fountains in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water. {41:19} I will put in the wilderness the cedar, the acacia, and the myrtle, and the oil-tree; I will set in the desert the fir-tree, the pine, and the box-tree together: {41:20} that they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of Yahweh has done this, and the Holy One of Israel has created it. {41:21} Produce your cause, said Yahweh; bring forth your strong reasons, said the King of Jacob. {41:22} Let them bring forth, and declare unto us what shall happen: declare you the former things, what they are, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or show us things to come. {41:23} Declare the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that you are gods: behold, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold it together. {41:24} Behold, you are of nothing, and your work is of nothing; an abomination is he that chooses you. {41:25} I have raised up one from the north, and he is come; from the rising of the sun one that calls upon my name: and he shall come upon rulers as upon mortar, and as the potter treads clay. {41:26} Who has declared it from the beginning, that we may know? and before, that we may say, [He is] right? behold, there is none that declares, behold, there is none that shows, behold, there is none that hears your words. {41:27} [I am the] first [that said] unto Zion, Behold, behold them; and I will give to Jerusalem one that brings good tidings. {41:28} And when I look, there is no man: even among them there is no counselor, that, when I ask of them, can answer a word. {41:29} Behold, all of them, their works are vanity [and] nothing; their molten images are wind and confusion.

{O23}42} Isaiah Chapter Forty Two. {42:1} Behold, my servant, whom I uphold; my chosen, in whom my soul delights: I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the Nations. {42:2} He will not cry, nor lift up his voice, nor cause it to be heard in the street. {42:3} A bruised reed will he not break, and a dimly burning wick will he not quench: he will bring forth justice in truth. {42:4} He will not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set justice in the earth; and the isles shall wait for his law. {42:5} Thus said God Yahweh, he that created the heavens, and stretched them forth; he that spread abroad the earth and that which comes out of it; he that gives breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: {42:6} I, Yahweh, have called you in good works, and will hold your hand, and will keep you, and give you for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Nations; {42:7} to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison-house. {42:8} I am Yahweh, that is my name; and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise unto graven images. {42:9} Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them. {42:10} Sing unto Yahweh a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth; you that go down to the sea, and all that is therein, the isles, and the inhabitants there. {42:11} Let the wilderness and the cities of it lift up [their voice], the villages that Kedar does inhabit; let the inhabitants of Sela sing, let them shout from the top of the

mountains. {42:12} Let them give glory unto Yahweh, and declare his praise in the islands. {42:13} Yahweh will go forth as a mighty man; he will stir up [his] zeal like a man of war: he will cry, behold, he will shout aloud; he will do mightily against his enemies. {42:14} I have long time held my peace; I have been still, and refrained myself: [now] will I cry out like a travailing woman; I will gasp and pant together. {42:15} I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and will dry up the pools. {42:16} And I will bring the blind by a way that they know not; in paths that they know not will I lead them; I will make darkness light before them, and crooked places straight. These things will I do, and I will not forsake them. {42:17} They shall be turned back, they shall be utterly put to shame, that trust in graven images, that say unto molten images, you are our gods. {42:18} Hear, you deaf; and look, you blind, that you may see. {42:19} Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I send? who is blind as he that is at peace [with me], and blind as Yahweh's servant? {42:20} you see many things, but you observe not; his ears are open, but he hears not. {42:21} It pleased Yahweh, for his good works' sake, to magnify the law, and make it honorable. {42:22} But this is a people robbed and plundered; they are all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison-houses: they are for a prey, and none delivers; for a spoil, and none said, Restore. {42:23} Who is there among you that will give ear to this? that will hear and hear for the time to come? {42:24} Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not Yahweh? he against whom we have sinned, and in whose ways they would not walk, neither were they obedient unto his law. {42:25} Therefore he poured upon him the fierceness of his anger, and the strength of battle; and it set him on fire round about, yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid it not to heart.

{O23}43} Isaiah Chapter FortyThree. {43:1} But now thus said Yahweh that created you, O Jacob, and he that formed you, O Israel: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name, you are mine. {43:2} When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you: when you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, neither shall the flame kindle upon you. {43:3} For I am Yahweh your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I have given Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in your stead. {43:4} Since you have been precious in my sight, [and] honorable, and I have agape loved you; therefore will I give men in your stead, and peoples instead of your life. {43:5} Fear not; for I am with you: I will bring your seed from the east, and gather you from the west; {43:6} I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back; bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the end of the earth; {43:7} everyone that is called by my name, and whom I have created for my glory, whom I have formed, behold, whom I have made. {43:8} Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears. {43:9} Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the peoples be assembled: who among them can declare this, and show us former things? let them bring their witnesses, that they may be justified; or let them hear, and say, It is truth. {43:10} you are my witnesses, said Yahweh, and my servant whom I have chosen; that you may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. {43:11} I, even I, am Yahweh; and besides me there is no savior. {43:12} I have declared, and I have saved, and I have showed; and there was no strange [god] among you: therefore you are my witnesses, said Yahweh, and I am God. {43:13} behold, since the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who can hinder it? {43:14} Thus said Yahweh, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and I will bring down all of them as fugitives, even the Chaldeans, in the ships of their rejoicing. {43:15} I am Yahweh, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your King. {43:16} Thus said Yahweh, who makes a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters; {43:17} who brings forth the chariot and horse, the army and the mighty man (they lie down together, they shall not rise; they are extinct, they are quenched as a wick): {43:18} Remember you not the former things, neither consider the things of old. {43:19} Behold, I will do a new thing; now shall it spring forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. {43:20} The beasts of the field shall honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; because I

give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen, {43:21} the people which I formed for myself, that they might set forth my praise. {43:22} yet you have not called upon me, O Jacob; but you have been weary of me, O Israel. {43:23} you have not brought me of your sheep for burnt-offerings; neither have you honored me with your sacrifices. I have not burdened you with offerings, nor wearied you with frankincense. {43:24} you have bought me no sweet cane with money, neither have you filled me with the fat of your sacrifices; but you have burdened me with your sins, you have wearied me with your iniquities. {43:25} I, even I, am he that blots out your transgression of the law for mine own sake; and I will not remember your sins. {43:26} Put me in remembrance; let us plead together: set you forth [your cause], that you may be justified. {43:27} Your first father sinned, and your teachers have transgressed against me. {43:28} Therefore I will profane the princes of the sanctuary; and I will make Jacob woe, and Israel a reviling.

{023}44} Isaiah Chapter FortyFour. {44:1} yet now hear, O Jacob my servant, and Israel, who I have chosen: {44:2} Thus said Yahweh that made you, and formed you from the womb, who will help you: Fear not, O Jacob my servant; and you, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. {44:3} For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and streams upon the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your seed, and my blessing upon your offspring: {44:4} and they shall spring up among the grass, as willows by the watercourses. {44:5} One shall say, I am Yahweh's; and another shall call [himself] by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto Yahweh, and surname [himself] by the name of Israel. {44:6} Thus said Yahweh, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, Yahweh of hosts: I am the first, and I am the last; and besides me there is no God. {44:7} And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I established the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and that shall come to pass, let them declare. {44:8} Fear you not, neither be afraid: have I not declared unto you of old, and showed it? and you are my witnesses. Is there a God besides me? behold, there is no Rock; I know not any. {44:9} They that fashion a graven image are all of them vanity; and the things that they delight in shall not profit; and their own witnesses see not, nor know: that they may be put to shame. {44:10} Who has fashioned a god, or molten an image that is profitable for nothing? {44:11} Behold, all his fellows shall be put to shame; and the workmen, they are of men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; they shall fear, they shall be put to shame together. {44:12} The smith [makes] an axe, and works in the coals, and fashions it with hammers, and works it with his strong arm: behold, he is hungry, and his strength fails; he drinks no water, and is faint. {44:13} The carpenter stretches out a line; he marks it out with a pencil; he shapes it with planes, and he marks it out with the compass, and shapes it after the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man, to dwell in a house. {44:14} He hews him down cedars, and takes the holm-tree and the oak, and strengthens for himself one among the trees of the forest: he plants a fir-tree, and the rain does nourish it. {44:15} Then shall it be for a man to burn; and he takes there, and warms himself; behold, he kindles it, and bakes bread: behold, he makes a god, and worships it; he makes it a graven image, and falls down there. {44:16} He burns a part of it in the fire; with part of it he eats flesh; he roasts a roast, and is satisfied; behold, he warms himself, and said, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire. {44:17} And the residue of it he makes a god, even his graven image; he falls down unto it and worships, and prays unto it, and says, Deliver me; for you are my god. {44:18} They know not, neither do they consider: for he has shut their eyes, that they cannot see; and their hearts, that they cannot understand. {44:19} And none calls to mind, neither is there knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; behold, also I have baked bread upon the coals there; I have roasted flesh and eaten it: and shall I make the residue of it an abomination? shall I fall down to the stock of a tree? {44:20} He feeds on ashes; a deceived heart has turned him aside; and he cannot deliver his soul, nor say, Is there not a lie in my right hand? {44:21} Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel; for you are my servant: I have formed you; you are my servant: O Israel, you shall not be forgotten of me. {44:22} I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, your transgression of the law, and, as a cloud, your sins: return unto me; for I have

redeemed you. {44:23} Sing, O you heavens, for Yahweh has done it; shout, you lower parts of the earth; break forth into singing, you mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for Yahweh has redeemed Jacob, and will glorify himself in Israel. {44:24} Thus said Yahweh, your Redeemer, and he that formed you from the womb: I am Yahweh, that makes all things; that stretches forth the heavens alone; that spreads abroad the earth (who is with me?); {44:25} that frustrates the signs of the liars, and makes diviners mad; that turns wise men backward, and makes their knowledge foolish; {44:26} that confirms the word of his servant, and performs the counsel of his messengers; that said of Jerusalem, She shall be inhabited; and of the cities of Judah, They shall be built, and I will raise up the waste places there; {44:27} that said to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up your rivers; {44:28} That said of Cyrus, [He is] my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure, even saying of Jerusalem, She shall be built; and of the temple, Your foundation shall be laid.

{O23}45} Isaiah Chapter Forty-Five. {45:1} Thus said Yahweh to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have held, to subdue nations before him, and I will loose the loins of kings; to open the doors before him, and the gates shall not be shut: {45:2} I will go before you, and make the rough places smooth; I will break in pieces the doors of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron; {45:3} and I will give you the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that it is I, Yahweh, who call you by your name, even the God of Israel. {45:4} For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel my chosen, I have called you by your name: I have surnamed you, though you have not known me. {45:5} I am Yahweh, and there is none else; besides me there is no God. I will gird you, though you have not known me; {45:6} that they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none besides me: I am Yahweh, and there is none else. {45:7} I form the light, and I made the dark; I make peace, and create evil. I am Yahweh, that does all these things. {45:8} Distil, you heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down good works: let the earth open, that it may bring forth salvation, and let it cause good works to spring up together; I, Yahweh, have created it. {45:9} Woe unto him that strives with his Maker! a potsherd among the potsherds of the earth! shall the clay say to him that fashions it, What makes you? or your work, He has no hands? {45:10} Woe unto him that said unto a father, What begets you? or to a woman, With what travails you? {45:11} Thus said Yahweh, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker: Ask me of the things that are to come; concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands, command you me. {45:12} I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens; and all their host have I commanded. {45:13} I have raised him up in good works, and I will make straight all his ways: he shall build my city, and he shall let my exiles go free, not for price nor reward, said Yahweh of hosts. {45:14} Thus said Yahweh, The labor of Egypt, and the merchandise of Ethiopia, and the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto you, and they shall be your: they shall go after you, in chains they shall come over; and they shall fall down unto you, they shall make supplication unto you, [saying], Surely God is in you; and there is none else, there is no God. {45:15} Verily you are a God that hides yourself, O God of Israel, the Savior. {45:16} They shall be put to shame, behold, confounded, all of them; they shall go into confusion together that are makers of idols. {45:17} [But] Israel shall be saved by Yahweh with an everlasting salvation: you shall not be put to shame nor confounded world outside end. {45:18} For thus said Yahweh that created the heavens, the God that formed the earth and made it, that established it and created it not a waste, that formed it to be inhabited: I am Yahweh; and there is none else. {45:19} I have not spoken in secret, in a place of the land of darkness; I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek you me in vain: I, Yahweh, speak good works, I declare things that are right. {45:20} Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, you that are escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that carry the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save. {45:21} Declare you, and bring [it] forth; behold, let them take counsel together: who has showed this from ancient time? who has declared it of old? have not I, Yahweh? and there is no God else besides me, a just God and a Savior; there is none besides me. {45:22} Look unto me, and be you

saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is none else. {45:23} By myself have I sworn, the word is gone forth from my mouth [in] good works, and shall not return, that unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. {45:24} Only in Yahweh, it is said of me, is good works and strength; even to him shall men come; and all they that were incensed against him shall be put to shame. {45:25} In Yahweh shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

{O23}46} Isaiah Chapter FortySix. {46:1} Bel bows down, Nebo stoops; their idols are upon the beasts, and upon the cattle: the things that you carried about are made a load, a burden to the weary [beast]. {46:2} They stoop, they bow down together; they could not deliver the burden, but themselves are gone into captivity. {46:3} Hear unto me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, that have been borne [by me] from their birth, that have been carried from the womb; {46:4} and even to old age I am he, and even to hoar hairs will I carry [you]; I have made, and I will bear; behold, I will carry, and will deliver. {46:5} To whom will you like me, and make me equal, and compare me, that we may be like? {46:6} Such as lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver in the balance, they hire a goldsmith, and he makes it a god; they fall down, behold, they worship. {46:7} They bear it upon the shoulder, they carry it, and set it in its place, and it stands, from its place shall it not remove: behold, one may cry unto it, yet can it not answer, nor save him out of his trouble. {46:8} Remember this, and show yourselves men; bring it again to mind, O you transgressors. {46:9} Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; [I am] God, and there is none like me; {46:10} declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not [yet] done; saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure; {46:11} calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man of my counsel from a far country; behold, I have spoken, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed, I will also do it. {46:12} Hear unto me, you stout-hearted, that are far from good works: {46:13} I bring near my good works, it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry; and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel my glory.

{O23}47} Chapter FortySeven. {47:1} Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon; sit on the ground outside a throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for you shall no more be called tender and delicate. {47:2} Take the millstones, and grind meal; remove your veil, strip off the train, uncover the leg, pass through the rivers. {47:3} Your nakedness shall be uncovered, behold, your shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and will spare no man. {47:4} Our Redeemer, Yahweh of hosts is his name, the Holy One of Israel. {47:5} Sit you silent, and get you into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans; for you shall no more be called The mistress of kingdoms. {47:6} I was angry with my people, I profaned mine inheritance, and gave them into your hand: you did show them no mercy; upon the aged have you very heavily laid your yoke. {47:7} And you said, I shall be mistress forever; so that you did not lay these things to your heart, neither did remember the latter end there. {47:8} Now therefore hear this, you that are given to pleasures, that sits securely, that says in your heart, I am, and there is none else besides me; I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children: {47:9} but these two things shall come to you in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood; in their full measure shall they come upon you, in the multitude of your sorceries, and the great abundance of your enchantments. {47:10} For you have trusted in your wickedness; you have said, None sees me; your wisdom and your knowledge, it has perverted you, and you have said in your heart, I am, and there is none else besides me. {47:11} Therefore shall evil come upon you; you shall not know the dawning there: and mischief shall fall upon you; you shall not be able to put it away: and desolation shall come upon you suddenly, which you know not. {47:12} Stand now with your enchantments, and with the multitude of your sorceries, wherein you have labored from your yet; if so be you shall be able to profit, if so be you may prevail. {47:13} you are wearied in the multitude of your counsels: let now the astrologers, the star-gazers, the moon prognosticators, stand up, and save you from the things that shall come upon you. {47:14} Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from

the power of the flame: it shall not be a coal to warm at, nor a fire to sit before. {47:15} Thus shall the things be unto you wherein you have labored: they that have trafficked with you from your youth shall wander everyone to his quarter; there shall be none to save you.

{O23}48} Isaiah Chapter FortyEight. {48:1} Hear you this, O house of Jacob, who are called by the name of Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah; who swear by the name of Yahweh, and make mention of the God of Israel, but not in truth, nor in good works {48:2} (for they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the God of Israel; Yahweh of hosts is his name): {48:3} I have declared the former things from of old; behold, they went forth out of my mouth, and I showed them: suddenly I did them, and they came to pass. {48:4} Because I knew that you are obstinate, and your neck is an iron sinew, and your brow brass; {48:5} therefore I have declared it to you from of old; before it came to pass I showed it you; lest you should say, Mine idol has done them, and my graven image, and my molten image, has commanded them. {48:6} you have heard it; behold all this; and you, will you not declare it? I have showed you new things from this time, even hidden things, which you have not known. {48:7} They are created now, and not from of old; and before this day you heard them not; lest you should say, Behold, I knew them. {48:8} behold, you heard not; behold, you knew not; behold, from of old your ear was not opened: for I knew that you did deal very treacherously, and was called a transgressor from the womb. {48:9} For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for you, that I cut you not off. {48:10} Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have chosen you in the furnace of affliction. {48:11} For mine own sake, for mine own sake, will I do it; for how should [my name] be profaned? and my glory will I not give to another. {48:12} Hear unto me, O Jacob, and Israel my called: I am he; I am the first, I also am the last. {48:13} behold, my hand has laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand has spread out the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together. {48:14} Assemble yourselves, all you, and hear; who among them has declared these things? He whom Yahweh agape loves shall perform his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm [shall be on] the Chaldeans. {48:15} I, even I, have spoken; behold, I have called him; I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous. {48:16} Come you near unto me, hear you this; from the beginning I have not spoken in secret; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord Yahweh has sent me, and his Spirit. {48:17} Thus said Yahweh, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: I am Yahweh your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you by the way that you should go. {48:18} Oh that you had heard my commandments! then had your peace been as a river, and your good works as the waves of the sea: {48:19} your seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of your bowels like the grains there: his name would not be cut off nor destroyed from before me. {48:20} Go you forth from Babylon, flee you from the Chaldeans; with a voice of singing declare you, tell this, utter it even to the end of the earth: say you, Yahweh has redeemed his servant Jacob. {48:21} And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts; he caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them; he clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out. {48:22} There is no peace, said Yahweh, to the wicked.

{O23}49} Isaiah Chapter FortyNine. {49:1} Listen, O isles, unto me; and hear, you peoples, from far: Yahweh has called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother has he made mention of my name: {49:2} and he has made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand has he hid me: and he has made me a polished shaft; in his quiver has he kept me close: {49:3} and he said unto me, you are my servant; Israel, in whom I will be glorified. {49:4} But I said, I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely the justice [due] to me is with Yahweh, and my recompense with my God. {49:5} And now said Yahweh that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, and that Israel be gathered unto him (for I am honorable in the eyes of Yahweh, and my God is become my strength); {49:6} behold, he said, It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give you for a light to the Nations, that you may be my salvation unto the end of the earth. {49:7} Thus said Yahweh, the

Redeemer of Israel, [and] his Holy One, to him whom man despises, to him whom the nation abhorred, to a servant of rulers: Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall worship; because of Yahweh that is faithful, [even] the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you. {49:8} Thus said Yahweh, In an acceptable time have I answered you, and in a day of salvation have I helped you; and I will preserve you, and give you for a covenant of the people, to raise up the land, to make them inherit the desolate heritages: {49:9} saying to them that are bound, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Show yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and on all bare heights shall be their pasture. {49:10} They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that has mercy on them will lead them, even by springs of water will he guide them. {49:11} And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted. {49:12} Lo, these shall come from far; and, lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim. {49:13} Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for Yahweh has comforted his people, and will have compassion upon his afflicted. {49:14} But Zion said, Yahweh has forsaken me, and the Lord has forgotten me. {49:15} Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? behold, these may forget, yet will not I forget you. {49:16} Behold, I have graven you upon the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me. {49:17} Your children make haste; your destroyers and they that made you waste shall go forth from you. {49:18} Lift up your eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, and come to you. As I live, said Yahweh, you shall surely clothe you with them all as with an ornament, and gird yourself with them, like a bride. {49:19} For, as for your waste and your desolate places, and your land that has been destroyed, surely now shall you be too strait for the inhabitants, and they that swallowed you up shall be far away. {49:20} The children of your bereavement shall yet say in your ears, The place is too strait for me; give place to me that I may dwell. {49:21} Then shall you say in your heart, Who has begotten me these, seeing I have been bereaved of my children, and am solitary, an exile, and wandering to and fro? and who has brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where were they? {49:22} Thus said the Lord Yahweh, Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations, and set up my ensign to the peoples; and they shall bring your sons in their bosom, and your daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders. {49:23} And kings shall be your nursing fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers: they shall bow down to you with their faces to the earth, and lick the dust of your feet; and you shall know that I am Yahweh; and they that wait for me shall not be put to shame. {49:24} shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captives be delivered? {49:25} But thus said Yahweh, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered; for I will contend with him that contends with you, and I will save your children. {49:26} And I will feed them that oppress you with their own flesh; and they shall be drunk with their own blood, as with sweet wine: and all flesh shall know that I, Yahweh, am your Savior, and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.

{O23}50} Isaiah Chapter Fifty. {50:1} Thus said Yahweh, Where is the bill of your mother's divorcement, by which I have put her away? or which of my creditors is it to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities were you sold, and for your transgression of the law was your mother put away. {50:2} Therefore, when I came, was there no man? when I called, was there none to answer? Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver? Behold, at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stink, because there is no water, and die for thirst. {50:3} I clothe the heavens with blackness, and I make sackcloth their covering. {50:4} The Lord Yahweh has given me the tongue of them that are taught, that I may know how to sustain with words him that is weary: he wakes morning by morning, he wakes mine ear to hear as they that are taught. {50:5} The Lord Yahweh has opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away backward. {50:6} I gave my back to those who beat me, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair; I hid not my face from shame and spitting. {50:7} For the Lord Yahweh will help me; therefore have I not been confounded:

therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. {50:8} He is near that justifies me; who will content with me? let us stand up together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me. {50:9} Behold, the Lord Yahweh will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? behold, all they shall wax old as a garment, the moth shall eat them up. {50:10} Who is among you that fears Yahweh, that obeys the voice of his servant? he that walks in darkness, and has no light, let him trust in the name of Yahweh, and rely upon his God. {50:11} Behold, all you that kindle a fire, that gird yourselves about with firebrands; walk you in the flame of your fire, and among the brands that you have kindled. This shall you have of my hand; you shall lie down in sorrow.

{O23}51} Isaiah Chapter FiftyOne. {51:1} Hear to me, you that follow after good works, you that seek Yahweh: look unto the rock where you were hewn, and to the hold of the pit where you were dug. {51:2} Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you; for when he was but one I called him, and I blessed him, and made him many. {51:3} For Yahweh has comforted Zion; he has comforted all her waste places, and has made her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of Yahweh; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody. {51:4} Attend unto me, O my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: for a law shall go forth from me, and I will establish my justice for a light of the peoples. {51:5} My good works is near, my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the peoples; the isles shall wait for me, and on mine arm shall they trust. {51:6} Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath; for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment; and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be forever, and my good works shall not be abolished. {51:7} Hear unto me, you that know good works, the people in whose heart is my law; fear you not the reproach of men, neither be you dismayed at their reviling. {51:8} For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool; but my good works shall be forever, and my salvation unto all generations. {51:9} Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of Yahweh; awake, as in the days of old, the generations of ancient times. Is it not you that did cut Rahab in pieces, that did pierce the monster? {51:10} Is it not you that dried up the sea, the waters of the great deep; that made the depths of the sea a way for the redeemed to pass over? {51:11} And the ransomed of Yahweh shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads: they shall obtain gladness and joy; [and] sorrow and sighing shall flee away. {51:12} I, even I, am he that comforts you: who are you, that you are afraid of man that shall die, and of the son of man that shall be made as grass; {51:13} and have forgotten Yahweh your Maker, that stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and fear continually all the day because of the fury of the oppressor, when he make-ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor? {51:14} The captive exile shall speedily be loosed; and he shall not die [and go down] into the pit, neither shall his bread fail. {51:15} For I am Yahweh your God, who stirs up the sea, so that the waves of it roars: Yahweh of hosts is his name. {51:16} And I have put my words in your mouth, and have covered you in the shadow of my hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, you are my people. {51:17} Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, that have drunk at the hand of Yahweh the cup of his Anger; you have drunk the bowl of the cup of staggering, and drained it. {51:18} There is none to guide her among all the sons whom she has brought forth; neither is there any that takes her by the hand among all the sons that she has brought up. {51:19} These two things are befallen you, who shall bemoan you? desolation and destruction, and the famine and the sword; how shall I comfort you? {51:20} Your sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, as an antelope in a net; they are full of the Anger of Yahweh, the rebuke of your God. {51:21} Therefore hear now this, you afflicted, and drunk, but now with wine: {51:22} Thus said your Lord Yahweh, and your God that pleads the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken out of your hand the cup of staggering, even the bowl of the cup of my Anger; you shall no more drink it again: {51:23} and I will put it into the

hand of them that afflict you, that have said to your soul, Bow down, that we may go over; and you have laid your back as the ground, and as the street, to them that go over.

{O23}52} Isaiah Chapter FiftyTwo. {52:1} Awake, awake, put on your strength, O Zion; put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for from here on there shall no more come into you the uncircumcised and the unclean. {52:2} Shake yourself from the dust; arise, sit [on your throne], O Jerusalem: loose yourself from the bonds of your neck, O captive daughter of Zion. {52:3} For thus said Yahweh, you were sold for nothing; and you shall be redeemed outside money. {52:4} For thus said the Lord Yahweh, My people went down at the first into Egypt to sojourn there: and the Assyrian has oppressed them outside cause. {52:5} Now therefore, what do I here, said Yahweh, seeing that my people is taken away for nothing? they that rule over them do howl, said Yahweh, and my name continually all the day is blasphemed. {52:6} Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore [they shall know] in that day that I am he that does speak; behold, it is I. {52:7} How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that brings good tidings, that publishes peace, that brings good tidings of good, that publishes salvation, that said unto Zion, Your God reigns! {52:8} The voice of your watchmen! they lift up the voice, together do they sing; for they shall see eye to eye, when Yahweh returns to Zion. {52:9} Break forth into joy, sing together, you waste places of Jerusalem; for Yahweh has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. {52:10} Yahweh has made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. {52:11} Depart you, depart you, go you out from there, touch no unclean thing; go you out of the midst of her; cleanse yourselves, you that bear the vessels of Yahweh. {52:12} For you shall not go out in haste, neither shall you go by flight: for Yahweh will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your rearward.

{O23}53} Isaiah Chapter FiftyThree. {53:1} Behold, my servant shall deal wisely, he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. {53:2} Like as many were astonished at you (his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men), {53:3} so shall he sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths at him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they understand. {53:4} Who has believed our message? and to whom has the arm of Yahweh been revealed? {53:5} For he grew up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he has no form nor comeliness; and when we see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. {53:6} He was despised, and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and as one from whom men hide their face he was despised; and we esteemed him not. {53:7} Surely he has borne our grief's, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. {53:8} But he was wounded for our transgression of the law, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. {53:9} All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and Yahweh has laid on him the works against law of us all. {53:10} He was oppressed, yet when he was afflicted he opened not his mouth; as a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep that before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth. {53:11} By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who [among them] considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of the law of my people to whom the stroke [was due]? {53:12} And they made his grave with the wicked, and with a rich man in his death; although he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. {53:13} yet it pleased Yahweh to bruise him; he has put him to grief: when you shall make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see [his] seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of Yahweh shall prosper in his hand. {53:14} He shall see of the travail of his soul, [and] shall be satisfied: by the knowledge of himself shall my righteous servant justify many; and he shall bear their iniquities. {53:15} Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out his

soul unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors: yet he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

{O23}54} Isaiah Chapter FiftyFour. {54:1} Sing, O barren, you that did not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, you that did not travail with child: for more are the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, said Yahweh. {54:2} Enlarge the place of your tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of your habitations; spare not: lengthen your cords, and strengthen your stakes. {54:3} For you shall spread aboard on the right hand and on the left; and your seed shall possess the nations, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited. {54:4} Fear not; for you shall not be ashamed: neither be you confounded; for you shall not be put to shame: for you shall forget the shame of your youth; and the reproach of your widowhood shall you remember no more. {54:5} For your Maker is your husband; Yahweh of hosts is his name: and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer; the God of the whole earth shall he be called. {54:6} For Yahweh has called you as a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, even a wife of youth, when she is cast off, said your God. {54:7} For a small moment have I forsaken you; but with great mercies will I gather you. {54:8} In overflowing Anger I hid my face from you for a moment; but with everlasting agape loving kindness will I have mercy on you, said Yahweh your Redeemer. {54:9} For this is [as] the waters of Noah unto me; for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah shall no more go over the earth, so have I sworn that I will not be angry with you, nor rebuke you. {54:10} For the mountains may depart, and the hills be removed; but my agape loving kindness shall not depart from you, neither shall my covenant of peace be removed, said Yahweh that has mercy on you. {54:11} O you afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted, behold, I will set your stones in fair colors, and lay your foundations with sapphires. {54:12} And I will make your pinnacles of rubies, and your gates of carbuncles, and all your border of precious stones. {54:13} And all your children shall be taught of Yahweh; and great shall be the peace of your children. {54:14} In good works shall you be established: you shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; and from terror, for it shall not come near you. {54:15} Behold, they may gather together, but not by me: anyone who shall gather together against you shall fall because of you. {54:16} Behold, I have created the smith that blows the fire of coals, and brings forth a weapon for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy. {54:17} No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of Yahweh, and their good works which is of me, said Yahweh.

{O23}55} Isaiah Chapter Fifty Five. {55:1} Ho, everyone that thirst, come you to the waters, and he that has no money; come you, buy, and eat; behold, come, buy wine and milk outside money and outside price. {55:2} Therefore do you spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfies not? hear diligently unto me, and eat you that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. {55:3} Incline your ear, and come unto me; hear, and your soul shall live: and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. {55:4} Behold, I have given him for a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander to the peoples. {55:5} Behold, you shall call a nation that you knows not; and a nation that knew not you shall run unto you, because of Yahweh your God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he has glorified you. {55:6} Seek you Yahweh while he may be found; call you upon him while he is near: {55:7} let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto Yahweh, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. {55:8} For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, said Yahweh. {55:9} For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. {55:10} For as the rain comes down and the snow from heaven, and returns not there, but waters the earth, and makes it bring forth and bud, and gives seed to the sower and bread to the eater; {55:11} so shall my word be that goes forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing where I sent it. {55:12} For you shall go out with joy, and

be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing; and all the trees of the fields shall clap their hands. {55:13} Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir-tree; and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle-tree: and it shall be to Yahweh for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

{O23}56} Isaiah Chapter Fifty Six. {56:1} Thus said Yahweh, Keep you justice, and do good works; for my salvation is near to come, and my good works to be revealed. {56:2} Blessed is the man that does this, and the son of man that holds it fast; that keeps the Sabbath from profaning it, and keeps his hand from doing any evil. {56:3} Neither let the foreigner, that has joined himself to Yahweh, speak, saying, Yahweh will surely separate me from his people; neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree. {56:4} For thus said Yahweh of the eunuchs that keep my Sabbaths, and choose the things that please me, and hold fast my covenant: {56:5} Unto them will I give in my house and within my walls a memorial and a name better than of sons and of daughters; I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off. {56:6} Also the foreigners that join themselves to Yahweh, to minister unto him, and to agape love the name of Yahweh, to be his servants, everyone that keeps the Sabbath from profaning it, and holds fast my covenant; {56:7} even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. {56:8} The Lord Yahweh, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, said, yet will I gather [others] to him, besides his own that are gathered. {56:9} All you beasts of the field, come to devour, [behold], all you beasts in the forest. {56:10} His watchmen are blind, they are all outside knowledge; they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; dreaming, lying down, loving to slumber. {56:11} behold, the dogs are greedy, they can never have enough; and these are shepherds that cannot understand: they have all turned to their own way, each one to his gain, from every quarter. {56:12} Come you, [say they], I will get wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; and to-morrow shall be as this day, [a day] great beyond measure.

{O23}57} Isaiah Chapter Fifty Seven. {57:1} The righteous perishes, and no man lays it to heart; and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil [to come]. {57:2} He enters into peace; they rest in their beds, each one that walks in his uprightness. {57:3} But draw near here, you sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the prostitute. {57:4} Against whom do you sport yourselves? against whom make you a wide mouth, and put out the tongue? are you not children of transgression of the law, a seed of falsehood, {57:5} you that inflame yourselves among the oaks, under every green tree; that slay the children in the valleys, under the clefts of the rocks? {57:6} Among the smooth [stones] of the valley is your portion; they, they are your lot; even to them have you poured a drink-offering, you have offered an oblation. shall I be appeased for these things? {57:7} Upon a high and lofty mountain have you set your bed; there you also went up to offer sacrifice. {57:8} And behind the doors and the posts have you set up your memorial: for you have uncovered [yourself] to another than me, and are gone up; you have enlarged your bed, and made you a covenant with them: you love their bed where you saw it. {57:9} And you went to the king with oil, and did increase your perfumes, and did send your ambassadors far off, and did debase yourself even unto Sheol. {57:10} you was wearied with the length of your way; yet you did not say, It is in vain: you did find a quickening of your strength; therefore you was not faint. {57:11} And of whom have you been afraid and in fear, that you lie, and have not remembered me, nor laid it to your heart? have not I held my peace even of long time, and you fear me not? {57:12} I will declare your good works; and as for your works, they shall not profit you. {57:13} When you cries, let them that you have gathered deliver you; but the wind shall take them, a breath shall carry them all away: but he that takes refuge in me shall possess the land, and shall inherit my holy mountain. {57:14} And he will say, Cast you up, cast you up, prepare the way, take up the stumbling-block out of the way of my people. {57:15} For thus said the high and lofty One that inhabit eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble

spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite. {57:16} For I will not contend forever, neither will I be always angry; for the spirit would faint before me, and the souls that I have made. {57:17} For the works against law of his covetousness was I angry, and defeated him; I hid [my face] and was angry; and he went on backsliding in the way of his heart. {57:18} I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his grievers. {57:19} I create the fruit of the lips: Peace, peace, to him that is far off and to him that is near, said Yahweh; and I will heal him. {57:20} But the wicked are like the troubled sea; for it cannot rest, and its waters cast up mire and dirt. {57:21} There is no peace, said my God, to the wicked.

{O23}58} Isaiah Chapter Fifty Eight. {58:1} Cry aloud, spare not, lift up your voice like a trumpet, and declare unto my people their transgression of the law, and to the house of Jacob their sins. {58:2} yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways: as a nation that did good works, and forsook not the ordinance of their God, they ask of me righteous judgments; they delight to draw near unto God. {58:3} Therefore have we fasted, [say they], and you see not? [Therefore] have we afflicted our soul, and you takes no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast you find [your own] pleasure, and exact all your labors. {58:4} Behold, you fast for strife and contention, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: you fast not this day so as to make your voice to be heard on high. {58:5} Is such the fast that I have chosen? the day for a man to afflict his soul? Is it to bow down his head as a rush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? will you call this a fast, and an acceptable day to Yahweh? {58:6} Is not this the fast that I have chosen: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the bands of the yoke, and to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? {58:7} Is it not to deal your bread to the hungry, and that you bring the poor that are cast out to your house? when you see the naked, that you cover him; and that you hide not yourself from your own flesh? {58:8} Then shall your light break forth as the morning, and your healing shall spring forth speedily; and your good works shall go before you; the glory of Yahweh shall be your rearward. {58:9} Then shall you call, and Yahweh will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, Here I am. If you take away from the midst of you the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking wickedly; {58:10} and if you draw out your soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul: then shall your light rise in darkness, and your obscurity be as the noonday; {58:11} and Yahweh will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in dry places, and make strong your bones; and you shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not. {58:12} And they that shall be of you shall build the old waste places; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; and you shall be called The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in. {58:13} If you turn away your foot from the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on my holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, [and] the holy of Yahweh honorable; and shall honor it, not doing your own ways, nor finding your own pleasure, nor speaking [your own] words: {58:14} then shall you delight yourself in Yahweh; and I will make you to ride upon the high places of the earth; and I will feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father: for the mouth of Yahweh has spoken it.

{O23}59} Isaiah Fifty Nine. {59:1} Behold, Yahweh's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: {59:2} but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, so that he will not hear. {59:3} For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with works against law; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue mutters wickedness. {59:4} None strives in good works, and none pleads in truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth works against law. {59:5} They hatch adders' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eats of their eggs dies; and that which is crushed breaks out into a viper. {59:6} Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of works against law, and the act of violence is in their hands. {59:7} Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of works against law; desolation and destruction are in their paths. {59:8} The way of peace they know not; and there is no justice in

their goings: they have made them crooked paths; anyone who goes therein does not know peace. {59:9} Therefore is justice far from us, neither does good works overtake us: we look for light, but, behold, darkness; for brightness, but we walk in obscurity. {59:10} We grope for the wall like the blind; behold, we grope as they that have no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the twilight; among them that are lusty we are as dead men. {59:11} We roar all like bears, and moan sore like doves: we look for justice, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us. {59:12} For our sins are multiplied before you, and our sins testify against us; for our transgression of the law are with us, and as for our lawlessness, we know them: {59:13} transgressing and denying Yahweh, and turning away from following our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. {59:14} And justice is turned away backward, and good works stands afar off; for truth is fallen in the street, and uprightness cannot enter. {59:15} behold, truth is lacking; and he that departs from evil makes himself a prey. And Yahweh saw it, and it displeased him that there was no justice. {59:16} And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore his own arm brought salvation unto him; and his good works, it upheld him. {59:17} And he put on good works as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a mantle. {59:18} According to their deeds, accordingly he will repay, Anger to his adversaries, recompense to his enemies; to the islands he will repay recompense. {59:19} So shall they fear the name of Yahweh from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun; for he will come as a rushing stream, which the breath of Yahweh drives. {59:20} And a Redeemer will come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression of the law in Jacob, said Yahweh. {59:21} And as for me, this is my covenant with them, said Yahweh: my Spirit that is upon you, and my words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, nor out of the mouth of your seed, nor out of the mouth of your seed's seed, said Yahweh, from here on and forever.

{023}60} Isaiah Chapter Sixty. {60:1} Arise, shine; for your light is come, and the glory of Yahweh is risen upon you. {60:2} For, behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the peoples; but Yahweh will arise upon you, and his glory shall be seen upon you. {60:3} And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. {60:4} Lift up your eyes round about, and see: they all gather themselves together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far, and your daughters shall be carried in the arms. {60:5} Then you shall see and be radiant, and your heart shall thrill and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned unto you, the wealth of the nations shall come unto you. {60:6} The multitude of camels shall cover you, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come; they shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praises of Yahweh. {60:7} All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto you, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto you; they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar; and I will glorify the house of my glory. {60:8} Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows? {60:9} Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring your sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, for the name of Yahweh your God, and for the Holy One of Israel, because he has glorified you. {60:10} And foreigners shall build up your walls, and their kings shall minister unto you: for in my Anger I smote you, but in my favor have I had mercy on you. {60:11} Your gates also shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto you the wealth of the nations, and their kings led captive. {60:12} For that nation and kingdom that will not serve you shall perish; behold, those nations shall be utterly wasted. {60:13} The glory of Lebanon shall come unto you, the fir-tree, the pine, and the box-tree together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious. {60:14} And the sons of them that afflicted you shall come bending unto you; and all they that despised you shall bow themselves down at the soles of your feet; and they shall call you The city of Yahweh, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. {60:15} Whereas you have been forsaken and hated, so that no man passed through you, I will make you an eternal excellency, a joy of many

generations. {60:16} you shall also suck the milk of the nations, and shall suck the breast of kings; and you shall know that I, Yahweh, am your Savior, and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob. {60:17} For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron. I will also make your officers peace, and your exactors good works. {60:18} Violence shall no more be heard in your land, desolation nor destruction within your borders; but you shall call your walls Salvation, and your gates Praise. {60:19} The sun shall be no more your light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto you: but Yahweh will be unto you an everlasting light, and your God your glory. {60:20} Your sun shall no more go down, neither shall your moon withdraw itself; for Yahweh will be your everlasting light, and the days of your grievings shall be ended. {60:21} Your people also shall be all righteous; they shall inherit the land forever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified. {60:22} The little one shall become a thousand, and the small one a strong nation; I, Yahweh, will hasten it in its time.

{O23}61} Isaiah Chapter Sixty One. {61:1} The Spirit of the Lord Yahweh is upon me; because Yahweh has anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening [of the prison] to them that are bound; {61:2} to proclaim the year of Yahweh's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that grieve; {61:3} to appoint unto them that grieve in Zion, to give unto them a garland for ashes, the oil of joy for grieving, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they may be called trees of good works, the planting of Yahweh, that he may be glorified. {61:4} And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations. {61:5} And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and foreigners shall be your plowmen and your vine-dressers. {61:6} But you shall be named the priests of Yahweh; men shall call you the ministers of our God: you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory shall you boast yourselves. {61:7} Instead of your shame [you shall have] double; and instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess double; everlasting joy shall be unto them. {61:8} For I, Yahweh, agape loves justice, I hate robbery with works against law; and I will give them their recompense in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. {61:9} And their seed shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed which Yahweh has blessed. {61:10} I will greatly rejoice in Yahweh, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of good works, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. {61:11} For as the earth brings forth its bud, and as the garden causes the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord Yahweh will cause good works and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

{O23}62} Isaiah Chapter Sixty Two. {62:1} For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her good works go forth as brightness, and her salvation as a lamp that burns. {62:2} And the nations shall see your good works, and all kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name, which the mouth of Yahweh shall name. {62:3} you shall also be a crown of beauty in the hand of Yahweh, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. {62:4} you shall no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall your land any more be termed Desolate: but you shall be called Hephzi-bah, and your land Beulah; for Yahweh delights in you, and your land shall be married. {62:5} For as a young man marries a virgin, so shall your sons marry you; and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you. {62:6} I have set watchmen upon your walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace day nor night: you that are Yahweh's remembrances, take you no rest, {62:7} and give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth. {62:8} Yahweh has sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, Surely I will no more give your grain to be food for your enemies; and foreigners shall not drink your new wine, for which you have labored: {62:9} but they that have garnered it shall eat it, and praise Yahweh; and they that have gathered it shall

drink it in the courts of my sanctuary. {62:10} Go through, go through the gates; prepare you the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up an ensign for the peoples. {62:11} Behold, Yahweh has proclaimed unto the end of the earth, Say you to the daughter of Zion, Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. {62:12} And they shall call them The holy people, The redeemed of Yahweh: and you shall be called Sought out, A city not forsaken.

{O23}63} Isaiah Chapter Sixty-Three. {63:1} Who is this that comes from Edom, with colored garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, marching in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in good works, mighty to save. {63:2} Therefore are you red in your apparel, and your garments like him that treads in the wine vat? {63:3} I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the peoples there was no man with me: behold, I trod them in mine anger, and trampled them in my Anger; and their lifeblood is sprinkled upon my garments, and I have stained all my raiment. {63:4} For the day of vengeance was in my heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. {63:5} And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my Anger, it upheld me. {63:6} And I trod down the peoples in mine anger, and made them drunk in my Anger, and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth. {63:7} I will make mention of the agape loving kindnesses of Yahweh, [and] the praises of Yahweh, according to all that Yahweh has bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he has bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his agape loving kindnesses. {63:8} For he said, Surely, they are my people, children that will not deal falsely: so he was their Savior. {63:9} In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the messenger of his presence saved them: in his agape love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. {63:10} But they rebelled, and grieved his holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, [and] himself fought against them. {63:11} Then he remembered the days of old, Moses [and] his people, [saying], Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the shepherds of his flock? where is he that put his holy Spirit in the midst of them? {63:12} that caused his glorious arm to go at the right hand of Moses? that divided the waters before them, to make himself an everlasting name? {63:13} that led them through the depths, as a horse in the wilderness, so that they stumbled not? {63:14} As the cattle that go down into the valley, the Spirit of Yahweh caused them to rest; so did you lead your people, to make yourself a glorious name. {63:15} Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of your holiness and of your glory: where are your zeal and your mighty acts? the yearning of your heart and your compassions are restrained toward me. {63:16} For you are our Father, though Abraham knows us not, and Israel does not acknowledge us: you, O Yahweh, are our Father; our Redeemer from everlasting is your name. {63:17} O Yahweh, why do you make us to err from your ways, and hardened our heart from your fear? Return for your servants' sake, the tribes of your inheritance. {63:18} Your holy people possessed [it] but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down your sanctuary. {63:19} We are become as they over whom you never barest rule, as they that were not called by your name.

{O23}64} Isaiah Chapter Sixty-Four. {64:1} Oh that you would rend the heavens, that you would come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence, {64:2} as when fire kindles the brushwood, [and] the fire causes the waters to boil; to make your name known to your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at your presence! {64:3} When you did terrible things which we looked not for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. {64:4} For from of old men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither has the eye seen a God besides you, who works for him that waits for him. {64:5} you meet him that rejoices and works good works, those that remember you in your ways: behold, you was angry, and we sinned: in them [have we been] of long time; and shall we be saved? {64:6} But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our "good works" are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our wicked works against law, like the wind, [our works of filthy rags] have taken us away. . {64:7} And there is

none that calls upon your name, that stirs up himself to take hold of you; for you have hid your face from us, and have consumed us by means of our works against law. {64:8} But now, O Yahweh, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you our potter; and we all are the work of your hand. {64:9} Be not angry very sore, O Yahweh, neither remember [our] works against law forever: behold, look, we ask you, we are all your people. {64:10} Your holy cities are become a wilderness, Zion is become a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation. {64:11} Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised you, is burned with fire; and all our pleasant places are laid waste. {64:12} Will you refrain yourself for these things, O Yahweh? will you hold your peace, and afflict us very sore?

{O23}65} Isaiah Chapter Sixty-Five. {65:1} I am inquired of by them that asked not [for me]; I am found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation that was not called by my name. {65:2} I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, that walk in a way that is not good, after their own thoughts; {65:3} a people that provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens, and burning incense upon bricks; {65:4} that sit among the graves, and lodge in the secret places; that eat swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things is in their vessels; {65:5} that say, Stand by yourself, come not near to me, for I am holier than you. These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burns all the day. {65:6} Behold, it is written before me: I will not keep silence, but will recompense, behold, I will recompense into their bosom, {65:7} your own iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, said Yahweh, that have burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills; therefore will I first measure their work into their bosom. {65:8} Thus said Yahweh, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one said, Destroy it not, for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sake, that I may not destroy them all. {65:9} And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains; and my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there. {65:10} And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down in, for my people that have sought me. {65:11} But you that forsake Yahweh, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for Fortune, and that fill up mingled wine unto Destiny; {65:12} I will destine you to the sword, and you shall all bow down to the slaughter; because when I called, you did not answer; when I spoke, you did not hear; but you did that which was evil in mine eyes, and chose that wherein I delighted not. {65:13} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh, Behold, my servants shall eat, but you shall be hungry; behold, my servants shall drink, but you shall be thirsty; behold, my servants shall rejoice, but you shall be put to shame; {65:14} behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but you shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall wail for vexation of spirit. {65:15} And you shall leave your name for woe unto my chosen; and the Lord Yahweh will slay you; and he will call his servants by another name: {65:16} so that he who blesses himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he that swears in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes. {65:17} For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. {65:18} But be you glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. {65:19} And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people; and there shall be heard in her no more the voice of weeping and the voice of crying. {65:20} There shall be no more there an infant of days, nor an old man that has not filled his days; for the child shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner being a hundred years old shall be accursed. {65:21} And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them. {65:22} They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree shall be the days of my people, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. {65:23} They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth for calamity; for they are the seed of the blessed of Yahweh, and their offspring with them. {65:24} And it shall come to pass that, before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. {65:25} The wolf and the lamb shall

feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the ox; and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, said Yahweh.

{O23}66} Isaiah Chapter Sixty-Six. {66:1} Thus said Yahweh, Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: what manner of house will you build unto me? and what place shall be my rest? {66:2} For all these things has my hand made, and [so] all these things came to be, said Yahweh: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and that trembles at my word. {66:3} He that kills an ox is as he that slays a man; he that sacrifices lamb, as he that breaks a dog's neck; he that offers an oblation, [as he that offers] swine's blood; he that burns frankincense, as he that blesses an idol. behold, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delights in their abominations: {66:4} I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spoke, they did not hear: but they did that which was evil in mine eyes, and chose that wherein I delighted not. {66:5} Hear the word of Yahweh, you that tremble at his word: Your brethren that hate you, that cast you out for my name's sake, have said, Let Yahweh be glorified, that we may see your joy; but it is they that shall be put to shame. {66:6} A voice of tumult from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of Yahweh that reindeers recompense to his enemies. {66:7} Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man-child. {66:8} Who has heard such a thing? who has seen such things? shall a land be born in one day? shall a nation be brought forth at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children. {66:9} shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? said Yahweh: shall I that cause to bring forth shut [the womb]? said your God. {66:10} Rejoice you with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you that agape love her: rejoice for joy with her, all you that grieve over her; {66:11} that you may suck and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations; that you may milk out, and be delighted with the abundance of her glory. {66:12} For thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream: and you shall suck [there]; you shall be borne upon the side, and shall be dandled upon the knees. {66:13} As one whom his mother comforts, so will I comfort you; and you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. {66:14} And you shall see [it], and your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like the tender grass: and the hand of Yahweh shall be known toward his servants; and he will have indignation against his enemies. {66:15} For, behold, Yahweh will come with fire, and his chariots shall be like the whirlwind; to render his anger with fierceness, and his rebuke with flames of fire. {66:16} For by fire will Yahweh execute judgment, and by his sword, upon all flesh; and the slain of Yahweh shall be many. {66:17} They that sanctify themselves and purify themselves [to go] unto the gardens, behind one in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, they shall come to an end together, said Yahweh. {66:18} For I [know] their works and their thoughts: [the time] comes, that I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come, and shall see my glory. {66:19} And I will set a sign among them, and I will send such as escape of them unto the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the isles afar off, that have not heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; and they shall declare my glory among the nations. {66:20} And they shall bring all your brethren out of all the nations for an oblation unto Yahweh, upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, said Yahweh, as the children of Israel bring their oblation in a clean vessel into the house of Yahweh. {66:21} And of them also will I take for priests [and] for Levites, said Yahweh. {66:22} For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, said Yahweh, so shall your seed and your name remain. {66:23} And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, said Yahweh. {66:24} And they shall go forth, and look upon the dead bodies of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

The Book Of Jeremiah

{024)1} Jeremiah Chapter One. {1:1} The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin: {1:2} to whom the word of Yahweh came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. {1:3} It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah, the son of Josiah, king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth moon. {1:4} Now the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {1:5} Before I formed you in the belly I knew you, and before you came forth out of the womb I sanctified you; I have appointed you a prophet unto the nations. {1:6} Then said I, Ah, Lord Yahweh! behold, I know not how to speak; for I am a child. {1:7} But Yahweh said unto me, Say not, I am a child; for to whom so ever I shall send you then you shall go, and whatever I shall command you then you shall speak. {1:8} Be not afraid because of them; for I am with you to deliver you, said Yahweh. {1:9} Then Yahweh put forth his hand, and touched my mouth; and Yahweh said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in your mouth: {1:10} see, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down and to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant. {1:11} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what see you? And I said, I see a rod of an almond-tree. {1:12} Then said Yahweh unto me, you have well seen: for I watch over my word to perform it. {1:13} And the word of Yahweh came unto me the second time, saying, What see you? And I said, I see a boiling caldron; and the face of it is from the north. {1:14} Then Yahweh said unto me, Out of the north evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land. {1:15} For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, said Yahweh; and they shall come, and they shall set everyone his throne at the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls of it round about, and against all the cities of Judah. {1:16} And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, in that they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands. {1:17} you therefore gird up your loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command you: be not dismayed at them, lest I dismay you before them. {1:18} For, behold, I have made you this day a fortified city, and an iron pillar, and brazen walls, against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes there, against the priests there, and against the people of the land. {1:19} And they shall fight against you; but they shall not prevail against you: for I am with you, said Yahweh, to deliver you.

{024)2} Jeremiah Chapter Chapter Two. {2:1} And the word of Yahweh came to me, saying, {2:2} Go, and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus said Yahweh, I remember for you the kindness of your youth, the agape love of your espousals; how you went after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown. {2:3} Israel [was] holiness unto Yahweh, the first-fruits of his increase: all that devour him shall be held guilty; evil shall come upon them, said Yahweh. {2:4} Hear you the word of Yahweh, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel: {2:5} thus said Yahweh, What [illegal] works against law have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain? {2:6} Neither said they, Where is Yahweh that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought and of the shadow of death, through a land that none passed through, and where no man dwelt? {2:7} And I brought you into a plentiful land, to eat the fruit of it and the goodness there; but when you entered, you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. {2:8} The priests said not, Where is Yahweh? and they that handle the law knew me not: the rulers also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after things that do not profit. {2:9} Therefore I will yet contend with you, said Yahweh, and with your children's children will I contend. {2:10} For pass over to the isles of Kittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently; and see if there has been such a thing. {2:11} Has a nation changed [its] gods, which yet are no gods? but my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit. {2:12} Be astonished, O you heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be you very desolate, said Yahweh. {2:13} For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed them

out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water. {2:14} Is Israel a servant? is he a home-born [slave]? why is he become a prey? {2:15} The young lions have roared upon him, and yelled; and they have made his land waste: his cities are burned up, outside inhabitant. {2:16} The children also of Memphis and Tahpanhes have broken the crown of your head. {2:17} Have you not procured this unto yourself, in that you have forsaken Yahweh your God, when he led you by the way? {2:18} And now what have you to do in the way to Egypt, to drink the waters of the Shihor? or what have you to do in the way to Assyria, to drink the waters of the River? {2:19} your own wickedness shall correct you, and your backslidings shall reprove you: know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and a bitter, that you have forsaken Yahweh your God, and that my fear is not in you, said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts. {2:20} For of old time I have broken your yoke, and burst your bonds; and you said, I will not serve; for upon every high hill and under every green tree you did bow yourself, playing the prostitute. {2:21} yet I had planted you a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then are you turned into the degenerate branches of a foreign vine unto me? {2:22} For though you wash you with lye, and take you much soap, yet your works against law is marked before me, said the Lord Yahweh. {2:23} How Can you say, I am not defiled, I have not gone after the Baalim? see your way in the valley, know what you have done: [you are] a swift dromedary traversing her ways; {2:24} a wild donkey used to the wilderness, that snuffs up the wind in her desire; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her moon they shall find her. {2:25} Withhold your foot from being unshod, and your throat from thirst: but you said, It is in vain; no, for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go. {2:26} As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets; {2:27} who say to a stock, you are my father; and to a stone, you have brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto me, and not their face; but in the time of their trouble they will say, Arise, and save us. {2:28} But where are your gods that you have made you? let them arise, if they can save you in the time of your trouble: for according to the number of your cities are your gods, O Judah. {2:29} Therefore will you contend with me? you all have transgressed against me, said Yahweh. {2:30} In vain have I smitten your children; they received no correction: your own sword has devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion. {2:31} O generation, see you the word of Yahweh. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? or a land of thick darkness? Therefore say my people, We are broken loose; we will come no more unto you? {2:32} Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days outside number. {2:33} How trimmest you your way to seek love! therefore even the wicked women have you taught your ways. {2:34} Also in your skirts is found the blood of the souls of the innocent poor: you did not find them breaking in; but it is because of all these things. {2:35} yet you said, I am innocent; surely his anger is turned away from me. Behold, I will enter into judgment with you, because you say, I have not sinned. {2:36} Why gad you about so much to change your way? you shall be ashamed of Egypt also, as you was ashamed of Assyria. {2:37} From there also shall you go forth, with your hands upon your head: for Yahweh has rejected those in whom you trust, and you shall not prosper with them.

{O24}3} Jeremiah Chapter Three. {3:1} They say, If a man put away his wife, and she go from him, and become another man's, will he return unto her again? will not that land be greatly polluted? But you have played the prostitute with many lovers; yet return again to me, said Yahweh. {3:2} Lift up your eyes unto the bare heights, and see; where have you not been lain with? By the ways have you sat for them, as an Arabian in the wilderness; and you have polluted the land with your prostitutions and with your wickedness. {3:3} Therefore the showers have been withheld, and there has been no latter rain; yet you have a prostitute's forehead, you refuses to be ashamed. {3:4} Will you not from this time cry unto me, My Father, you are the guide of my youth? {3:5} Will he retain [his anger] forever? will he keep it to the end? Behold, you have spoken and have done evil things, and have had your way. {3:6} Furthermore Yahweh said unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Have you seen that which backsliding Israel has done? she is

gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there has played the prostitute. {3:7} And I said after she had done all these things, She will return unto me; but she returned not: and her treacherous sister Judah saw it. {3:8} And I saw, when, for this very cause that backsliding Israel had committed adultery, I had put her away and given her a bill of divorcement, yet treacherous Judah her sister feared not; but she also went and played the prostitute. {3:9} And it came to pass through the lightness of her prostitution, that the land was polluted, and she committed adultery with stones and with stocks. {3:10} And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah has not returned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, said Yahweh. {3:11} And Yahweh said unto me, Backsliding Israel has showed herself more righteous than treacherous Judah. {3:12} Go, and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, you backsliding Israel, said Yahweh; I will not look in anger upon you; for I am merciful, said Yahweh, I will not keep [anger] forever. {3:13} Only acknowledge your works against law, that you have transgressed against Yahweh your God, and have scattered your ways to the strangers under every green tree, and you have not obeyed my voice, said Yahweh. {3:14} Return, O backsliding children, said Yahweh; for I am a husband unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: {3:15} and I will give you shepherds according to my heart, who shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. {3:16} And it shall come to pass, when you are multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, said Yahweh, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of Yahweh; neither shall it come to mind; neither shall they remember it; neither shall they miss it; neither shall it be made any more. {3:17} At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of Yahweh; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of Yahweh, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the stubbornness of their evil heart. {3:18} In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I gave for an inheritance unto your fathers. {3:19} But I said, How I will put you among the children, and give you a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of the nations! and I said, you shall call me My Father, and shall not turn away from following me. {3:20} Surely as a wife treacherously departs from her husband, so have you dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, said Yahweh. {3:21} A voice is heard upon the bare heights, the weeping [and] the supplications of the children of Israel; because they have perverted their way, they have forgotten Yahweh their God. {3:22} Return, you backsliding children, I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we are come unto you; for you are Yahweh our God. {3:23} Truly in vain is [the help that is looked for] from the hills, the tumult on the mountains: truly in Yahweh our God is the salvation of Israel. {3:24} But the shameful thing has devoured the labor of our fathers from our youth, their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters. {3:25} Let us lie down in our shame, and let our confusion cover us; for we have sinned against Yahweh our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day; and we have not obeyed the voice of Yahweh our God.

{O24}4} Jeremiah Chapter Four. {4:1} If you will return, O Israel, said Yahweh, if you will return unto me, and if you will put away your abominations out of my sight; then shall you not be removed; {4:2} and you shall swear, As Yahweh lives, in truth, in justice, and in good works; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory. {4:3} For thus said Yahweh to the men of Judah and to Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns. {4:4} Circumcise yourselves to Yahweh, and take away the foreskins of your heart, you men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem; lest my Anger go forth like fire, and burn so that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings. {4:5} Declare you in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow you the trumpet in the land: cry aloud and say, Assemble yourselves, and let us go into the fortified cities. {4:6} Set up a standard toward Zion: flee for safety, stay not; for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction. {4:7} A lion is gone up from his thicket, and a destroyer of nations; he is on his way, he is gone forth from his place, to make your land desolate, that your cities be laid waste, outside inhabitant. {4:8} For this gird you with

sackcloth, lament and wail; for the fierce anger of Yahweh is not turned back from us. {4:9} And it shall come to pass at that day, said Yahweh, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder. {4:10} Then said I, Ah, Lord Yahweh! surely you have greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, you shall have peace; whereas the sword reaches unto the life. {4:11} At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, A hot wind from the bare heights in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, not to winnow, nor to cleanse; {4:12} a full wind from these shall come for me: now will I also utter judgments against them. {4:13} Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots [shall be] as the whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are ruined. {4:14} O Jerusalem, wash your heart from wickedness, that you may be saved. How long shall your evil thoughts lodge within you? {4:15} For a voice declares from Dan, and publishes evil from the hills of Ephraim: {4:16} make you mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, [that] watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah. {4:17} As keepers of a field are they against her round about, because she has been rebellious against me, said Yahweh. {4:18} Your way and your doings have procured these things unto you; this is your wickedness; for it is bitter, for it reaches unto your heart. {4:19} My anguish, my anguish! I am pained at my very heart; my heart is disquieted in me; I cannot hold my peace; because you have heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war. {4:20} Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is laid waste: suddenly are my tents destroyed, [and] my curtains in a moment. {4:21} How long shall I see the standard, and hear the sound of the trumpet? {4:22} For my people are foolish, they know me not; they are silly children, and they have no understanding; they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge. {4:23} I watched the earth, and, lo, it was waste and void; and the heavens, and they had no light. {4:24} I watched the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved to and fro. {4:25} I watched, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled. {4:26} I watched, and, lo, the fruitful field was a wilderness, and all the cities of it were broken down at the presence of Yahweh, [and] before his fierce anger. {4:27} For thus said Yahweh, The whole land shall be a desolation; yet will I not make a full end. {4:28} For this shall the earth grieve, and the heavens above be black; because I have spoken it, I have purposed it, and I have not repented, neither will I turn back from it. {4:29} Every city flees for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they go into the thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: every city is forsaken, and not a man dwells therein. {4:30} And you, when you are made desolate, what will you do? Though you clothe yourself with scarlet, though you deck you with ornaments of gold, though you enlarge your eyes with paint, in vain do you make yourself fair; [your] lovers despise you, they seek your life. {4:31} For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, the anguish as of her that brings forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that gasps for breath, that spreads her hands, [saying], Woe is me now! for my soul faints before the murderers.

{o24}5} Jeremiah Chapter Five. {5:1} Run you to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places there, if you can find a man, if there be any that does justly, that seeks truth; and I will pardon her. {5:2} And though they say, As Yahweh lives; surely they swear falsely. {5:3} O Yahweh, do not your eyes look upon truth? you have stricken them, but they were not grieved; you have consumed them, but they have refused to receive correction: they have made their faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return. {5:4} Then I said, Surely these are poor; they are foolish; for they know not the way of Yahweh, nor the law of their God: {5:5} I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for they know the way of Yahweh, and the law of their God. But these with one accord have broken the yoke, and burst the bonds. {5:6} Therefore a lion out of the forest shall slay them, a wolf of the evenings shall destroy them, a leopard shall watch against their cities; everyone that goes out there shall be torn in pieces; because their transgression of the law are many, [and] their backslidings are increased. {5:7} How can I pardon you? your children have forsaken me, and sworn by them that are no gods: when I had fed them to the full, they

committed adultery, and assembled themselves in troops at the prostitutes' houses. {5:8} They were as fed horses roaming at large; everyone neighed after his neighbor's wife. {5:9} shall I not visit for these things? said Yahweh; and shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? {5:10} Go you up upon her walls, and destroy; but make not a full end: take away her branches; for they are not Yahweh's. {5:11} For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very treacherously against me, said Yahweh. {5:12} They have denied Yahweh, and said, It is not he; neither shall evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine: {5:13} and the prophets shall become wind, and the word is not in them: thus shall it be done unto them. {5:14} Therefore thus said Yahweh, the God of hosts, Because you speak this word, behold, I will make my words in your mouth fire, and this people wood, and it shall devour them. {5:15} Lo, I will bring a nation upon you from far, O house of Israel, said Yahweh: it is a mighty nation, it is an ancient nation, a nation whose language you know not, neither understands what they say. {5:16} Their quiver is an open sepulcher, they are all mighty men. {5:17} And they shall eat up your harvest, and your bread, [which] your sons and your daughters should eat; they shall eat up your flocks and your herds; they shall eat up your vines and your fig-trees; they shall beat down your fortified cities, wherein you trust, with the sword. {5:18} But even in those days, said Yahweh, I will not make a full end with you. {5:19} And it shall come to pass, when you shall say, Therefore has Yahweh our God done all these things unto us? then shall you say unto them, Like as you have forsaken me, and served foreign gods in your land, so shall you serve strangers in a land that is not yours. {5:20} Declare you this in the house of Jacob, and publish it in Judah, saying, {5:21} Hear now this, O foolish people, and outside understanding; that have eyes, and see not; that have ears, and hear not: {5:22} Fear you not me? said Yahweh: will you not tremble at my presence, who have placed the sand for the bound of the sea, by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it? and though the waves of it toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it. {5:23} But this people has a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone. {5:24} Neither say they in their heart, Let us now fear Yahweh our God, that gives rain, both the former and the latter, in its season; that preserves unto us the appointed solar sevens of the harvest. {5:25} Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withheld good from you. {5:26} For among my people are found wicked men: they watch, as fowlers lie in wait; they set a trap, they catch men. {5:27} As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxed rich. {5:28} They are waxed fat, they shine: behold, they overpass in deeds of wickedness; they plead not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, that they may prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge. {5:29} shall I not visit for these things? said Yahweh; shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? {5:30} A wonderful and horrible thing is come to pass in the land: {5:31} the prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so: and what will you do in the end there?

{O24}6} Jeremiah Chapter Six. {6:1} Flee for safety, you children of Benjamin, out of the midst of Jerusalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and raise up a signal on Beth-haccherem; for evil looks forth from the north, and a great destruction. {6:2} The comely and delicate one, the daughter of Zion, will I cut off. {6:3} Shepherds with their flocks shall come unto her; they shall pitch their tents against her round about; they shall feed everyone in his place. {6:4} Prepare you war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe unto us! for the day declines, for the shadows of the evening are stretched out. {6:5} Arise, and let us go up by night, and let us destroy her palaces. {6:6} For thus has Yahweh of hosts said, Hew you down trees, and cast up a mound against Jerusalem: this is the city to be visited; she is wholly oppression in the midst of her. {6:7} As a well cast forth its waters, so she cast forth her wickedness: violence and destruction is heard in her; before me continually is sickness and wounds. {6:8} Be you instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul be alienated from you; lest I make you a desolation, a land not inhabited. {6:9} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, They shall thoroughly glean the remnant of Israel as a vine: turn again your hand as a grape-gatherer into the baskets. {6:10} To whom shall I

speak and testify, that they may hear? behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hear: behold, the word of Yahweh is become unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it. {6:11} Therefore I am full of the Anger of Yahweh; I am weary with holding in: pour it out upon the children in the street, and upon the assembly of young men together; for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, the aged with him that is full of days. {6:12} And their houses shall be turned unto others, their fields and their wives together; for I will stretch out my hand upon the inhabitants of the land, said Yahweh. {6:13} For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them everyone is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest everyone deals falsely. {6:14} They have healed also the hurt of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. {6:15} Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? No, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore they shall fall among them that fall; at the time that I visit them they shall be cast down, said Yahweh. {6:16} Thus said Yahweh, Stand you in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way; and walk therein, and you shall find rest for your souls: but they said, We will not walk [therein]. {6:17} And I set watchmen over you, [saying], Hear to the sound of the trumpet; but they said, We will not hear. {6:18} Therefore hear, you nations, and know, O congregation, what is among them. {6:19} Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not heard unto my words; and as for my law, they have rejected it. {6:20} To what purpose comes there to me frankincense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? your burnt-offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices pleasing unto me. {6:21} Therefore thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will lay stumbling-blocks before this people; and the fathers and the sons together shall stumble against them; the neighbor and his friend shall perish. {6:22} Thus said Yahweh, Behold, a people comes from the north country; and a great nation shall be stirred up from the outermost parts of the earth. {6:23} They lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roar like the sea, and they ride upon horses, everyone set in array, as a man to the battle, against you, O daughter of Zion. {6:24} We have heard the report there; our hands wax feeble: anguish has taken hold of us, [and] pangs as of a woman in travail. {6:25} Go not forth into the field, nor walk by the way; for the sword of the enemy, [and] terror, are on every side. {6:26} O daughter of my people, gird you with sackcloth, and wallow yourself in ashes: make you grieiveing, as for an only son, most bitter lamentation; for the destroyer shall suddenly come upon us. {6:27} I have made you a trier [and] a fortress among my people; that you may know and try their way. {6:28} They are all grievous rebels, going about with slanders; they are brass and iron: they all of them deal corruptly. {6:29} The bellows blow fiercely; the lead is consumed of the fire: in vain do they go on refining; for the wicked are not plucked away. {6:30} Refuse silver shall men call them, because Yahweh has rejected them.

{O24}7} Jeremiah Chapter Seven. {7:1} The word that came to Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {7:2} Stand in the gate of Yahweh's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of Yahweh, all you of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship Yahweh. {7:3} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. {7:4} Trust you not in lying words, saying, The temple of Yahweh, the temple of Yahweh, the temple of Yahweh, are these. {7:5} For if you thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if you thoroughly execute justice between a man and his neighbor; {7:6} if you oppress not the alien, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your own hurt: {7:7} then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, from of old even forevermore. {7:8} Behold, you trust in lying words, that cannot profit. {7:9} Will you steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods that you have not known, {7:10} and come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered; that you may do all these abominations? {7:11} Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I, even I, have seen it, said Yahweh. {7:12}

But go you now unto my place which was in Shiloh, where I caused my name to dwell at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel. {7:13} And now, because you have done all these works, said Yahweh, and I spoke unto you, rising up early and speaking, but you heard not; and I called you, but you answered not: {7:14} therefore will I do unto the house which is called by my name, wherein you trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I did to Shiloh. {7:15} And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim. {7:16} Therefore pray not you for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me; for I will not hear you. {7:17} See you not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem? {7:18} The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead the dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink-offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger. {7:19} Do they provoke me to anger? said Yahweh; [do they] not [provoke] themselves, to the confusion of their own faces? {7:20} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, mine anger and my Anger shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and it shall burn, and shall not be quenched. {7:21} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Add your burnt-offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat you flesh. {7:22} For I spoke not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt-offerings or sacrifices: {7:23} but this thing I commanded them, saying, Hear unto my voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be my people; and walk you in all the way that I command you, that it may be well with you. {7:24} But they heard not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in [their own] counsels [and] in the stubbornness of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward. {7:25} Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day, I have sent unto you all my servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending them: {7:26} yet they heard not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff: they did worse than their fathers. {7:27} And you shall speak all these words unto them; but they will not hear to you: you shall also call unto them; but they will not answer you. {7:28} And you shall say unto them, This is the nation that has not heard the voice of Yahweh their God, nor received instruction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth. {7:29} Cut off your hair, [O Jerusalem], and cast it away, and take up a lamentation on the bare heights; for Yahweh has rejected and forsaken the generation of his Anger. {7:30} For the children of Judah have done that which is evil in my sight, said Yahweh: they have set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to defile it. {7:31} And they have built the high places of Topheth, which is in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; which I commanded not, neither came it into my mind. {7:32} Therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that it shall no more be called Topheth, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of Slaughter: for they shall bury in Topheth, till there be no place [to bury]. {7:33} And the dead bodies of this people shall be food for the birds of the heavens, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall frighten them away. {7:34} Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride; for the land shall become a waste.

{O24}8} Jeremiah Chapter Eight. {8:1} At that time, said Yahweh, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves; {8:2} and they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, which they have loved, and which they have served, and after which they have walked, and which they have sought, and which they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried, they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth. {8:3} And death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue that remain of this evil family, that remain in all the places where I have driven them, said Yahweh of hosts. {8:4} Furthermore you shall say unto them, Thus said Yahweh: shall men fall,

and not rise up again? shall one turn away, and not return? {8:5} Why then is this people of Jerusalem slide back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return. {8:6} I heard and heard, but they spoke not aright: no man repents him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? everyone turns to his course, as a horse that rushes headlong in the battle. {8:7} behold, the stork in the heavens knows her appointed times; and the turtle-dove and the swallow and the crane observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the law of Yahweh. {8:8} How do you say, We are wise, and the law of Yahweh is with us? But, behold, the false pen of the scribes has wrought falsely. {8:9} The wise men are put to shame, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of Yahweh; and what manner of wisdom is in them? {8:10} Therefore will I give their wives unto others, and their fields to them that shall possess them: foreveryone from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness; from the prophet even unto the priest everyone deals falsely. {8:11} And they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. {8:12} Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? No, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall; in the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, said Yahweh. {8:13} I will utterly consume them, said Yahweh: there shall be no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the fig-tree, and the leaf shall fade; and [the things that] I have given them shall pass away from them. {8:14} Why do we sit still? assemble yourselves, and let us enter into the fortified cities, and let us be silent there; for Yahweh our God has put us to silence, and given us water of gall to drink, because we have sinned against Yahweh. {8:15} We looked for peace, but no good came; [and] for a time of healing, and, behold, dismay! {8:16} The snorting of his horses is heard from Dan: at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones the whole land trembles; for they are come, and have devoured the land and all that is in it; the city and those that dwell therein. {8:17} For, behold, I will send serpents, adders, among you, which will not be charmed; and they shall bite you, said Yahweh. {8:18} Oh that I could comfort myself against sorrow! my heart is faint within me. {8:19} Behold, the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people from a land that is very far off: is not Yahweh in Zion? is not her King in her? Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, and with foreign vanities? {8:20} The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved. {8:21} For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt: I grieve; dismay has taken hold on me. {8:22} Is there no balm in Gilead? is there no physician there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?

{O24}9} Jeremiah Chapter Nine. {9:1} Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people! {9:2} Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging-place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they are all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men. {9:3} And they bend their tongue, [as it were] their bow, for falsehood; and they are grown strong in the land, but not for truth: for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, said Yahweh. {9:4} Take you heed everyone of his neighbor, and trust you not in any brother; forevery brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbor will go about with slanders. {9:5} And they will deceive everyone his neighbor, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies; they weary themselves to commit works against law. {9:6} Your habitation is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, said Yahweh. {9:7} Therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts, Behold, I will melt them, and try them; for how [else] should I do, because of the daughter of my people? {9:8} Their tongue is a deadly arrow; it speaks deceit: one speaks peaceably to his neighbor with his mouth, but in his heart he lays wait for him. {9:9} shall I not visit them for these things? said Yahweh; shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? {9:10} For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the pastures of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none passes through; neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; both the birds of the heavens and the beasts are fled, they are gone. {9:11} And I will make Jerusalem heaps, a dwelling-place of jackals; and I will make the cities of Judah a desolation, outside inhabitant. {9:12} Who is the wise man, that may understand

this? and [who is] he to whom the mouth of Yahweh has spoken, that he may declare it? Therefore is the land perished and burned up like a wilderness, so that none passes through? {9:13} And Yahweh said, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein, {9:14} but have walked after the stubbornness of their own heart, and after the Baalim, which their fathers taught them; {9:15} therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Behold, I will feed them, even this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink. {9:16} I will scatter them also among the nations, whom neither they nor their fathers have known; and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them. {9:17} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, Consider you, and call for the grievingwomen, that they may come; and send for the skilful women, that they may come: {9:18} and let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters. {9:19} For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we ruined! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because they have cast down our dwellings. {9:20} yet hear the word of Yahweh, O you women, and let your ear receive the word of his mouth; and teach your daughters wailing, and everyone her neighbor lamentation. {9:21} For death is come up into our windows, it is entered into our palaces; to cut off the children from outside, [and] the young men from the streets. {9:22} Speak, Thus said Yahweh, The dead bodies of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the handful after the harvestman; and none shall gather [them]. {9:23} Thus said Yahweh, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches; {9:24} but let him that glories glory in this, that he has understanding, and knows me, that I am Yahweh who exercises agape loving kindness, justice, and good works, in the earth: for in these things I delight, said Yahweh. {9:25} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will punish all them that are circumcised in [their] uncircumcision: {9:26} Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all that have the corners [of their hair] cut off, that dwell in the wilderness; for all the nations are uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel are uncircumcised in heart.

{O24}10} Jeremiah Chapter Ten. {10:1} Hear you the word which Yahweh speaks unto you, O house of Israel: {10:2} thus said Yahweh, Learn not the way of the nations, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the nations are dismayed at them. {10:3} For the customs of the peoples are vanity; for one cuts a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman with the axe. {10:4} They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. {10:5} They are like a palm-tree, of turned work, and speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither is it in them to do good. {10:6} There is none like unto you, O Yahweh; you are great, and your name is great in might. {10:7} Who should not fear you, O King of the nations? for to you does it appertain; forasmuch as among all the wise men of the nations, and in all their royal estate, there is none like unto you. {10:8} But they are together brutish and foolish: the instruction of idols! it is but a stock. {10:9} There is silver beaten into plates, which is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Uphaz, the work of the craftsman and of the hands of the goldsmith; blue and purple for their clothing; they are all the work of skilful men. {10:10} But Yahweh is the true God; he is the living God, and an everlasting King: at his Anger the earth trembles, and the nations are not able to abide his indignation. {10:11} Thus shall you say unto them, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, these shall perish from the earth, and from under the heavens. {10:12} He has made the earth by his power, he has established the world by his wisdom, and by his understanding has he stretched out the heavens: {10:13} when he utters his voice, there is a tumult of waters in the heavens, and he causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; he makes lightning for the rain, and brings forth the wind out of his treasures. {10:14} Every man is become brutish [and is] outside knowledge; every goldsmith is put to shame by his graven image; for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them. {10:15} They are vanity, a work of delusion: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

{10:16} The portion of Jacob is not like these; for he is the former of all things; and Israel is the tribe of his inheritance: Yahweh of hosts is his name. {10:17} Gather up your wares out of the land, O you that abides in the siege. {10:18} For thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will sling out the inhabitants of the land at this time, and will distress them, that they may feel [it]. {10:19} Woe is me because of my hurt! my wound is grievous: but I said, Truly this is [my] grief, and I must bear it. {10:20} My tent is destroyed, and all my cords are broken: my children are gone forth from me, and they are not: there is none to spread my tent any more, and to set up my curtains. {10:21} For the shepherds are become brutish, and have not inquired of Yahweh: therefore they have not prospered, and all their flocks are scattered. {10:22} The voice of tidings, behold, it comes, and a great commotion out of the north country, to make the cities of Judah a desolation, a dwelling-place of jackals. {10:23} O Yahweh, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walks to direct his steps. {10:24} O Yahweh, correct me, but in measure: not in your anger, lest you bring me to nothing. {10:25} Pour out your Anger upon the nations that know you not, and upon the families that call not on your name: for they have devoured Jacob, behold, they have devoured him and consumed him, and have laid waste his habitation.

{O24}11} Jeremiah Chapter Eleven. {11:1} The word that came to Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {11:2} Hear you the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem; {11:3} and say you unto them, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel: Cursed be the man that hears not the words of this covenant, {11:4} which I commanded your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall you be my people, and I will be your God; {11:5} that I may establish the oath which I swore unto your fathers, to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as at this day. Then answered I, and said, Amen, O Yahweh. {11:6} And Yahweh said unto me, Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying, Hear you the words of this covenant, and do them. {11:7} For I earnestly protested unto your fathers in the day that I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, even unto this day, rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice. {11:8} yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked everyone in the stubbornness of their evil heart: therefore I brought upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded them to do, but they did them not. {11:9} And Yahweh said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem. {11:10} They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, who refused to hear my words; and they are gone after other gods to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers. {11:11} Therefore thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape; and they shall cry unto me, but I will not hear unto them. {11:12} Then shall the cities of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem go and cry unto the gods unto which they offer incense: but they will not save them at all in the time of their trouble. {11:13} For according to the number of your cities are your gods, O Judah; and according to the number of the streets of Jerusalem have you set up altars to the shameful thing, even altars to burn incense unto Baal. {11:14} Therefore pray not you for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them; for I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me because of their trouble. {11:15} What has my agape beloved to do in my house, seeing she has wrought lewdness [with] many, and the holy flesh is passed from you? when you do evil, then you rejoice. {11:16} Yahweh called your name, A green olive-tree, fair with goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult he has kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken. {11:17} For Yahweh of hosts, who planted you, has pronounced evil against you, because of the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have wrought for themselves in provoking me to anger by offering incense unto Baal. {11:18} And Yahweh gave me knowledge of it, and I knew it: then you showed me their doings. {11:19} But I was like a gentle lamb that is led to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, [saying], Let us destroy the tree with the fruit there, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more

remembered. {11:20} But, O Yahweh of hosts, who judges righteously, who test the heart and the mind, I shall see your vengeance on them; for unto you have I revealed my cause. {11:21} Therefore thus said Yahweh concerning the men of Anathoth, that seek your life, saying, you shall not prophesy in the name of Yahweh, that you die not by our hand; {11:22} therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts, Behold, I will punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine; {11:23} and there shall be no remnant unto them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even the year of their visitation.

{O24}12} Jeremiah Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Righteous are you, O Yahweh, when I contend with you; yet would I reason the cause with you: Therefore does the way of the wicked prosper? Therefore are all they at ease that deal very treacherously? {12:2} you have planted them, behold, they have taken root; they grow, behold, they bring forth fruit: you are near in their mouth, and far from their heart. {12:3} But you, O Yahweh, know me; you see me, and test my heart toward you: pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter. {12:4} How long shall the land grieve, and the herbs of the whole country wither? for the wickedness of them that dwell therein, the beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, He shall not see our latter end. {12:5} If you have run with the footmen, and they have wearied you, then how Can you contend with horses? and though in a land of peace you are secure, yet how will you do in the pride of the Jordan? {12:6} For even your brethren, and the house of your father, even they have dealt treacherously with you; even they have cried aloud after you: believe them not, though they speak fair words unto you. {12:7} I have forsaken my house, I have cast off my heritage; I have given the dearly agape beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies. {12:8} My heritage is become unto me as a lion in the forest: she has uttered her voice against me; therefore I have hated her. {12:9} Is my heritage unto me as a speckled bird of prey? are the birds of prey against her round about? go you, assemble all the beasts of the field, bring them to devour. {12:10} Many shepherds have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my portion under foot, they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness. {12:11} They have made it a desolation; it grieves unto me, being desolate; the whole land is made desolate, because no man lay it to heart. {12:12} Destroyers are come upon all the bare heights in the wilderness; for the sword of Yahweh devours from the one end of the land even to the other end of the land: no flesh has peace. {12:13} They have sown wheat, and have reaped thorns; they have put themselves to pain, and profit nothing: and you shall be ashamed of your fruits, because of the fierce anger of Yahweh. {12:14} Thus said Yahweh against all mine evil neighbors, that touch the inheritance which I have caused my people Israel to inherit: behold, I will pluck them up from off their land, and will pluck up the house of Judah from among them. {12:15} And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them up, I will return and have compassion on them; and I will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land. {12:16} And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to swear by my name, As Yahweh lives; even as they taught my people to swear by Baal; then shall they be built up in the midst of my people. {12:17} But if they will not hear, then will I pluck up that nation, plucking up and destroying it, said Yahweh.

{O24}13} Jeremiah Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Thus said Yahweh unto me, Go, and buy you a linen girdle, and put it upon your loins, and put it not in water. {13:2} So I bought a girdle according to the word of Yahweh, and put it upon my loins. {13:3} And the word of Yahweh came unto me the second time, saying, {13:4} Take the girdle that you have bought, which is upon your loins, and arise, go to the Euphrates, and hide it there in a cleft of the rock. {13:5} So I went, and hid it by the Euphrates, as Yahweh commanded me. {13:6} And it came to pass after many days, that Yahweh said unto me, Arise, go to the Euphrates, and take the girdle from there, which I commanded you to hide there. {13:7} Then I went to the Euphrates, and dug, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it; and, behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for nothing. {13:8} Then the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {13:9} Thus said Yahweh, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem. {13:10} This evil people, that refuse to hear my words, that walk in the stubbornness of their heart, and are

gone after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is profitable for nothing. {13:11} For as the girdle cleaves to the loins of a man, so have I caused to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, said Yahweh; that they may be unto me for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not hear. {13:12} Therefore you shall speak unto them this word: Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto you, Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine? {13:13} Then shall you say unto them, Thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness. {13:14} And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, said Yahweh: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have compassion, that I should not destroy them. {13:15} Hear you, and give ear; be not proud; for Yahweh has spoken. {13:16} Give glory to Yahweh your God, before he cause darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while you look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, and make it gross darkness. {13:17} But if you will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret for [your] pride; and mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because Yahweh's flock is taken captive. {13:18} Say you unto the king and to the queen-mother, Humble yourselves, sit down; for your head tires are come down, even the crown of your glory. {13:19} The cities of the South are shut up, and there is none to open them: Judah is carried away captive, all of it; it is wholly carried away captive. {13:20} Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north: where is the flock that was given you, your beautiful flock? {13:21} What will you say, when he shall set over you as head those whom you have yourself taught to be friends to you? shall not sorrows take hold of you, as of a woman in travail? {13:22} And if you say in your heart, Therefore are these things come upon me? for the greatness of your works against law are your skirts uncovered, and your heels suffer violence. {13:23} Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may you also do good, that are accustomed to do evil. {13:24} Therefore will I scatter them, as the stubble that passes away, by the wind of the wilderness. {13:25} This is your lot, the portion measured unto you from me, said Yahweh; because you have forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood. {13:26} Therefore will I also uncover your skirts upon your face, and your shame shall appear. {13:27} I have seen your abominations, even your adulteries, and your neighings, the lewdness of your prostitution, on the hills in the field. Woe unto you, O Jerusalem! you will not be made clean; how long shall it yet be?

{O24}14} Jeremiah Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} The word of Yahweh that came to Jeremiah concerning the drought. {14:2} Judah grieves, and the gates of it languish, they sit in black upon the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up. {14:3} And their nobles send their little ones to the waters: they come to the cisterns, and find no water; they return with their vessels empty; they are put to shame and confounded, and cover their heads. {14:4} Because of the ground which is cracked, for that no rain has been in the land, the plowmen are put to shame, they cover their heads. {14:5} behold, the hind also in the field calved, and forsakes [her young], because there is no grass. {14:6} And the wild donkeys stand on the bare heights, they pant for air like jackals; their eyes fail, because there is no herbage. {14:7} though our iniquities testify against us, work you for your name's sake, O Yahweh; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you. {14:8} O you hope of Israel, the Savior of it in the time of trouble, why should you be as a alien in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turns aside to tarry for a night? {14:9} Why should you be as a man affrighted, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet you, O Yahweh, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; leave us not. {14:10} Thus said Yahweh unto this people, Even so have they loved to wander; they have not refrained their feet: therefore Yahweh does not accept them; now will he remember their works against law, and visit their sins. {14:11} And Yahweh said unto me, Pray not for this people for [their] good. {14:12} When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt-offering and meal-offering, I will not accept them; but I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence. {14:13} Then said I,

Ah, Lord Yahweh! behold, the prophets say unto them, you shall not see the sword, neither shall you have famine; but I will give you assured peace in this place. {14:14} Then Yahweh said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name; I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spoke I unto them: they prophesy unto you a lying vision, and divination, and a thing of nothing, and the deceit of their own heart. {14:15} Therefore thus said Yahweh concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land: By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed. {14:16} And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword; and they shall have none to bury them-them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them. {14:17} And you shall say this word unto them, Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease; for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous wound. {14:18} If I go forth into the field, then, behold, the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then, behold, they that are sick with famine! for both the prophet and the priest go about in the land, and have no knowledge. {14:19} Have you utterly rejected Judah? has your soul loathed Zion? why have you smitten us, and there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of healing, and, behold, dismay! {14:20} We acknowledge, O Yahweh, our wickedness, and the works against law of our fathers; for we have sinned against you. {14:21} Do not abhor [us], for your name's sake; do not disgrace the throne of your glory: remember, break not your covenant with us. {14:22} Are there any among the vanities of the nations that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? are not you he, O Yahweh our God? therefore we will wait for you; for you have made all these things.

{024}15} Jeremiah Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Then said Yahweh unto me, though Moses and Samuel stood before me, yet my mind would not be toward this people: cast them out of my sight, and let them go forth. {15:2} And it shall come to pass, when they say unto you, Where shall we go forth? then you shall tell them, Thus said Yahweh: Such as are for death, to death; and such as are for the sword, to the sword; and such as are for the famine, to the famine; and such as are for captivity, to captivity. {15:3} And I will appoint over them four kinds, said Yahweh: the sword to slay, and the dogs to tear, and the birds of the heavens, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and to destroy. {15:4} And I will cause them to be tossed to and fro among all the kingdoms of the earth, because of Manasseh, the son of Hezekiah, king of Judah, for that which he did in Jerusalem. {15:5} For who will have pity upon you, O Jerusalem? or who will bemoan you? or who will turn aside to ask of your welfare? {15:6} you have rejected me, said Yahweh, you are gone backward: therefore have I stretched out my hand against you, and destroyed you; I am weary with repenting. {15:7} And I have winnowed them with a fan in the gates of the land; I have bereaved [them] of children, I have destroyed my people; they returned not from their ways. {15:8} Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas; I have brought upon them against the mother of the young men a destroyer at noonday: I have caused anguish and terrors to fall upon her suddenly. {15:9} She that has borne seven languishes; she has given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it was yet day; she has been put to shame and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, said Yahweh. {15:10} Woe is me, my mother, that you have borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have not lent, neither have men lent to me; [yet] everyone of them does curse me. {15:11} Yahweh said, Verily I will strengthen you for good; verily I will cause the enemy to make supplication unto you in the time of evil and in the time of affliction. {15:12} Can one break iron, even iron from the north, and brass? {15:13} Your substance and your treasures will I give for a spoil outside price, and that for all your sins, even in all your borders. {15:14} And I will make [them] to pass with your enemies into a land which you know not; for a fire is kindled in mine anger, which shall burn upon you. {15:15} O Yahweh, you know; remember me, and visit me, and avenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in your longsuffering: know that for your sake I have suffered reproach. {15:16} Your words were found,

and I did eat them; and your words were unto me a joy and the rejoicing of my heart: for I am called by your name, O Yahweh, God of hosts. {15:17} I sat not in the assembly of them that make merry, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of your hand; for you have filled me with indignation. {15:18} Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuses to be healed? will you indeed be unto me as a deceitful [brook], as waters that fail? {15:19} Therefore thus said Yahweh, If you return, then will I bring you again, that you may stand before me; and if you take forth the precious from the vile, you shall be as my mouth: they shall return unto you, but you shall not return unto them. {15:20} And I will make you unto this people a fortified brazen wall; and they shall fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you; for I am with you to save you and to deliver you, said Yahweh. {15:21} And I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem you out of the hand of the terrible.

{024}16} Jeremiah Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} The word of Yahweh came also unto me, saying, {16:2} you shall not take you a wife, neither shall you have sons or daughters, in this place. {16:3} For thus said Yahweh concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their fathers that begot them in this land: {16:4} They shall die grievous deaths: they shall not be lamented, neither shall they be buried; they shall be as dung upon the face of the ground; and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine; and their dead bodies shall be food for the birds of the heavens, and for the beasts of the earth. {16:5} For thus said Yahweh, Enter not into the house of grieving, neither go to lament, neither bemoan them; for I have taken away my peace from this people, said Yahweh, even agape loving kindness and tender mercies. {16:6} Both great and small shall die in this land; they shall not be buried, neither shall men lament for them, nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them; {16:7} neither shall men break [bread] for them in grieving, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall men give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their mother. {16:8} And you shall not go into the house of feasting to sit with them, to eat and to drink. {16:9} For thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place, before your eyes and in your days, the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride. {16:10} And it shall come to pass, when you shall show this people all these words, and they shall say unto you, Therefore has Yahweh pronounced all this great evil against us? or what is our works against law? or what is our sin that we have committed against Yahweh our God? {16:11} Then shall you say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, said Yahweh, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law; {16:12} and you have done evil more than your fathers; for, behold, you walk everyone after the stubbornness of his evil heart, so that you hear not unto me: {16:13} therefore will I cast you forth out of this land into the land that you have not known, neither you nor your fathers; and there shall you serve other gods day and night; for I will show you no favor. {16:14} Therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that it shall no more be said, As Yahweh lives, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; {16:15} but, As Yahweh lives, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the countries where he had driven them. And I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers. {16:16} Behold, I will send for many fishers, said Yahweh, and they shall fish them up; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the clefts of the rocks. {16:17} For mine eyes are upon all their ways; they are not hid from my face, neither is their works against law concealed from mine eyes. {16:18} And first I will recompense their works against law and their sin double, because they have polluted my land with the carcasses of their detestable things, and have filled mine inheritance with their abominations. {16:19} O Yahweh, my strength, and my stronghold, and my refuge in the day of affliction, unto you shall the nations come from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Our fathers have inherited nothing but lies, [even] vanity and things wherein there is no profit. {16:20} shall a man make unto himself gods, which yet are no gods? {16:21} Therefore,

behold, I will cause them to know, this once will I cause them to know my hand and my might; and they shall know that my name is Yahweh.

{024}17} Jeremiah Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron, [and] with the point of a diamond: it is graven upon the tablet of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars; {17:2} whilst their children remember their altars and their Asherim by the green trees upon the high hills. {17:3} O my mountain in the field, I will give your substance and all your treasures for a spoil, [and] your high places, because of sin, throughout all your borders. {17:4} And you, even of yourself, shall discontinue from your heritage that I gave you; and I will cause you to serve your enemies in the land which you know not: for you have kindled a fire in mine anger which shall burn forever. {17:5} Thus said Yahweh: Cursed is the man that trusts in man, and makes flesh his arm, and whose heart departs from Yahweh. {17:6} For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good comes, but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, a salt land and not inhabited. {17:7} Blessed is the man that trusts in Yahweh, and whose trust Yahweh is. {17:8} For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreads out its roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat comes, but its leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. {17:9} The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it? {17:10} I, Yahweh, search the mind, I try the heart, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings. {17:11} As the partridge that sits on [eggs] which she has not laid, so is he that gets riches, and not by right; in the midst of his days they shall leave him, and at his end he shall be a fool. {17:12} A glorious throne, [set] on high from the beginning, is the place of our sanctuary. {17:13} O Yahweh, the hope of Israel, all that forsake you shall be put to shame. They that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken Yahweh, the fountain of living waters. {17:14} Heal me, O Yahweh, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for you are my praise. {17:15} Behold, they say unto me, Where is the word of Yahweh? let it come now. {17:16} As for me, I have not hurried from being a shepherd after you; neither have I desired the curseful day; you know: that which came out of my lips was before your face. {17:17} Be not a terror unto me: you are my refuge in the day of evil. {17:18} Let them be put to shame that persecute me, but let not me be put to shame; let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed; bring upon them the day of evil, and destroy them with double destruction. {17:19} Thus said Yahweh unto me: Go, and stand in the gate of the children of the people, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem; {17:20} and say unto them, Hear you the word of Yahweh, you kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates: {17:21} Thus said Yahweh, Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the Sabbath day, nor bring it in by the gates of Jerusalem; {17:22} neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the Sabbath day, neither do you any work: but hallow you the Sabbath day, as I commanded your fathers. {17:23} But they heard not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, and might not receive instruction. {17:24} And it shall come to pass, if you diligently hear unto me, said Yahweh, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the Sabbath day, but to hallow the Sabbath day, to do no work therein; {17:25} then shall there enter in by the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and this city shall remain forever. {17:26} And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places round about Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from the lowland, and from the hill-country, and from the South, bringing burnt-offerings, and sacrifices, and meal-offerings, and frankincense, and bringing [sacrifices of] thanksgiving, unto the house of Yahweh. {17:27} But if you will not hear unto me to hallow the Sabbath day, and not to bear a burden and enter in at the gates of Jerusalem on the Sabbath day; then will I kindle a fire in the gates there, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.

{O24}18} Jeremiah Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} The word which came to Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {18:2} Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause you to hear my words. {18:3} Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he was making a work on the wheels. {18:4} And when the vessel that he made of the clay was marred in the hand of the potter, he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it. {18:5} Then the word of Yahweh came to me, saying, {18:6} O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? said Yahweh. Behold, as the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. {18:7} At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up and to break down and to destroy it; {18:8} if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them. {18:9} And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it; {18:10} if they do that which is evil in my sight, that they obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, by which I said I would benefit them. {18:11} Now therefore, speak to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, Thus said Yahweh: Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you: return you now everyone from his evil way, and amend your ways and your doings. {18:12} But they say, It is in vain; for we will walk after our own devices, and we will do everyone after the stubbornness of his evil heart. {18:13} Therefore thus said Yahweh: Ask you now among the nations, who has heard such things; the virgin of Israel has done a very horrible thing. {18:14} shall the snow of Lebanon fail from the rock of the field? [or] shall the cold waters that flow down from afar be dried up? {18:15} For my people have forgotten me, they have burned incense to false [gods]; and they have been made to stumble in their ways, in the ancient paths, to walk in bypaths, in a way not cast up; {18:16} to make their land an astonishment, and a perpetual hissing; everyone that passes by shall be astonished, and shake his head. {18:17} I will scatter them as with an east wind before the enemy; I will show them the back, and not the face, in the day of their calamity. {18:18} Then said they, Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words. {18:19} Give heed to me, O Yahweh, and hear to the voice of them that contend with me. {18:20} shall evil be recompensed for good? for they have dug a pit for my soul. Remember how I stood before you to speak good for them, to turn away your Anger from them. {18:21} Therefore deliver up their children to the famine, and give them over to the power of the sword; and let their wives become childless, and widows; and let their men be slain of death, [and] their young men smitten of the sword in battle. {18:22} Let a cry be heard from their houses, when you shall bring a troop suddenly upon them; for they have dug a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet. {18:23} yet, Yahweh, you know all their counsel against me to slay me; forgive not their works against law, neither blot out their sin from your sight; but let them be overthrown before you; deal you with them in the time of your anger.

{O24}19} Jeremiah Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} Thus said Yahweh, Go, and buy a potter's earthen bottle, and [take] of the elders of the people, and of the elders of the priests; {19:2} and go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the gate Harsith, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell you; {19:3} and say, Hear you the word of Yahweh, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem: thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, which anyone who hears, his ears shall tingle. {19:4} Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, that they knew not, they and their fathers and the kings of Judah; and have filled this place with the blood of innocents, {19:5} and have built the high places of Baal, to burn their sons in the fire for burnt-offerings unto Baal; which I commanded not, nor spoke it, neither came it into my mind: {19:6} therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that this place shall no more be called Topheth, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of Slaughter. {19:7} And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hand of them that seek their life: and

their dead bodies will I give to be food for the birds of the heavens, and for the beasts of the earth. {19:8} And I will make this city an astonishment, and a hissing; everyone that passes by shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues there. {19:9} And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters; and they shall eat everyone the flesh of his friend, in the siege and in the distress, by which their enemies, and they that seek their life, shall distress them. {19:10} Then shall you break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with you, {19:11} and shall say unto them, Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaks a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again; and they shall bury in Topheth, till there be no place to bury. {19:12} Thus will I do unto this place, said Yahweh, and to the inhabitants there, even making this city as Topheth: {19:13} and the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, which are defiled, shall be as the place of Topheth, even all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink-offerings unto other gods. {19:14} Then came Jeremiah from Topheth, where Yahweh had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of Yahweh's house, and said to all the people: {19:15} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all its towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it; because they have made their neck stiff, that they may not hear my words.

{024}20} Jeremiah Chapter Twenty. {20:1} Now Pashhur, the son of Immer the priest, who was chief officer in the house of Yahweh, heard Jeremiah prophesying these things. {20:2} Then Pashhur smote Jeremiah the prophet, and put him in the stocks that were in the upper gate of Benjamin, which was in the house of Yahweh. {20:3} And it came to pass on the morrow, that Pashhur brought forth Jeremiah out of the stocks. Then said Jeremiah unto him, Yahweh has not called your name Pashhur, but Magor-missabib. {20:4} For thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will make you a terror to yourself, and to all your friends; and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and your eyes shall behold it; and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them captive to Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword. {20:5} Furthermore I will give all the riches of this city, and all the gains there, and all the precious things there, behold, all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the hand of their enemies; and they shall make them a prey, and take them, and carry them to Babylon. {20:6} And you, Pashhur, and all that dwell in your house shall go into captivity; and you shall come to Babylon, and there you shall die, and there shall you be buried, you, and all your friends, to whom you have prophesied falsely. {20:7} O Yahweh, you have persuaded me, and I was persuaded; you are stronger than I, and have prevailed: I am become a laughing-stock all the day, everyone mocks me. {20:8} For as often as I speak, I cry out; I cry, Violence and destruction! because the word of Yahweh is made a reproach unto me, and a derision, all the day. {20:9} And if I say, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name, then there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with forbearing, and I cannot [contain]. {20:10} For I have heard the defaming of many, terror on every side. Denounce, and we will denounce him, [say] all my familiar friends, they that watch for my fall; perhaps he will be persuaded, and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him. {20:11} But Yahweh is with me as a mighty one [and] a terrible: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail; they shall be utterly put to shame, because they have not dealt wisely, even with an everlasting dishonor which shall never be forgotten. {20:12} But, O Yahweh of hosts, that test the righteous, that sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance on them; for unto you have I revealed my cause. {20:13} Sing unto Yahweh, praise you Yahweh; for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hand of evil-doers. {20:14} Cursed be the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed. {20:15} Cursed be the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man-child is born unto you; making him very glad. {20:16} And let that man be as the cities which Yahweh overthrew, and repented not: and let him hear a cry in the morning, and shouting at noontime; {20:17} because he slew me not from the womb; and so my mother would have been my grave, and her womb always great.

{20:18} Therefore came I forth out of the womb to see labor and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?

{O24}21} Jeremiah Chapter TwentyOne. {21:1} The word which came unto Jeremiah from Yahweh, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Pashhur the son of Malchijah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah, the priest, saying, {21:2} Inquire, I pray you, of Yahweh for us; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon makes war against us: perhaps Yahweh will deal with us according to all his wondrous works, that he may go up from us. {21:3} Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall you say to Zedekiah: {21:4} Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands, by which you fight against the king of Babylon, and against the Chaldeans that besiege you, outside the walls; and I will gather them into the midst of this city. {21:5} And I myself will fight against you with an outstretched hand and with a strong arm, even in anger, and in Anger, and in great indignation. {21:6} And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence. {21:7} And afterward, said Yahweh, I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the people, even such as are left in this city from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of those that seek their life: and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; he shall not spare them, neither have pity, nor have mercy. {21:8} And unto this people you shall say, Thus said Yahweh: Behold, I set before you the way of life and the way of death. {21:9} He that abides in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence; but he that goes out, and passes over to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live, and his life shall be unto him for a prey. {21:10} For I have set my face upon this city for evil, and not for good, said Yahweh: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire. {21:11} And touching the house of the king of Judah, hear you the word of Yahweh: {21:12} O house of David, thus said Yahweh, Execute justice in the morning, and deliver him that is robbed out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my Anger go forth like fire, and burn so that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings. {21:13} Behold, I am against you, O inhabitant of the valley, [and] of the rock of the plain, said Yahweh; you that say, Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations? {21:14} And I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, said Yahweh; and I will kindle a fire in her forest, and it shall devour all that is round about her.

{O24}22} Jeremiah Chapter TwentyTwo. {22:1} Thus said Yahweh: Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word, {22:2} And say, Hear the word of Yahweh, O king of Judah, that sits upon the throne of David, you, and your servants, and your people that enter in by these gates. {22:3} Thus said Yahweh: Execute you justice and good works, and deliver him that is robbed out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence, to the alien, the fatherless, nor the widow; neither shed innocent blood in this place. {22:4} For if you do this thing indeed, then shall there enter in by the gates of this house kings sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, he, and his servants, and his people. {22:5} But if you will not hear these words, I swear by myself, said Yahweh, that this house shall become a desolation. {22:6} For thus said Yahweh concerning the house of the king of Judah: you are Gilead unto me, [and] the head of Lebanon; [yet] surely I will make you a wilderness, [and] cities which are not inhabited. {22:7} And I will prepare destroyers against you, everyone with his weapons; and they shall cut down your choice cedars, and cast them into the fire. {22:8} And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbor, Therefore has Yahweh done thus unto this great city? {22:9} Then they shall answer, Because they forsook the covenant of Yahweh their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them. {22:10} Weep you not for the dead, neither bemoan him; but weep sore for him that goes away; for he shall return no more, nor see his native country. {22:11} For thus said Yahweh touching shallum the son of Josiah, king of Judah, who reigned instead of Josiah his father, [and] who went forth out of this place: He shall not return there any more. {22:12} But in the place where they have led him

captive, there shall he die, and he shall see this land no more. {22:13} Woe unto him that builds his house [illegally] by works against law, and his chambers by injustice; that uses his neighbor's service outside wages, and gives him not his hire; {22:14} that said, I will build me a wide house and spacious chambers, and cuts him out windows; and it is ceiled with cedar, and painted with vermillion. {22:15} shall you reign, because you strive to excel in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink, and do justice and [legal] works in the law? then it was well with him. {22:16} He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Was not this to know me? said Yahweh. {22:17} But your eyes and your heart are not but for your covetousness, and for shedding innocent blood, and for oppression, and for violence, to do it. {22:18} Therefore thus said Yahweh concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah: they shall not lament for him, [saying], Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! They shall not lament for him, [saying] Ah lord! or, Ah his glory! {22:19} He shall be buried with the burial of an donkey, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem. {22:20} Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up your voice in Bashan, and cry from Abarim; for all your lovers are destroyed. {22:21} I spoke unto you in your prosperity; but you said, I will not hear. This has been your manner from your youth, that you obeyed not my voice. {22:22} The wind shall feed all your shepherds, and your lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shall you be ashamed and confounded for all your wickedness. {22:23} O inhabitant of Lebanon, that make your nest in the cedars, how greatly to be pitied shall you be when pangs come upon you, the pain as of a woman in travail! {22:24} As I live, said Yahweh, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah were the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck you there; {22:25} and I will give you into the hand of them that seek your life, and into the hand of them of whom you are afraid, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans. {22:26} And I will cast you out, and your mother that bare you, into another country, where you were not born; and there shall you die. {22:27} But to the land whereunto their soul longs to return, there shall they not return. {22:28} Is this man Coniah a despised broken vessel? is he a vessel wherein none delights? Therefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into the land which they know not? {22:29} O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of Yahweh. {22:30} Thus said Yahweh, Write you this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days; for no more shall a man of his seed prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling in Judah.

{024}23} Jeremiah Chapter TwentyThree. {23:1} Woe unto the shepherds that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! said Yahweh. {23:2} Therefore thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, against the shepherds that feed my people: you have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them; behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, said Yahweh. {23:3} And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and multiply. {23:4} And I will set up shepherds over them, who shall feed them; and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be lacking, said Yahweh. {23:5} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and good works in the land. {23:6} In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely; and this is his name whereby he shall be called: Yahweh our good works. {23:7} Therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that they shall no more say, As Yahweh lives, who brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; {23:8} but, As Yahweh lives, who brought up and who led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all the countries where I had driven them. And they shall dwell in their own land. {23:9} Concerning the prophets. My heart within me is broken, all my bones shake; I am like a drunk man, and like a man whom wine has overcome, because of Yahweh, and because of his holy words. {23:10} For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land grieves; the pastures of the wilderness are dried up. And their course is evil, and their might is not right; {23:11} for both prophet and priest are profane; behold, in my house have I found their wickedness, said Yahweh. {23:12} Therefore their way shall be unto them as slippery places in

the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein; for I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, said Yahweh. {23:13} And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied by Baal, and caused my people Israel to err. {23:14} In the prophets of Jerusalem also I have seen a horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies; and they strengthen the hands of evil-doers, so that none does return from his wickedness: they are all of them become unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants of it as Gomorrah. {23:15} Therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts concerning the prophets: Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall; for from the prophets of Jerusalem is ungodliness gone forth into all the land. {23:16} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, Hear not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they teach you vanity; they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of Yahweh. {23:17} They say continually unto them that despise me, Yahweh has said, you shall have peace; and unto everyone that walks in the stubbornness of his own heart they say, No evil shall come upon you. {23:18} For who has stood in the council of Yahweh, that he should perceive and hear his word? who has marked my word, and heard it? {23:19} Behold, the tempest of Yahweh, [even his] Anger, is gone forth, behold, a whirling tempest: it shall burst upon the head of the wicked. {23:20} The anger of Yahweh shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days you shall understand it perfectly. {23:21} I sent not these prophets, yet they ran: I spoke not unto them, yet they prophesied. {23:22} But if they had stood in my council, then had they caused my people to hear my words, and had turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings. {23:23} Am I a God at hand, said Yahweh, and not a God afar off? {23:24} Can any hide himself in secret places so that I shall not see him? said Yahweh. Do not I fill heaven and earth? said Yahweh. {23:25} I have heard what the prophets have said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed. {23:26} How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies, even the prophets of the deceit of their own heart? {23:27} that think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbor, as their fathers forgot my name for Baal. {23:28} The prophet that has a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that has my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the straw to the wheat? said Yahweh. {23:29} Is not my word like fire? said Yahweh; and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces? {23:30} Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, said Yahweh, that steal my words everyone from his neighbor. {23:31} Behold, I am against the prophets, said Yahweh, that use their tongues, and say, He said. {23:32} Behold, I am against them that prophesy lying dreams, said Yahweh, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their vain boasting: yet I sent them not, nor commanded them; neither do they profit this people at all, said Yahweh. {23:33} And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask you, saying, What is the burden of Yahweh? then shall you say unto them, What burden! I will cast you off, said Yahweh. {23:34} And as for the prophet, and the priest, and the people, that shall say, The burden of Yahweh, I will even punish that man and his house. {23:35} Thus shall you say everyone to his neighbor, and everyone to his brother, What has Yahweh answered? and, What has Yahweh spoken? {23:36} And the burden of Yahweh shall you mention no more: forever every man's own word shall be his burden; for you have perverted the words of the living God, of Yahweh of hosts our God. {23:37} Thus shall you say to the prophet, What has Yahweh answered you? and, What has Yahweh spoken? {23:38} But if you say, The burden of Yahweh; therefore thus said Yahweh: Because you say this word, The burden of Yahweh, and I have sent unto you, saying, you shall not say, The burden of Yahweh; {23:39} therefore, behold, I will utterly forget you, and I will cast you off, and the city that I gave unto you and to your fathers, away from my presence: {23:40} and I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

{O24}24) Jeremiah Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} Yahweh showed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs set before the temple of Yahweh, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with

the craftsmen and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon. {24:2} One basket had very good figs, like the figs that are first-ripe; and the other basket had very bad figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad. {24:3} Then said Yahweh unto me, What see you, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the bad, very bad, that cannot be eaten, they are so bad. {24:4} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {24:5} Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel: Like these good figs, so will I regard the captives of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans, for good. {24:6} For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull them down; and I will plant them, and not pluck them up. {24:7} And I will give them a heart to know me, that I am Yahweh: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God; for they shall return unto me with their whole heart. {24:8} And as the bad figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so bad, surely thus said Yahweh, So will I give up Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt, {24:9} I will even give them up to be tossed to and fro among all the kingdoms of the earth for evil; to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and woe, in all places where I shall drive them. {24:10} And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers.

{O24}25} Jeremiah Chapter TwentyFive. {25:1} The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah (the same was the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon,) {25:2} which Jeremiah the prophet spoke unto all the people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying: {25:3} From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, even unto this day, these three and twenty years, the word of Yahweh has come unto me, and I have spoken unto you, rising up early and speaking; but you have not heard. {25:4} And Yahweh has sent unto you all his servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, (but you have not heard, nor inclined your ear to hear,) {25:5} saying, Return you now everyone from his evil way, and from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that Yahweh has given unto you and to your fathers, from of old and even forevermore; {25:6} and go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, and provoke me not to anger with the work of your hands; and I will do you no hurt. {25:7} yet you have not heard unto me, said Yahweh; that you may provoke me to anger with the work of your hands to your own hurt. {25:8} Therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts: Because you have not heard my words, {25:9} behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, said Yahweh, and [I will send] unto Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants there, and against all these nations round about; and I will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and a hissing, and perpetual desolations. {25:10} Furthermore I will take from them the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the lamp. {25:11} And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. {25:12} And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, said Yahweh, for their works against law, and the land of the Chaldeans; and I will make it desolate forever. {25:13} And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, even all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah has prophesied against all the nations. {25:14} For many nations and great kings shall make bondmen of them, even of them; and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the work of their hands. {25:15} For thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, unto me: take this cup of the wine of Anger at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send you, to drink it. {25:16} And they shall drink, and reel to and fro, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them. {25:17} Then took I the cup at Yahweh's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom Yahweh had sent me: {25:18} [to wit], Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings there, and the princes there, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, a hissing, and woe, as it is this

day; {25:19} Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people; {25:20} and all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of the Uz, and all the kings of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Gaza, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod; {25:21} Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon; {25:22} and all the kings of Tyre, and all the kings of Sidon, and the kings of the isle which is beyond the sea; {25:23} Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that have the corners [of their hair] cut off; {25:24} and all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the wilderness; {25:25} and all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes; {25:26} and all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another; and all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them. {25:27} And you shall say unto them, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Drink you, and be drunk, and spew, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you. {25:28} And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at your hand to drink, then shall you say unto them, Thus said Yahweh of hosts: you shall surely drink. {25:29} For, lo, I begin to work evil at the city which is called by my name; and should you be utterly unpunished? you shall not be unpunished; for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, said Yahweh of hosts. {25:30} Therefore prophesy you against them all these words, and say unto them, Yahweh will roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he will mightily roar against his fold; he will give a shout, as they that tread [the grapes], against all the inhabitants of the earth. {25:31} A noise shall come even to the end of the earth; for Yahweh has a controversy with the nations; he will enter into judgment with all flesh: as for the wicked, he will give them to the sword, said Yahweh. {25:32} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great tempest shall be raised up from the outermost parts of the earth. {25:33} And the slain of Yahweh shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the face of the ground. {25:34} Wail, you shepherds, and cry; and wallow [in ashes], you principal of the flock; for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are fully come, and you shall fall like a goodly vessel. {25:35} And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape. {25:36} A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and the wailing of the principal of the flock! for Yahweh lays waste their pasture. {25:37} And the peaceable folds are brought to silence because of the fierce anger of Yahweh. {25:38} He has left his covert, as the lion; for their land is become an astonishment because of the fierceness of the oppressing [sword], and because of his fierce anger.

{O24}26} Jeremiah Chapter TwentySix. {26:1} In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, came this word from Yahweh, saying, {26:2} Thus said Yahweh: Stand in the court of Yahweh's house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in Yahweh's house, all the words that I command you to speak unto them; diminish not a word. {26:3} It may be they will hear, and turn every man from his evil way; that I may repent me of the evil which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings. {26:4} And you shall say unto them, Thus said Yahweh: If you will not hear to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you, {26:5} to hear to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I send unto you, even rising up early and sending them, but you have not heard; {26:6} then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city woe to all the nations of the earth. {26:7} And the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of Yahweh. {26:8} And it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that Yahweh had commanded him to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold on him, saying, you shall surely die. {26:9} Why have you prophesied in the name of Yahweh, saying, This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, outside inhabitant? And all the people were gathered unto Jeremiah in the house of Yahweh. {26:10} And when the princes of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house unto the house of Yahweh; and they sat in the entry of the new gate of Yahweh's [house]. {26:11} Then spoke the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people,

saying, This man is worthy of death; for he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your ears. {26:12} Then spoke Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people, saying, Yahweh sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that you have heard. {26:13} Now therefore amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of Yahweh your God; and Yahweh will repent him of the evil that he has pronounced against you. {26:14} But as for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me as is good and right in your eyes. {26:15} Only know you for certain that, if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants there; for of a truth Yahweh has sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears. {26:16} Then said the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets: This man is not worthy of death; for he has spoken to us in the name of Yahweh our God. {26:17} Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spoke to all the assembly of the people, saying, {26:18} Micah the Morashtite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah; and he spoke to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Zion shall be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest. {26:19} Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him to death? did he not fear Yahweh, and entreat the favor of Yahweh, and Yahweh repented him of the evil which he had pronounced against them? Thus should we commit great evil against our own souls. {26:20} And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of Yahweh, Uriah the son of Shemaiah of Kiriath-jearim; and he prophesied against this city and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah: {26:21} and when Jehoiakim the king, with all his mighty-men, and all the princes, heard his words, the king sought to put him to death; but when Uriah heard it, he was afraid, and fled, and went into Egypt: {26:22} and Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, [namely], Elnathan the son of Achbor, and certain men with him, into Egypt; {26:23} and they gotten forth Uriah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king, who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead body into the graves of the common people. {26:24} But the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.

{O24}27} Jeremiah Chapter TwentySeven. {27:1} In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, came this word unto Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {27:2} Thus said Yahweh to me: Make you bonds and bars, and put them upon your neck; {27:3} and send them to the king of Edom, and to the king of Moab, and to the king of the children of Ammon, and to the king of Tyre, and to the king of Sidon, by the hand of the messengers that come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah; {27:4} and give them a charge unto their masters, saying, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Thus shall you say unto your masters: {27:5} I have made the earth, the men and the beasts that are upon the face of the earth, by my great power and by my outstretched arm; and I give it unto whom it seems right unto me. {27:6} And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field also have I given him to serve him. {27:7} And all the nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, until the time of his own land come: and then many nations and great kings shall make him their slave. {27:8} And it shall come to pass, that the nation and the kingdom which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, said Yahweh, with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand. {27:9} But as for you, hear you not to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreams, nor to your soothsayers, nor to your sorcerers, that speak unto you, saying, you shall not serve the king of Babylon: {27:10} for they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land, and that I should drive you out, and you should perish. {27:11} But the nation that shall bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, that [nation] will I let remain in their own land, said Yahweh; and they shall till it, and dwell therein. {27:12} And I spoke to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.

{27:13} Why will you die, you and your people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as Yahweh has spoken concerning the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon? {27:14} And hear not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, you shall not serve the king of Babylon; for they prophesy a lie unto you. {27:15} For I have not sent them, said Yahweh, but they prophesy falsely in my name; that I may drive you out, and that you may perish, you, and the prophets that prophesy unto you. {27:16} Also I spoke to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus said Yahweh: Hear not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of Yahweh's house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon; for they prophesy a lie unto you. {27:17} Hear not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: Therefore should this city become a desolation? {27:18} But if they be prophets, and if the word of Yahweh be with them, let them now make intercession to Yahweh of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of Yahweh, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon. {27:19} For thus said Yahweh of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that are left in this city, {27:20} which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem; {27:21} behold, thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that are left in the house of Yahweh, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem: {27:22} They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be, until the day that I visit them, said Yahweh; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.

{O24}28} Jeremiah Chapter TwentyEight. {28:1} And it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, in the fifth moon, that Hananiah the son of Azzur, the prophet, who was of Gibeon, spoke unto me in the house of Yahweh, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying, {28:2} Thus speaks Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon. {28:3} Within two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of Yahweh's house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried to Babylon: {28:4} and I will bring again to this place Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, with all the captives of Judah, that went to Babylon, said Yahweh; for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon. {28:5} Then the prophet Jeremiah said unto the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of all the people that stood in the house of Yahweh, {28:6} even the prophet Jeremiah said, Amen: Yahweh do so; Yahweh perform your words which you have prophesied, to bring again the vessels of Yahweh's house, and all them of the captivity, from Babylon unto this place. {28:7} Nevertheless hear you now this word that I speak in your ears, and in the ears of all the people: {28:8} The prophets that have been before me and before you of old prophesied against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence. {28:9} The prophet that prophesies of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that Yahweh has truly sent him. {28:10} Then Hananiah the prophet took the bar from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it. {28:11} And Hananiah spoke in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus said Yahweh: Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon within two full years from off the neck of all the nations. And the prophet Jeremiah went his way. {28:12} Then the word of Yahweh came unto Jeremiah, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the bar from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying, {28:13} Go, and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus said Yahweh: you have broken the bars of wood; but you have made in their stead bars of iron. {28:14} For thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also. {28:15} Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah: Yahweh has not sent you; but you make this people to trust in a lie. {28:16} Therefore thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will send you away from off the face of the earth: this year you shall

die, because you have spoken rebellion against Yahweh. {28:17} So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh moon.

{O24}29} Jeremiah Chapter Twenty Nine. {29:1} Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders of the captivity, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon, {29:2} (after that Jeconiah the king, and the queen-mother, and the eunuchs, [and] the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, and the craftsmen, and the smiths, were departed from Jerusalem,) {29:3} by the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan, and Gemariah the son of Hilkiyah, (whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent unto Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon,) saying, {29:4} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all the captivity, whom I have caused to be carried away captive from Jerusalem unto Babylon: {29:5} Build you houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them. {29:6} Take you wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; and multiply you there, and be not diminished. {29:7} And seek the peace of the city where I have caused you to be carried away captive, and pray unto Yahweh for it; for in the peace of it shall you have peace. {29:8} For thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Let not your prophets that are in the midst of you, and your diviners, deceive you; neither hear you to your dreams which you cause to be dreamed. {29:9} For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, said Yahweh. {29:10} For thus said Yahweh, After seventy years are accomplished for Babylon, I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. {29:11} For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, said Yahweh, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you hope in your latter end. {29:12} And you shall call upon me, and you shall go and pray unto me, and I will hear unto you. {29:13} And you shall seek me, and find me, when you shall search for me with all your heart. {29:14} And I will be found of you, said Yahweh, and I will turn again your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, said Yahweh; and I will bring you again unto the place where I caused you to be carried away captive. {29:15} Because you have said, Yahweh has raised us up prophets in Babylon; {29:16} thus said Yahweh concerning the king that sits upon the throne of David, and concerning all the people that dwell in this city, your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity; {29:17} thus said Yahweh of hosts; Behold, I will send upon them the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them like vile figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so bad. {29:18} And I will pursue after them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will deliver them to be tossed to and fro among all the kingdoms of the earth, to be an execration, and an astonishment, and a hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations where I have driven them; {29:19} because they have not heard my words, said Yahweh, by which I sent unto them my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; but you would not hear, said Yahweh. {29:20} Hear you therefore the word of Yahweh, all you of the captivity, whom I have sent away from Jerusalem to Babylon. {29:21} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and concerning Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, who prophesy a lie unto you in my name: Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them before your eyes; {29:22} and of them shall be taken up woe by all the captives of Judah that are in Babylon, saying, Yahweh make you like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire; {29:23} because they have wrought folly in Israel, and have committed adultery with their neighbors' wives, and have spoken words in my name falsely, which I commanded them not; and I am he that knows, and am witness, said Yahweh. {29:24} And concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite you shall speak, saying, {29:25} Thus speaks Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, Because you have sent letters in your own name unto all the people that are at Jerusalem, and to Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah, the priest, and to all the priests, saying, {29:26} Yahweh has made you priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest, that there may be officers in the house of Yahweh, forever man that is mad, and makes himself a prophet,

that you should put him in the stocks and in shackles. {29:27} Now therefore, why have you not rebuked Jeremiah of Anathoth, who makes himself a prophet to you, {29:28} forasmuch as he has sent unto us in Babylon, saying, [The captivity] is long: build you houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them? {29:29} And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah the prophet. {29:30} Then came the word of Yahweh unto Jeremiah, saying, {29:31} Send to all them of the captivity, saying, Thus said Yahweh concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite: Because that Shemaiah has prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he has caused you to trust in a lie; {29:32} therefore thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seed; he shall not have a man to dwell among this people, neither shall he behold the good that I will do unto my people, said Yahweh, because he has spoken rebellion against Yahweh.

{O24}30} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty. {30:1} The word that came to Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {30:2} Thus speaks Yahweh, the God of Israel, saying, Write you all the words that I have spoken unto you in a book. {30:3} For, lo, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will turn again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, said Yahweh; and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it. {30:4} And these are the words that Yahweh spoke concerning Israel and concerning Judah. {30:5} For thus said Yahweh: We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace. {30:6} Ask you now, and see whether a man does travail with child: Therefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness? {30:7} Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it. {30:8} And it shall come to pass in that day, said Yahweh of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off your neck, and will burst your bonds; and strangers shall no more make him their slave; {30:9} but they shall serve Yahweh their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them. {30:10} Therefore fear you not, O Jacob my servant, said Yahweh; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save you from afar, and your seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be quiet and at ease, and none shall make him afraid. {30:11} For I am with you, said Yahweh, to save you: for I will make a full end of all the nations where I have scattered you, but I will not make a full end of you; but I will correct you in measure, and will in no wise leave you unpunished. {30:12} For thus said Yahweh, Your hurt is incurable, and your wound grievous. {30:13} There is none to plead your cause, that you may be bound up: you have no healing medicines. {30:14} All your lovers have forgotten you; they seek you not: for I have wounded you with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the greatness of your works against law, because your sins were increased. {30:15} Why cry you for your hurt? your pain is incurable: for the greatness of your works against law, because your sins were increased, I have done these things unto you. {30:16} Therefore all they that devour you shall be devoured; and all your adversaries, everyone of them, shall go into captivity; and they that despoil you shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon you will I give for a prey. {30:17} For I will restore health unto you, and I will heal you of your wounds, said Yahweh; because they have called you an outcast, [saying], It is Zion, whom no man seeks after. {30:18} Thus said Yahweh: Behold, I will turn again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have compassion on his dwelling-places; and the city shall be built upon its own hill, and the palace shall be inhabited after its own manner. {30:19} And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small. {30:20} Their children also shall be as times past, and their congregation shall be established before me; and I will punish all that oppress them. {30:21} And their prince shall be of themselves, and their ruler shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who is he that has had boldness to approach unto me? said Yahweh. {30:22} And you shall be my people, and I will be your God. {30:23} Behold, the tempest of Yahweh, [even his] Anger, is gone forth, a sweeping tempest: it shall burst upon the

head of the wicked. {30:24} The fierce anger of Yahweh shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days you shall understand it.

{O24}31} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} At that time, said Yahweh, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. {31:2} Thus said Yahweh, The people that were left of the sword found favor in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest. {31:3} Yahweh appeared of old unto me, [saying], behold, I have agape loved you with an everlasting love: therefore with agape loving kindness have I drawn you. {31:4} Again will I build you, and you shall be built, O virgin of Israel: again shall you be adorned with your tabrets, and shall go forth in the dances of them that make merry. {31:5} Again shall you plant vineyards upon the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy [the fruit there]. {31:6} For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the hills of Ephraim shall cry, Arise you, and let us go up to Zion unto Yahweh our God. {31:7} For thus said Yahweh, Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout for the chief of the nations: publish you, praise you, and say, O Yahweh, save your people, the remnant of Israel. {31:8} Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the outermost parts of the earth, [and] with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travails with child together: a great company shall they return here. {31:9} They shall come with weeping; and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by rivers of waters, in a straight way wherein they shall not stumble; for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born. {31:10} Hear the word of Yahweh, O you nations, and declare it in the isles afar off; and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as shepherd does his flock. {31:11} For Yahweh has ransomed Jacob, and redeemed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he. {31:12} And they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow unto the goodness of Yahweh, to the grain, and to the new wine, and to the oil, and to the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all. {31:13} Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old together; for I will turn their grieving into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow. {31:14} And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, said Yahweh. {31:15} Thus said Yahweh: A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping, Rachel weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they are not. {31:16} Thus said Yahweh: Refrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears; for your work shall be rewarded, said Yahweh; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. {31:17} And there is hope for your latter end, said Yahweh; and [your] children shall come again to their own border. {31:18} I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself [thus], you have Chastised me, and I was Chastised, as a calf unaccustomed [to the yoke]: turn you me, and I shall be turned; for you are Yahweh my God. {31:19} Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon my thigh: I was ashamed, behold, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth. {31:20} Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a darling child? for as often as I speak against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my heart yearns for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, said Yahweh. {31:21} Set you up way marks, make you guide-posts; set your heart toward the highway, even the way by which you went: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these your cities. {31:22} How long will you go here and there, O you backsliding daughter? for Yahweh has created a new thing in the earth: a woman shall encompass a man. {31:23} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, yet again shall they use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities there, when I shall bring again their captivity: Yahweh bless you, O habitation of good works, O mountain of holiness. {31:24} And Judah and all the cities there shall dwell therein together, the husbandmen, and they that go about with flocks. {31:25} For I have satiated the weary soul, and every sorrowful soul have I replenished. {31:26} Upon this I awaked, and watched; and my sleep was sweet unto me. {31:27} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast. {31:28} And it shall come to pass that, like as I have watched over them to

pluck up and to break down and to overthrow and to destroy and to afflict, so will I watch over them to build and to plant, said Yahweh. {31:29} In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge. {31:30} But everyone shall die for his own works against law: every man that eats the sour grapes, his teeth shall be set on edge. {31:31} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: {31:32} not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them, said Yahweh. {31:33} But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, said Yahweh: I will put my law in their inward parts, and in their heart will I write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people: {31:34} and they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know Yahweh; for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, said Yahweh: for I will forgive their works against law, and their sin will I remember no more. {31:35} Thus said Yahweh, who gives the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, who stirs up the sea, so that the waves there roar; Yahweh of hosts is his name: {31:36} If these ordinances depart from before me, said Yahweh, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me forever. {31:37} Thus said Yahweh: If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, then will I also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, said Yahweh. {31:38} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that the city shall be built to Yahweh from the tower of Hananel unto the gate of the corner. {31:39} And the measuring line shall go out further straight onward unto the hill Gareb, and shall turn about unto Goah. {31:40} And the whole valley of the dead bodies and of the ashes, and all the fields unto the brook Kidron, unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east, shall be holy unto Yahweh; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more forever.

{O24}32} Jeremiah Chapter ThirtyTwo. {32:1} The word that came to Jeremiah from Yahweh in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. {32:2} Now at that time the king of Babylon's army was besieging Jerusalem; and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the guard, which was in the king of Judah's house. {32:3} For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Therefore do you prophesy, and say, Thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it; {32:4} and Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans, but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall behold his eyes; {32:5} and he shall bring Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall he be until I visit him, said Yahweh: though you fight with the Chaldeans, you shall not prosper? {32:6} And Jeremiah said, The word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {32:7} Behold, Hanamel the son of shallum your uncle shall come unto you, saying, Buy you my field that is in Anathoth; for the right of redemption is your to buy it. {32:8} So Hanamel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the guard according to the word of Yahweh, and said unto me, Buy my field, I pray you, that is in Anathoth, which is in the land of Benjamin; for the right of inheritance is your, and the redemption is your; buy it for yourself. Then I knew that this was the word of Yahweh. {32:9} And I bought the field that was in Anathoth of Hanamel mine uncle's son, and weighed him the money, even seventeen shekels of silver. {32:10} And I subscribed the deed, and sealed it, and called witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances. {32:11} So I took the deed of the purchase, both that which was sealed, [according to] the law and custom, and that which was open: {32:12} and I delivered the deed of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah, in the presence of Hanamel mine uncle's [son], and in the presence of the witnesses that subscribed the deed of the purchase, before all the Jews that sat in the court of the guard. {32:13} And I charged Baruch before them, saying, {32:14} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, this deed of the purchase which is sealed, and this deed which is open, and put them in an earthen vessel; that

they may continue many days. {32:15} For thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall yet again be bought in this land. {32:16} Now after I had delivered the deed of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto Yahweh, saying, {32:17} Ah Lord Yahweh! behold, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm; there is nothing too hard for you, {32:18} who shows agape loving kindness unto thousands, and recompenses the works against law of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them; the great, the mighty God, Yahweh of hosts is his name; {32:19} great in counsel, and mighty in work; whose eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men, to give everyone according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings: {32:20} who did set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, both in Israel and among [other] men; and made you a name, as at this day; {32:21} and did bring forth your people Israel out of the land of Egypt with signs, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terror; {32:22} and gave them this land, which you did swear to their fathers to give them, a land flowing with milk and honey; {32:23} and they came in, and possessed it, but they obeyed not your voice, neither walked in your law; they have done nothing of all that you command them to do: therefore you have caused all this evil to come upon them. {32:24} Behold, the [seige] mounds, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence; and what you have spoken is come to pass; and, behold, you see it. {32:25} And you have said unto me, O Lord Yahweh, Buy you the field for money, and call witnesses; whereas the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans. {32:26} Then came the word of Yahweh unto Jeremiah, saying, {32:27} Behold, I am Yahweh, the God of all flesh: is there anything too hard for me? {32:28} Therefore thus said Yahweh: Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it: {32:29} and the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and set this city on fire, and burn it, with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured out drink-offerings unto other gods, to provoke me to anger. {32:30} For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have done only that which was evil in my sight from their youth; for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work of their hands, said Yahweh. {32:31} For this city has been to me a provocation of mine anger and of my Anger from the day that they built it even unto this day; that I should remove it from before my face, {32:32} because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. {32:33} And they have turned unto me the back, and not the face: and though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not heard receive instruction. {32:34} But they set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to defile it. {32:35} And they built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through [the fire] unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin. {32:36} And now therefore thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, concerning this city, where you say, It is given into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: {32:37} Behold, I will gather them out of all the countries, where I have driven them in mine anger, and in my Anger, and in great indignation; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely: {32:38} and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: {32:39} and I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever, for the good of them, and of their children after them: {32:40} and I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from following them, to do them good; and I will put my fear in their hearts, that they may not depart from me. {32:41} behold, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul. {32:42} For thus said Yahweh: Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will I bring upon them all the good that I

have promised them. {32:43} And fields shall be bought in this land, where you say, It is desolate, outside man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans. {32:44} Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe the deeds, and seal them, and call witnesses, in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the hill-country, and in the cities of the lowland, and in the cities of the South: for I will cause their captivity to return, said Yahweh.

{O24}33} Jeremiah Chapter ThirtyThree. {33:1} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet shut up in the court of the guard, saying, {33:2} Thus said Yahweh that does it, Yahweh that forms it to establish it; Yahweh is his name: {33:3} Call unto me, and I will answer you, and will show you great things, and difficult, which you know not. {33:4} For thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are broken down [to make a defense] against the mounds and against the sword; {33:5} while [men] come to fight with the Chaldeans, and to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have slain in mine anger and in my Anger, and for all whose wickedness I have hid my face from this city: {33:6} Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them; and I will reveal unto them abundance of peace and truth. {33:7} And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first. {33:8} And I will cleanse them from all their works against law, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned against me, and whereby they have transgressed against me. {33:9} And [this city] shall be to me for a name of joy, for a praise and for a glory, before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them, and shall fear and tremble for all the good and for all the peace that I procure unto it. {33:10} Thus said Yahweh: yet again there shall be heard in this place, where you say, It is waste, outside man and outside beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, outside man and outside inhabitant and outside beast, {33:11} the voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that say, Give thanks to Yahweh of hosts, for Yahweh is good, for his agape loving kindness [endures] forever; [and of them] that bring [sacrifices of] thanksgiving into the house of Yahweh. For I will cause the captivity of the land to return as at the first, said Yahweh. {33:12} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: yet again shall there be in this place, which is waste, outside man and outside beast, and in all the cities there, a habitation of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down. {33:13} In the cities of the hill-country, in the cities of the lowland, and in the cities of the South, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks again pass under the hands of him that numbers them, said Yahweh. {33:14} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will perform that good word which I have spoken concerning the house of Israel and concerning the house of Judah. {33:15} In those days, and at that time, will I cause a Branch of good works to grow up unto David; and he shall execute justice and good works in the land. {33:16} In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely; and this is [the name] whereby she shall be called: Yahweh our good works. {33:17} For thus said Yahweh: David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel; {33:18} neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to offer burnt-offerings, and to burn meal-offerings, and to do sacrifice continually. {33:19} And the word of Yahweh came unto Jeremiah, saying, {33:20} Thus said Yahweh: If you can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, so that there shall not be day and night in their time; {33:21} then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he shall not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers. {33:22} As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured; so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me. {33:23} And the word of Yahweh came to Jeremiah, saying, {33:24} Consider you not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which Yahweh did choose, he has cast them off? thus do they despise my people, that they should be no more a nation before them. {33:25} Thus said Yahweh: If my covenant of day and night [stand]

not, if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; {33:26} then will I also cast away the seed of Jacob, and of David my servant, so that I will not take of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and will have mercy on them.

{O24}34} Jeremiah Chapter ThirtyFour. {34:1} The word which came unto Jeremiah from Yahweh, when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdoms of the earth that were under his dominion, and all the peoples, were fighting against Jerusalem, and against all the cities there, saying: {34:2} Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Go, and speak to Zedekiah king of Judah, and tell him, Thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire: {34:3} and you shall not escape out of his hand, but shall surely be taken, and delivered into his hand; and your eyes shall behold the eyes of the king of Babylon, and he shall speak with you mouth to mouth, and you shall go to Babylon. {34:4} yet hear the word of Yahweh, O Zedekiah king of Judah: thus said Yahweh concerning you, you shall not die by the sword; {34:5} you shall die in peace; and with the burnings of your fathers, the former kings that were before you, so shall they make a burning for you; and they shall lament you, [saying], Ah Lord! for I have spoken the word, said Yahweh. {34:6} Then Jeremiah the prophet spoke all these words unto Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusalem, {34:7} when the king of Babylon's army was fighting against Jerusalem, and against all the cities of Judah that were left, against Lachish and against Azekah; for these [alone] remained of the cities of Judah [as] fortified cities. {34:8} The word that came unto Jeremiah from Yahweh, after that the king Zedekiah had made a covenant with all the people that were at Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto them; {34:9} that every man should let his man-servant, and every man his maid-servant, that is a Hebrew or a Hebrewess, go free; that none should make bondmen of them, [to wit], of a Jew his brother. {34:10} And all the princes and all the people obeyed, that had entered into the covenant, that everyone should let his man-servant, and everyone his maid-servant, go free, that none should make bondmen of them any more; they obeyed, and let them go: {34:11} but afterwards they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids. {34:12} Therefore the word of Yahweh came to Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {34:13} Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel: I made a covenant with your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, saying, {34:14} At the end of seven years you shall let go every man his brother that is a Hebrew, that has been sold unto you, and has served you six years, you shall let him go free from you: but your fathers heard not unto me, neither inclined their ear. {34:15} And you were now turned, and had done that which is right in mine eyes, in proclaiming liberty every man to his neighbor; and you had made a covenant before me in the house which is called by my name: {34:16} but you turned and profaned my name, and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom you had let go free at their pleasure, to return; and you brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids. {34:17} Therefore thus said Yahweh: you have not heard unto me, to proclaim liberty, every man to his brother, and every man to his neighbor: behold, I proclaim unto you a liberty, said Yahweh, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you to be tossed to and fro among all the kingdoms of the earth. {34:18} And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, that have not performed the words of the covenant which they made before me, when they cut the calf in twain and passed between the parts there; {34:19} the princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the people of the land, that passed between the parts of the calf; {34:20} I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life; and their dead bodies shall be for food unto the birds of the heavens, and to the beasts of the earth. {34:21} And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, that are gone away from you. {34:22} Behold, I will command, said Yahweh, and cause them to

return to this city; and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burn it with fire: and I will make the cities of Judah a desolation, outside inhabitant.

{O24}35} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} The word which came unto Jeremiah from Yahweh in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, saying, {35:2} Go unto the house of the Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the house of Yahweh, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink. {35:3} Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habazziniah, and his brethren, and all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites; {35:4} and I brought them into the house of Yahweh, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan the son of Igdaliah, the man of God, which was by the chamber of the princes, which was above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the threshold. {35:5} And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites bowls full of wine, and cups; and I said unto them, Drink you wine. {35:6} But they said, We will drink no wine; for Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, commanded us, saying, you shall drink no wine, neither you, nor your sons, forever: {35:7} neither shall you build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have any; but all your days you shall dwell in tents; that you may live many days in the land wherein you sojourn. {35:8} And we have obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, in all that he charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, or our daughters; {35:9} nor to build houses for us to dwell in; neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed: {35:10} but we have lived in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us. {35:11} But it came to pass, when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land, that we said, Come, and let us go to Jerusalem for fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and for fear of the army of the Syrians; so we dwell at Jerusalem. {35:12} Then came the word of Yahweh unto Jeremiah, saying, {35:13} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Go, and say to the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, Will you not receive instruction to hear to my words? said Yahweh. {35:14} The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons, not to drink wine, are performed; and unto this day they drink none, for they obey their father's commandment: but I have spoken unto you, rising up early and speaking; and you have not heard unto me. {35:15} I have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Return you now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and you shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but you have not inclined your ear, nor heard unto me. {35:16} Forasmuch as the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their father which he commanded them, but this people has not heard unto me; {35:17} therefore thus said Yahweh, the God of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them; because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them, but they have not answered. {35:18} And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Because you have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he commanded you; {35:19} therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me forever.

{O24}36} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} And it came to pass in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, that this word came unto Jeremiah from Yahweh, saying, {36:2} Take you a roll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken unto you against Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spoke unto you, from the days of Josiah, even unto this day. {36:3} It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their works against law and their sin. {36:4} Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah; and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of Yahweh, which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book. {36:5} And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut up; I cannot go into the house of Yahweh: {36:6} therefore go you, and read in the roll,

which you have written from my mouth, the words of Yahweh in the ears of the people in Yahweh's house upon the fast-day; and also you shall read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities. {36:7} It may be they will present their supplication before Yahweh, and will return everyone from his evil way; for great is the anger and the Anger that Yahweh has pronounced against this people. {36:8} And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading in the book the words of Yahweh in Yahweh's house. {36:9} Now it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, in the ninth moon, that all the people in Jerusalem, and all the people that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem, proclaimed a fast before Yahweh. {36:10} Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of Yahweh, in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan, the scribe, in the upper court, at the entry of the new gate of Yahweh's house, in the ears of all the people. {36:11} And when Micaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out of the book all the words of Yahweh, {36:12} he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the princes were sitting there, [to wit], Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes. {36:13} Then Micaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people. {36:14} Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, unto Baruch, saying, Take in your hand the roll wherein you have read in the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came unto them. {36:15} And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read it in their ears. {36:16} Now it came to pass, when they had heard all the words, they turned in fear one toward another, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words. {36:17} And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How did you write all these words at his mouth? {36:18} Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote them with ink in the book. {36:19} Then said the princes unto Baruch, Go, hide you, you and Jeremiah; and let no man know where you are. {36:20} And they went in to the king into the court; but they had laid up the roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe; and they told all the words in the ears of the king. {36:21} So the king sent Jehudi to get the roll; and he took it out of the chamber of Elishama the scribe. And Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes that stood beside the king. {36:22} Now the king was sitting in the winter-house in the ninth moon: and [there was a fire in] the brazier burning before him. {36:23} And it came to pass, when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, that [the king] cut it with the penknife, and cast it into the fire that was in the brazier, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier. {36:24} And they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words. {36:25} Furthermore Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll; but he would not hear them. {36:26} And the king commanded Jerahmeel the king's son, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet; but Yahweh hid them. {36:27} Then the word of Yahweh came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying, {36:28} Take you again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah has burned. {36:29} And concerning Jehoiakim king of Judah you shall say, Thus said Yahweh: you have burned this roll, saying, Why have you written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from there man and beast? {36:30} Therefore thus said Yahweh concerning Jehoiakim king of Judah: He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David; and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost. {36:31} And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their works against law; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them, but they heard not. {36:32} Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah, who

wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire; and there were added besides unto them many like words.

{O24}37} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty Seven. {37:1} And Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned as king, instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah. {37:2} But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did hear unto the words of Yahweh, which he spoke by the prophet Jeremiah. {37:3} And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah, the priest, to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, Pray now unto Yahweh our God for us. {37:4} Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people; for they had not put him into prison. {37:5} And Pharaoh's army was come forth out of Egypt; and when the Chaldeans that were besieging Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they brake up from Jerusalem. {37:6} Then came the word of Yahweh unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying, {37:7} Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, Thus shall you say to the king of Judah, that sent you unto me to inquire of me: Behold, Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you, shall return to Egypt into their own land. {37:8} And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city; and they shall take it, and burn it with fire. {37:9} Thus said Yahweh, Deceive not yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us; for they shall not depart. {37:10} For though you had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained but wounded men among them, behold would they rise up every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire. {37:11} And it came to pass that, when the army of the Chaldeans was broken up from Jerusalem for fear of Pharaoh's army, {37:12} then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin, to receive his portion there, in the midst of the people. {37:13} And when he was in the gate of Benjamin, a captain of the ward was there, whose name was Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he laid hold on Jeremiah the prophet, saying, you are falling away to the Chaldeans. {37:14} Then said Jeremiah, It is false; I am not falling away to the Chaldeans. But he heard not to him; so Irijah laid hold on Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes. {37:15} And the princes were angry with Jeremiah, and defeated him, and put him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe; for they had made that the prison. {37:16} When Jeremiah was come into the dungeon-house, and into the cells, and Jeremiah had remained there many days; {37:17} Then Zedekiah the king sent, and gotten him: and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said, Is there any word from Yahweh? And Jeremiah said, There is. He said also, you shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon. {37:18} Furthermore Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah, Wherein have I sinned against you, or against your servants, or against this people, that you have put me in prison? {37:19} Where now are your prophets that prophesied unto you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land? {37:20} And now hear, I pray you, O my lord the king: let my supplication, I pray you, be presented before you, that you cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there. {37:21} Then Zedekiah the king commanded, and they committed Jeremiah into the court of the guard; and they gave him daily a loaf of bread out of the bakers' street, until all the bread in the city was spent. Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the guard.

{O24}38} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty Eight. {38:1} And Shephatiah the son of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashhur, and Jucal the son of Shelemiah, and Pashhur the son of Malchijah, heard the words that Jeremiah spoke unto all the people, saying, {38:2} Thus said Yahweh, He that abides in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence; but he that goes forth to the Chaldeans shall live, and his life shall be unto him for a prey, and he shall live. {38:3} Thus said Yahweh, This city shall surely be given into the hand of the army of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it. {38:4} Then the princes said unto the king, Let this man, we pray you, be put to death; forasmuch as he weakens the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto them: for this man seeks not the welfare of this people, but the hurt. {38:5} And Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he is in your hand; for the king is not he that can do anything against you. {38:6} Then took they Jeremiah,

and cast him into the dungeon of Malchijah the king's son, that was in the court of the guard: and they let down Jeremiah with cords. And in the dungeon there was no water, but mire; and Jeremiah sank in the mire. {38:7} Now when Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, a eunuch, who was in the king's house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon (the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin,) {38:8} Ebed-melech went forth out of the king's house, and spoke to the king, saying, {38:9} My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they have done to Jeremiah the prophet, whom they have cast into the dungeon; and he is like to die in the place where he is, because of the famine; for there is no more bread in the city. {38:10} Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from here thirty men with you, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the dungeon, before he die. {38:11} So Ebed-melech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took there rags and worn-out garments, and let them down by cords into the dungeon to Jeremiah. {38:12} And Ebed-melech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah, Put now these rags and worn-out garments under your armholes under the cords. And Jeremiah did so. {38:13} So they drew up Jeremiah with the cords, and took him up out of the dungeon: and Jeremiah remained in the court of the guard. {38:14} Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet unto him into the third entry that is in the house of Yahweh: and the king said unto Jeremiah, I will ask you a thing; hide nothing from me. {38:15} Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, If I declare it unto you, will you not surely put me to death? and if I give you counsel, you will not hear unto me. {38:16} So Zedekiah the king swore secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, As Yahweh lives, that made us this soul, I will not put you to death, neither will I give you into the hand of these men that seek your life. {38:17} Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, Thus said Yahweh, the God of hosts, the God of Israel: If you will go forth unto the king of Babylon's princes, then your soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and you shall live, and your house. {38:18} But if you will not go forth to the king of Babylon's princes, then shall this city be given into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and you shall not escape out of their hand. {38:19} And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen away to the Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me. {38:20} But Jeremiah said, They shall not deliver you. Obey, I ask you, the voice of Yahweh, in that which I speak unto you: so it shall be well with you, and your soul shall live. {38:21} But if you refuse to go forth, this is the word that Yahweh has showed me: {38:22} behold, all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house shall be brought forth to the king of Babylon's princes, and those women shall say, Your familiar friends have set you on, and have prevailed over you: [now that] your feet are sunk in the mire, they are turned away back. {38:23} And they shall bring out all your wives and your children to the Chaldeans; and you shall not escape out of their hand, but shall be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and you shall cause this city to be burned with fire. {38:24} Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, Let no man know of these words, and you shall not die. {38:25} But if the princes hear that I have talked with you, and they come unto you, and say unto you, Declare unto us now what you have said unto the king; hide it not from us, and we will not put you to death; also what the king said unto you: {38:26} then you shall say unto them, I presented my supplication before the king, that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there. {38:27} Then came all the princes unto Jeremiah, and asked him; and he told them according to all these words that the king had commanded. So they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived. {38:28} So Jeremiah abode in the court of the guard until the day that Jerusalem was taken.

{O24}39} Jeremiah Chapter Thirty Nine. {39:1} And it came to pass when Jerusalem was taken, (in the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth moon, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and besieged it; {39:2} in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth moon, the ninth day of the moon, a breach was made in the city.) {39:3} that all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, [to wit], Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris, Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, with all the rest of the princes of the king of Babylon. {39:4} And it came to pass that, when Zedekiah the king of

Judah and all the men of war saw them, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, through the gate between the two walls; and he went out toward the Arabah. {39:5} But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath; and he gave judgment upon him. {39:6} Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah. {39:7} Furthermore he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him in fetters, to carry him to Babylon. {39:8} And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem. {39:9} Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive into Babylon the residue of the people that remained in the city, the deserters also that fell away to him, and the residue of the people that remained. {39:10} But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left of the poor of the people, that had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time. {39:11} Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, saying, {39:12} Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall say unto you. {39:13} So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushazban, Rab-saris, and Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, and all the chief officers of the king of Babylon; {39:14} they sent, and took Jeremiah out of the court of the guard, and committed him unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home: so he lived among the people. {39:15} Now the word of Yahweh came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the guard, saying, {39:16} Go, and speak to Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I will bring my words upon this city for evil, and not for good; and they shall be accomplished before you in that day. {39:17} But I will deliver you in that day, said Yahweh; and you shall not be given into the hand of the men of whom you are afraid. {39:18} For I will surely save you, and you shall not fall by the sword, but your life shall be for a prey unto you; because you have put your trust in me, said Yahweh.

{O24}40} Jeremiah Chapter Forty. {40:1} The word which came to Jeremiah from Yahweh, after that Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in chains among all the captives of Jerusalem and Judah, that were carried away captive unto Babylon. {40:2} And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him, Yahweh your God pronounced this evil upon this place; {40:3} and Yahweh has brought it, and done according as he spoke: because you have sinned against Yahweh, and have not obeyed his voice, therefore this thing is come upon you. {40:4} And now, behold, I loose you this day from the chains which are upon your hand. If it seem good unto you to come with me into Babylon, come, and I will look well unto you; but if it seem ill unto you to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, all the land is before you; where it seems good and right unto you to go, there go. {40:5} Now while he was not yet gone back, Go back then, [said he], to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon has made governor over the cities of Judah, and dwell with him among the people; or go where so ever it seems right unto you to go. So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a present, and let him go. {40:6} Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah, and lived with him among the people that were left in the land. {40:7} Now when all the captains of the forces that were in the fields, even they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam governor in the land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of the poorest of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon; {40:8} then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, [to wit], Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophasite, and Jezaniah the son of the Maacathite, they and their men. {40:9} And Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan swore unto them and to their men, saying, Fear not to serve the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you. {40:10} As for me, behold, I will dwell at Mizpah, to stand before the Chaldeans that shall come unto us: but

you, gather you wine and summer fruits and oil, and put them in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that you have taken. {40:11} Likewise when all the Jews that were in Moab, and among the children of Ammon, and in Edom, and that were in all the countries, heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah, and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan; {40:12} then all the Jews returned out of all places where they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, unto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much. {40:13} Furthermore Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, {40:14} and said unto him, Do you know that Baalis the king of the children of Ammon has sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to take your life? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not. {40:15} Then Johanan the son of Kareah spoke to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let me go, I pray you, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it: Therefore should he take your life, that all the Jews that are gathered unto you should be scattered, and the remnant of Judah perish? {40:16} But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah, you shall not do this thing; for you speak falsely of Ishmael.

{O24}41} Jeremiah Chapter Forty One. {41:1} Now it came to pass in the seventh moon, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed royal and [one of] the chief officers of the king, and ten men with him, came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in Mizpah. {41:2} Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and defeated Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the land. {41:3} Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, [to wit], with Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, the men of war. {41:4} And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew it, {41:5} that there came men from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, even eighty men, having their beards shaven and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves, with meal-offerings and frankincense in their hand, to bring them to the house of Yahweh. {41:6} And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam. {41:7} And it was so, when they came into the midst of the city, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, [and cast them] into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that were with him. {41:8} But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael, Slay us not; for we have stores hidden in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey. So he forbear, and slew them not among their brethren. {41:9} Now the pit wherein Ishmael cast all the dead bodies of the men whom he had slain, by the side of Gedaliah (the same was that which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel,) Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with them that were slain. {41:10} Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that were in Mizpah, even the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam; Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive, and departed to go over to the children of Ammon. {41:11} But when Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, heard of all the evil that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done, {41:12} then they took all the men, and went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and found him by the great waters that are in Gibeon. {41:13} Now it came to pass that, when all the people that were with Ishmael saw Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, then they were glad. {41:14} So all the people that Ishmael had carried away captive from Mizpah turned about and came back, and went unto Johanan the son of Kareah. {41:15} But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went to the children of Ammon. {41:16} Then took Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, all the remnant of the people whom he had recovered from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after that he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, [to wit], the men of war, and the women, and the children, and the eunuchs,

whom he had brought back from Gibeon: {41:17} and they departed, and lived in Geruth Chimham, which is by Beth-lehem, to go to enter into Egypt, {41:18} because of the Chaldeans; for they were afraid of them, because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor over the land.

{O24}42} Jeremiah Chapter Forty Two. {42:1} Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, came near, {42:2} and said unto Jeremiah the prophet, Let, we pray you, our supplication be presented before you, and pray for us unto Yahweh your God, even for all this remnant; for we are left but a few of many, as your eyes do behold us: {42:3} that Yahweh your God may show us the way wherein we should walk, and the thing that we should do. {42:4} Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them, I have heard you; behold, I will pray unto Yahweh your God according to your words; and it shall come to pass that whatever thing Yahweh shall answer you, I will declare it unto you; I will keep nothing back from you. {42:5} Then they said to Jeremiah, Yahweh be a true and faithful witness amongst us, if we do not according to all the word by which Yahweh your God shall send you to us. {42:6} Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will obey the voice of Yahweh our God, to whom we send you; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of Yahweh our God. {42:7} And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of Yahweh came unto Jeremiah. {42:8} Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest, {42:9} and said unto them, Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, unto whom you sent me to present your supplication before him: {42:10} If you will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull you down, and I will plant you, and not pluck you up; for I repent me of the evil that I have done unto you. {42:11} Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom you are afraid; be not afraid of him, said Yahweh: for I am with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand. {42:12} And I will grant you mercy, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land. {42:13} But if you say, We will not dwell in this land; so that you obey not the voice of Yahweh your God, {42:14} saying, No; but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there will we dwell: {42:15} now therefore hear you the word of Yahweh, O remnant of Judah: Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, If you indeed set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there; {42:16} then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which you fear, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt; and the famine, where you are afraid, shall follow hard after you there in Egypt; and there you shall die. {42:17} So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there: they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence; and none of them shall remain or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them. {42:18} For thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: As mine anger and my Anger has been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so shall my Anger be poured forth upon you, when you shall enter into Egypt; and you shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and woe, and a reproach; and you shall see this place no more. {42:19} Yahweh has spoken concerning you, O remnant of Judah, Go you not into Egypt: know certainly that I have testified unto you this day. {42:20} For you have dealt deceitfully against your own souls; for you sent me unto Yahweh your God, saying, Pray for us unto Yahweh our God; and according unto all that Yahweh our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do it: {42:21} and I have this day declared it to you; but you have not obeyed the voice of Yahweh your God in anything for which he has sent me unto you. {42:22} Now therefore know certainly that you shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place where you desire to go to sojourn there.

{O24}43} Jeremiah Chapter Forty Three. {43:1} And it came to pass that, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto all the people all the words of Yahweh their God, by which Yahweh their God had sent him to them, even all these words, {43:2} then spoke Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the proud men, saying unto Jeremiah, you speak falsely: Yahweh our God has not sent you to say, you shall not go into Egypt to

sojourn there; {43:3} but Baruch the son of Neriah sets you on against us, to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans, that they may put us to death, and carry us away captive to Babylon. {43:4} So Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, and all the people, obeyed not the voice of Yahweh, to dwell in the land of Judah. {43:5} But Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took all the remnant of Judah, that were returned from all the nations where they had been driven, to sojourn in the land of Judah; {43:6} the men, and the women, and the children, and the king's daughters, and every person that Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan; and Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah; {43:7} and they came into the land of Egypt; for they obeyed not the voice of Yahweh: and they came unto Tahpanhes. {43:8} Then came the word of Yahweh unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes, saying, {43:9} Take great stones in your hand, and hide them in mortar in the brickwork, which is at the entry of Pharaoh's house in Tahpanhes, in the sight of the men of Judah; {43:10} and say unto them, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I will send and take Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them. {43:11} And he shall come, and shall smite the land of Egypt; such as are for death [shall be given] to death, and such as are for captivity to captivity, and such as are for the sword to the sword. {43:12} And I will kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of Egypt; and he shall burn them, and carry them away captive: and he shall array himself with the land of Egypt, as a shepherd put-on his garment; and he shall go forth from there in peace. {43:13} He shall also break the pillars of Beth-shemesh, that is in the land of Egypt; and the houses of the gods of Egypt shall he burn with fire.

{O24}44} Jeremiah Chapter Forty Four. {44:1} The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews that lived in the land of Egypt, that lived at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Memphis, and in the country of Pathros, saying, {44:2} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: you have seen all the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, and upon all the cities of Judah; and, behold, this day they are a desolation, and no man dwells therein, {44:3} because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that they went to burn incense, [and] to serve other gods, that they knew not, neither they, nor you, nor your fathers. {44:4} However I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate. {44:5} But they heard not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods. {44:6} Therefore my Anger and mine anger was poured forth, and was kindled in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; and they are wasted and desolate, as it is this day. {44:7} Therefore now thus said Yahweh, the God of hosts, the God of Israel: Therefore commit you [this] great evil against your own souls, to cut off from you man and woman, infant and suckling, out of the midst of Judah, to leave you none remaining; {44:8} in that you provoke me unto anger with the works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, where you are gone to sojourn; that you may be cut off, and that you may be woe and a reproach among all the nations of the earth? {44:9} Have you forgotten the wickedness of your fathers, and the wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the wickedness of their wives, and your own wickedness, and the wickedness of your wives which they committed in the land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem? {44:10} They are not humbled even unto this day, neither have they feared, nor walked in my law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers. {44:11} Therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I will set my face against you for evil, even to cut off all Judah. {44:12} And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed; in the land of Egypt shall they fall; they shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine; they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine; and they shall be an execration, [and] an astonishment, and woe, and a reproach. {44:13} For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence; {44:14} so that none of

the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or be left, to return into the land of Judah, to which they have a desire to return to dwell there: for none shall return save such as shall escape. {44:15} Then all the men who knew that their wives burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great assembly, even all the people that lived in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying, {44:16} As for the word that you have spoken unto us in the name of Yahweh, we will not hear unto you. {44:17} But we will certainly perform every word that is gone forth out of our mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink-offerings unto her, as we have done, we and our fathers, our kings and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem; for then had we plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil. {44:18} But since we left off burning incense to the queen of heaven, and pouring out drink-offerings unto her, we have wanted all things, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine. {44:19} And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink-offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink-offerings unto her, outside our husbands? {44:20} Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, even to all the people that had given him that answer, saying, {44:21} The incense that you burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, you and your fathers, your kings and your princes, and the people of the land, did not Yahweh remember them, and came it not into his mind? {44:22} so that Yahweh could not longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, and because of the abominations which you have committed; therefore is your land become a desolation, and an astonishment, and woe, outside inhabitant, as it is this day. {44:23} Because you have burned incense, and because you have sinned against Yahweh, and have not obeyed the voice of Yahweh, nor walked in his law, nor in his statutes, nor in his testimonies; therefore this evil is happened unto you, as it is this day. {44:24} Furthermore Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of Yahweh, all Judah that are in the land of Egypt: {44:25} Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, you and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and with your hands have fulfilled it, saying, We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink-offerings unto her: establish then your vows, and perform your vows. {44:26} Therefore hear you the word of Yahweh, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt: Behold, I have sworn by my great name, said Yahweh, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, As the Lord Yahweh lives. {44:27} Behold, I watch over them for evil, and not for good; and all the men of Judah that are in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them. {44:28} And they that escape the sword shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, few in number; and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose word shall stand, mine, or theirs. {44:29} And this shall be the sign unto you, said Yahweh, that I will punish you in this place, that you may know that my words shall surely stand against you for evil: {44:30} Thus said Yahweh, Behold, I will give Pharaoh Hophra king of Egypt into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seek his life; as I gave Zedekiah king of Judah into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, who was his enemy, and sought his life.

{O24}45} Jeremiah Chapter Forty five. {45:1} The word that Jeremiah the prophet spoke unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he wrote these words in a book at the mouth of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, saying, {45:2} Thus said Yahweh, the God of Israel, unto you, O Baruch: {45:3} you did say, Woe is me now! for Yahweh has added sorrow to my pain; I am weary with my groaning, and I find no rest. {45:4} Thus shall you say unto him, Thus said Yahweh: Behold, that which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up; and this in the whole land. {45:5} And you seek great things for yourself? seek them not; for, behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, said Yahweh; but your life will I give unto you for a prey in all places where you go.

{024}46} Jeremiah Chapter Forty Six. {46:1} The word of Yahweh which came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning the nations. {46:2} Of Egypt: concerning the army of Pharaoh-neco king of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon defeated in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah. {46:3} Prepare you the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle. {46:4} Harness the horses, and get up, you horsemen, and stand forth with your helmets; furbish the spears, put on the coats of mail. {46:5} Therefore have I seen it? they are dismayed and are turned backward; and their mighty ones are beaten down, and are fled apace, and look not back: terror is on every side, said Yahweh. {46:6} Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; in the north by the river Euphrates have they stumbled and fallen. {46:7} Who is this that rises up like the Nile, whose waters toss themselves like the rivers? {46:8} Egypt rises up like the Nile, and his waters toss themselves like the rivers: and he said, I will rise up, I will cover the earth; I will destroy cities and the inhabitants there. {46:9} Go up, you horses; and rage, you chariots; and let the mighty men go forth: Cush and Put, that handle the shield; and the Ludim, that handle and bend the bow. {46:10} For that day is [a day] of the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour and be satiate, and shall drink its fill of their blood; for the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, has a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates. {46:11} Go up into Gilead, and take balm, O virgin daughter of Egypt: in vain do you use many medicines; there is no healing for you. {46:12} The nations have heard of your shame, and the earth is full of your cry; for the mighty man has stumbled against the mighty, they are fallen both of them together. {46:13} The word that Yahweh spoke to Jeremiah the prophet, how that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come and smite the land of Egypt. {46:14} Declare you in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Memphis and in Tahpanhes: say you, Stand forth, and prepare you; for the sword has devoured round about you. {46:15} Why are your strong ones swept away? they stood not, because Yahweh did drive them. {46:16} He made many to stumble, behold, they fell one upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword. {46:17} They cried there, Pharaoh king of Egypt is but a noise; he has let the appointed time pass by. {46:18} As I live, said the King, whose name is Yahweh of hosts, surely like Tabor among the mountains, and like Carmel by the sea, so shall he come. {46:19} O you daughter that dwells in Egypt, furnish yourself to go into captivity; for Memphis shall become a desolation, and shall be burnt up, outside inhabitant. {46:20} Egypt is a very fair heifer; [but] destruction out of the north is come, it is come. {46:21} Also her hired men in the midst of her are like calves of the stall; for they also are turned back, they are fled away together, they did not stand: for the day of their calamity is come upon them, the time of their visitation. {46:22} The sound of it shall go like the serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood. {46:23} They shall cut down her forest, said Yahweh, though it cannot be searched; because they are more than the locusts, and are innumerable. {46:24} The daughter of Egypt shall be put to shame; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north. {46:25} Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, said: Behold, I will punish Amon of No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with her gods, and her kings; even Pharaoh, and them that trust in him: {46:26} and I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their lives, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants; and afterwards it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, said Yahweh. {46:27} But fear not you, O Jacob my servant, neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save you from afar, and your seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be quiet and at ease, and none shall make him afraid. {46:28} Fear not you, O Jacob my servant, said Yahweh; for I am with you: for I will make a full end of all the nations where I have driven you; but I will not make a full end of you, but I will correct you in measure, and will in no wise leave you unpunished.

{024}47} Jeremiah Chapter FortySeven. {47:1} The word of Yahweh that came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning the Philistines, before that Pharaoh defeated Gaza. {47:2} Thus

said Yahweh: Behold, waters rise up out of the north, and shall become an overflowing stream, and shall overflow the land and all that is therein, the city and them that dwell therein; and the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall wail. {47:3} At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong ones, at the rushing of his chariots, at the rumbling of his wheels, the fathers look not back to their children for feebleness of hands; {47:4} because of the day that comes to destroy all the Philistines, to cut off from Tyre and Sidon every helper that remains: for Yahweh will destroy the Philistines, the remnant of the isle of Caphtor. {47:5} Baldness is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is brought to nothing, the remnant of their valley: how long will you cut yourself? {47:6} O you sword of Yahweh, how long will it be ere you be quiet? put up yourself into your scabbard; rest, and be still. {47:7} How Can you be quiet, seeing Yahweh has given you a charge? Against Ashkelon, and against the sea-shore, there has he appointed it.

{O24}48} Jeremiah Chapter Forty Eight. {48:1} Of Moab. Thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Woe unto Nebo! for it is laid waste; Kiriathaim is put to shame, it is taken; Misgab is put to shame and broken down. {48:2} The praise of Moab is no more; in Heshbon they have devised evil against her: Come, and let us cut her off from being a nation. you also, O Madmen, shall be brought to silence: the sword shall pursue you. {48:3} The sound of a cry from Horonaim, desolation and great destruction! {48:4} Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard. {48:5} For by the ascent of Luhith with continual weeping shall they go up; for at the descent of Horonaim they have heard the distress of the cry of destruction. {48:6} Flee, save your lives, and be like the heath in the wilderness. {48:7} For, because you have trusted in your works and in your treasures, you also shall be taken: and Chemosh shall go forth into captivity, his priests and his princes together. {48:8} And the destroyer shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape; the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed; as Yahweh has spoken. {48:9} Give wings unto Moab, that she may fly and get her away: and her cities shall become a desolation, outside any to dwell therein. {48:10} Cursed be he that does the work of Yahweh negligently; and cursed be he that keeps back his sword from blood. {48:11} Moab has been at ease from his youth, and he has settled on his lees, and has not been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither has he gone into captivity: therefore his taste remains in him, and his scent is not changed. {48:12} Therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will send unto him them that pour off, and they shall pour him off; and they shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles in pieces. {48:13} And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Beth-el their confidence. {48:14} How say you, We are mighty men, and valiant men for the war? {48:15} Moab is laid waste, and they are gone up into his cities, and his chosen young men are gone down to the slaughter, said the King, whose name is Yahweh of hosts. {48:16} The calamity of Moab is near to come, and his affliction hurries fast. {48:17} All you that are round about him, bemoan him, and all you that know his name; say, How is the strong staff broken, the beautiful rod! {48:18} O you daughter that dwells in Dibon, come down from your glory, and sit in thirst; for the destroyer of Moab is come up against you, he has destroyed your strongholds. {48:19} O inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and watch: ask him that flees, and her that escapes; say, What has been done? {48:20} Moab is put to shame; for it is broken down: wail and cry; tell you it by the Arnon, that Moab is laid waste. {48:21} And judgment is come upon the plain country, upon Holon, and upon Jahzah, and upon Mephaath, {48:22} and upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Beth-diblathaim, {48:23} and upon Kiriathaim, and upon Beth-gamul, and upon Beth-meon, {48:24} and upon Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near. {48:25} The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, said Yahweh. {48:26} Make you him drunk; for he magnified himself against Yahweh: and Moab shall wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision. {48:27} For was not Israel a derision unto you? was he found among thieves? for as often as you speak of him, you wags the head. {48:28} O you inhabitants of Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rock; and be like the dove that makes her nest over the mouth of the abyss. {48:29} We have heard of the pride of Moab, [that] he is very proud; his loftiness, and his pride, and his arrogance,

and the haughtiness of his heart. {48:30} I know his Anger, said Yahweh, that it is nothing; his boastings have wrought nothing. {48:31} Therefore will I wail for Moab; behold, I will cry out for all Moab: for the men of Kir-heres shall they grieve. {48:32} With more than the weeping of Jazer will I weep for you, O vine of Sibmah: your branches passed over the sea, they reached even to the sea of Jazer: upon your summer fruits and upon your vintage the destroyer is fallen. {48:33} And gladness and joy is taken away from the fruitful field and from the land of Moab; and I have caused wine to cease from the winepresses: none shall tread with shouting; the shouting shall be no shouting. {48:34} From the cry of Heshbon even unto Elealeh, even unto Jahaz have they uttered their voice, from Zoar even unto Horonaim, to Eglath-shelishiyah: for the waters of Nimrim also shall become desolate. {48:35} Furthermore I will cause to cease in Moab, said Yahweh, him that offers in the high place, and him that burns incense to his gods. {48:36} Therefore my heart sounds for Moab like pipes, and my heart sounds like pipes for the men of Kir-heres: therefore the abundance that he has gotten is perished. {48:37} Forevery head is bald, and every beard clipped: upon all the hands are cuttings, and upon the loins sackcloth. {48:38} On all the housetops of Moab and in the streets of it there is lamentation every where; for I have broken Moab like a vessel wherein none delights, said Yahweh. {48:39} How is it broken down! [how] do they wail! how has Moab turned the back with shame! so shall Moab become a derision and a terror to all that are round about him. {48:40} For thus said Yahweh: Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and shall spread out his wings against Moab. {48:41} Kerioth is taken, and the strongholds are seized, and the heart of the mighty men of Moab at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs. {48:42} And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he has magnified himself against Yahweh. {48:43} Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon you, O inhabitant of Moab, said Yahweh. {48:44} He that flees from the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that gets up out of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for I will bring upon him, even upon Moab, the year of their visitation, said Yahweh. {48:45} They that fled stand outside strength under the shadow of Heshbon; for a fire is gone forth out of Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and has devoured the corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the tumultuous ones. {48:46} Woe unto you, O Moab! the people of Chemosh is undone; for your sons are taken away captive, and your daughters into captivity. {48:47} yet will I bring back the captivity of Moab in the latter days, said Yahweh. Thus far is the judgment of Moab.

{O24}49} Jeremiah Chapter Forty Nine. {49:1} Of the children of Ammon. Thus said Yahweh: Has Israel no sons? has he no heir? why then does Malcam possess Gad, and his people well in the cities there? {49:2} Therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard against Rabbah of the children of Ammon; and it shall become a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel possess them that did possess him, said Yahweh. {49:3} Wail, O Heshbon, for Ai is laid waste; cry, you daughters of Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth: lament, and run to and fro among the fences; for Malcam shall go into captivity, his priests and his princes together. {49:4} Therefore glory you in the valleys, your flowing valley, O backsliding daughter? that trusted in her treasures, [saying], Who shall come unto me? {49:5} Behold, I will bring a fear upon you, said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, from all that are round about you; and you shall be driven out every man right forth, and there shall be none to gather together the fugitives. {49:6} But afterward I will bring back the captivity of the children of Ammon, said Yahweh. {49:7} Of Edom. Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Is wisdom no more in Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished? {49:8} Flee you, turn back, dwell in the depths, O inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time that I shall visit him. {49:9} If grape-gatherers came to you, would they not leave some gleanings? if thieves by night, would they not destroy till they had enough? {49:10} But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able to hide himself: his seed is destroyed, and his brethren, and his neighbors; and he is not. {49:11} Leave your fatherless children, I will preserve them alive; and let your widows trust in me. {49:12} For thus said Yahweh: Behold, they to whom it pertained not to drink of the cup shall

assuredly drink; and are you he that shall altogether go unpunished? you shall not go unpunished, but you shall surely drink. {49:13} For I have sworn by myself, said Yahweh, that Bozrah shall become an astonishment, a reproach, a waste, and woe; and all the cities of it shall be perpetual wastes. {49:14} I have heard tidings from Yahweh, and an ambassador is sent among the nations, [saying], Gather yourselves together, and come against her, and rise up to the battle. {49:15} For, behold, I have made you small among the nations, and despised among men. {49:16} As for your terribleness, the pride of your heart has deceived you, O you that dwells in the clefts of the rock, that hold the height of the hill: though you should make your nest as high as the eagle, I will bring you down from there, said Yahweh. {49:17} And Edom shall become an astonishment: everyone that passes by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues there. {49:18} As in the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbor cities there, said Yahweh, no man shall dwell there, neither shall any son of man sojourn therein. {49:19} Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the pride of the Jordan against the strong habitation: for I will suddenly make them run away from it; and who so is chosen, him will I appoint over it: for who is like me? and who will appoint me a time? and who is the shepherd that will stand before me? {49:20} Therefore hear you the counsel of Yahweh, that he has taken against Edom; and his purposes, that he has purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: Surely they shall drag them away, [even] the little ones of the flock; surely he shall make their habitation desolate over them. {49:21} The earth trembles at the noise of their fall; there is a cry, the noise where is heard in the Red Sea. {49:22} Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread out his wings against Bozrah: and the heart of the mighty men of Edom at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs. {49:23} Of Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad; for they have heard evil tidings, they are melted away: there is sorrow on the sea; it cannot be quiet. {49:24} Damascus is waxed feeble, she turns herself to flee, and trembling has seized on her: anguish and sorrows have taken hold of her, as of a woman in travail. {49:25} How is the city of praise not forsaken, the city of my joy? {49:26} Therefore her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the men of war shall be brought to silence in that day, said Yahweh of hosts. {49:27} And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall devour the palaces of Ben-hadad. {49:28} Of Kedar, and of the kingdoms of Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon defeated. Thus said Yahweh: Arise you, go up to Kedar, and destroy the children of the east. {49:29} Their tents and their flocks shall they take; they shall carry away for themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels; and they shall cry unto them, Terror on every side! {49:30} Flee you, wander far off, dwell in the depths, O you inhabitants of Hazor, said Yahweh; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon has taken counsel against you, and has conceived a purpose against you. {49:31} Arise, get you up unto a nation that is at ease, that dwells outside care, said Yahweh; that have neither gates nor bars, that dwell alone. {49:32} And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will scatter unto all winds them that have the corners [of their hair] cut off; and I will bring their calamity from every side of them, said Yahweh. {49:33} And Hazor shall be a dwelling-place of jackals, a desolation forever: no man shall dwell there, neither shall any son of man sojourn therein. {49:34} The word of Yahweh that came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning Elam, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying, {49:35} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might. {49:36} And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation where the outcasts of Elam shall not come. {49:37} And I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek their life; and I will bring evil upon them, even my fierce anger, said Yahweh; and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them; {49:38} and I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from there king and princes, said Yahweh. {49:39} But it shall come to pass in the latter days, that I will bring back the captivity of Elam, said Yahweh.

{O24}50} Jeremiah Chapter Fifty. {50:1} The word that Yahweh spoke concerning Babylon, concerning the land of the Chaldeans, by Jeremiah the prophet. {50:2} Declare you among the nations and publish, and set up a standard; publish, and conceal not: say, Babylon is taken, Bel is put to shame, Merodach is dismayed; her images are put to shame, her idols are dismayed. {50:3} For out of the north there comes up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they are fled, they are gone, both man and beast. {50:4} In those days, and in that time, said Yahweh, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together; they shall go on their way weeping, and shall seek Yahweh their God. {50:5} They shall inquire concerning Zion with their faces towards it, [saying], Come you, and join yourselves to Yahweh in an everlasting covenant that shall not be forgotten. {50:6} My people have been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray; they have turned them away on the mountains; they have gone from mountain to hill; they have forgotten their resting-place. {50:7} All that found them have devoured them; and their adversaries said, We are not guilty, because they have sinned against Yahweh, the habitation of good works, even Yahweh, the hope of their fathers. {50:8} Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he-goats before the flocks. {50:9} For, lo, I will stir up and cause to come up against Babylon a company of great nations from the north country; and they shall set themselves in array against her; from there she shall be taken: their arrows shall be as of an expert mighty man; none shall return in vain. {50:10} And Chaldea shall be a prey: all that prey upon her shall be satisfied, said Yahweh. {50:11} Because you are glad, because you rejoice, O you that plunder my heritage, because you are wanton as a heifer that treads out [the grain], and neigh as strong horses; {50:12} your mother shall be utterly put to shame; she that bare you shall be confounded: behold, she shall be to the rear of the nations, a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert. {50:13} Because of the Anger of Yahweh she shall not be inhabited, but she shall be wholly desolate: everyone that goes by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues. {50:14} Set yourselves in array against Babylon round about, all you that bend the bow; shoot at her, spare no arrows: for she has sinned against Yahweh. {50:15} Shout against her round about: she has submitted herself; her bulwarks are fallen, her walls are thrown down; for it is the vengeance of Yahweh: take vengeance upon her; as she has done, do unto her. {50:16} Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handles the sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn everyone to his people, and they shall flee everyone to his own land. {50:17} Israel is a hunted sheep; the lions have driven him away: first, the king of Assyria devoured him; and now at last Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon has broken his bones. {50:18} Therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria. {50:19} And I will bring Israel again to his pasture, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon the hills of Ephraim and in Gilead. {50:20} In those days, and in that time, said Yahweh, the works against law of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I leave as a remnant. {50:21} Go up against the land of Merathaim, even against it, and against the inhabitants of Pekod: slay and utterly destroy after them, said Yahweh, and do according to all that I have commanded you. {50:22} A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction. {50:23} How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations! {50:24} I have laid a snare for you, and you are also taken, O Babylon, and you were not aware: you are found, and also caught, because you have striven against Yahweh. {50:25} Yahweh has opened his armory, and has brought forth the weapons of his indignation; for the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, has a work [to do] in the land of the Chaldeans. {50:26} Come against her from the utmost border; open her store-houses; cast her up as heaps, and destroy her utterly; let nothing of her be left. {50:27} Slay all her bulls; let them go down to the slaughter: woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation. {50:28} The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of Yahweh our God, the vengeance of his temple. {50:29} Call

together the archers against Babylon, all them that bend the bow; encamp against her round about; let none of it escape: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she has done, do unto her; for she has been proud against Yahweh, against the Holy One of Israel. {50:30} Therefore shall her young men fall in her streets, and all her men of war shall be brought to silence in that day, said Yahweh. {50:31} Behold, I am against you, O you proud one, said the Lord, Yahweh of hosts; for your day is come, the time that I will visit you. {50:32} And the proud one shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up; and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all that are round about him. {50:33} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: The children of Israel and the children of Judah are oppressed together; and all that took them captive hold them fast; they refuse to let them go. {50:34} Their Redeemer is strong; Yahweh of hosts is his name: he will thoroughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the earth, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon. {50:35} A sword is upon the Chaldeans, said Yahweh, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes, and upon her wise men. {50:36} A sword is upon the boasters, and they shall become fools; a sword is upon her mighty men, and they shall be dismayed. {50:37} A sword is upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all the mingled people that are in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: a sword is upon her treasures, and they shall be robbed. {50:38} A drought is upon her waters, and they shall be dried up; for it is a land of graven images, and they are mad over idols. {50:39} Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wolves shall dwell there, and the ostriches shall dwell therein: and it shall be no more inhabited forever; neither shall it be lived in from generation to generation. {50:40} As when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbor cities there, said Yahweh, so shall no man dwell there, neither shall any son of man sojourn therein. {50:41} Behold, a people comes from the north; and a great nation and many kings shall be stirred up from the outermost parts of the earth. {50:42} They lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roars like the sea; and they ride upon horses, everyone set in array, as a man to the battle, against you, O daughter of Babylon. {50:43} The king of Babylon has heard the tidings of them, and his hands wax feeble: anguish has taken hold of him, [and] pangs as of a woman in travail. {50:44} Behold, [the enemy] shall come up like a lion from the pride of the Jordan against the strong habitation: for I will suddenly make them run away from it; and who so is chosen, him will I appoint over it: for who is like me? and who will appoint me a time? and who is the shepherd that can stand before me? {50:45} Therefore hear you the counsel of Yahweh, that he has taken against Babylon; and his purposes, that he has purposed against the land of the Chaldeans: Surely they shall drag them away, [even] the little ones of the flock; surely he shall make their habitation desolate over them. {50:46} At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth trembles, and the cry is heard among the nations.

{O24}51} Jeremiah Chapter Fifty One. {51:1} Thus said Yahweh: Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that dwell in Leb-kamai, a destroying wind. {51:2} And I will send unto Babylon strangers, that shall winnow her; and they shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about. {51:3} Against [him that] bends let the archer bend his bow, and against [him that] lifted himself up in his coat of mail: and spare you not her young men; destroy you utterly all her host. {51:4} And they shall fall down slain in the land of the Chaldeans, and thrust through in her streets. {51:5} For Israel is not forsaken, nor Judah, of his God, of Yahweh of hosts; though their land is full of guilt against the Holy One of Israel. {51:6} Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and save every man his life; be not cut off in her works against law: for it is the time of Yahweh's vengeance; he will render unto her a recompense. {51:7} Babylon has been a golden cup in Yahweh's hand, that made all the earth drunk: the nations have drunk of her wine; therefore the nations are mad. {51:8} Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: wail for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed. {51:9} We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let us go everyone into his own country; for her judgment reaches unto heaven, and is lifted up even to the skies. {51:10} Yahweh has brought forth our good works: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of Yahweh

our God. {51:11} Make sharp the arrows; hold firm the shields: Yahweh has stirred up the spirit of the kings of the Medes; because his purpose is against Babylon, to destroy it: for it is the vengeance of Yahweh, the vengeance of his temple. {51:12} Set up a standard against the walls of Babylon, make the watch strong, set the watchmen, prepare the ambushes; for Yahweh has both purposed and done that which he spoke concerning the inhabitants of Babylon. {51:13} O you that dwells upon many waters, abundant in treasures, your end is come, the measure of your covetousness. {51:14} Yahweh of hosts has sworn by himself, [saying], Surely I will fill you with men, as with the canker-worm; and they shall lift up a shout against you. {51:15} He has made the earth by his power, he has established the world by his wisdom, and by his understanding has he stretched out the heavens: {51:16} when he utters his voice, there is a tumult of waters in the heavens, and he causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; he makes lightning for the rain, and brings forth the wind out of his treasures. {51:17} Every man is become brutish [and is] outside knowledge; every goldsmith is put to shame by his image; for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them. {51:18} They are vanity, a work of delusion: in the time of their visitation they shall perish. {51:19} The portion of Jacob is not like these; for he is the former of all things; and [Israel] is the tribe of his inheritance: Yahweh of hosts is his name. {51:20} you are my battle-axe and weapons of war: and with you will I break in pieces the nations; and with you will I destroy kingdoms; {51:21} and with you will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; {51:22} and with you will I break in pieces the chariot and him that rides therein; and with you will I break in pieces man and woman; and with you will I break in pieces the old man and the youth; and with you will I break in pieces the young man and the virgin; {51:23} and with you will I break in pieces the shepherd and his flock; and with you will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke [of oxen]; and with you will I break in pieces governors and deputies. {51:24} And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, said Yahweh. {51:25} Behold, I am against you, O destroying mountain, said Yahweh, which destroy all the earth; and I will stretch out my hand upon you, and roll you down from the rocks, and will make you a burnt mountain. {51:26} And they shall not take of you a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations; but you shall be desolate forever, said Yahweh. {51:27} Set you up a standard in the land, blow the trumpet among the nations, prepare the nations against her, call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashkenaz: appoint a marshal against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough canker-worm. {51:28} Prepare against her the nations, the kings of the Medes, the governors there, and all the deputies there, and all the land of their dominion. {51:29} And the land trembles and is in pain; for the purposes of Yahweh against Babylon do stand, to make the land of Babylon a desolation, outside inhabitant. {51:30} The mighty men of Babylon have refused to fight, they remain in their strongholds; their might has failed; they are become as women: her dwelling-places are set on fire; her bars are broken. {51:31} One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to met another, to show the king of Babylon that his city is taken on every quarter: {51:32} and the passages are seized, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted. {51:33} For thus said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel: The daughter of Babylon is like a threshing-floor at the time when it is trodden; yet a little while, and the time of harvest shall come for her. {51:34} Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon has devoured me, he has crushed me, he has made me an empty vessel, he has, like a monster, swallowed me up, he has filled his maw with my delicacies; he has cast me out. {51:35} The violence done to me and to my flesh be upon Babylon, shall the inhabitant of Zion say; and, My blood be upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say. {51:36} Therefore thus said Yahweh: Behold, I will plead your cause, and take vengeance for you; and I will dry up her sea, and make her fountain dry. {51:37} And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwelling-place for jackals, an astonishment, and a hissing, outside inhabitant. {51:38} They shall roar together like young lions; they shall growl as lions' whelps. {51:39} When they are heated, I will make their feast, and I will make them drunk, that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not

wake, said Yahweh. {51:40} I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he-goats. {51:41} How is Sheshach taken! and the praise of the whole earth seized! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations! {51:42} The sea is come up upon Babylon; she is covered with the multitude of the waves there. {51:43} Her cities are become a desolation, a dry land, and a desert, a land wherein no man dwells, neither does any son of man pass thereby. {51:44} And I will execute judgment upon Bel in Babylon, and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he has swallowed up; and the nations shall not flow any more unto him: behold, the wall of Babylon shall fall. {51:45} My people, go you out of the midst of her, and save yourselves every man from the fierce anger of Yahweh. {51:46} And let not your heart faint, neither fear you for the tidings that shall be heard in the land; for tidings shall come one year, and after that in another year [shall come] tidings, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler. {51:47} Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will execute judgment upon the graven images of Babylon; and her whole land shall be confounded; and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her. {51:48} Then the heavens and the earth, and all that is therein, shall sing for joy over Babylon; for the destroyers shall come unto her from the north, said Yahweh. {51:49} As Babylon has caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the slain of all the land. {51:50} you that have escaped the sword, go you, stand not still; remember Yahweh from afar, and let Jerusalem come into your mind. {51:51} We are confounded, because we have heard reproach; confusion has covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of Yahweh's house. {51:52} Therefore, behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that I will execute judgment upon her graven images; and through all her land the wounded shall groan. {51:53} though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, yet from me shall destroyers come unto her, said Yahweh. {51:54} The sound of a cry from Babylon, and of great destruction from the land of the Chaldeans! {51:55} For Yahweh lays Babylon waste, and destroys out of her the great voice; and their waves roar like many waters; the noise of their voice is uttered: {51:56} for the destroyer is come upon her, even upon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken, their bows are broken in pieces; for Yahweh is a God of recompenses, he will surely repay. {51:57} And I will make drunk her princes and her wise men, her governors and her deputies, and her mighty men; and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, said the King, whose name is Yahweh of hosts. {51:58} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: The broad walls of Babylon shall be utterly overthrown, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and the peoples shall labor for vanity, and the nations for the fire; and they shall be weary. {51:59} The word which Jeremiah the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the king of Judah to Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. Now Seraiah was chief chamberlain. {51:60} And Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, even all these words that are written concerning Babylon. {51:61} And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When you come to Babylon, then see that you read all these words, {51:62} and say, O Yahweh, you have spoken concerning this place, to cut it off, that none shall dwell therein, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be desolate forever. {51:63} And it shall be, when you have made an end of reading this book, that you shall bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of the Euphrates: {51:64} and you shall say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise again because of the evil that I will bring upon her; and they shall be weary. Thus far are the words of Jeremiah.

{O24}52} Jeremiah Chapter Fifty Two. {52:1} Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah. {52:2} And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, according to all that Jehoiakim had done. {52:3} For through the anger of Yahweh did it come to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until he had cast them out from his presence. And Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon. {52:4} And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth moon, in the tenth day of the moon, that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon

came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and encamped against it; and they built forts against it round about. {52:5} So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah. {52:6} In the fourth moon, in the ninth day of the moon, the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land. {52:7} Then a breach was made in the city, and all the men of war fled, and went forth out of the city by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which was by the king's garden; (now the Chaldeans were against the city round about;) and they went toward the Arabah. {52:8} But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him. {52:9} Then they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath; and he gave judgment upon him. {52:10} And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah. {52:11} And he put out the eyes of Zedekiah; and the king of Babylon bound him in fetters, and carried him to Babylon, and put him in prison till the day of his death. {52:12} Now in the fifth moon, in the tenth day of the moon, which was the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadrezzar, king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, who stood before the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem: {52:13} and he burned the house of Yahweh, and the king's house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, even every great house, burned he with fire. {52:14} And all the army of the Chaldeans, that were with the captain of the guard, brake down all the walls of Jerusalem round about. {52:15} Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the poorest of the people, and the residue of the people that were left in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the residue of the multitude. {52:16} But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left of the poorest of the land to be vinedressers and husbandmen. {52:17} And the pillars of brass that were in the house of Yahweh, and the bases and the brazen sea that were in the house of Yahweh, did the Chaldeans break in pieces, and carried all the brass of them to Babylon. {52:18} The pots also, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the basins, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass by which they ministered, took they away. {52:19} And the cups, and the fire pans, and the basins, and the pots, and the candlesticks, and the spoons, and the bowls-that which was of gold, in gold, and that which was of silver, in silver,- the captain of the guard took away. {52:20} The two pillars, the one sea, and the twelve brazen bulls that were under the bases, which king Solomon had made for the house of Yahweh-the brass of all these vessels was outside weight. {52:21} And as for the pillars, the height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits; and a line of twelve cubits did compass it; and the thickness of it was four fingers: it was hollow. {52:22} And a capital of brass was upon it; and the height of the one capital was five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the capital round about, all of brass: and the second pillar also had like unto these, and pomegranates. {52:23} And there were ninety and six pomegranates on the sides; all the pomegranates were a hundred upon the network round about. {52:24} And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the threshold: {52:25} and out of the city he took an officer that was set over the men of war; and seven men of them that saw the king's face, that were found in the city; and the scribe of the captain of the host, who mustered the people of the land; and sixty men of the people of the land, that were found in the midst of the city. {52:26} And Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah. {52:27} And the king of Babylon defeated them, and put them to death at Riblah in the land of Hamath. So Judah was carried away captive out of his land. {52:28} This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive: in the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty; {52:29} in the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons; {52:30} in the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: all the persons were four thousand and six hundred. {52:31} And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth moon, in the five and twentieth day of the moon, that Evil-merodach king of Babylon, in

the [first] year of his reign, lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison; {52:32} and he spoke kindly to him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with him in Babylon, {52:33} and changed his prison garments. And [Jehoiachin] did eat bread before him continually all the days of his life: {52:34} and for his allowance, there was a continual allowance given him by the king of Babylon, every day a portion until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

The Book Of Lamentations

{025}1} Lamentations Chapter One. The lamentations of Jeremiah. {1:1} How does the city sit solitary, that was full of people! She is become as a widow, that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces is become tributary! {1:2} She weeps sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks; Among all her lovers she has none to comfort her: All her friends have dealt treacherously with her; they are become her enemies. {1:3} Judah is gone into captivity because of affliction, and because of great servitude; She dwells among the nations, she finds no rest: All her persecutors overtook her within the straits. {1:4} The ways of Zion do grieve, because none come to the solemn assembly; All her gates are desolate, her priests do sigh: Her virgins are afflicted, and she herself is in bitterness. {1:5} Her adversaries are become the head, her enemies prosper; For Yahweh has afflicted her for the multitude of her transgression of the law: Her young children are gone into captivity before the adversary. {1:6} And from the daughter of Zion all her majesty is departed: Her princes are become like hares that find no pasture, And they are gone outside strength before the pursuer. {1:7} Jerusalem remembers in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all her pleasant things that were from the days of old: When her people fell into the hand of the adversary, and none did help her, The adversaries saw her, they did mock at her desolations. {1:8} Jerusalem has grievously sinned; therefore she is become as an unclean thing; All that honored her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: behold, she sighs, and turns backward. {1:9} Her filthiness was in her skirts; she remembered not her latter end; Therefore is she come down horrifying; she has no comforter: Behold, O Yahweh, my affliction; for the enemy has magnified himself. {1:10} The adversary has spread out his hand upon all her pleasant things: For she has seen that the nations are entered into her sanctuary, Concerning whom you did command that they should not enter into your assembly. {1:11} All her people sigh, they seek bread; They have given their pleasant things for food to refresh the soul: See, O Yahweh, and behold; for I am become abject. {1:12} Is it nothing to you, all you that pass by? Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is brought upon me, By which Yahweh has afflicted [me] in the day of his fierce anger. {1:13} From on high has he sent fire into my bones, and it prevails against them; He has spread a net for my feet, he has turned me back: He has made me desolate and faint all the day. {1:14} The yoke of my transgression of the law is bound by his hand; They are knit together, they are come up upon my neck; he has made my strength to fail: The Lord has delivered me into their hands, against whom I am not able to stand. {1:15} The Lord has set at nothing all my mighty men in the midst of me; He has called a solemn assembly against me to crush my young men: The Lord has trodden as in a winepress the virgin daughter of Judah. {1:16} For these things I weep; mine eye, mine eye runs down with water; Because the comforter that should refresh my soul is far from me: My children are desolate, because the enemy has prevailed. {1:17} Zion spreads forth her hands; there is none to comfort her; Yahweh has commanded concerning Jacob, that they that are round about him should be his adversaries: Jerusalem is among them as an unclean thing. {1:18} Yahweh is righteous; for I have rebelled against his commandment: Hear, I pray you, all you peoples, and behold my sorrow: My virgins and my young men are gone into captivity. {1:19} I called for my lovers, [but] they deceived me: My priests and mine elders gave up the ghost in the city, While they sought them food to refresh their souls. {1:20} Behold, O Yahweh; for I am in distress; my heart is troubled; My heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled: Abroad the sword bereaves, at home there is as death. {1:21} They have heard that I sigh; there is none to comfort me; All mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they

are glad that you have done it: you will bring the day that you have proclaimed, and they shall be like unto me. {1:22} Let all their wickedness come before you; And do unto them, as you have done unto me for all my transgression of the law: For my sighs are many, and my heart is faint.

{O25}2) Lamentations Chapter Two. {2:1} How has the Lord covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger! He has cast down from heaven unto the earth the beauty of Israel, And has not remembered his footstool in the day of his anger. {2:2} The Lord has swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and has not pitied: He has thrown down in his Anger the strongholds of the daughter of Judah; He has brought them down to the ground; he has profaned the kingdom and the princes there. {2:3} He has cut off in fierce anger all the horn of Israel; He has drawn back his right hand from before the enemy: And he has burned up Jacob like a flaming fire, which devours round about. {2:4} He has bent his bow like an enemy, he has stood with his right hand as an adversary, And has slain all that were pleasant to the eye: In the tent of the daughter of Zion he has poured out his Anger like fire. {2:5} The Lord is become as an enemy, he has swallowed up Israel; He has swallowed up all her palaces, he has destroyed his strongholds; And he has multiplied in the daughter of Judah grieving and lamentation. {2:6} And he has violently taken away his tabernacle, as if it were of a garden; he has destroyed his place of assembly: Yahweh has caused solemn assembly and Sabbath to be forgotten in Zion, And has despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest. {2:7} The Lord has cast off his altar, he has abhorred his sanctuary; He has given up into the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces: They have made a noise in the house of Yahweh, as in the day of a solemn assembly. {2:8} Yahweh has purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion; He has stretched out the line, he has not withdrawn his hand from destroying; And he has made the rampart and wall to lament; they languish together. {2:9} Her gates are sunk into the ground; he has destroyed and broken her bars: Her king and her princes are among the nations where the law is not; behold, her prophets find no vision from Yahweh. {2:10} The elders of the daughter of Zion sit upon the ground, they keep silence; They have cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: The virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground. {2:11} Mine eyes do fail with tears, my heart is troubled; My liver is poured upon the earth, because of the destruction of the daughter of my people, Because the young children and the sucklings swoon in the streets of the city. {2:12} They say to their mothers, Where is grain and wine? When they swoon as the wounded in the streets of the city, When their soul is poured out into their mothers' bosom. {2:13} What shall I testify unto you? what shall I liken to you, O daughter of Jerusalem? What shall I compare to you, that I may comfort you, O virgin daughter of Zion? For your breach is great like the sea: who can heal you? {2:14} Your prophets have seen for you false and foolish visions; And they have not uncovered your works against law, to bring back your captivity, But have seen for you false oracles and causes of banishment. {2:15} All that pass by clap their hands at you; They hiss and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem, [saying], Is this the city that men called The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth? {2:16} All your enemies have opened their mouth wide against you; They hiss and gnash the teeth; they say, We have swallowed her up; Certainly this is the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen it. {2:17} Yahweh has done that which he purposed; he has fulfilled his word that he commanded in the days of old; He has thrown down, and has not pitied: And he has caused the enemy to rejoice over you; he has exalted the horn of your adversaries. {2:18} Their heart cried unto the Lord: O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night; Give yourself no respite; let not the apple of your eye cease. {2:19} Arise, cry out in the night, at the beginning of the watches; Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord: Lift up your hands toward him for the life of your young children, that faint for hunger at the head of every street. {2:20} See, O Yahweh, and behold to whom you have done thus! shall the women eat their fruit, the children that are dandled in the hands? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord? {2:21} The youth and the old man lie on the ground in the streets; My virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword: you have slain them in the day of your anger; you have

slaughtered, [and] not pitied. {2:22} you have called, as in the day of a solemn assembly, my terrors on every side; And there was none that escaped or remained in the day of Yahweh's anger: Those that I have dandled and brought up has mine enemy consumed.

{O25}3} Lamentations Chapter Three. {3:1} I am the man that has seen affliction by the rod of his Anger. {3:2} He has led me and caused me to walk in darkness, and not in light. {3:3} Surely against me he turns his hand again and again all the day. {3:4} My flesh and my skin has he made old; he has broken my bones. {3:5} He has built against me, and around me with gall and travail. {3:6} He has made me to dwell in dark places, as those that have been long dead. {3:7} He has walled me about, that I cannot go forth; he has made my chain heavy. {3:8} behold, when I cry, and call for help, he shuts out my prayer. {3:9} He has walled up my ways with hewn stone; he has made my paths crooked. {3:10} He is unto me as a bear lying in wait, as a lion in secret places. {3:11} He has turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces; he has made me desolate. {3:12} He has bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow. {3:13} He has caused the shafts of his quiver to enter into my reins. {3:14} I am become a derision to all my people, and their song all the day. {3:15} He has filled me with bitterness, he has sated me with wormwood. {3:16} He has also broken my teeth with gravel stones; he has covered me with ashes. {3:17} And you have removed my soul far off from peace; I forgot prosperity. {3:18} And I said, My strength is perished, and mine expectation from Yahweh. {3:19} Remember mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall. {3:20} My soul has them still in remembrance, and is bowed down within me. {3:21} This I recall to my mind; therefore have I hope. {3:22} [It is of] Yahweh's agape loving kindnesses that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. {3:23} They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. {3:24} Yahweh is my portion, said my soul; therefore will I hope in him. {3:25} Yahweh is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. {3:26} It is good that a man should hope and quietly wait for the salvation of Yahweh. {3:27} It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. {3:28} Let him sit alone and keep silence, because he has laid it upon him. {3:29} Let him put his mouth in the dust, if so be there may be hope. {3:30} Let him give his cheek to him that smites him; let him be filled full with reproach. {3:31} For the Lord will not cast off forever. {3:32} For [enen] though he [may] cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his agape loving kindnesses. {3:33} For he does not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men. {3:34} To crush under foot all the prisoners of the earth, {3:35} To turn aside the right of a man before the face of the Most High, {3:36} To subvert a man in his cause, the Lord approves not. {3:37} Who is he that said, and it comes to pass, when the Lord commands it not? {3:38} Out of the mouth of the Most High comes there not evil and good? {3:39} Therefore does a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins? {3:40} Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to Yahweh. {3:41} Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens. {3:42} We have transgressed and have rebelled; you have not pardoned. {3:43} you have covered with anger and pursued us; you have slain, you have not pitied. {3:44} you have covered yourself with a cloud, so that no prayer can pass through. {3:45} you have made us an off-scouring and refuse in the midst of the peoples. {3:46} All our enemies have opened their mouth wide against us. {3:47} Fear and the pit are come upon us, devastation and destruction. {3:48} Mine eye runs down with streams of water, for the destruction of the daughter of my people. {3:49} Mine eye pours down, and ceases not, outside any intermission, {3:50} Till Yahweh look down, and behold from heaven. {3:51} Mine eye affects my soul, because of all the daughters of my city. {3:52} They have chased me sore like a bird, they that are mine enemies outside cause. {3:53} They have cut off my life in the dungeon, and have cast a stone upon me. {3:54} Waters flowed over my head; I said, I am cut off. {3:55} I called upon your name, O Yahweh, out of the lower dungeon. {3:56} you heard my voice; hide not your ear at my breathing, at my cry. {3:57} you drew near in the day that I called upon you; you said, Fear not. {3:58} O Lord, you have pleaded the causes of my soul; you have redeemed my life. {3:59} O Yahweh, you have seen my wrong; judge you my cause. {3:60} you have seen all their

vengeance and all their devices against me. {3:61} you have heard their reproach, O Yahweh, and all their devices against me, {3:62} The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day. {3:63} Behold you their sitting down, and their rising up; I am their song. {3:64} you will render unto them a recompense, O Yahweh, according to the work of their hands. {3:65} you will give them hardness of heart, your woe unto them. {3:66} you will pursue them in anger, and destroy them from under the heavens of Yahweh.

{O25}4} Lamentations Chapter Four. {4:1} How is the gold become dim! [how] is the most pure gold changed! The stones of the sanctuary are poured out at the head of every street. {4:2} The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, How are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter! {4:3} Even the jackals draw out the breast, they give suck to their young ones: The daughter of my people is become cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness. {4:4} The tongue of the sucking child cleaves to the roof of his mouth for thirst: The young children ask bread, and no man breaks it unto them. {4:5} They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: They that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills. {4:6} For the works against law of the daughter of my people is greater than the sin of Sodom, Which was overthrown as in a moment and no hands, were laid upon her. {4:7} Her nobles were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk; They were ruddier in body than rubies, their polishing was as of sapphire. {4:8} Their visage is blacker than a coal; they are not known in the streets: Their skin cleaves to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick. {4:9} They that are slain with the sword are better than they that are slain with hunger; For these pine away, stricken through, for want of the fruits of the field. {4:10} The hands of the pitiful women have boiled their own children; They were their food in the destruction of the daughter of my people. {4:11} Yahweh has accomplished his Anger, he has poured out his fierce anger; And he has kindled a fire in Zion, which has devoured the foundations there. {4:12} The kings of the earth believed not, neither all the inhabitants of the world, That the adversary and the enemy would enter into the gates of Jerusalem. {4:13} [It is] because of the sins of her prophets, [and] the iniquities of her priests, That have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her. {4:14} They wander as blind men in the streets, they are polluted with blood, So that men cannot touch their garments. {4:15} Depart you, they cried unto them, Unclean! depart, depart, touch not! When they fled away and wandered, men said among the nations, They shall no more sojourn [here]. {4:16} The anger of Yahweh has scattered them; he will no more regard them: They respected not the persons of the priests, they favored not the elders. {4:17} Our eyes do yet fail [in looking] for our vain help: In our watching we have watched for a nation that could not save. {4:18} They hunt our steps, so that we cannot go in our streets: Our end is near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come. {4:19} Our pursuers were swifter than the eagles of the heavens: They chased us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness. {4:20} The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of Yahweh, was taken in their pits; Of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the nations. {4:21} Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Edom that dwells in the land of Uz: The cup shall pass through unto you also; you shall be drunk, and shall make yourself naked. {4:22} The punishment of your works against law is accomplished, O daughter of Zion; he will no more carry you away into captivity: He will visit your works against law, O daughter of Edom; he will uncover your sins.

{O25}5} Lamentations Chapter Five. {5:1} Remember, O Yahweh, what is come upon us: Behold, and see our reproach. {5:2} Our inheritance is turned unto strangers, Our houses unto aliens. {5:3} We are orphans and fatherless; Our mothers are as widows. {5:4} We have drunk our water for money; Our wood is sold unto us. {5:5} Our pursuers are upon our necks: We are weary, and have no rest. {5:6} We have given the hand to the Egyptians, And to the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread. {5:7} Our fathers sinned, and are not; And we have borne their iniquities. {5:8} Servants rule over us: There is none to deliver us out of their hand. {5:9} We get our bread at the peril of our lives, Because of the sword of the wilderness. {5:10} Our skin is black like an oven, Because of the burning heat of famine. {5:11} They ravished the women in Zion, The virgins in the cities of Judah. {5:12} Princes were hanged up by their hand: The faces of elders

were not honored. {5:13} The young men bare the mill; And the children stumbled under the wood. {5:14} The elders have ceased from the gate, The young men from their music. {5:15} The joy of our heart is ceased; Our dance is turned into grieving. {5:16} The crown is fallen from our head: Woe unto us! for we have sinned. {5:17} For this our heart is faint; For these things our eyes are dim; {5:18} For the mountain of Zion, which is desolate: The foxes walk upon it. {5:19} you, O Yahweh, abides forever; Your throne is from generation to generation. {5:20} Therefore do you forget us forever, [And] forsake us so long time? {5:21} You Turn us unto you, O Yahweh, and we shall be turned; Renew our days as of old. {5:22} But you have utterly rejected us; you are very angry against us.

The Book Of Ezekiel

{O26}1} Ezekiel Chapter One. {1:1} Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth [moon], in the fifth [day] of the moon, as I was among the captives by the river Chebar that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. {1:2} In the fifth [day] of the moon, which was the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity, {1:3} the word of Yahweh came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of Yahweh was there upon him. {1:4} And I looked, and, behold, a stormy wind came out of the north, a great cloud, with a fire enfolding itself, and a brightness round about it, and out of the midst of it as it were glowing metal, out of the midst of the fire. {1:5} And out of the midst of it came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance: they had the likeness of a man. {1:6} And everyone had four faces, and everyone of them had four wings. {1:7} And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot; and they sparkled like burnished brass. {1:8} And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings [thus]: {1:9} their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went everyone straight forward. {1:10} As for the likeness of their faces, they had the face of a man; and they four had the face of a lion on the right side; and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four had also the face of an eagle. {1:11} And their faces and their wings were separate above; two [wings] of everyone were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies. {1:12} And they went everyone straight forward: where the spirit was to go, they went; they turned not when they went. {1:13} As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, like the appearance of torches: [the fire] went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning. {1:14} And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning. {1:15} Now as I watched the living creatures, behold, one wheel upon the earth beside the living creatures, for each of the four faces there. {1:16} The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto a beryl: and they four had one likeness; and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel within a wheel. {1:17} When they went, they went in their four directions: they turned not when they went. {1:18} As for their rims, they were high and dreadful; and they four had their rims full of eyes round about. {1:19} And when the living creatures went, the wheels went beside them; and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up. {1:20} Wherever the spirit was to go, they went; there was the spirit to go: and the wheels were lifted up beside them; for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels. {1:21} When those went, these went; and when those stood, these stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up beside them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels. {1:22} And over the head of the living creature there was the likeness of a firmament, like the terrible crystal to look upon, stretched forth over their heads above. {1:23} And under the firmament were their wings straight, the one toward the other: everyone had two which covered on this side, and everyone had two which covered on that side, their bodies. {1:24} And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings like the noise of great waters, like the voice of the Almighty, a noise of tumult like the noise of a host: when they stood, they let down their wings. {1:25} And there was a voice above the firmament that was over their heads: when they stood, they let down their wings. {1:26} And

above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone; and upon the likeness of the throne was a likeness as the appearance of a man upon it above. {1:27} And I saw as it were glowing metal, as the appearance of fire within it round about, from the appearance of his loins and upward; and from the appearance of his loins and downward I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and there was brightness round about him. {1:28} As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of Yahweh. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spoke.

{O26}2} Ezekiel Chapter Two. {2:1} And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon your feet, and I will speak with you. {2:2} And the Spirit entered into me when he spoke unto me, and set me upon my feet; and I heard him that spoke unto me. {2:3} And he said unto me, Son of man, I send you to the children of Israel, to nations that are rebellious, which have rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me even unto this very day. {2:4} And the children are impudent and stiff hearted: I do sent you unto them; and you shall say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh. {2:5} And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they are a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there has been a prophet among them. {2:6} And you, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briars and thorns are with you, and you do dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they are a rebellious house. {2:7} And you shall speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear; for they are most rebellious. {2:8} But you, son of man, hear what I say unto you; be not you rebellious like that rebellious house: open your mouth, and eat that which I give you. {2:9} And when I looked, behold, a hand was put forth unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book was therein; {2:10} And he spread it before me: and it was written within and outside; and there were written therein lamentations, and grieving, and woe.

{O26}3} Ezekiel Chapter Three. {3:1} And he said unto me, Son of man, eat that which you find; eat this roll, and go, speak unto the house of Israel. {3:2} So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat the roll. {3:3} And he said unto me, Son of man, cause your belly to eat, and fill your bowels with this roll that I give you. Then did I eat it; and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness. {3:4} And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get you unto the house of Israel, and speak with my words unto them. {3:5} For you are not sent to a people of a strange speech and of a hard language, but to the house of Israel; {3:6} not to many peoples of a strange speech and of a hard language, whose words you Cannot understand. Surely, if I sent you to them, they would hear unto you. {3:7} But the house of Israel will not hear unto you; for they will not hear unto me: for all the house of Israel are of hard forehead and of a stiff heart. {3:8} Behold, I have made your face hard against their faces, and your forehead hard against their foreheads. {3:9} As an adamant harder than flint have I made your forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they are a rebellious house. {3:10} Furthermore he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto you receive in your heart, and hear with your ears. {3:11} And go, get you to them of the captivity, unto the children of your people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear. {3:12} Then the Spirit lifted me up, and I heard behind me the voice of a great rushing, [saying], Blessed be the glory of Yahweh from his place. {3:13} And [I heard] the noise of the wings of the living creatures as they touched one another, and the noise of the wheels beside them, even the noise of a great rushing. {3:14} So the Spirit lifted me up, and took me away; and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; and the hand of Yahweh was strong upon me. {3:15} Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that lived by the river Chebar, and to where they dwelt; and I sat there overwhelmed among them seven days. {3:16} And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {3:17} Son of man, I have made you a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. {3:18} When I say unto the wicked, you shall surely die; and you give him not

warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his works against law; but his blood will I require at your hand. {3:19} yet if you warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his works against law; but you have delivered your soul. {3:20} Again, when a righteous man does turn from his good works, and commit works against law, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die: because you have not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteous deeds which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at your hand. {3:21} Nevertheless if you warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he does not sin, he shall surely live, because he took warning; and you have delivered your soul. {3:22} And the hand of Yahweh was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth into the plain, and I will there talk with you. {3:23} Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of Yahweh stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell on my face. {3:24} Then the Spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet; and he spoke with me, and said unto me, Go, shut yourself within your house. {3:25} But you, son of man, behold, they shall lay bands upon you, and shall bind you with them, and you shall not go out among them: {3:26} and I will make your tongue cleave to the roof of your mouth, that you shall be dumb, and shall not be to them a reprover; for they are a rebellious house. {3:27} But when I speak with you, I will open your mouth, and you shall say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: He that hears, let him hear; and he that forbears, let him forbear: for they are a rebellious house.

{O26}4} Ezekiel Chapter Four. {4:1} you also, son of man, take you a tile, and lay it before you, and portray upon it a city, even Jerusalem: {4:2} and lay siege against it, and build forts against it, and cast up a mound against it; set camps also against it, and plant battering rams against it round about. {4:3} And take you unto you an iron pan, and set it for a wall of iron between you and the city: and set your face toward it, and it shall be besieged, and you shall lay siege against it. This shall be a sign to the house of Israel. {4:4} Furthermore lie you upon your left side, and lay the works against law of the house of Israel upon it; [according to] the number of the days that you shall lie upon it, you shall bear their works against law. {4:5} For I have appointed the years of their works against law to be unto you a number of days, even three hundred and ninety days: so shall you bear the works against law of the house of Israel. {4:6} And again, when you have accomplished these, you shall lie on your right side, and shall bear the works against law of the house of Judah: forty days, each day for a year, have I appointed it unto you. {4:7} And you shall set your face toward the siege of Jerusalem, with your arm uncovered; and you shall prophesy against it. {4:8} And, behold, I lay bands upon you, and you shall not turn you from one side to the other, till you have accomplished the days of your siege. {4:9} Take you also unto you wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentils, and millet, and spelt, and put them in one vessel, and make you bread there; [according to] the number of the days that you shall lie upon your side, even three hundred and ninety days, shall you eat there. {4:10} And your food which you shall eat shall be by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shall you eat it. {4:11} And you shall drink water by measure, the sixth part of a hin: from time to time shall you drink. {4:12} And you shall eat it as barley cakes, and you shall bake it in their sight with dung that comes out of man. {4:13} And Yahweh said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their bread unclean, among the nations where I will drive them. {4:14} Then said I, Ah Lord Yahweh! behold, my soul has not been polluted; for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of that which dies of itself, or is torn of beasts; neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth. {4:15} Then he said unto me, See, I have given you cow's dung for man's dung, and you shall prepare your bread thereon. {4:16} Furthermore he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with fearfulness; and they shall drink water by measure, and in dismay: {4:17} that they may want bread and water, and be dismayed one with another, and pine away in their works against law.

{O26}5} Ezekiel Chapter Five. {5:1} And you, son of man, take you a sharp sword; [as] a barber's razor shall you take it unto you, and shall cause it to pass upon your head and upon your

beard: then take you balances to weigh, and divide the hair. {5:2} A third part shall you burn in the fire in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are fulfilled; and you shall take a third part, and smite with the sword round about it; and a third part you shall scatter to the wind, and I will draw out a sword after them. {5:3} And you shall take of it a few in number, and bind them in your skirts. {5:4} And of these again shall you take, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; there from shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel. {5:5} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: This is Jerusalem; I have set her in the midst of the nations, and countries are round about her. {5:6} And she has rebelled against mine ordinances in doing wickedness more than the nations, and against my statutes more than the countries that are round about her; for they have rejected mine ordinances, and as for my statutes, they have not walked in them. {5:7} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you are turbulent more than the nations that are round about you, and have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept mine ordinances, neither have done after the ordinances of the nations that are round about you; {5:8} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I, even I, am against you; and I will execute judgments in the midst of you in the sight of the nations. {5:9} And I will do in you that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all your abominations. {5:10} Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of you, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments on you; and the whole remnant of you will I scatter unto all the winds. {5:11} Therefore, as I live, said the Lord Yahweh, surely, because you have defiled my sanctuary with all your detestable things, and with all your abominations, therefore will I also diminish [you]; neither shall mine eye spare, and I also will have no pity. {5:12} A third part of you shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of you; and a third part shall fall by the sword round about you; and a third part I will scatter unto all the winds, and will draw out a sword after them. {5:13} Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my Anger toward them to rest, and I shall be comforted; and they shall know that I, Yahweh, have spoken in my zeal, when I have accomplished my Anger upon them. {5:14} Furthermore I will make you a desolation and a reproach among the nations that are round about you, in the sight of all that pass by. {5:15} So it shall be a reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment, unto the nations that are round about you, when I shall execute judgments on you in anger and in Anger, and in Angerful rebukes; (I, Yahweh, have spoken it;) {5:16} when I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, that are for destruction, which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you, and will break your staff of bread; {5:17} and I will send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave you; and pestilence and blood shall pass through you; and I will bring the sword upon you: I, Yahweh, have spoken it.

{O26}6} Ezekiel Chapter Six. {6:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {6:2} Son of man, set your face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy unto them, {6:3} and say, you mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord Yahweh: Thus said the Lord Yahweh to the mountains and to the hills, to the watercourses and to the valleys: Behold, I, even I, will bring a sword upon you, and I will destroy your high places. {6:4} And your altars shall become desolate, and your sun-images shall be broken; and I will cast down your slain men before your idols. {6:5} And I will lay the dead bodies of the children of Israel before their idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars. {6:6} In all your dwelling-places the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your sun-images may be hewn down, and your works may be abolished. {6:7} And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {6:8} yet will I leave a remnant, in that you shall have some that escape the sword among the nations, when you shall be scattered through the countries. {6:9} And those of you that escape shall remember me among the nations where they shall be carried captive, how that I have been broken with their lewd heart, which has departed from me, and with their eyes, which play the prostitute after their idols: and they shall loathe themselves in their own sight for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations. {6:10} And they shall know that I

am Yahweh: I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them. {6:11} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Smite with your hand, and stamp with your foot, and say, Alas! because of all the evil abominations of the house of Israel; for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence. {6:12} He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remains and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my Anger upon them. {6:13} And you shall know that I am Yahweh, when their slain men shall be among their idols round about their altars, upon every high hill, on all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, and under every thick oak, the places where they offered sweet savor to all their idols. {6:14} And I will stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate and waste, from the wilderness toward Diblah, throughout all their habitations: and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{O26}7} Ezekiel Chapter Seven. {7:1} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {7:2} And you, son of man, thus said the Lord Yahweh unto the land of Israel, An end: the end is come upon the four corners of the land. {7:3} Now is the end upon you, and I will send mine anger upon you, and will judge you according to your ways; and I will bring upon you all your abominations. {7:4} And mine eye shall not spare you, neither will I have pity; but I will bring your ways upon you, and your abominations shall be in the midst of you: and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {7:5} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: An evil, an only evil; behold, it comes. {7:6} An end is come, the end is come; it awakes against you; behold, it comes. {7:7} Your doom is come unto you, O inhabitant of the land: the time is come, the day is near, [a day of] tumult, and not [of] joyful shouting, upon the mountains. {7:8} Now will I shortly pour out my Anger upon you, and accomplish mine anger against you, and will judge you according to your ways; and I will bring upon you all your abominations. {7:9} And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will bring upon you according to your ways; and your abominations shall be in the midst of you; and you shall know that I, Yahweh, do smite. {7:10} Behold, the day, behold, it comes: your doom is gone forth; the rod has blossomed, pride has budded. {7:11} Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness; none of them [shall remain], nor of their multitude, nor of their wealth: neither shall there be eminency among them. {7:12} The time is come, the day draws near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller grieve; for Anger is upon all the multitude there. {7:13} For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, although they be yet alive: for the vision is touching the whole multitude there, none shall return; neither shall any strengthen himself in the works against law of his life. {7:14} They have blown the trumpet, and have made all ready; but none goes to the battle; for my Anger is upon all the multitude there. {7:15} The sword is outside, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that is in the field shall die with the sword: and he that is in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him. {7:16} But those of them that escape shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them moaning, everyone in his works against law. {7:17} All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak as water. {7:18} They shall also gird themselves with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame shall be upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads. {7:19} They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be as an unclean thing; their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the Anger of Yahweh: they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels; because it has been the stumbling block of their works against law. {7:20} As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty; but they made the images of their abominations [and] their detestable things therein: therefore have I made it unto them as an unclean thing. {7:21} And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall profane it. {7:22} My face will I turn also from them, and they shall profane my secret [place]; and robbers shall enter into it, and profane it. {7:23} Make the chain; for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence. {7:24} Therefore I will bring the worst of the nations, and they shall possess their houses: I will also make the pride of the strong to cease; and their holy places shall be profaned. {7:25} Destruction comes; and they shall seek peace, and there shall be none. {7:26} Mischief shall

come upon mischief, and rumor shall be upon rumor; and they shall seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the elders. {7:27} The king shall grieve, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and according to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{O26}8} Ezekiel Chapter Eight. {8:1} And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth [moon], in the fifth [day] of the moon, as I sat in my house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord Yahweh fell there upon me. {8:2} Then I watched, and, lo, a likeness as the appearance of fire; from the appearance of his loins and downward, fire; and from his loins and upward, as the appearance of brightness, as it were glowing metal. {8:3} And he put forth the form of a hand, and took me by a lock of my head; and the Spirit lifted me up between earth and heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the gate of the inner [court] that looks toward the north; where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provokes to jealousy. {8:4} And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, according to the appearance that I saw in the plain. {8:5} Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up your eyes now the way toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold, northward of the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry. {8:6} And he said unto me, Son of man, sees you what they do? even the great abominations that the house of Israel do commit here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but you shall again see yet other great abominations. {8:7} And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold, a hole in the wall. {8:8} Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had dug in the wall, behold, a door. {8:9} And he said unto me, Go in, and see the wicked abominations that they do here. {8:10} So I went in and saw; and behold, every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, portrayed upon the wall round about. {8:11} And there stood before them seventy men of the elders of the house of Israel; and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, every man with his censer in his hand; and the odor of the cloud of incense went up. {8:12} Then said he unto me, Son of man, have you seen what the elders of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in his chambers of imagery? for they say, Yahweh sees us not; Yahweh has forsaken the land. {8:13} He said also unto me, you shall again see yet other great abominations which they do. {8:14} Then he brought me to the door of the gate of Yahweh's house which was toward the north; and behold, there sat the women weeping for Tammuz. {8:15} Then said he unto me, Have you seen [this], O son of man? you shall again see yet greater abominations than these. {8:16} And he brought me into the inner court of Yahweh's house; and behold, at the door of the temple of Yahweh, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of Yahweh, and their faces toward the east; and they were worshipping the sun toward the east. {8:17} Then he said unto me, Have you seen [this], O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have turned again to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose. {8:18} Therefore will I also deal in Anger; mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity; and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them.

{o26}9} Ezekiel Chapter Nine. {9:1} Then he cried in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause you them that have charge over the city to draw near, every man with his destroying weapon in his hand. {9:2} And behold, six men came from the way of the upper gate, which lies toward the north, every man with his slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man in the midst of them clothed in linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side. And they went in, and stood beside the brazen altar. {9:3} And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon it was, to the threshold of the house: and he called to the man clothed in linen, who had the writer's inkhorn by his side. {9:4} And Yahweh said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry over all the abominations that are done in the midst there. {9:5} And to the others he said in my

hearing, Go you through the city after him, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have you pity; {9:6} slay utterly the old man, the young man and the virgin, and little children and women; but come not near any man upon whom is the mark: and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the old men that were before the house. {9:7} And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go you forth. And they went forth, and smote in the city. {9:8} And it came to pass, while they were smiting, and I was left, that I fell upon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord Yahweh! will you destroy all the residue of Israel in your pouring out of your Anger upon Jerusalem? {9:9} Then said he unto me, The works against law of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of withholding [of judgment]: for they say, Yahweh has forsaken the land, and Yahweh sees not. {9:10} And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, but I will bring their way upon their head. {9:11} And behold, the man clothed in linen, who had the inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, I have done as you have commanded me.

{O26}10} Ezekiel Chapter Ten. {10:1} Then I looked, and behold, in the firmament that was over the head of the cherubim there appeared above them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne. {10:2} And he spoke unto the man clothed in linen, and said, Go in between the whirling [wheels], even under the cherub, and fill both your hands with coals of fire from between the cherubim, and scatter them over the city. And he went in [while] in my sight. {10:3} Now the cherubim stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court. {10:4} And the glory of Yahweh mounted up from the cherub, [and stood] over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of Yahweh's glory. {10:5} And the sound of the wings of the cherubim was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of God Almighty when he speaks. {10:6} And it came to pass, when he commanded the man clothed in linen, saying, Take fire from between the whirling wheels, from between the cherubim, that he went in, and stood beside a wheel. {10:7} And the cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubim unto the fire that was between the cherubim, and took [there], and put it into the hands of him that was clothed in linen, who took it and went out. {10:8} And there appeared in the cherubim the form of a man's hand under their wings. {10:9} And I looked, and behold, four wheels beside the cherubim, one wheel beside one cherub, and another wheel beside another cherub; and the appearance of the wheels was like unto a beryl stone. {10:10} And as for their appearance, they four had one likeness, as if a wheel have been within a wheel. {10:11} When they went, they went in their four directions: they turned not as they went, but to the place where the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went. {10:12} And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about, [even] the wheels that they four had. {10:13} As for the wheels, they were called in my hearing, the whirling [wheels]. {10:14} And everyone had four faces: the first face was the face of the cherub, and the second face was the face of a man, and the third face the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle. {10:15} And the cherubim mounted up: this is the living creature that I saw by the river Chebar. {10:16} And when the cherubim went, the wheels went beside them; and when the cherubim lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the wheels also turned not from beside them. {10:17} When they stood, these stood; and when they mounted up, these mounted up with them: for the spirit of the living creature was in them. {10:18} And the glory of Yahweh went forth from over the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubim. {10:19} And the cherubim lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight when they went forth, and the wheels beside them: and they stood at the door of the east gate of Yahweh's house; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above. {10:20} This is the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river Chebar; and I knew that they were cherubim. {10:21} Everyone had four faces, and everyone four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man was under their wings. {10:22} And as for the likeness of their faces, they were the faces which I saw by the river Chebar, their appearances and themselves; they went everyone straight forward.

{O26}11} Ezekiel Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Then the Spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of Yahweh's house, which looks eastward: and behold, at the door of the gate five and twenty men; and I saw in the midst of them Jaazaniah the son of Azzur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people. {11:2} And he said unto me, Son of man, these are the men that devise works against law, and that give wicked counsel in this city; {11:3} that say, [The time] is not near to build houses: this [city] is the caldron, and we are the flesh. {11:4} Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man. {11:5} And the Spirit of Yahweh fell upon me, and he said unto me, Speak, Thus said Yahweh: Thus have you said, O house of Israel; for I know the things that come into your mind. {11:6} you have multiplied your slain in this city, and you have filled the streets of it with the slain. {11:7} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Your slain that you have laid in the midst of it, they are the flesh, and this [city] is the caldron; but you shall be brought forth out of the midst of it. {11:8} you have feared the sword; and I will bring the sword upon you, said the Lord Yahweh. {11:9} And I will bring you forth out of the midst there, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you. {11:10} you shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {11:11} This [city] shall not be your caldron, neither shall you be the flesh in the midst there; I will judge you in the border of Israel; {11:12} and you shall know that I am Yahweh: for you have not walked in my statutes, neither have you executed mine ordinances, but have done after the ordinances of the nations that are round about you. {11:13} And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord Yahweh! will you make a full end of the remnant of Israel? {11:14} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {11:15} Son of man, your brethren, even your brethren, the men of your kindred, and all the house of Israel, all of them, [are they] unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from Yahweh; unto us is this land given for a possession. {11:16} Therefore say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Whereas I have removed them far off among the nations, and whereas I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them a sanctuary for a little while in the countries where they are come. {11:17} Therefore say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will gather you from the peoples, and assemble you out of the countries where you have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel. {11:18} And they shall come there, and they shall take away all the detestable things of it and all the abominations of it from there. {11:19} And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them a heart of flesh; {11:20} that they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God. {11:21} But as for them whose heart walks after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will bring their way upon their own heads, said the Lord Yahweh. {11:22} Then did the cherubim lift up their wings, and the wheels were beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above. {11:23} And the glory of Yahweh went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city. {11:24} And the Spirit lifted me up, and brought me in the vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me. {11:25} Then I spoke unto them of the captivity all the things that Yahweh had showed me.

{O26}12} Ezekiel Chapter Twelve. {12:1} The word of Yahweh also came unto me, saying, {12:2} Son of man, you dwell in the midst of the rebellious house, that have eyes to see, and see not, that have ears to hear, and hear not; for they are a rebellious house. {12:3} Therefore, you son of man, prepare you stuff for removing, and remove by day in their sight; and you shall remove from your place to another place in their sight: it may be they will consider, though they are a rebellious house. {12:4} And you shall bring forth your stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing; and you shall go forth yourself at even in their sight, as when men go forth into exile. {12:5} Dig you through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby. {12:6} In their sight shall you bear it upon your shoulder, and carry it forth in the dark; you shall cover your face, that you see not the land: for I have set you for a sign unto the house of Israel. {12:7} And I did so as

I was commanded: I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for removing, and in the even I dug through the wall with my hand; I brought it forth in the dark, and bare it upon my shoulder in their sight. {12:8} And in the morning came the word of Yahweh unto me, saying, {12:9} Son of man, has not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto you, What do you? {12:10} Say you unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: This burden [concerns] the prince in Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel among whom they are. {12:11} Say, I am your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them; they shall go into exile, into captivity. {12:12} And the prince that is among them shall bear upon his shoulder in the dark, and shall go forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall cover his face, because he shall not see the land with his eyes. {12:13} My net also will I spread upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare; and I will bring him to Babylon to the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there. {12:14} And I will scatter toward every wind all that are round about him to help him, and all his bands; and I will draw out the sword after them. {12:15} And they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall disperse them among the nations, and scatter them through the countries. {12:16} But I will leave a few men of them from the sword, from the famine, and from the pestilence; that they may declare all their abominations among the nations where they come; and they shall know that I am Yahweh. {12:17} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came to me, saying, {12:18} Son of man, eat your bread with quaking, and drink your water with trembling and with fearfulness; {12:19} and say unto the people of the land, Thus said the Lord Yahweh concerning the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the land of Israel: They shall eat their bread with fearfulness, and drink their water in dismay, that her land may be desolate, [and despoiled] of all that is therein, because of the violence of all them that dwell therein. {12:20} And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be a desolation; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {12:21} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {12:22} Son of man, what is this proverb that you have in the land of Israel, saying, The days are prolonged, and every vision fails? {12:23} Tell them therefore, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, The days are at hand, and the fulfillment of every vision. {12:24} For there shall be no more any false vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel. {12:25} For I am Yahweh; I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall be performed; it shall be no more deferred: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I speak the word, and will perform it, said the Lord Yahweh. {12:26} Again the word of Yahweh came to me, saying, {12:27} Son of man, behold, they of the house of Israel say, The vision that he sees is for many day to come, and he prophesies of times that are far off. {12:28} Therefore say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: There shall none of my words be deferred any more, but the word which I shall speak shall be performed, said the Lord Yahweh.

{026}13} Ezekiel Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {13:2} Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say you unto them that prophesy out of their own heart, Hear you the word of Yahweh: {13:3} Thus said the Lord Yahweh, woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing! {13:4} O Israel, your prophets have been like foxes in the waste places. {13:5} you have not gone up into the gaps, neither built up the wall for the house of Israel, to stand in the battle in the day of Yahweh. {13:6} They have seen falsehood and lying divination, that say, Yahweh said; but Yahweh has not sent them: and they have made men to hope that the word would be confirmed. {13:7} Have you not seen a false vision, and have you not spoken a lying divination, in that you say, Yahweh said; albeit I have not spoken? {13:8} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you have spoken falsehood, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you, said the Lord Yahweh. {13:9} And my hand shall be against the prophets that see false visions, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the council of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and you shall know that I am the Lord Yahweh. {13:10} Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there is no peace; and when one builds up a wall, behold, they daub it with un-

tempered [mortar]: {13:11} say unto them that daub it with un-tempered [mortar], that it shall fall: there shall be an overflowing shower; and you, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend it. {13:12} Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where is the daubing by which you have daubed it? {13:13} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will even rend it with a stormy wind in my Anger; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in Anger to consume it. {13:14} So will I break down the wall that you have daubed with un-tempered [mortar], and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation of it shall be uncovered; and it shall fall, and you shall be consumed in the midst there: and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {13:15} Thus will I accomplish my Anger upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with un-tempered [mortar]; and I will say unto you, The wall is no more, neither they that daubed it; {13:16} [to wit], the prophets of Israel that prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and that see visions of peace for her, and there is no peace, said the Lord Yahweh. {13:17} And you, son of man, set your face against the daughters of your people, that prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy you against them, {13:18} and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Woe to the women that sew pillows upon all elbows, and make kerchiefs for the head of [persons of] every stature to hunt souls! Will you hunt the souls of my people, and save souls alive for yourselves? {13:19} And you have profaned me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear unto lies. {13:20} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against your pillows, by which you there hunt the souls to make [them] fly, and I will tear them from your arms; and I will let the souls go, even the souls that you hunt to make [them] fly. {13:21} Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be hunted; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {13:22} Because with lies you have grieved the heart of the righteous, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, and be saved alive: {13:23} Therefore you shall no more see false visions, nor divine divinations: and I will deliver my people out of your hand; and you shall know that I am Yahweh.

{026}14} Ezekiel Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me. {14:2} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {14:3} Son of man, these men have taken their idols into their heart, and put the stumbling block of their works against law before their face: should I be inquired of at all by them? {14:4} Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Every man of the house of Israel that takes his idols into his heart, and puts the stumbling block of his works against law before his face, and comes to the prophet; I Yahweh will answer him therein according to the multitude of his idols; {14:5} that I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols. {14:6} Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Return you, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations. {14:7} Foreveryone of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that separates himself from me, and takes his idols into his heart, and puts the stumbling block of his works against law before his face, and comes to the prophet to inquire for himself of me; I Yahweh will answer him by myself: {14:8} and I will set my face against that man, and will make him an astonishment, for a sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from the midst of my people; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {14:9} And if the prophet be deceived and speak a word, I, Yahweh, have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel. {14:10} And they shall bear their works against law: the works against law of the prophet shall be even as the works against law of him that seeks [unto him]; {14:11} that the house of Israel may go no more astray from me, neither defile themselves any more with all their transgression of the law; but that they may be my people, and I may be their God, said the Lord Yahweh. {14:12} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {14:13} Son of man, when a land sins against me by committing a trespass, and I stretch out my hand upon it, and break the staff of the bread there, and send famine upon it, and cut off

from it man and beast; {14:14} though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their good works, said the Lord Yahweh. {14:15} If I cause evil beasts to pass through the land, and they ravage it, and it be made desolate, so that no man may pass through because of the beasts; {14:16} though these three men were in it, as I live, said the Lord Yahweh, they should deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only should be delivered, but the land should be desolate. {14:17} Or if I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut off from it man and beast; {14:18} though these three men were in it, as I live, said the Lord Yahweh, they should deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only should be delivered themselves. {14:19} Or if I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my Anger upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast; {14:20} though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, said the Lord Yahweh, they should deliver neither son nor daughter; they should but deliver their own souls by their good works. {14:21} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: How much more when I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the evil beasts, and the pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast! {14:22} yet, behold, therein shall be left a remnant that shall be carried forth, both sons and daughters: behold, they shall come forth unto you, and you shall see their way and their doings; and you shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, even concerning all that I have brought upon it. {14:23} And they shall comfort you, when you see their way and their doings; and you shall know that I have not done outside cause all that I have done in it, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}15} Ezekiel Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {15:2} Son of man, what is the vine-tree more than any tree, the vine-branch which is among the trees of the forest? {15:3} shall wood be taken of it to make any work? or will men take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon? {15:4} Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuel; the fire has devoured both the ends of it, and the midst of it is burned: is it profitable for any work? {15:5} Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no work: how much less, when the fire has devoured it, and it is burned, shall it yet be meet for any work! {15:6} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: As the vine-tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem. {15:7} And I will set my face against them; they shall go forth from the fire, but the fire shall devour them; and you shall know that I am Yahweh, when I set my face against them. {15:8} And I will make the land desolate, because they have committed a trespass, said the Lord Yahweh.

{o26}16} Ezekiel Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Again the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {16:2} Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know her abominations; {16:3} and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh unto Jerusalem: Your birth and your nativity is of the land of the Canaanite; the Amorite was your father, and your mother was a Hittite. {16:4} And as for your nativity, in the day you were born your navel was not cut, neither was you washed in water to cleanse you; you were not salted at all, nor swaddled at all. {16:5} No eye pitied you, to do any of these things unto you, to have compassion upon you; but you were cast out in the open field, for that your person was abhorred, in the day that you were born. {16:6} And when I passed by you, and saw you weltering in your blood, I said unto you, [though you are] in your blood, live; behold, I said unto you, [though you are] in your blood, live. {16:7} I caused you to multiply as that which grows in the field, and you did increase and wax great, and you attained to [an] excellent ornament; your breasts were fashioned, and your hair was grown; yet you were naked and bare. {16:8} Now when I passed by you, and looked upon you, behold, your time was the time of love; and I spread my skirt over you, and covered your nakedness: behold, I swore unto you, and entered into a covenant with you, said the Lord Yahweh, and you became mine. {16:9} Then washed I you with water; behold, I thoroughly washed away your blood from you, and I anointed you with oil. {16:10} I clothed you also with brodered work, and shod you with sealskin, and I girded you about with fine linen, and covered you with silk. {16:11} And I decked you with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon your hands, and a chain on your neck. {16:12} And I put a ring upon your

nose, and ear-rings in your ears, and a beautiful crown upon your head. {16:13} Thus was you decked with gold and silver; and your raiment was of fine linen, and silk, and brodered work; you did eat fine flour, and honey, and oil; and you was exceeding beautiful, and you did prosper unto royal estate. {16:14} And your renown went forth among the nations for your beauty; for it was perfect, through my majesty which I had put upon you, said the Lord Yahweh. {16:15} But you did trust in your beauty, and played the prostitute because of your beauty, and pours out your prostitutions on everyone that passed by; his it was. {16:16} And you did take of your garments, and made for you high places decked with different colors, and played the prostitute upon them: [the things like that] shall not come, neither shall it be [so]. {16:17} you did also take your fair jewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given you, and made for you images of men, and did play the prostitute with them; {16:18} and you took your brodered garments, and covered them, and did set mine oil and mine incense before them. {16:19} My bread also which I gave you, fine flour, and oil, and honey, by which I fed you, you did even set it before them for a sweet savor; and [thus] it was, said the Lord Yahweh. {16:20} Then you have taken your sons and your daughters, whom you have borne unto me, and these have you sacrificed unto them to be devoured. Were your prostitutions a small matter, {16:21} that you have slain my children, and delivered them up, in causing them to pass through [the fire] unto them? {16:22} And in all your abominations and your prostitutions you have not remembered the days of your youth, when you was naked and bare, and was withholding in your blood. {16:23} And it is come to pass after all your wickedness, (Woe, Woe unto you! said the Lord Yahweh,) {16:24} that you have built unto you a vaulted place, and have made you a lofty place in every street. {16:25} you have built your lofty place at the head of every way, and have made your beauty an abomination, and have opened your feet to everyone that passed by, and multiplied your prostitution. {16:26} you have also committed fornication with the Egyptians, your neighbors, great of flesh; and have multiplied your prostitution, to provoke me to anger. {16:27} Behold therefore, I have stretched out my hand over you, and have diminished your ordinary [food], and delivered you unto the will of them that hate you, the daughters of the Philistines, that are ashamed of your lewd way. {16:28} you have played the prostitute also with the Assyrians, because you was insatiable; behold, you have played the prostitute with them, and yet you was not satisfied. {16:29} you have furthermore multiplied your prostitution unto the land of traffic, unto Chaldea; and yet you was not satisfied herewith. {16:30} How weak is your heart, said the Lord Yahweh, seeing you do all these things, the work of an impudent prostitute; {16:31} in that you builds your vaulted place at the head of every way, and make your lofty place in every street, and have not been as a prostitute, in that you scorn hire. {16:32} A wife that commits adultery! that takes strangers instead of her husband! {16:33} They give gifts to all prostitutes; but you give your gifts to all your lovers, and bribe them, that they may come unto you on every side for your prostitutions. {16:34} And you are different from [other] women in your prostitutions, in that none follows you to play the prostitute; and whereas you give hire, and no hire is given unto you, therefore you are different. {16:35} Therefore, O prostitute, hear the word of Yahweh: {16:36} Thus said the Lord Yahweh, Because your filthiness was poured out, and your nakedness uncovered through your prostitutions with your lovers; and because of all the idols of your abominations, and for the blood of your children, that you did give unto them; {16:37} therefore behold, I will gather all your lovers, with whom you have taken pleasure, and all them that you have loved, with all them that you have hated; I will even gather them against you on every side, and will uncover your nakedness unto them, that they may see all your nakedness. {16:38} And I will judge you, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will bring upon you the blood of Anger and jealousy. {16:39} I will also give you into their hand, and they shall throw down your vaulted place, and break down your lofty places; and they shall strip you of your clothes, and take your fair jewels; and they shall leave you naked and bare. {16:40} They shall also bring up a company against you, and they shall stone you with stones, and thrust you through with their swords. {16:41} And they shall burn your houses with fire, and execute judgments upon you in

the sight of many women; and I will cause you to cease from playing the prostitute, and you shall also give no hire any more. {16:42} So will I cause my Anger toward you to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from you, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry. {16:43} Because you have not remembered the days of your youth, but have raged against me in all these things; therefore, behold, I also will bring your way upon your head, said the Lord Yahweh: and you shall not commit this lewdness with all your abominations. {16:44} Behold, everyone that uses proverbs shall use [this] proverb against you, saying, As is the mother, so is her daughter. {16:45} you are the daughter of your mother, that loathes her husband and her children; and you are the sister of your sisters, who loathed their husbands and their children: your mother was a Hittite, and your father an Amorite. {16:46} And your elder sister is Samaria, that dwells at your left hand, she and her daughters; and your younger sister, that dwells at your right hand, is Sodom and her daughters. {16:47} yet have you not walked in their ways, nor done after their abominations; but, as [if that were] a very little [thing], you was more corrupt than they in all your ways. {16:48} As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, Sodom your sister has not done, she nor her daughters, as you have done, you and your daughters. {16:49} Behold, this was the works against law of your sister Sodom: pride, fullness of bread, and prosperous ease was in her and in her daughters; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. {16:50} And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw [good]. {16:51} Neither has Samaria committed half of your sins; but you have multiplied your abominations more than they, and have justified your sisters by all your abominations which you have done. {16:52} you also, bear you your own shame, in that you have given judgment for your sisters; through your sins that you have committed more abominable than they, they are more righteous than you: behold, be you also confounded, and bear your shame, in that you have justified your sisters. {16:53} And I will turn again their captivity, the captivity of Sodom and her daughters, and the captivity of Samaria and her daughters, and the captivity of your captives in the midst of them; {16:54} that you may bear your own shame, and may be ashamed because of all that you have done, in that you are a comfort unto them. {16:55} And your sisters, Sodom and her daughters, shall return to their former estate; and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate; and you and your daughters shall return to your former estate. {16:56} For your sister Sodom was not mentioned by your mouth in the day of your pride, {16:57} before your wickedness was uncovered, as at the time of the reproach of the daughters of Syria, and of all that are round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, that do despite unto you round about. {16:58} you have borne your lewdness and your abominations, said Yahweh. {16:59} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will also deal with you as you have done, who have despised the oath in breaking the covenant. {16:60} Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with you in the days of your youth, and I will establish unto you an everlasting covenant. {16:61} Then shall you remember your ways, and be ashamed, when you shall receive your sisters, your elder [sisters] and your younger; and I will give them unto you for daughters, but not by your covenant. {16:62} And I will establish my covenant with you; and you shall know that I am Yahweh; {16:63} that you may remember, and be confounded, and never open your mouth any more, because of your shame, when I have forgiven you all that you have done, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}17} Ezekiel Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {17:2} Son of man, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel; {17:3} and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: A great eagle with great wings and long pinions, full of feathers, which had different colors, came unto Lebanon, and took the top of the cedar: {17:4} he cropped off the topmost of the young twigs there, and carried it unto a land of traffic; he set it in a city of merchants. {17:5} He took also of the seed of the land, and planted it in a fruitful soil; he placed it beside many waters; he set it as a willow-tree. {17:6} And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned toward him, and the roots of it were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs. {17:7} There was also

another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine did bend its roots toward him, and shot forth its branches toward him, from the beds of its plantation, that he might water it. {17:8} It was planted in a good soil by many waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit that it might be a goodly vine. {17:9} Say you, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: shall it prosper? shall he not pull up the roots there, and cut off the fruit there, that it may wither; that all its fresh springing leaves may wither? and not by a strong arm or much people can it be raised from the roots there. {17:10} behold, behold, being planted, shall it prosper? shall it not utterly wither, when the east wind touches it? it shall wither in the beds where it grew. {17:11} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {17:12} Say now to the rebellious house, Know you not what these things mean? tell them, Behold, the king of Babylon came to Jerusalem, and took the king there, and the princes there, and brought them to him to Babylon: {17:13} and he took of the seed royal, and made a covenant with him; he also brought him under an oath, and took away the mighty of the land; {17:14} that the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up, but that by keeping his covenant it might stand. {17:15} But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people. shall he prosper? shall he escape that does such things? shall he break the covenant, and yet escape? {17:16} As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, surely in the place where the king dwells that made him king, whose oath he despised, and whose covenant he brake, even with him in the midst of Babylon he shall die. {17:17} Neither shall Pharaoh with his mighty army and great company help him in the war, when they cast up mounds and build forts, to cut off many persons. {17:18} For he has despised the oath by breaking the covenant; and behold, he had given his hand, and yet has done all these things; he shall not escape. {17:19} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: As I live, surely mine oath that he has despised, and my covenant that he has broken, I will even bring it upon his own head. {17:20} And I will spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon, and will enter into judgment with him there for his trespass that he has trespassed against me. {17:21} And all his fugitives in all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remain shall be scattered toward every wind: and you shall know that I, Yahweh, have spoken it. {17:22} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will also take of the lofty top of the cedar, and will set it; I will crop off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I will plant it upon a high and lofty mountain: {17:23} in the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it; and it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar: and under it shall dwell all birds of every wing; in the shade of the branches of it shall they dwell. {17:24} And all the trees of the field shall know that I, Yahweh, have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree to flourish; I, Yahweh, have spoken and have done it.

{026}18} Ezekiel Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} The word of Yahweh came unto me again, saying, {18:2} What mean you, that you use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? {18:3} As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, you shall not have [occasion] any more to use this proverb in Israel. {18:4} Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sins, it shall die. {18:5} But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right, {18:6} and has not eaten upon the mountains, neither has lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither has defiled his neighbor's wife, neither has come near to a woman in her impurity, {18:7} and has not wronged any, but has restored to the debtor his pledge, has taken nothing by robbery, has given his bread to the hungry, and has covered the naked with a garment; {18:8} he that has not given forth upon interest, neither has taken any increase, that has withdrawn his hand from works against law, has executed true justice between man and man, {18:9} has walked in my statutes, and has kept mine ordinances, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, said the Lord Yahweh. {18:10} If he beget a son that is a robber, a shedder of blood, and that does any one of these things, {18:11} and that doesn't any of those [duties], but even has eaten upon the

mountains, and defiled his neighbor's wife, {18:12} has wronged the poor and needy, has taken by robbery, has not restored the pledge, and has lifted up his eyes to the idols, has committed abomination, {18:13} has given forth upon interest, and has taken increase; shall he then live? he shall not live: he has done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him. {18:14} Now, lo, if he beget a son, that sees all his father's sins, which he has done, and fears, and doesn't such like; {18:15} that has not eaten upon the mountains, neither has lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, has not defiled his neighbor's wife, {18:16} neither has wronged any, has not taken anything to pledge, neither has taken by robbery, but has given his bread to the hungry, and has covered the naked with a garment; {18:17} that has withdrawn his hand from the poor, that has not received interest nor increase, has executed mine ordinances, has walked in my statutes; he shall not die for the works [done] against law of his father, he shall surely live. {18:18} As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, robbed his brother, and did that which is not good among his people, behold, he shall die in his works against law. {18:19} yet say you, Therefore does not the son bear the works against law of the father? when the son has done that which is lawful and right, and has kept all my statutes, and has done them, he shall surely live. {18:20} The soul that sins, it shall die: the son shall not bear the works against law of the father, neither shall the father bear the works against law of the son; the good works of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. {18:21} But if the wicked turn from all his sins that he has committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. {18:22} None of his transgression of the law that he has committed shall be remembered against him: in his good works that he has done he shall live. {18:23} Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked? said the Lord Yahweh; and not rather that he should return from his way, and live? {18:24} But when the righteous turns away from his good works, and commits works against law, and does according to all the abominations that the wicked man does, shall he live? None of his righteous deeds that he has done shall be remembered: in his trespass that he has trespassed, and in his sin that he has sinned, in them shall he die. {18:25} yet you say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel: Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal? {18:26} When the righteous man turns away from his good works, and commits works against law, and dies therein; in his works against law that he has done shall he die. {18:27} Again, when the wicked man turns away from his wickedness that he has committed, and does that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. {18:28} Because he considers, and turns away from all his transgression of the law that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die. {18:29} yet said the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal? {18:30} Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, everyone according to his ways, said the Lord Yahweh. Return you, and turn yourselves from all your transgression of the law; so works against law shall not be your ruin. {18:31} Cast away from you all your transgression of the law, wherein you have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will you die, O house of Israel? {18:32} For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dies, said the Lord Yahweh: Therefore turn yourselves, and live.

{026}19} Ezekiel Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} Furthermore, take you up a lamentation for the princes of Israel, {19:2} and say, What was your mother? A lioness: she couched among lions, in the midst of the young lions she nourished her whelps. {19:3} And she brought up one of her whelps: he became a young lion, and he learned to catch the prey; he devoured men. {19:4} The nations also heard of him; he was taken in their pit; and they brought him with hooks unto the land of Egypt. {19:5} Now when she saw that she had waited, and her hope was lost, then she took another of her whelps, and made him a young lion. {19:6} And he went up and down among the lions; he became a young lion, and he learned to catch the prey; he devoured men. {19:7} And he knew their palaces, and laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate, and the fullness there, because of the noise of his roaring. {19:8} Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces; and they spread their net over him; he was taken in their pit. {19:9} And they

put him in a cage with hooks, and brought him to the king of Babylon; they brought him into strongholds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel. {19:10} Your mother was like a vine, in your blood, planted by the waters: it was fruitful and full of branches by reason of many waters. {19:11} And it had strong rods for the Scepters of them that bare rule, and their stature was exalted among the thick boughs, and they were seen in their height with the multitude of their branches. {19:12} But it was plucked up in fury, it was cast down to the ground, and the east wind dried up its fruit: its strong rods were broken off and withered; the fire consumed them. {19:13} And now it is planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty land. {19:14} And fire is gone out of the rods of its branches, it has devoured its fruit, so that there is in it no strong rod to be a Scepter to rule. This is a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.

{O26}20} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth [moon], the tenth [day] of the moon, that certain of the elders of Israel came to inquire of Yahweh, and sat before me. {20:2} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {20:3} Son of man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Is it to inquire of me that you are come? As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, I will not be inquired of by you. {20:4} Will you judge them, son of man, will you judge them? Cause them to know the abominations of their fathers; {20:5} and say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: In the day when I chose Israel, and swore unto the seed of the house of Jacob, and made myself known unto them in the land of Egypt, when I swore unto them, saying, I am Yahweh your God; {20:6} in that day I swore unto them, to bring them forth out of the land of Egypt into a land that I had searched out for them, flowing with milk and honey, which is the glory of all lands. {20:7} And I said unto them, Cast you away every man the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt; I am Yahweh your God. {20:8} But they rebelled against me, and would not hear unto me; they did not every man cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt. Then I said I would pour out my Anger upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the midst of the land of Egypt. {20:9} But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be profaned in the sight of the nations, among which they were, in whose sight I made myself known unto them, in bringing them forth out of the land of Egypt. {20:10} So I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness. {20:11} And I gave them my statutes, and showed them mine ordinances, which if a man do, he shall live in them. {20:12} Furthermore also I gave them my Sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I am Yahweh that sanctifies them. {20:13} But the house of Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in my statutes, and they rejected mine ordinances, which if a man keep, he shall live in them; and my Sabbaths they greatly profaned. Then I said I would pour out my Anger upon them in the wilderness, to consume them. {20:14} But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be profaned in the sight of the nations, in whose sight I brought them out. {20:15} Furthermore also I swore unto them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given them, flowing with milk and honey, which is the glory of all lands; {20:16} because they rejected mine ordinances, and walked not in my statutes, and profaned my Sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols. {20:17} Nevertheless mine eye spared them, and I destroyed them not, neither did I make a full end of them in the wilderness. {20:18} And I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk you not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their ordinances, nor defile yourselves with their idols. {20:19} I am Yahweh your God: walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them; {20:20} and hallow my Sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that you may know that I am Yahweh your God. {20:21} But the children rebelled against me; they walked not in my statutes, neither kept mine ordinances to do them, which if a man do, he shall live in them; they profaned my Sabbaths. Then I said I would pour out my Anger upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the wilderness. {20:22} Nevertheless I withdrew my hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be profaned in the sight of the nations, in whose sight I brought them forth. {20:23} Then I swore unto them in the wilderness, that I would

scatter them among the nations, and disperse them through the countries; {20:24} because they had not executed mine ordinances, but had rejected my statutes, and had profaned my Sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers' idols. {20:25} Furthermore also I gave them statutes that were not good, and ordinances wherein they should not live; {20:26} and I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through [the fire] all that opens the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I am Yahweh. {20:27} Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: In this furthermore have your fathers blasphemed me, in that they have committed a trespass against me. {20:28} For when I had brought them into the land, which I swore to give unto them, then they saw every high hill, and every thick tree, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering; there also they made their sweet savor, and they poured out there their drink-offerings. {20:29} Then I said unto them, What means the high place whereunto you go? So the name of it is called Bamah unto this day. {20:30} Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Do you pollute yourselves after the manner of your fathers? and play you the prostitute after their abominations? {20:31} and when you offer your gifts, when you make your sons to pass through the fire, do you pollute yourselves with all your idols unto this day? and shall I be inquired of by you, O house of Israel? As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, I will not be inquired of by you; {20:32} and that which comes into your mind shall not be at all, in that you say, We will be as the nations, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone. {20:33} As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, surely with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with Anger poured out, will I be king over you: {20:34} and I will bring you out from the peoples, and will gather you out of the countries wherein you are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with Anger poured out; {20:35} and I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there will I enter into judgment with you face to face. {20:36} Like as I entered into judgment with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I enter into judgment with you, said the Lord Yahweh. {20:37} And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; {20:38} and I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me; I will bring them forth out of the land where they sojourn, but they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {20:39} As for you, O house of Israel, thus said the Lord Yahweh: Go you, serve everyone his idols, and hereafter also, if you will not hear unto me; but my holy name shall you no more profane with your gifts, and with your idols. {20:40} For in my holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, said the Lord Yahweh, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them, serve me in the land: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the first-fruits of your oblations, with all your holy things. {20:41} As a sweet savor will I accept you, when I bring you out from the peoples, and gather you out of the countries wherein you have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you in the sight of the nations. {20:42} And you shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country which I swore to give unto your fathers. {20:43} And there shall you remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein you have polluted yourselves; and you shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that you have committed. {20:44} And you shall know that I am Yahweh, when I have dealt with you for my name's sake, not according to your evil ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O you house of Israel, said the Lord Yahweh. {20:45} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {20:46} Son of man, set your face toward the south, and drop [your word] toward the south, and prophesy against the forest of the field in the South; {20:47} and say to the forest of the South, Hear the word of Yahweh: Thus said the Lord Yahweh, Behold, I will kindle a fire in you, and it shall devour every green tree in you, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north shall be burnt thereby. {20:48} And all flesh shall see that I, Yahweh, have kindled it; it shall not be quenched. {20:49} Then said I, Ah Lord Yahweh! they say of me, Is he not a speaker of parables?

{026}21} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {21:2} Son of man, set your face toward Jerusalem, and drop [your word] toward the sanctuaries, and prophesy against the land of Israel; {21:3} and say to the land of Israel, Thus said Yahweh: Behold, I am against you, and will draw forth my sword out of its sheath, and will cut off from you the righteous and the wicked. {21:4} Seeing then that I will cut off from you the righteous and the wicked, therefore shall my sword go forth out of its sheath against all flesh from the south to the north: {21:5} and all flesh shall know that I, Yahweh, have drawn forth my sword out of its sheath; it shall not return any more. {21:6} Sigh therefore, you son of man; with the breaking of your loins and with bitterness shall you sigh before their eyes. {21:7} And it shall be, when they say unto you, Why do you sigh? that you shall say, Because of the tidings, for it comes; and every heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak as water: behold, it comes, and it shall be done, said the Lord Yahweh. {21:8} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {21:9} Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus said Yahweh: Say, A sword, a sword, it is sharpened, and also furbished; {21:10} it is sharpened that it may make a slaughter; it is furbished that it may be as lightning: shall we then make mirth? the rod of my son, it condemn every tree. {21:11} And it is given to be furbished, that it may be handled: the sword, it is sharpened, behold, it is furbished, to give it into the hand of the slayer. {21:12} Cry and wail, son of man; for it is upon my people, it is upon all the princes of Israel: they are delivered over to the sword with my people; smite therefore upon your thigh. {21:13} For there is a trial; and what if even the rod that condemn shall be no more? said the Lord Yahweh. {21:14} you therefore, son of man, prophesy, and smite your hands together; and let the sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the deadly wounded: it is the sword of the great one that is deadly wounded, which enters into their chambers. {21:15} I have set the threatening sword against all their gates, that their heart may melt, and their stumbling be multiplied: ah! it is made as lightning, it is pointed for slaughter. {21:16} Gather you together, go to the right, set yourself in array, go to the left, wherever your face is set. {21:17} I will also smite my hands together, and I will cause my Anger to rest: I, Yahweh, have spoken it. {21:18} The word of Yahweh came unto me again, saying, {21:19} Also, you son of man, appoint you two ways, that the sword of the king of Babylon may come; they twain shall come forth out of one land: and mark out a place, mark it out at the head of the way to the city. {21:20} you shall appoint a way for the sword to come to Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and to Judah in Jerusalem the fortified. {21:21} For the king of Babylon stood at the parting of the way, at the head of the two ways, to use divination: he shook the arrows to and fro, he consulted the teraphim, he looked in the liver. {21:22} In his right hand was the divination [for] Jerusalem, to set battering rams, to open the mouth in the slaughter, to lift up the voice with shouting, to set battering rams against the gates, to cast up mounds, to build forts. {21:23} And it shall be unto them as a false divination in their sight, who have sworn oaths unto them; but he brings works against law to remembrance, that they may be taken. {21:24} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you have made your works against law to be remembered, in that your transgression of the law are uncovered, so that in all your doings your sins do appear; because that you are come to remembrance, you shall be taken with the hand. {21:25} And you, O deadly wounded wicked one, the prince of Israel, whose day is come, in the time of the works against law of the end, {21:26} thus said the Lord Yahweh: Remove the miter, and take off the crown; this [shall be] no more the same; exalt that which is low, and abase that which is high. {21:27} I will overturn, overturn, overturn it: this also shall be no more, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it [him]. {21:28} And you, son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh concerning the children of Ammon, and concerning their reproach; and say you, A sword, a sword is drawn, for the slaughter it is furbished, to cause it to devour, that it may be as lightning; {21:29} while they see for you false visions, while they divine lies unto you, to lay you upon the necks of the wicked that are deadly wounded, whose day is come in the time of the works against law of the end. {21:30} Cause it to return into its sheath. In the place where you was created, in the land of

your birth, will I judge you. {21:31} And I will pour out mine indignation upon you; I will blow upon you with the fire of my Anger; and I will deliver you into the hand of brutish men, skilful to destroy. {21:32} you shall be for fuel to the fire; your blood shall be in the midst of the land; you shall be no more remembered: for I, Yahweh, have spoken it.

{O26}22} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty Two. {22:1} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {22:2} And you, son of man, will you judge, will you judge the bloody city? then cause her to know all her abominations. {22:3} And you shall say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: A city that sheds blood in the midst of her, that her time may come, and that makes idols against herself to defile her! {22:4} you are become guilty in your blood that you have shed, and are defiled in your idols which you have made; and you have caused your days to draw near, and are come even unto your years: therefore have I made you a reproach unto the nations, and a mocking to all the countries. {22:5} Those that are near, and those that are far from you, shall mock you, you infamous one [and] full of tumult. {22:6} Behold, the princes of Israel, everyone according to his power, have been in you to shed blood. {22:7} In you have they set light by father and mother; in the midst of you have they dealt by oppression with the alien; in you have they wronged the fatherless and the widow. {22:8} you have despised my holy things, and have profaned my Sabbaths. {22:9} Slanderous men have been in you to shed blood; and in you they have eaten upon the mountains: in the midst of you they have committed lewdness. {22:10} In you have they uncovered their fathers' nakedness; in you have they humbled her that was unclean in her impurity. {22:11} And one has committed abomination with his neighbor's wife; and another has lewdly defiled his daughter-in-law; and another in you has humbled his sister, his father's daughter. {22:12} In you have they taken bribes to shed blood; you have taken interest and increase, and you have greedily gained of your neighbors by oppression, and have forgotten me, said the Lord Yahweh. {22:13} Behold, therefore, I have smitten my hand at your dishonest gain which you have made, and at your blood which has been in the midst of you. {22:14} Can your heart endure, or can your hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with you? I, Yahweh, have spoken it, and will do it. {22:15} And I will scatter you among the nations, and disperse you through the countries; and I will consume your filthiness out of you. {22:16} And you shall be profaned in yourself, in the sight of the nations; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {22:17} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {22:18} Son of man, the house of Israel is become dross unto me: all of them are brass and tin and iron and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are the dross of silver. {22:19} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you are all become dross, therefore, behold, I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem. {22:20} As they gather silver and brass and iron and lead and tin into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt it; so will I gather you in mine anger and in my Anger, and I will lay you there, and melt you. {22:21} behold, I will gather you, and blow upon you with the fire of my Anger, and you shall be melted in the midst there. {22:22} As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall you be melted in the midst there; and you shall know that I, Yahweh, have poured out my Anger upon you. {22:23} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {22:24} Son of man, say unto her, you are a land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation. {22:25} There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst there, like a roaring lion ravening the prey: they have devoured souls; they take treasure and precious things; they have made her widows many in the midst there. {22:26} Her priests have done violence to my law, and have profaned my holy things: they have made no distinction between the holy and the common, neither have they caused men to discern between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my Sabbaths, and I am profaned among them. {22:27} Her princes in the midst of it are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, [and] to destroy souls, that they may get dishonest gain. {22:28} And her prophets have daubed for them with un-tempered [mortar], seeing false visions, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus said the Lord Yahweh, when Yahweh has not spoken. {22:29} The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised

robbery; behold, they have vexed the poor and needy, and have oppressed the alien wrongfully. {22:30} And I sought for a man among them, that should build up the wall, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found none. {22:31} Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my Anger: their own way have I brought upon their heads, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}23} Ezekiel Twenty Three. {23:1} The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying, {23:2} Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother: {23:3} and they played the prostitute in Egypt; they played the prostitute in their youth; there were their breasts pressed, and there was handled the bosom of their virginity. {23:4} And the names of them were Oholah the elder, and Oholibah her sister: and they became mine, and they bare sons and daughters. And as for their names, Samaria is Oholah, and Jerusalem Oholibah. {23:5} And Oholah played the prostitute when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians [her] neighbors, {23:6} who were clothed with blue, governors and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses. {23:7} And she bestowed her prostitutions upon them, the choicest men of Assyria all of them; and on whom so ever she doted, with all their idols she defiled herself. {23:8} Neither has she left her prostitutions since [the days of] Egypt; for in her youth they lay with her, and they handled the bosom of her virginity; and they poured out their prostitution upon her. {23:9} Therefore I delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted. {23:10} These uncovered her nakedness; they took her sons and her daughters; and her they slew with the sword: and she became a byword among women; for they executed judgments upon her. {23:11} And her sister Oholibah saw this, yet was she more corrupt in her doting than she, and in her prostitutions which were more than the prostitutions of her sister. {23:12} She doted upon the Assyrians, governors and rulers, [her] neighbors, clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable young men. {23:13} And I saw that she was defiled; they both took one way. {23:14} And she increased her prostitutions; for she saw men portrayed upon the wall, the images of the Chaldeans portrayed with vermilion, {23:15} girded with girdles upon their loins, with flowing turbans upon their heads, all of them princes to look upon, after the likeness of the Babylonians in Chaldea, the land of their nativity. {23:16} And as soon as she saw them she doted upon them, and sent messengers unto them into Chaldea. {23:17} And the Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their prostitution, and she was polluted with them, and her soul was alienated from them. {23:18} So she uncovered her prostitutions, and uncovered her nakedness: then my soul was alienated from her, like as my soul was alienated from her sister. {23:19} yet she multiplied her prostitutions, remembering the days of her youth, wherein she had played the prostitute in the land of Egypt. {23:20} And she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh of donkeys, and whose issue is like the issue of horses. {23:21} Thus you call to remembrance the lewdness of your youth, in the handling of your bosom by the Egyptians for the breasts of your youth. {23:22} Therefore, O Oholibah, thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will raise up your lovers against you, from whom your soul is alienated, and I will bring them against you on every side: {23:23} the Babylonians and all the Chaldeans, Pekod and Shoa and Koa, [and] all the Assyrians with them; desirable young men, governors and rulers all of them, princes and men of renown, all of them riding upon horses. {23:24} And they shall come against you with weapons, chariots, and wagons, and with a company of peoples; they shall set themselves against you with buckler and shield and helmet round about; and I will commit the judgment unto them, and they shall judge you according to their judgments. {23:25} And I will set my jealousy against you, and they shall deal with you in fury; they shall take away your nose and your ears; and your residue shall fall by the sword: they shall take your sons and your daughters; and your residue shall be devoured by the fire. {23:26} They shall also strip you of your clothes, and take away your fair jewels. {23:27} Thus will I make your lewdness to cease from you, and your prostitution [brought] from the land of Egypt; so that you shall not lift up your eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any more. {23:28} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will deliver

you into the hand of them whom you hate, into the hand of them from whom your soul is alienated; {23:29} and they shall deal with you in hatred, and shall take away all your labor, and shall leave you naked and bare; and the nakedness of your prostitutions shall be uncovered, both your lewdness and your prostitutions. {23:30} These things shall be done unto you, for that you have played the prostitute after the nations, and because you are polluted with their idols. {23:31} you have walked in the way of your sister; therefore will I give her cup into your hand. {23:32} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: you shall drink of your sister's cup, which is deep and large; you shall be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it contained much. {23:33} you shall be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment and desolation, with the cup of your sister Samaria. {23:34} you shall even drink it and drain it out, and you shall gnaw the shreds there, and shall tear your breasts; for I have spoken it, said the Lord Yahweh. {23:35} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you have forgotten me, and cast me behind your back, therefore bear you also your lewdness and your prostitutions. {23:36} Yahweh said furthermore unto me: Son of man, will you judge Oholah and Oholibah? then declare unto them their abominations. {23:37} For they have committed adultery, and blood is in their hands; and with their idols have they committed adultery; and they have also caused their sons, whom they bare unto me, to pass through [the fire] unto they to be devoured. {23:38} Furthermore this they have done unto me: they have defiled my sanctuary in the same day, and have profaned my Sabbaths. {23:39} For when they had slain their children to their idols, then they came the same day into my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, thus have they done in the midst of my house. {23:40} And furthermore you have sent for men that come from far, unto whom a messenger was sent, and, lo, they came; for whom you did wash yourself, paint your eyes, and deck yourself with ornaments, {23:41} and sit upon a stately bed, with a table prepared before it, whereupon you did set mine incense and mine oil. {23:42} And the voice of a multitude being at ease was with her: and with men of the common sort were brought drunkards from the wilderness; and they put bracelets upon the hands of them [twain], and beautiful crowns upon their heads. {23:43} Then said I of her that was old in adulteries, Now will they play the prostitute with her, and she [with them]. {23:44} And they went in unto her, as they go in unto a prostitute: so went they in unto Oholah and unto Oholibah, the lewd women. {23:45} And righteous men, they shall judge them with the judgment of adulteresses, and with the judgment of women that shed blood; because they are adulteresses, and blood is in their hands. {23:46} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will bring up a company against them, and will give them to be tossed to and fro and robbed. {23:47} And the company shall stone them with stones, and dispatch them with their swords; they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire. {23:48} Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness. {23:49} And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and you shall bear the sins of your idols; and you shall know that I am the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}24} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty Four. {24:1} Again, in the ninth year, in the tenth moon, in the tenth [day] of the moon, the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {24:2} Son of man, write you the name of the day, [even] of this selfsame day: the king of Babylon drew close unto Jerusalem this selfsame day. {24:3} And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh, Set on the caldron, set it on, and also pour water into it: {24:4} gather the pieces of it into it, even every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill it with the choice bones. {24:5} Take the choice of the flock, and also a pile [of wood] for the bones under [the caldron]; make it boil well; behold, let the bones of it be boiled in the midst of it. {24:6} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Woe to the bloody city, to the caldron whose rust is therein, and whose rust is not gone out of it! take out of it piece after piece; No lot is fallen upon it. {24:7} For her blood is in the midst of her; she set it upon the bare rock; she poured it not upon the ground, to cover it with dust. {24:8} That it may cause Anger to come up to take vengeance, I have set her blood upon the bare rock, that it should not be covered. {24:9} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Woe to the bloody city! I also will make the pile great. {24:10} Heap on the

wood, make the fire hot, boil well the flesh, and make thick the broth, and let the bones be burned. {24:11} Then set it empty upon the coals there, that it may be hot, and the brass of it may burn, and that the filthiness of it may be molten in it, that the rust of it may be consumed. {24:12} She has wearied [herself] with toil; yet her great rust goes not forth out of her; her rust [goes not forth] by fire. {24:13} In your filthiness is lewdness: because I have cleansed you and you was not cleansed, you shall not be cleansed from your filthiness any more, till I have caused my Anger toward you to rest. {24:14} I, Yahweh, have spoken it: it shall come to pass, and I will do it: I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to your ways, and according to your doings, shall they judge you, said the Lord Yahweh. {24:15} Also the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {24:16} Son of man, behold, I take away from you the desire of your eyes with a stroke: yet you shall neither grieve nor weep, neither shall your tears run down. {24:17} Sigh, but not aloud, make no grieving for the dead; bind your head tire upon you, and put your shoes upon your feet, and cover not your lips, and eat not the bread of men. {24:18} So I spoke unto the people in the morning; and at even my wife died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded. {24:19} And the people said unto me, Will you not tell us what these things are to us, that you do so? {24:20} Then I said unto them, The word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {24:21} Speak unto the house of Israel, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will profane my sanctuary, the pride of your power, the desire of your eyes, and that which your soul pities; and your sons and your daughters whom you have left behind shall fall by the sword. {24:22} And you shall do as I have done: you shall not cover your lips, nor eat the bread of men. {24:23} And your tires shall be upon your heads, and your shoes upon your feet: you shall not grieve nor weep; but you shall pine away in your iniquities, and moan one toward another. {24:24} Thus shall Ezekiel be unto you a sign; according to all that he has done shall you do: when this comes, then shall you know that I am the Lord Yahweh. {24:25} And you, son of man, shall it not be in the day when I take from them their strength, the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes, and that whereupon they set their heart, their sons and their daughters, {24:26} that in that day he that escapes shall come unto you, to cause you to hear it with your ears? {24:27} In that day shall your mouth be opened to him that is escaped, and you shall speak, and be no more dumb: so shall you be a sign unto them; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{O26}25} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty-Five. {25:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {25:2} Son of man, set your face toward the children of Ammon, and prophesy against them: {25:3} and say unto the children of Ammon, Hear the word of the Lord Yahweh: Thus said the Lord Yahweh, Because you said, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was made desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity: {25:4} therefore, behold, I will deliver you to the children of the east for a possession, and they shall set their encampments in you, and make their dwellings in you; they shall eat your fruit, and they shall drink your milk. {25:5} And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the children of Ammon a couching-place for flocks: and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {25:6} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you have clapped your hands, and stamped with the feet, and rejoiced with all the despite of your soul against the land of Israel; {25:7} therefore, behold, I have stretched out my hand upon you, and will deliver you for a spoil to the nations; and I will cut you off from the peoples, and I will cause you to perish out of the countries: I will destroy you; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {25:8} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because that Moab and Seir do say, Behold, the house of Judah is like unto all the nations; {25:9} therefore, behold, I will open the side of Moab from the cities, from his cities which are on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Beth-jeshimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim, {25:10} unto the children of the east, [to go] against the children of Ammon; and I will give them for a possession, that the children of Ammon may not be remembered among the nations. {25:11} and I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I am Yahweh. {25:12} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because that Edom has dealt against the house of Judah by taking

vengeance, and has greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them; {25:13} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh, I will stretch out my hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from Teman; even unto Dedan shall they fall by the sword. {25:14} And I will lay my vengeance upon Edom by the hand of my people Israel; and they shall do in Edom according to mine anger and according to my Anger; and they shall know my vengeance, said the Lord Yahweh. {25:15} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because the Philistines have dealt by revenge, and have taken vengeance with despite of soul to destroy with perpetual enmity; {25:16} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh, Behold, I will stretch out my hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethites, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast. {25:17} And I will execute great vengeance upon them with Angerful rebukes; and they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.

{O26}26} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty-Six. {26:1} And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first [day] of the moon, that the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {26:2} Son of man, because that Tyre has said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is broken [that was] the gate of the peoples; she is turned unto me; I shall be replenished, now that she is laid waste: {26:3} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh, Behold, I am against you, O Tyre, and will cause many nations to come up against you, as the sea causes its waves to come up. {26:4} And they shall destroy the walls of Tyre, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her a bare rock. {26:5} She shall be a place for the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea; for I have spoken it, said the Lord Yahweh; and she shall become a spoil to the nations. {26:6} And her daughters that are in the field shall be slain with the sword: and they shall know that I am Yahweh. {26:7} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will bring upon Tyre Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and a company, and much people. {26:8} He shall slay with the sword your daughters in the field; and he shall make forts against you, and cast up a mound against you, and raise up the buckler against you. {26:9} And he shall set his battering engines against your walls, and with his axes he shall break down your towers. {26:10} By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover you: your walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wagons, and of the chariots, when he shall enter into your gates, as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach. {26:11} With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all your streets; he shall slay your people with the sword; and the pillars of your strength shall go down to the ground. {26:12} And they shall make a spoil of your riches, and make a prey of your merchandise; and they shall break down your walls, and destroy your pleasant houses; and they shall lay your stones and your timber and your dust in the midst of the waters. {26:13} And I will cause the noise of your songs to cease; and the sound of your harps shall be no more heard. {26:14} And I will make you a bare rock; you shall be a place for the spreading of nets; you shall be built no more: for I Yahweh have spoken it, said the Lord Yahweh. {26:15} Thus said the Lord Yahweh to Tyre: shall not the isles shake at the sound of your fall, when the wounded groan, when the slaughter is made in the midst of you? {26:16} Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay aside their robes, and strip off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselves with trembling; they shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble every moment, and be astonished at you. {26:17} And they shall take up a lamentation over you, and say to you, How are you destroyed, that was inhabited by seafaring men, the renowned city, that was strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants, that caused their terror to be on all that lived there! {26:18} Now shall the isles tremble in the day of your fall; behold, the isles that are in the sea shall be dismayed at your departure. {26:19} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: When I shall make you a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon you, and the great waters shall cover you; {26:20} then will I bring you down with them that descend into the pit, to the people of old time, and will make you to dwell in the nether parts of the earth, in the places that are desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that you be not inhabited; and I will set

glory in the land of the living: {26:21} I will make you a terror, and you shall no more have any being; though you be sought for, yet shall you never be found again, said the Lord Yahweh.

{026}27} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty-Seven . {27:1} The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying, {27:2} And you, son of man, take up a lamentation over Tyre; {27:3} and say unto Tyre, O you that dwells at the entry of the sea, that are the merchant of the peoples unto many isles, thus said the Lord Yahweh: you, O Tyre, have said, I am perfect in beauty. {27:4} Your borders are in the heart of the seas; your builders have perfected your beauty. {27:5} They have made all your planks of fir-trees from Senir; they have taken a cedar from Lebanon to make a mast for you. {27:6} Of the oaks of Bashan have they made your oars; they have made your benches of ivory inlaid in boxwood, from the isles of Kittim. {27:7} Of fine linen with brodered work from Egypt was your sail, that it might be to you for an ensign; blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was your awning. {27:8} The inhabitants of Sidon and Arvad were your rowers: your wise men, O Tyre, were in you, they were your pilots. {27:9} The old men of Gebal and the wise men of it were in you your caulkers: all the ships of the sea with their mariners were in you to deal in your merchandise. {27:10} Persia and Lud and Put were in your army, your men of war: they hanged the shield and helmet in you; they set forth your comeliness. {27:11} The men of Arvad with your army were upon your walls round about, and valorous men were in your towers; they hanged their shields upon your walls round about; they have perfected your beauty. {27:12} Tarshish was your merchant by reason of the multitude of all kinds of riches; with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded for your wares. {27:13} Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they were your traffickers; they traded the persons of men and vessels of brass for your merchandise. {27:14} They of the house of Togarmah traded for your wares with horses and war-horses and mules. {27:15} The men of Dedan were your traffickers; many isles were the mare of your hand: they brought you in exchange horns of ivory and ebony. {27:16} Syria was your merchant by reason of the multitude of your handiworks: they traded for your wares with emeralds, purple, and brodered work, and fine linen, and coral, and rubies. {27:17} Judah, and the land of Israel, they were your traffickers: they traded for your merchandise wheat of Minnith, and pannag, and honey, and oil, and balm. {27:18} Damascus was your merchant for the multitude of your handiworks, by reason of the multitude of all kinds of riches, with the wine of Helbon, and white wool. {27:19} Vedan and Javan traded with yarn for your wares: bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were among your merchandise. {27:20} Dedan was your trafficker in precious cloths for riding. {27:21} Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they were the merchants of your hand; in lambs, and rams, and goats, in these were they your merchants. {27:22} The traffickers of Sheba and Raamah, they were your traffickers; they traded for your wares with the chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold. {27:23} Haran and Canneh and Eden, the traffickers of Sheba, Asshur [and] Chilmad, were your traffickers. {27:24} These were your traffickers in choice wares, in wrappings of blue and brodered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords and made of cedar, among your merchandise. {27:25} The ships of Tarshish were your caravans for your merchandise: and you was replenished, and made very glorious in the heart of the seas. {27:26} Your rowers have brought you into great waters: the east wind has broken you in the heart of the seas. {27:27} Your riches, and your wares, your merchandise, your mariners, and your pilots, your caulkers, and the dealers in your merchandise, and all your men of war, that are in you, with all your company which is in the midst of you, shall fall into the heart of the seas in the day of your ruin. {27:28} At the sound of the cry of your pilots the suburbs shall shake. {27:29} And all that handled the oar, the mariners, [and] all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships; they shall stand upon the land, {27:30} and shall cause their voice to be heard over you, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast up dust upon their heads, they shall wallow themselves in the ashes: {27:31} and they shall make themselves bald for you, and gird them with sackcloth, and they shall weep for you in bitterness of soul with bitter grieving. {27:32} And in their wailing they shall take up a lamentation for you, and lament over you, [saying], Who is there like Tyre, like her that is brought to silence in the midst of the sea? {27:33} When your wares

went forth out of the seas, you filled many peoples; you did enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of your riches and of your merchandise. {27:34} In the time that you was broken by the seas in the depths of the waters, your merchandise and all your company did fall in the midst of you. {27:35} All the inhabitants of the isles are astonished at you, and their kings are horribly afraid; they are troubled in their countenance. {27:36} The merchants among the peoples hiss at you; you are become a terror, and you shall nevermore have any being.

{O26}28} Ezekiel Chapter Twenty-Eight. {28:1} The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying, {28:2} Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyre, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because your heart is lifted up, and you have said, I am a god, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet you are man, and not God, though you did set your heart as the heart of God;- {28:3} behold, you are wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that is hidden from you; {28:4} by your wisdom and by your understanding you have gotten you riches, and have gotten gold and silver into your treasures; {28:5} by your great wisdom [and] by your traffic have you increased your riches, and your heart is lifted up because of your riches;- {28:6} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you have set your heart as the heart of God, {28:7} therefore, behold, I will bring strangers upon you, the terrible of the nations; and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom, and they shall defile your brightness. {28:8} They shall bring you down to the pit; and you shall die the death of them that are slain, in the heart of the seas. {28:9} Will you yet say before him that slays you, I am God? but you are man, and not God, in the hand of him that wounds you. {28:10} you shall die the death of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have spoken it, said the Lord Yahweh. {28:11} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {28:12} Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre, and say unto him, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: you seal up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty. {28:13} you was in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone was your covering, the sardius, the topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of your tabrets and of your pipes was in you; in the day that you was created they were prepared. {28:14} you was the anointed cherub that covers: and I set you, [so that] you was upon the holy mountain of God; you have walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. {28:15} you was perfect in your ways from the day that you was created, till [illegal] works outside law was found in you. {28:16} By the abundance of your traffic they filled the midst of you with violence, and you have sinned: therefore have I cast you as profane out of the mountain of God; and I have destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. {28:17} Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you have corrupted your wisdom by reason of your brightness: I have cast you to the ground; I have laid you before kings, that they may behold you. {28:18} By the multitude of your lawless works, in the [illegal] works outside law of your traffic, you have profaned your sanctuaries; therefore have I brought forth a fire from the midst of you; it has devoured you, and I have turned you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold you. {28:19} All they that know you among the peoples shall be astonished at you: you are become a terror, and you shall nevermore have any being. {28:20} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {28:21} Son of man, set your face toward Sidon, and prophesy against it, {28:22} and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against you, O Sidon; and I will be glorified in the midst of you; and they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall have executed judgments in her, and shall be sanctified in her. {28:23} For I will send pestilence into her, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall fall in the midst of her, with the sword upon her on every side; and they shall know that I am Yahweh. {28:24} And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor a hurting thorn of any that are round about them, that did despite unto them; and they shall know that I am the Lord Yahweh. {28:25} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: When I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the peoples among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the nations, then shall they dwell in their own land which I gave to my servant Jacob. {28:26} And they shall dwell securely therein; behold, they shall build houses, and plant

vineyards, and shall dwell securely, when I have executed judgments upon all those that do them despite round about them; and they shall know that I am Yahweh their God.

{O26}29}Ezekiel Chapter Twenty-Nine. {29:1} In the tenth year, in the tenth [moon], in the twelfth [day] of the moon, the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {29:2} Son of man, set your face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt; {29:3} speak, and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against you, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great monster that lies in the midst of his rivers, that has said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself. {29:4} And I will put hooks in your jaws, and I will cause the fish of your rivers to stick unto your scales; and I will bring you up out of the midst of your rivers, with all the fish of your rivers which stick unto your scales. {29:5} And I will cast you forth into the wilderness, you and all the fish of your rivers: you shall fall upon the open field; you shall not be brought together, nor gathered; I have given you for food to the beasts of the earth and to the birds of the heavens. {29:6} And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I am Yahweh, because they have been a staff of reed to the house of Israel. {29:7} When they took hold of you by your hand, you did break, and did rend all their shoulders; and when they leaned upon you, you brake, and made all their loins to be at a stand. {29:8} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will bring a sword upon you, and will cut off from you man and beast. {29:9} And the land of Egypt shall be a desolation and a waste; and they shall know that I am Yahweh. Because he has said, The river is mine, and I have made it; {29:10} therefore, behold, I am against you, and against your rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt an utter waste and desolation, from the tower of Seveneh even unto the border of Ethiopia. {29:11} No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years. {29:12} And I will make the land of Egypt a desolation in the midst of the countries that are desolate; and her cities among the cities that are laid waste shall be a desolation forty years; and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries. {29:13} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: At the end of forty years will I gather the Egyptians from the peoples where they were scattered; {29:14} and I will bring back the captivity of Egypt, and will cause them to return into the land of Pathros, into the land of their birth; and they shall be there a base kingdom. {29:15} It shall be the basest of the kingdoms; neither shall it any more lift itself up above the nations: and I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations. {29:16} And it shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, bringing works against law to remembrance, when they turn to look after them: and they shall know that I am the Lord Yahweh. {29:17} And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first [moon], in the first [day] of the moon, the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {29:18} Son of man, Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service against Tyre: every head was made bald, and every shoulder was worn; yet had he no wages, nor his army, from Tyre, for the service that he had served against it. {29:19} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall carry off her multitude, and take her spoil, and take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army. {29:20} I have given him the land of Egypt as his recompense for which he served, because they wrought for me, said the Lord Yahweh. {29:21} In that day will I cause a horn to bud forth unto the house of Israel, and I will give you the opening of the mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{O26}30} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty. {30:1} The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying, {30:2} Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Wail you, Alas for the day! {30:3} For the day is near, even the day of Yahweh is near; it shall be a day of clouds, a time of the nations. {30:4} And a sword shall come upon Egypt, and anguish shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt; and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down. {30:5} Ethiopia, and Put, and Lud, and all the mingled people, and Cub, and the children of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword. {30:6} Thus said Yahweh: They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down:

from the tower of Seveneh shall they fall in it by the sword, said the Lord Yahweh. {30:7} And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries that are desolate; and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities that are wasted. {30:8} And they shall know at I am Yahweh, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and all her helpers are destroyed. {30:9} In that day shall messengers go forth from before me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid; and there shall be anguish upon them, as in the day of Egypt; for, lo, it comes. {30:10} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease, by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon. {30:11} He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, shall be brought in to destroy the land; and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain. {30:12} And I will make the rivers dry, and will sell the land into the hand of evil men; and I will make the land desolate, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I, Yahweh, have spoken it. {30:13} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will also destroy the idols, and I will cause the images to cease from Memphis; and there shall be no more a prince from the land of Egypt: and I will put a fear in the land of Egypt. {30:14} And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set a fire in Zoan, and will execute judgments upon No. {30:15} And I will pour my Anger upon Sin, the stronghold of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude of No. {30:16} And I will set a fire in Egypt: Sin shall be in great anguish, and No shall be broken up; and Memphis [shall have] adversaries in the day-time. {30:17} The young men of Aven and of Pibessets shall fall by the sword; and these [cities] shall go into captivity. {30:18} At Tehaphnehes also the day shall withdraw itself, when I shall break there the yokes of Egypt, and the pride of her power shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity. {30:19} Thus will I execute judgments upon Egypt; and they shall know that I am Yahweh. {30:20} And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first [moon], in the seventh [day] of the moon, that the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {30:21} Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it has not been bound up, to apply [healing] medicines, to put a bandage to bind it, that it be strong to hold the sword. {30:22} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong [arm], and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand. {30:23} And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries. {30:24} And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put my sword in his hand: but I will break the arms of Pharaoh, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded man. {30:25} And I will hold up the arms of the king of Babylon; and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt. {30:26} And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them through the countries; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{026}31} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty One. {31:1} And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third [moon], in the first [day] of the moon, that the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {31:2} Son of man, say unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude: Whom are you like in your greatness? {31:3} Behold, the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches, and with a forest-like shade, and of high stature; and its top was among the thick boughs. {31:4} The waters nourished it, the deep made it to grow: the rivers of it ran round about its plantation; and it sent out its channels unto all the trees of the field. {31:5} Therefore its stature was exalted above all the trees of the field; and its boughs were multiplied, and its branches became long by reason of many waters, when it shot [them] forth. {31:6} All the birds of the heavens made their nests in its boughs; and under its branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young; and under its shadow lived all great nations. {31:7} Thus was it fair in its greatness, in the length of its branches; for its root was by many waters. {31:8} The cedars in the garden of God could not hide it; the fir-trees were not like its boughs, and the plane-trees were not as its branches; nor was any tree in the garden of God like unto it in its beauty. {31:9} I made it fair by the multitude of its branches, so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, envied it. {31:10} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because you are exalted in stature, and he has set his top

among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height; {31:11} I will even deliver him into the hand of the mighty one of the nations; he shall surely deal with him; I have driven him out for his wickedness. {31:12} And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the watercourses of the land; and all the peoples of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him. {31:13} Upon his ruin all the birds of the heavens shall dwell, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches; {31:14} to the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves in their stature, neither set their top among the thick boughs, nor that their mighty ones stand up on their height, [even] all that drink water: for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit. {31:15} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: In the day when he went down to Sheol I caused a grieving: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the rivers there; and the great waters were stayed; and I caused Lebanon to grieve for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him. {31:16} I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to Sheol with them that descend into the pit; and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, were comforted in the nether parts of the earth. {31:17} They also went down into Sheol with him unto them that are slain by the sword; behold, they that were his arm, [that] lived under his shadow in the midst of the nations. {31:18} To whom are you thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet shall you be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: you shall lie in the midst of the uncircumcised, with them that are slain by the sword. This is Pharaoh and all his multitude, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}32} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Two. {32:1} And it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth moon, in the first [day] of the moon, that the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {32:2} Son of man, take up a lamentation over Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him, you was likened unto a young lion of the nations: yet are you as a monster in the seas; and you did break forth with your rivers, and troubles the waters with your feet, and pollute their rivers. {32:3} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I will spread out my net upon you with a company of many peoples; and they shall bring you up in my net. {32:4} And I will leave you upon the land, I will cast you forth upon the open field, and will cause all the birds of the heavens to settle upon you, and I will satisfy the beasts of the whole earth with you. {32:5} And I will lay your flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with your height. {32:6} I will also water with your blood the land wherein you swim, even to the mountains; and the watercourses shall be full of you. {32:7} And when I shall extinguish you, I will cover the heavens, and make the stars of it dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give its light. {32:8} All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over you, and set darkness upon your land, said the Lord Yahweh. {32:9} I will also vex the hearts of many peoples, when I shall bring your destruction among the nations, into the countries which you have not known. {32:10} behold, I will make many peoples amazed at you, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for you, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at every moment, every man for his own life, in the day of your fall. {32:11} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon you. {32:12} By the swords of the mighty will I cause your multitude to fall; the terrible of the nations are they all: and they shall bring to nothing the pride of Egypt, and all the multitude of it shall be destroyed. {32:13} I will destroy also all the beasts of it from beside many waters; neither shall the foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them. {32:14} Then will I make their waters clear, and cause their rivers to run like oil, said the Lord Yahweh. {32:15} When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate and waste, a land destitute of that where it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, then shall they know that I am Yahweh. {32:16} This is the lamentation by which they shall lament; the daughters of the nations shall lament with; over Egypt, and over all her multitude, shall they lament with, said the Lord Yahweh. {32:17} It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth [day] of the moon, that the word of Yahweh

came unto me, saying, {32:18} Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and cast them down, even her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into the pit. {32:19} Whom do you pass in beauty? go down, and be you laid with the uncircumcised. {32:20} They shall fall in the midst of them that are slain by the sword: she is delivered to the sword; draw her away and all her multitudes. {32:21} The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of Sheol with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie still, even the uncircumcised, slain by the sword. {32:22} Asshur is there and all her company; her graves are round about her; all of them slain, fallen by the sword; {32:23} whose graves are set in the outermost parts of the pit, and her company is round about her grave; all of them slain, fallen by the sword, who caused terror in the land of the living. {32:24} There is Elam and all her multitude round about her grave; all of them slain, fallen by the sword, who are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, who caused their terror in the land of the living, and have borne their shame with them that go down to the pit. {32:25} They have set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her multitude; her graves are round about her; all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword; for their terror was caused in the land of the living, and they have borne their shame with them that go down to the pit: he is put in the midst of them that are slain. {32:26} There is Meshech, Tubal, and all their multitude; their graves are round about them; all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword; for they caused their terror in the land of the living. {32:27} And they shall not lie with the mighty that are fallen of the uncircumcised, that are gone down to Sheol with their weapons of war, and have laid their swords under their heads, and their iniquities are upon their bones; for [they were] the terror of the mighty in the land of the living. {32:28} But you shall be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised, and shall lie with them that are slain by the sword. {32:29} There is Edom, her kings and all her princes, who in their might are laid with them that are slain by the sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go down to the pit. {32:30} There are the princes of the north, all of them, and all the Sidonians, who are gone down with the slain; in the terror which they caused by their might they are put to shame; and they lie uncircumcised with them that are slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that go down to the pit. {32:31} Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be comforted over all his multitude, even Pharaoh and all his army, slain by the sword, said the Lord Yahweh. {32:32} For I have put his terror in the land of the living; and he shall be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised, with them that are slain by the sword, even Pharaoh and all his multitude, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}33} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Three. {33:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {33:2} Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say unto them, When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from among them, and set him for their watchman; {33:3} if, when he sees the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people; {33:4} then anyone who hears the sound of the trumpet, and takes not warning, if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. {33:5} He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him; whereas if he had taken warning, he would have delivered his soul. {33:6} But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned, and the sword come, and take any person from among them; he is taken away in his works against law, but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand. {33:7} So you, son of man, I have set you a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. {33:8} When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way; that wicked man shall die in his works against law, but his blood will I require at your hand. {33:9} Nevertheless, if you warn the wicked of his way to turn from it, and he turn not from his way; he shall die in his works against law, but you have delivered your soul. {33:10} And you, son of man, say unto the house of Israel: Thus you speak, saying, Our transgression of the law and our sins are upon us, and we pine away in them; how then can we live? {33:11} Say unto them, As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but

that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn you, turn you from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel? {33:12} And you, son of man, say unto the children of your people, The good works of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression of the law; and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turns from his wickedness; neither shall he that is righteous be able to live thereby in the day that he sins. {33:13} When I say to the righteous, that he shall surely live; if he trust to his good works, and commit works against law, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered; but in his works against law that he has committed, therein shall he die. {33:14} Again, when I say unto the wicked, you shall surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right; {33:15} if the wicked restore the pledge, give again that which he had taken by robbery, walk in the statutes of life, committing no works against law; he shall surely live, he shall not die. {33:16} None of his sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him: he has done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live. {33:17} yet the children of your people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them, their way is not equal. {33:18} When the righteous turns from his good works, and commits works against law, he shall even die therein. {33:19} And when the wicked turns from his wickedness, and does that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby. {33:20} yet you say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, I will judge you everyone after his ways. {33:21} And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the tenth [moon], in the fifth [day] of the moon, that one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying, The city is smitten. {33:22} Now the hand of Yahweh had been upon me in the evening, before he that was escaped came; and he had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; and my mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb. {33:23} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {33:24} Son of man, they that inhabit those waste places in the land of Israel speak, saying, Abraham was one, and he inherited the land: but we are many; the land is given us for inheritance. {33:25} Therefore say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: you eat with the blood, and lift up your eyes unto your idols, and shed blood: and shall you possess the land? {33:26} you stand upon your sword, you work abomination, and you defile everyone his neighbor's wife: and shall you possess the land? {33:27} Thus shall you say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: As I live, surely they that are in the waste places shall fall by the sword; and him that is in the open field will I give to the beasts to be devoured; and they that are in the strongholds and in the caves shall die of the pestilence. {33:28} And I will make the land a desolation and an astonishment; and the pride of her power shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, so that none shall pass through. {33:29} Then shall they know that I am Yahweh, when I have made the land a desolation and an astonishment, because of all their abominations which they have committed. {33:30} And as for you, son of man, the children of your people talk of you by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, everyone to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that comes forth from Yahweh. {33:31} And they come unto you as the people comes, and they sit before you as my people, and they hear your words, but do them not; for with their mouth they show much love, but their heart goes after their gain. {33:32} And, lo, you are unto them as a very lovely song of one that has a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument; for they hear your words, but they do them not. {33:33} And when this comes to pass, (behold, it comes,) then shall they know that a prophet has been among them.

{026}34} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Four. {34:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {34:2} Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, even to the shepherds, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Woe unto the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the sheep? {34:3} you eat the fat, and you clothe you with the wool, you kill the fatlings; but you feed not the sheep. {34:4} The diseased have you not strengthened, neither have you healed that which was sick, neither have you bound up that which was broken, neither have you brought back that which was driven away, neither have you sought that which was lost; but with force and with rigor have you ruled over them.

{34:5} And they were scattered, because there was no shepherd; and they became food to all the beasts of the field, and were scattered. {34:6} My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: behold, my sheep were scattered upon all the face of the earth; and there was none that did search or seek [after them]. {34:7} Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of Yahweh: {34:8} As I live, said the Lord Yahweh, surely forasmuch as my sheep became a prey, and my sheep became food to all the beasts of the field, because there was no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my sheep, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my sheep; {34:9} therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of Yahweh: {34:10} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my sheep at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the sheep; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; and I will deliver my sheep from their mouth, that they may not be food for them. {34:11} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I myself, even I, will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. {34:12} As a shepherd seeks out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered abroad, so will I seek out my sheep; and I will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. {34:13} And I will bring them out from the peoples, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them upon the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited places of the country. {34:14} I will feed them with good pasture; and upon the mountains of the height of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie down in a good fold; and on fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. {34:15} I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will cause them to lie down, said the Lord Yahweh. {34:16} I will seek that which was lost, and will bring back that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but the fat and the strong I will destroy; I will feed them in justice. {34:17} And as for you, O my flock, thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, the rams and the he-goats. {34:18} Seems it a small thing unto you to have fed upon the good pasture, but you must tread down with your feet the residue of your pasture? and to have drunk of the clear waters, but you must foul the residue with your feet? {34:19} And as for my sheep, they eat that which you have trodden with your feet, and they drink that which you have fouled with your feet. {34:20} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh unto them: Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. {34:21} Because you thrust with side and with shoulder, and push all the diseased with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad; {34:22} therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. {34:23} And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. {34:24} And I, Yahweh, will be their God, and my servant David prince among them; I, Yahweh, have spoken it. {34:25} And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause evil beasts to cease out of the land; and they shall dwell securely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. {34:26} And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in its season; there shall be showers of blessing. {34:27} And the tree of the field shall yield its fruit, and the earth shall yield its increase, and they shall be secure in their land; and they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I have broken the bars of their yoke, and have delivered them out of the hand of those that made bondmen of them. {34:28} And they shall no more be a prey to the nations, neither shall the beasts of the earth devour them; but they shall dwell securely, and none shall make them afraid. {34:29} And I will raise up unto them a plantation for renown, and they shall be no more consumed with famine in the land, neither bear the shame of the nations any more. {34:30} And they shall know that I, Yahweh, their God am with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are my people, said the Lord Yahweh. {34:31} And you my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}35} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Five. {35:1} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {35:2} Son of man, set your face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it, {35:3} and say unto it, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against you, O mount Seir, and

I will stretch out my hand against you, and I will make you a desolation and an astonishment. {35:4} I will lay your cities waste, and you shall be desolate; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {35:5} Because you have had a perpetual enmity, and have given over the children of Israel to the power of the sword in the time of their calamity, in the time of the works against law of the end; {35:6} therefore, as I live, said the Lord Yahweh, I will prepare you unto blood, and blood shall pursue you: since you have not hated blood, therefore blood shall pursue you. {35:7} Thus will I make mount Seir an astonishment and a desolation; and I will cut off from it him that passes through and him that returns. {35:8} And I will fill its mountains with its slain: in your hills and in your valleys and in all your watercourses shall they fall that are slain with the sword. {35:9} I will make you a perpetual desolation, and your cities shall not be inhabited; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {35:10} Because you have said, These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas Yahweh was there: {35:11} therefore, as I live, said the Lord Yahweh, I will do according to your anger, and according to your envy which you have showed out of your hatred against them; and I will make myself known among them, when I shall judge you. {35:12} And you shall know that I, Yahweh, have heard all your reviling which you have spoken against the mountains of Israel, saying, They are laid desolate, they are given us to devour. {35:13} And you have magnified yourselves against me with your mouth, and have multiplied your words against me: I have heard it. {35:14} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: When the whole earth rejoices, I will make you desolate. {35:15} As you did rejoice over the inheritance of the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so will I do unto you: you shall be desolate, O mount Seir, and all Edom, even all of it; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{O26}36} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Six. {36:1} And you, son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say, you mountains of Israel, hear the word of Yahweh. {36:2} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because the enemy has said against you, Aha! and, The ancient high places are ours in possession; {36:3} therefore prophesy, and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because, even because they have made you desolate, and swallowed you up on every side, that you might be a possession unto the residue of the nations, and you are taken up in the lips of talkers, and the evil report of the people; {36:4} therefore, you mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord Yahweh: Thus said the Lord Yahweh to the mountains and to the hills, to the watercourses and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes and to the cities that are forsaken, which are become a prey and derision to the residue of the nations that are round about; {36:5} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the nations, and against all Edom, that have appointed my land unto themselves for a possession with the joy of all their heart, with despite of soul, to cast it out for a prey. {36:6} Therefore prophesy concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains and to the hills, to the watercourses and to the valleys, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my Anger, because you have borne the shame of the nations: {36:7} therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: I have sworn, [saying], Surely the nations that are round about you, they shall bear their shame. {36:8} But you, O mountains of Israel, you shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people Israel; for they are at hand to come. {36:9} For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn into you, and you shall be tilled and sown; {36:10} and I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it; and the cities shall be inhabited, and the waste places shall be built; {36:11} and I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and be fruitful; and I will cause you to be inhabited after your former estate, and will do better [unto you] than at your beginnings: and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {36:12} behold, I will cause men to walk upon you, even my people Israel; and they shall possess you, and you shall be their inheritance, and you shall no more from here on bereave them of children. {36:13} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Because they say unto you, your [land] is a devourer of men, and has been a bereaver of your nation; {36:14} therefore you shall devour men no more, neither bereave your nation any more, said the Lord Yahweh; {36:15} neither will I let you hear any more the shame of the nations, neither shall you bear the reproach of the peoples any more, neither shall you cause your

nation to stumble any more, said the Lord Yahweh. {36:16} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {36:17} Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their own land, they defiled it by their way and by their doings: their way before me was as the uncleanness of a woman in her impurity. {36:18} Therefore I poured out my Anger upon them for the blood which they had poured out upon the land, and because they had defiled it with their idols; {36:19} and I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them. {36:20} And when they came unto the nations, where they went, they profaned my holy name; in that men said of them, These are the people of Yahweh, and are gone forth out of his land. {36:21} But I had regard for my holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations, where they went. {36:22} Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: I do not [this] for your sake, O house of Israel, but for my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations, where you went. {36:23} And I will sanctify my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in the midst of them; and the nations shall know that I am Yahweh, said the Lord Yahweh, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. {36:24} For I will take you from among the nations, and gather you out of all the countries, and will bring you into your own land. {36:25} And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. {36:26} A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. {36:27} And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and you shall keep mine ordinances, and do them. {36:28} And you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. {36:29} And I will save you from all your uncleanness: and I will call for the grain, and will multiply it, and lay no famine upon you. {36:30} And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that you may receive no more the reproach of famine among the nations. {36:31} Then shall you remember your evil ways, and your doings that were not good; and you shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations. {36:32} Nor for your sake do I [this], said the Lord Yahweh, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel. {36:33} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: In the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be built. {36:34} And the land that was desolate shall be tilled, whereas it was a desolation in the sight of all that passed by. {36:35} And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are fortified and inhabited. {36:36} Then the nations that are left round about you shall know that I, Yahweh, have built the ruined places, and planted that which was desolate: I, Yahweh, have spoken it, and I will do it. {36:37} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: For this, furthermore, will I be inquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them: I will increase them with men like a flock. {36:38} As the flock for sacrifice, as the flock of Jerusalem in her appointed feasts, so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{O26}37} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Seven. {37:1} The hand of Yahweh was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of Yahweh, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. {37:2} And he caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. {37:3} And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord Yahweh, you know. {37:4} Again he said unto me, Prophesy over these bones, and say unto them, O you dry bones, hear the word of Yahweh. {37:5} Thus said the Lord Yahweh unto these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. {37:6} And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am Yahweh. {37:7} So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and, behold, an earthquake; and the bones came together, bone to its bone. {37:8} And I watched, and, lo, there were sinews upon them, and flesh came up, and skin covered them above;

but there was no breath in them. {37:9} Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. {37:10} So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. {37:11} Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off. {37:12} Therefore prophecy, and say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, O my people; and I will bring you into the land of Israel. {37:13} And you shall know that I am Yahweh, when I have opened your graves, and caused you to come up out of your graves, O my people. {37:14} And I will put my Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land: and you shall know that I, Yahweh, have spoken it and performed it, said Yahweh. {37:15} The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying, {37:16} And you, son of man, take you one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and [for] all the house of Israel his companions: {37:17} and join them for you one to another into one stick, that they may become one in your hand. {37:18} And when the children of your people shall speak unto you, saying, Will you not show us what you meanest by these? {37:19} say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his companions; and I will put them with it, [even] with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in my hand. {37:20} And the sticks whereon you write shall be in your hand before their eyes. {37:21} And say unto them, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, where they are gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land: {37:22} and I will make them one nation in the land, upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all; and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all; {37:23} neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgression of the law; but I will save them out of all their dwelling-places, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God. {37:24} And my servant David shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in mine ordinances, and observe my statutes, and do them. {37:25} And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, they, and their children, and their children's children, forever: and David my servant shall be their prince forever. {37:26} Furthermore I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them; and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them forevermore. {37:27} My tabernacle also shall be with them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. {37:28} And the nations shall know that I am Yahweh that sanctifies Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them forevermore.

{O26}38} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Eight. {38:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {38:2} Son of man, set your face toward Gog, of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal, and prophecy against him, {38:3} and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal: {38:4} and I will turn you about, and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you forth, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed in full armor, a great company with buckler and shield, all of them handling swords; {38:5} Persia, Cush, and Put with them, all of them with shield and helmet; {38:6} Gomer, and all his hordes; the house of Togarmah in the outermost parts of the north, and all his hordes; even many peoples with you. {38:7} Be you prepared, behold, prepare yourself, you, and all your companies that are assembled unto you, and be you a guard unto them. {38:8} After many days you shall be visited: in the latter years you shall come into the land that is brought back from the sword, that is gathered out of many peoples, upon the mountains of Israel, which have been a continual waste; but it is brought forth out of the peoples, and they shall dwell

securely, all of them. {38:9} And you shall ascend, you shall come like a storm, you shall be like a cloud to cover the land, you, and all your hordes, and many peoples with you. {38:10} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: It shall come to pass in that day, that things shall come into your mind, and you shall devise an evil device: {38:11} and you shall say, I will go up to the land of un-walled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell securely, all of them dwelling outside walls, and having neither bars nor gates; {38:12} to take the spoil and to take the prey; to turn your hand against the waste places that are [now] inhabited, and against the people that are gathered out of the nations, that have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the middle of the earth. {38:13} Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions there, shall say unto you, are you come to take the spoil? have you assembled your company to take the prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take great spoil? {38:14} Therefore, son of man, prophesy, and say unto Gog, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: In that day when my people Israel dwells securely, shall you not know it? {38:15} And you shall come from your place out of the outermost parts of the north, you, and many peoples with you, all of them riding upon horses, a great company and a mighty army; {38:16} and you shall come up against my people Israel, as a cloud to cover the land: it shall come to pass in the latter days, that I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when I shall be sanctified in you, O Gog, before their eyes. {38:17} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: are you he of whom I spoke in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, that prophesied in those days for [many] years that I would bring you against them? {38:18} And it shall come to pass in that day, when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, said the Lord Yahweh, that my Anger shall come up into my nostrils. {38:19} For in my jealousy and in the fire of my Anger have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; {38:20} so that the fishes of the sea, and the birds of the heavens, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground. {38:21} And I will call for a sword against him unto all my mountains, said the Lord Yahweh: every man's sword shall be against his brother. {38:22} And with pestilence and with blood will I enter into judgment with him; and I will rain upon him, and upon his hordes, and upon the many peoples that are with him, an overflowing shower, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. {38:23} And I will magnify myself, and sanctify myself, and I will make myself known in the eyes of many nations; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

{026}39} Ezekiel Chapter Thirty Nine. {39:1} And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal: {39:2} and I will turn you about, and will lead you on, and will cause you to come up from the outermost parts of the north; and I will bring you upon the mountains of Israel; {39:3} and I will smite your bow out of your left hand, and will cause your arrows to fall out of your right hand. {39:4} you shall fall upon the mountains of Israel, you, and all your hordes, and the peoples that are with you: I will give you unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. {39:5} you shall fall upon the open field; for I have spoken it, said the Lord Yahweh. {39:6} And I will send a fire on Magog, and on them that dwell securely in the isles; and they shall know that I am Yahweh. {39:7} And my holy name will I make known in the midst of my people Israel; neither will I suffer my holy name to be profaned any more: and the nations shall know that I am Yahweh, the Holy One in Israel. {39:8} Behold, it comes, and it shall be done, said the Lord Yahweh; this is the day where I have spoken. {39:9} And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall make fires of the weapons and burn them, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the hand staves, and the spears, and they shall make fires of them seven years; {39:10} so that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down any out of the forests; for they shall make fires of the weapons; and they shall plunder those that plundered them, and rob those that robbed them, said the Lord Yahweh. {39:11} And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place for burial in Israel,

the valley of them that pass through on the east of the sea; and it shall stop them that pass through: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude; and they shall call it The valley of Hamon-gog. {39:12} And seven moons shall the house of Israel be burying them, that they may cleanse the land. {39:13} behold, all the people of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown in the day that I shall be glorified, said the Lord Yahweh. {39:14} And they shall set apart men of continual employment, that shall pass through the land, and, with them that pass through, those that bury them that remain upon the face of the land, to cleanse it: after the end of seven moons shall they search. {39:15} And they that pass through the land shall pass through; and when any sees a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-gog. {39:16} And Hamonah shall also be the name of a city. Thus shall they cleanse the land. {39:17} And you, son of man, thus said the Lord Yahweh: Speak unto the birds of every sort, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that you may eat flesh and drink blood. {39:18} you shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bulls, all of them fatlings of Bashan. {39:19} And you shall eat fat till you be full, and drink blood till you be drunk, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you. {39:20} And you shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, said the Lord Yahweh. {39:21} And I will set my glory among the nations; and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them. {39:22} So the house of Israel shall know that I am Yahweh their God, from that day and forward. {39:23} And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their works against law; because they trespassed against me, and I hid my face from them: so I gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they fell all of them by the sword. {39:24} According to their uncleanness and according to their transgression of the law did I unto them; and I hid my face from them. {39:25} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: Now will I bring back the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel; and I will be jealous for my holy name. {39:26} And they shall bear their shame, and all their trespasses by they [that] have trespassed against me, when they shall dwell securely in their land, and none shall make them afraid; {39:27} when I have brought them back from the peoples, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations. {39:28} And they shall know that I am Yahweh their God, in that I caused them to go into captivity among the nations, and have gathered them unto their own land; and I will leave none of them anymore there; {39:29} neither will I hide my face any more from them; for I have poured out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}40} Ezekiel Chapter Forty. {40:1} In the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth [day] of the moon, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day, the hand of Yahweh was upon me, and he brought me there. {40:2} In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me down upon a very high mountain, whereon was as it were the frame of a city on the south. {40:3} And he brought me there; and, behold, there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate. {40:4} And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with your eyes, and hear with your ears, and set your heart upon all that I shall show you; for, to the intent that I may show them unto you, are you brought here: declare all that you see to the house of Israel. {40:5} And, behold, a wall on the outside of the house round about, and in the man's hand a measuring reed six cubits long, of a cubit and a handbreadth each: so he measured the thickness of the building, one reed; and the height, one reed. {40:6} Then came he unto the gate which looks toward the east, and went up the steps there: and he measured the threshold of the gate, one reed broad; and the other threshold, one reed broad. {40:7} And every lodge was one reed long, and one reed broad; and [the space] between the lodges was five cubits; and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate toward the house

was one reed. {40:8} He measured also the porch of the gate toward the house, one reed. {40:9} Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the posts there, two cubits; and the porch of the gate was toward the house. {40:10} And the lodges of the gate eastward were three on this side, and three on that side; they three were of one measure: and the posts had one measure on this side and on that side. {40:11} And he measured the breadth of the opening of the gate, ten cubits; and the length of the gate, thirteen cubits; {40:12} and a border before the lodges, one cubit [on this side], and a border, one cubit on that side; and the lodges, six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side. {40:13} And he measured the gate from the roof of the one lodge to the roof of the other, a breadth of five and twenty cubits; door against door. {40:14} He made also posts, sixty cubits; and the court [reached] unto the posts, round about the gate. {40:15} And [from] the forefront of the gate at the entrance unto the forefront of the inner porch of the gate were fifty cubits. {40:16} And there were closed windows to the lodges, and to their posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the arches; and windows were round about inward; and upon [each] post were palm-trees. {40:17} Then brought he me into the outer court; and, lo, there were chambers and a pavement, made for the court round about: thirty chambers were upon the pavement. {40:18} And the pavement was by the side of the gates, answerable unto the length of the gates, even the lower pavement. {40:19} Then he measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront of the inner court outside, a hundred cubits, [both] on the east and on the north. {40:20} And the gate of the outer court whose prospect is toward the north, he measured the length of it and the breadth there. {40:21} And the lodges of it were three on this side and three on that side; and the posts of it and the arches of it were after the measure of the first gate: the length of it was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits. {40:22} And the windows there, and the arches there, and the palm-trees there, were after the measure of the gate whose prospect is toward the east; and they went up unto it by seven steps; and the arches of it were before them. {40:23} And there was a gate to the inner court over against the [other] gate, [both] on the north and on the east; and he measured from gate to gate a hundred cubits. {40:24} And he led me toward the south; and, behold, a gate toward the south: and he measured the posts of it and the arches of it according to these measures. {40:25} And there were windows in it and in the arches of it round about, like those windows: the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits. {40:26} And there were seven steps to go up to it, and the arches of it were before them; and it had palm-trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the posts there. {40:27} And there was a gate to the inner court toward the south: and he measured from gate to gate toward the south a hundred cubits. {40:28} Then he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he measured the south gate according to these measures; {40:29} and the lodges there, and the posts there, and the arches there, according to these measures: and there were windows in it and in the arches of it round about; it was fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad. {40:30} And there were arches round about, five and twenty cubits long, and five cubits broad. {40:31} And the arches of it were toward the outer court; and palm-trees were upon the posts there: and the ascent to it had eight steps. {40:32} And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate according to these measures; {40:33} and the lodges there, and the posts there, and the arches there, according to these measures: and there were windows therein and in the arches of it round about; it was fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad. {40:34} And the arches of it were toward the outer court; and palm-trees were upon the posts there, on this side, and on that side: and the ascent to it had eight steps. {40:35} And he brought me to the north gate: and he measured [it] according to these measures; {40:36} the lodges there, the posts there, and the arches there: and there were windows therein round about; the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits. {40:37} And the posts of it were toward the outer court; and palm-trees were upon the posts there, on this side, and on that side: and the ascent to it had eight steps. {40:38} And a chamber with the door of it was by the posts at the gates; there they washed the burnt-offering. {40:39} And in the porch of the gate were two tables on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay

thereon the burnt-offering and the sin-offering and the trespass-offering. {40:40} And on the [one] side outside, as one goes up to the entry of the gate toward the north, were two tables; and on the other side, which belonged to the porch of the gate, were two tables. {40:41} Four tables were on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight tables, whereupon they slew [the sacrifices]. {40:42} And there were four tables for the burnt-offering, of hewn stone, a cubit and a half long, and a cubit and a half broad, and one cubit high; whereupon they laid the instruments by which they slew the burnt-offering and the sacrifice. {40:43} And the hooks, a handbreadth long, were fastened within round about: and upon the tables was the flesh of the oblation. {40:44} And outside the inner gate were chambers for the singers in the inner court, which was at the side of the north gate; and their prospect was toward the south; one at the side of the east gate having the prospect toward the north. {40:45} And he said unto me, This chamber, whose prospect is toward the south, is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the house; {40:46} and the chamber whose prospect is toward the north is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar: these are the sons of Zadok, who from among the sons of Levi come near to Yahweh to minister unto him. {40:47} And he measured the court, a hundred cubits long, and a hundred cubits broad, foursquare; and the altar was before the house. {40:48} Then he brought me to the porch of the house, and measured each post of the porch, five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side: and the breadth of the gate was three cubits on this side, and three cubits on that side. {40:49} The length of the porch was twenty cubits, and the breadth eleven cubits; even by the steps whereby they went up to it: and there were pillars by the posts, one on this side, and another on that side.

{O26}41} Ezekiel Forty One. {41:1} And he brought me to the temple, and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, which was the breadth of the tabernacle. {41:2} And the breadth of the entrance was ten cubits; and the sides of the entrance were five cubits on the one side, and five cubits on the other side: and he measured the length there, forty cubits, and the breadth, twenty cubits. {41:3} Then went he inward, and measured each post of the entrance, two cubits; and the entrance, six cubits; and the breadth of the entrance, seven cubits. {41:4} And he measured the length there, twenty cubits, and the breadth, twenty cubits, before the temple: and he said unto me, This is the most holy place. {41:5} Then he measured the wall of the house, six cubits; and the breadth of every side-chamber, four cubits, round about the house on every side. {41:6} And the side-chambers were in three stories, one over another, and thirty in order; and they entered into the wall which belonged to the house for the side-chambers round about, that they might have hold [therein], and not have hold in the wall of the house. {41:7} And the side-chambers were broader as they enarround [the house] higher and higher; for the encompassing of the house went higher and higher round about the house: therefore the breadth of the house [continued] upward; and so one went up [from] the lowe [chamber] to the highest by the middle [chamber]. {41:8} I saw also that the house had a raised basement round about: the foundations of the side-chambers were a full reed of six great cubits. {41:9} The thickness of the wall, which was for the side-chambers, on the outside, was five cubits: and that which was left was the place of the side-chambers that belonged to the house. {41:10} And between the chambers was a breadth of twenty cubits round about the house on every side. {41:11} And the doors of the side-chambers were toward [the place] that was left, one door toward the north, and another door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that was left was five cubits round about. {41:12} And the building that was before the separate place at the side toward the west was seventy cubits broad; and the wall of the building was five cubits thick round about, and the length of it ninety cubits. {41:13} So he measured the house, a hundred cubits long; and the separate place, and the building, with the walls there, a hundred cubits long; {41:14} also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, a hundred cubits. {41:15} And he measured the length of the building before the separate place which was at the back there, and the galleries there on the one side and on the other side, a hundred cubits; and the inner temple, and the porches of the court; {41:16} the thresholds, and

the closed windows, and the galleries round about on their three stories, over against the threshold, ceiled with wood round about, and [from] the ground up to the windows, (now the windows were covered), {41:17} to [the space] above the door, even unto the inner house, and outside, and by all the wall round about within and outside, by measure. {41:18} And it was made with cherubim and palm-trees; and a palm-tree was between cherub and cherub, and every cherub had two faces; {41:19} so that there was the face of a man toward the palm-tree on the one side, and the face of a young lion toward the palm-tree on the other side. [thus was it] made through all the house round about: {41:20} from the ground unto above the door were cherubim and palm-trees made: thus was the wall of the temple. {41:21} As for the temple, the door-posts were squared; and as for the face of the sanctuary, the appearance [there] was as the appearance [of the temple]. {41:22} The altar was of wood, three cubits high, and the length of it two cubits; and the corners there, and the length there, and the walls there, were of wood: and he said unto me, This is the table that is before Yahweh. {41:23} And the temple and the sanctuary had two doors. {41:24} And the doors had two leaves [apiece], two turning leaves: two [leaves] for the one door, and two leaves for the other. {41:25} And there were made on them, on the doors of the temple, cherubim and palm-trees, like as were made upon the walls; and there was a threshold of wood upon the face of the porch outside. {41:26} And there were closed windows and palm-trees on the one side and on the other side, on the sides of the porch: thus were the side-chambers of the house, and the thresholds.

{026}42} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Two. {42:1} Then he brought me forth into the outer court, the way toward the north: and he brought me into the chamber that was over against the separate place, and which was over against the building toward the north. {42:2} Before the length of a hundred cubits was the north door, and the breadth was fifty cubits. {42:3} Over against the twenty [cubits] which belonged to the inner court, and over against the pavement which belonged to the outer court, was gallery against gallery in the third story. {42:4} And before the chambers was a walk of ten cubits' breadth inward, a way of one cubit; and their doors were toward the north. {42:5} Now the upper chambers were shorter; for the galleries took away from these, more than from the lower and the middlemost, in the building. {42:6} For they were in three stories, and they had not pillars as the pillars of the courts: therefore [the uppermost] was straitened more than the lowe and the middlemost from the ground. {42:7} And the wall that was outside by the side of the chambers, toward the outer court before the chambers, the length of it was fifty cubits. {42:8} For the length of the chambers that were in the outer court was fifty cubits: and, lo, before the temple were a hundred cubits. {42:9} And from under these chambers was the entry on the east side, as one goes into them from the outer court. {42:10} In the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, before the separate place, and before the building, there were chambers. {42:11} And the way before them was like the appearance of [the way of] the chambers which were toward the north; according to their length so was their breadth: and all their egresses were both according to their fashions, and according to their doors. {42:12} And according to the doors of the chambers that were toward the south was a door at the head of the way, even the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one enters into them. {42:13} Then said he unto me, The north chambers and the south chambers, which are before the separate place, they are the holy chambers, where the priests that are near unto Yahweh shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meal-offering, and the sin-offering, and the trespass-offering; for the place is holy. {42:14} When the priests enter in, then shall they not go out of the holy place into the outer court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they are holy: and they shall put on other garments, and shall approach to that which pertains to the people. {42:15} Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth by the way of the gate whose prospect is toward the east, and measured it round about. {42:16} He measured on the east side with the measuring reed five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about. {42:17} He measured on the north side five hundred reeds with the measuring reed round about. {42:18} He measured on the south side five

hundred reeds with the measuring reed. {42:19} He turned about to the west side, and measured five hundred reeds with the measuring reed. {42:20} He measured it on the four sides: it had a wall round about, the length five hundred, and the breadth five hundred, to make a separation between that which was holy and that which was common.

{O26}43} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Three. {43:1} Afterward he brought me to the gate, even the gate that looks toward the east. {43:2} And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice was like the sound of many waters; and the earth shined with his glory. {43:3} And it was according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, even according to the vision that I saw when I came to destroy the city; and the visions were like the vision that I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face. {43:4} And the glory of Yahweh came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect is toward the east. {43:5} And the Spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of Yahweh filled the house. {43:6} And I heard one speaking unto me out of the house; and a man stood by me. {43:7} And he said unto me, Son of man, [this is] the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever. And the house of Israel shall no more defile my holy name, neither they, nor their kings, by their prostitution, and by the dead bodies of their kings [in] their high places; {43:8} in their setting of their threshold by my threshold, and their door-post beside my door-post, and there was [but] the wall between me and them; and they have defiled my holy name by their abominations which they have committed: Therefore I have consumed them in mine anger. {43:9} Now let them put away their prostitution, and the dead bodies of their kings, far from me; and I will dwell in the midst of them forever. {43:10} you, son of man, show the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities; and let them measure the pattern. {43:11} And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, make known unto them the form of the house, and the fashion there, and the egresses there, and the entrances there, and all the forms there, and all the ordinances there, and all the forms there, and all the laws there; and write it in their sight; that they may keep the whole form there, and all the ordinances there, and do them. {43:12} This is the law of the house: upon the top of the mountain the whole limit of it round about shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the house. {43:13} And these are the measures of the altar by cubits (the cubit is a cubit and a handbreadth): the bottom shall be a cubit, and the breadth a cubit, and the border of it by the edge of it round about a span; and this shall be the base of the altar. {43:14} And from the bottom upon the ground to the lower ledge shall be two cubits, and the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser ledge to the greater ledge shall be four cubits, and the breadth a cubit. {43:15} And the upper altar shall be four cubits; and from the altar hearth and upward there shall be four horns. {43:16} And the altar hearth shall be twelve [cubits] long by twelve broad, square in the four sides there. {43:17} And the ledge shall be fourteen [cubits] long by fourteen broad in the four sides there; and the border about it shall be half a cubit; and the bottom of it shall be a cubit round about; and the steps of it shall look toward the east. {43:18} And he said unto me, Son of man, thus said the Lord Yahweh: These are the ordinances of the altar in the day when they shall make it, to offer burnt-offerings thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon. {43:19} you shall give to the priests the Levites that are of the seed of Zadok, who are near unto me, to minister unto me, said the Lord Yahweh, a young bull for a sin-offering. {43:20} And you shall take of the blood there, and put it on the four horns of it, and on the four corners of the ledge, and upon the border round about: thus shall you cleanse it and make atonement for it. {43:21} you shall also take the bull of the sin-offering, and it shall be burnt in the appointed place of the house, outside the sanctuary. {43:22} And on the second day you shall offer a he-goat outside blemish for a sin-offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse it with the bull. {43:23} When you have made an end of cleansing it, you shall offer a young bull outside blemish, and a ram out of the flock outside blemish. {43:24} And you shall bring them near before Yahweh, and the priests shall cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up for a burnt-offering unto Yahweh. {43:25} Seven days shall you prepare every day a goat for a sin-offering: they shall also prepare a young

bull, and a ram out of the flock, outside blemish. {43:26} Seven days shall they make atonement for the altar and purify it; so shall they consecrate it. {43:27} And when they have accomplished the days, it shall be that upon the eighth day, and forward, the priests shall make your burnt-offerings upon the altar, and your peace-offerings; and I will accept you, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}44} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Four. {44:1} Then he brought me back by the way of the outer gate of the sanctuary, which looks toward the east; and it was shut. {44:2} And Yahweh said unto me, This gate shall be shut; it shall not be opened, neither shall any man enter in by it; for Yahweh, the God of Israel, has entered in by it; therefore it shall be shut. {44:3} As for the prince, he shall sit therein as prince to eat bread before Yahweh; he shall enter by the way of the porch of the gate, and shall go out by the way of the same. {44:4} Then he brought me by the way of the north gate before the house; and I looked, and, behold, the glory of Yahweh filled the house of Yahweh: and I fell upon my face. {44:5} And Yahweh said unto me, Son of man, mark well, and behold with your eyes, and hear with your ears all that I say unto you concerning all the ordinances of the house of Yahweh, and all the laws there; and mark well the entrance of the house, with every egress of the sanctuary. {44:6} And you shall say to the rebellious, even to the house of Israel, Thus said the Lord Yahweh: O you house of Israel, let it suffice you of all your abominations, {44:7} in that you have brought in foreigners, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in my sanctuary, to profane it, even my house, when you offer my bread, the fat and the blood, and they have broken my covenant, [to add] unto all your abominations. {44:8} And you have not kept the charge of my holy things; but you have set keepers of my charge in my sanctuary for yourselves. {44:9} Thus said the Lord Yahweh, No foreigner, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any foreigners that are among the children of Israel. {44:10} But the Levites that went far from me, when Israel went astray, that went astray from me after their idols, they shall bear their works against law. {44:11} yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, having oversight at the gates of the house, and ministering in the house: they shall slay the burnt-offering and the sacrifice for the people, and they shall stand before them to minister unto them. {44:12} Because they ministered unto them before their idols, and became a stumbling block of works against law unto the house of Israel; therefore have I lifted up my hand against them, said the Lord Yahweh, and they shall bear their works against law. {44:13} And they shall not come near unto me, to execute the office of priest unto me, nor to come near to any of my holy things, unto the things that are most holy; but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed. {44:14} yet will I make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service there, and for all that shall be done therein. {44:15} But the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me; and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, said the Lord Yahweh: {44:16} they shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge. {44:17} And it shall be that, when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, while they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within. {44:18} They shall have linen tires upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; they shall not gird themselves with [anything that causes] sweat. {44:19} And when they go forth into the outer court, even into the outer court to the people, they shall put off their garments wherein they minister, and lay them in the holy chambers; and they shall put on other garments, that they sanctify not the people with their garments. {44:20} Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only cut off the hair of their heads. {44:21} Neither shall any of the priests drink wine, when they enter into the inner court. {44:22} Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is put away; but they shall take virgins of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow that is the widow of a priest. {44:23} And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and the common, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean. {44:24} And in a controversy they shall stand to judge; according to mine

ordinances shall they judge it: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all my appointed feasts; and they shall hallow my Sabbaths. {44:25} And they shall go in to no dead person to defile themselves; but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister that has had no husband, they may defile themselves. {44:26} And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days. {44:27} And in the day that he goes into the sanctuary, into the inner court, to minister in the sanctuary, he shall offer his sin-offering, said the Lord Yahweh. {44:28} And they shall have an inheritance: I am their inheritance; and you shall give them no possession in Israel; I am their possession. {44:29} They shall eat the meal-offering, and the sin-offering, and the trespass-offering; and every devoted thing in Israel shall be theirs. {44:30} And the first of all the first-fruits of every thing, and every oblation of everything, of all your oblations, shall be for the priest: you shall also give unto the priests the first of your dough, to cause a blessing to rest on your house. {44:31} The priests shall not eat of anything that dies of itself, or is torn, whether it be bird or beast.

{O26}45} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Five. {45:1} Furthermore, when you shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, you shall offer an oblation unto Yahweh, a holy portion of the land; the length shall be the length of five and twenty thousand [reeds], and the breadth shall be ten thousand: it shall be holy in all the border of it round about. {45:2} Of this there shall be for the holy place five hundred [in length] by five hundred [in breadth], square round about; and fifty cubits for the suburbs of it round about. {45:3} And of this measure shall you measure a length of five and twenty thousand, and a breadth of ten thousand: and in it shall be the sanctuary, which is most holy. {45:4} It is a holy portion of the land; it shall be for the priests, the ministers of the sanctuary, that come near to minister unto Yahweh; and it shall be a place for their houses, and a holy place for the sanctuary. {45:5} And five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth, shall be unto the Levites, the ministers of the house, for a possession unto themselves, [for] twenty chambers. {45:6} And you shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, side by side with the oblation of the holy portion: it shall be for the whole house of Israel. {45:7} And [whatever is] for the prince [shall be] on the one side and on the other side of the holy oblation and of the possession of the city, in front of the holy oblation and in front of the possession of the city, on the west side westward, and on the east side eastward; and in length answerable unto one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border. {45:8} In the land it shall be to him for a possession in Israel: and my princes shall no more oppress my people; but they shall give the land to the house of Israel according to their tribes. {45:9} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence and spoil, and execute justice and good works; take away your exactions from my people, said the Lord Yahweh. {45:10} you shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath. {45:11} The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of a homer, and the ephah the tenth part of a homer: the measure of it shall be after the homer. {45:12} And the shekel shall be twenty gerahs; twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh. {45:13} This is the oblation that you shall offer: the sixth part of an ephah from a homer of wheat; and you shall give the sixth part of an ephah from a homer of barley; {45:14} and the set portion of oil, of the bath of oil, the tenth part of a bath out of the cor, [which is] ten baths, even a homer; (for ten baths are a homer;) {45:15} and one lamb of the flock, out of two hundred, from the well-watered pastures of Israel; -for a meal-offering, and for a burnt-offering, and for peace-offerings, to make atonement for them, said the Lord Yahweh. {45:16} All the people of the land shall give unto this oblation for the prince in Israel. {45:17} And it shall be the prince's part to give the burnt-offerings, and the meal-offerings, and the drink-offerings, in the feasts, and on the new moons, and on the Sabbaths, in all the appointed feasts of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin-offering, and the meal-offering, and the burnt-offering, and the peace-offerings, to make atonement for the house of Israel. {45:18} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: In the first [moon], in the first [day] of the moon, you shall take a young bull outside blemish; and you shall cleanse the sanctuary. {45:19} And the priest shall take of the

blood of the sin-offering, and put it upon the door-posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the ledge of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court. {45:20} And so you shall do on the seventh [day] of the moon for everyone that sins, and for him that is simple: so shall you make atonement for the house. {45:21} In the first [moon], in the fourteenth day of the moon, you shall have the Passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten. {45:22} And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bull for a sin-offering. {45:23} And the seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt-offering to Yahweh, seven bulls and seven rams outside blemish daily the seven days; and a he-goat daily for a sin-offering. {45:24} And he shall prepare a meal-offering, an ephah for a bull, and an ephah for a ram, and a hin of oil to an ephah. {45:25} In the seventh [moon], in the fifteenth day of the moon, in the feast, shall he do the like the seven days; according to the sin-offering, according to the burnt-offering, and according to the meal-offering, and according to the oil.

{026}46} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Six. {46:1} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: The gate of the inner court that looks toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the Sabbath day it shall be opened, and on the day of the new moon it shall be opened. {46:2} And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of the gate outside, and shall stand by the post of the gate; and the priests shall prepare his burnt-offering and his peace-offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening. {46:3} And the people of the land shall worship at the door of that gate before Yahweh on the Sabbaths and on the new moons. {46:4} And the burnt-offering that the prince shall offer unto Yahweh shall be on the Sabbath day six lambs outside blemish and a ram outside blemish; {46:5} and the meal-offering shall be an ephah for the ram, and the meal-offering for the lambs as he is able to give, and a hin of oil to an ephah. {46:6} And on the day of the new moon it shall be a young bull outside blemish, and six lambs, and a ram; they shall be outside blemish: {46:7} and he shall prepare a meal-offering, an ephah for the bull, and an ephah for the ram, and for the lambs according as he is able, and a hin of oil to an ephah. {46:8} And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of the gate, and he shall go forth by the way there. {46:9} But when the people of the land shall come before Yahweh in the appointed feasts, he that enters by the way of the north gate to worship shall go forth by the way of the south gate; and he that enters by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth straight before him. {46:10} And the prince, when they go in, shall go in, in the midst of them; and when they go forth, they shall go forth [together]. {46:11} And in the feasts and in the solemnities the meal-offering shall be an ephah for a bull, and an ephah for a ram, and for the lambs as he is able to give, and a hin of oil to an ephah. {46:12} And when the prince shall prepare a freewill-offering, a burnt-offering or peace-offerings as a freewill-offering unto Yahweh, one shall open for him the gate that looks toward the east; and he shall prepare his burnt-offering and his peace-offerings, as he does on the Sabbath day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth one shall shut the gate. {46:13} And you shall prepare a lamb a year old outside blemish for a burnt-offering unto Yahweh daily: morning by morning shall you prepare it. {46:14} And you shall prepare a meal-offering with it morning by morning, the sixth part of an ephah, and the third part of a hin of oil, to moisten the fine flour; a meal-offering unto Yahweh continually by a perpetual ordinance. {46:15} Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meal-offering, and the oil, morning by morning, for a continual burnt-offering. {46:16} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, it is his inheritance, it shall belong to his sons; it is their possession by inheritance. {46:17} But if he give of his inheritance a gift to one of his servants, it shall be his to the year of liberty; then it shall return to the prince; but as for his inheritance, it shall be for his sons. {46:18} Furthermore the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance, to thrust them out of their possession; he shall give inheritance to his sons out of his own possession, that my people be not scattered every man from his possession. {46:19} Then he brought me through the entry, which was at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers for the priests, which looked toward the north: and, behold, there

was a place on the rear part westward. {46:20} And he said unto me, This is the place where the priests shall boil the trespass-offering and the sin-offering, [and] where they shall bake the meal-offering; that they bring them not forth into the outer court, to sanctify the people. {46:21} Then he brought me forth into the outer court, and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court; and, behold, in every corner of the court there was a court. {46:22} In the four corners of the court there were courts enclosed, forty [cubits] long and thirty broad: these four in the corners were of one measure. {46:23} And there was a wall round about in them, round about the four, and boiling-places were made under the walls round about. {46:24} Then said he unto me, These are the boiling-houses, where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifice of the people.

{O26}47} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Seven. {47:1} And he brought me back unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward; (for the forefront of the house was toward the east;) and the waters came down from under, from the right side of the house, on the south of the altar. {47:2} Then he brought me out by the way of the gate northward, and led me round by the way outside unto the outer gate, by the way of [the gate] that looks toward the east; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side. {47:3} When the man went forth eastward with the line in his hand, he measured a thousand cubits, and he caused me to pass through the waters, waters that were to the ankles. {47:4} Again he measured a thousand, and caused me to pass through the waters, waters that were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and caused me to pass through [the waters], waters that were to the loins. {47:5} Afterward he measured a thousand; [and it was] a river that I could not pass through; for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed through. {47:6} And he said unto me, Son of man, have you seen [this]? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the bank of the river. {47:7} Now when I had returned, behold, upon the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other. {47:8} Then said he unto me, These waters issue forth toward the eastern region, and shall go down into the Arabah; and they shall go toward the sea; into the sea [shall the waters go] which were made to issue forth; and the waters shall be healed. {47:9} And it shall come to pass, that every living creature which swarms, in every place where the rivers come, shall live; and there shall be a very great multitude of fish; for these waters are come there, and [the waters of the sea] shall be healed, and everything shall live whereever the river comes. {47:10} And it shall come to pass, that fishers shall stand by it: from En-gedi even unto En-eglaim shall be a place for the spreading of nets; their fish shall be after their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many. {47:11} But the miry places there, and the marshes there, shall not be healed; they shall be given up to salt. {47:12} And by the river upon the bank there, on this side and on that side, shall grow every tree for food, whose leaf shall not where, neither shall the fruit of it fail: it shall bring forth new fruit every moon, because the waters of it issues out of the sanctuary; and the fruit of it shall be for food, and the leaf of it for healing. {47:13} Thus said the Lord Yahweh: This shall be the border, whereby you shall divide the land for inheritance according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph [shall have two] portions. {47:14} And you shall inherit it, one as well as another; for I swore to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance. {47:15} And this shall be the border of the land: On the north side, from the great sea, by the way of Hethlon, unto the entrance of Zedad; {47:16} Hamath, Berothah, Sibram, which is between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; Hazer-hatticon, which is by the border of Hauran. {47:17} And the border from the sea, shall be Hazar-enon at the border of Damascus; and on the north northward is the border of Hamath. This is the north side. {47:18} And the east side, between Hauran and Damascus and Gilead, and the land of Israel, shall be the Jordan; from the [north] border unto the east sea shall you measure. This is the east side. {47:19} And the south side southward shall be from Tamar as far as the waters of Meriboth-kadesh, to the brook [of Egypt], unto the great sea. This is the south side southward. {47:20} And the west side shall be the great sea, from the [south] border as far as over against the entrance of Hamath. This is the west side. {47:21} So shall you divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel. {47:22} And it shall come to pass, that you shall divide

it by lot for an inheritance unto you and to the strangers that sojourn among you, who shall beget children among you; and they shall be unto you as the home-born among the children of Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel. {47:23} And it shall come to pass, that in what tribe the stranger sojourns, there shall you give him his inheritance, said the Lord Yahweh.

{O26}48} Ezekiel Chapter Forty Eight. {48:1} Now these are the names of the tribes: From the north end, beside the way of Hethlon to the entrance of Hamath, Hazar-enan at the border of Damascus, northward beside Hamath, (and they shall have their sides east [and] west,) Dan, one [portion]. {48:2} And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, Asher, one [portion]. {48:3} And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, Naphtali, one [portion]. {48:4} And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side, Manasseh, one [portion]. {48:5} And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west side, Ephraim, one [portion]. {48:6} And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the west side, Reuben, one [portion]. {48:7} And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side, Judah, one [portion]. {48:8} And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the oblation which you shall offer, five and twenty thousand [reeds] in breadth, and in length as one of the portions, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it. {48:9} The oblation that you shall offer unto Yahweh shall be five and twenty thousand [reeds] in length, and ten thousand in breadth. {48:10} And for these, even for the priests, shall be the holy oblation: toward the north five and twenty thousand [in length], and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of Yahweh shall be in the midst there. {48:11} [It shall be] for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, that have kept my charge, that went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the Levites went astray. {48:12} And it shall be unto them an oblation from the oblation of the land, a thing most holy, by the border of the Levites. {48:13} And answerable unto the border of the priests, the Levites shall have five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length shall be five and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand. {48:14} And they shall sell none of it, nor exchange it, nor shall the first-fruits of the land be alienated; for it is holy unto Yahweh. {48:15} And the five thousand that are left in the breadth, in front of the five and twenty thousand, shall be for common use, for the city, for dwelling and for suburbs; and the city shall be in the midst there. {48:16} And these shall be the measures there: the north side four thousand and five hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and on the east side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred. {48:17} And the city shall have suburbs: toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the west two hundred and fifty. {48:18} And the residue in the length, answerable unto the holy oblation, shall be ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward; and it shall be answerable unto the holy oblation; and the increase of it shall be for food unto them that labor in the city. {48:19} And they that labor in the city, out of all the tribes of Israel, shall till it. {48:20} All the oblation shall be five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: you shall offer the holy oblation four-square, with the possession of the city. {48:21} And the residue shall be for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation and of the possession of the city; in front of the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border, and westward in front of the five and twenty thousand toward the west border, answerable unto the portions, it shall be for the prince: and the holy oblation and the sanctuary of the house shall be in the midst there. {48:22} Furthermore from the possession of the Levites, and from the possession of the city, being in the midst of that which is the prince's, between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin, it shall be for the prince. {48:23} And as for the rest of the tribes: from the east side unto the west side, Benjamin, one [portion]. {48:24} And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, Simeon, one [portion]. {48:25} And by the border of Simeon, from the east side

unto the west side, Issachar, one [portion]. {48:26} And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, Zebulun, one [portion]. {48:27} And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side, Gad, one [portion]. {48:28} And by the border of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even from Tamar unto the waters of Meribath-kadesh, to the brook [of Egypt], unto the great sea. {48:29} This is the land which you shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these are their several portions, said the Lord Yahweh. {48:30} And these are the egresses of the city: On the north side four thousand and five hundred [reeds] by measure; {48:31} and the gates of the city shall be after the names of the tribes of Israel, three gates northward: the gate of Reuben, one; the gate of Judah, one; the gate of Levi, one. {48:32} And at the east side four thousand and five hundred [reeds], and three gates: even the gate of Joseph, one; the gate of Benjamin, one; the gate of Dan, one. {48:33} And at the south side four thousand and five hundred [reeds] by measure, and three gates: the gate of Simeon, one; the gate of Issachar, one; the gate of Zebulun, one. {48:34} At the west side four thousand and five hundred [reeds], with their three gates: the gate of Gad, one; the gate of Asher, one; the gate of Naphtali, one. {48:35} It shall be eighteen thousand [reeds] round about: and the name of the city from that day shall be, Yahweh is there.

The Book Of Daniel

{O27}1} Daniel Chapter One. {1:1} In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it. {1:2} And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God; and he carried them into the land of Shinar to the house of his god: and he brought the vessels into the treasure-house of his god. {1:3} And the king spoke unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring in [certain] of the children of Israel, even of the seed royal and of the nobles; {1:4} youths in whom was no blemish, but well-favored, and skilful in all wisdom, and endued with knowledge, and understanding science, and such as had ability to stand in the king's palace; and that he should teach them the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans. {1:5} And the king appointed for them a daily portion of the king's dainties, and of the wine which he drank, and that they should be nourished three years; that at the end of it they should stand before the king. {1:6} Now among these were, of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. {1:7} And the prince of the eunuchs gave names unto them: unto Daniel he gave [the name of] Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, [of] Shadrach; and to Mishael, [of] Meshach; and to Azariah, [of] Abed-nego. {1:8} But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the king's dainties, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself. {1:9} Now God made Daniel to find kindness and compassion in the sight of the prince of the eunuchs. {1:10} And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse looking than the youths that are of your own age? so would you endanger my head with the king. {1:11} Then said Daniel to the steward whom the prince of the eunuchs had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: {1:12} Prove your servants, I ask you, ten days; and let them give us vegetables to eat, and water to drink. {1:13} Then let our countenances be looked upon before you, and the countenance of the youths that eat of the king's dainties; and as you see, deal with your servants. {1:14} So he heard unto them in this matter, and proved them ten days. {1:15} And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer, and they were fatter in flesh, than all the youths that did eat of the king's dainties. {1:16} So the steward took away their dainties, and the wine that they should drink, and gave them vegetables. {1:17} Now as for these four youths, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams. {1:18} And at the end of the days which the king had appointed for bringing them in, the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar. {1:19} And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king. {1:20} And in every matter of wisdom and understanding, concerning which the king inquired of

them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters that were in all his realm. {1:21} And Daniel continued even unto the first year of king Cyrus.

{O27}2 Daniel Chapter Two. {2:1} And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams; and his spirit was troubled, and his sleep went from him. {2:2} Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the enchanters, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, to tell the king his dreams. So they came in and stood before the king. {2:3} And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit is troubled to know the dream. {2:4} Then spoke the Chaldeans to the king in the Syrian language, O king, live forever: tell your servants the dream, and we will show the interpretation. {2:5} The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if you make not known unto me the dream and the interpretation there, you shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill. {2:6} But if you show the dream and the interpretation there, you shall receive of me gifts and rewards and great honor: therefore show me the dream and the interpretation there. {2:7} They answered the second time and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will show the interpretation. {2:8} The king answered and said, I know of a certainty that you would gain time, because you see the thing is gone from me. {2:9} But if you make not known unto me the dream, there is but one law for you; for you have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that you can show me the interpretation there. {2:10} The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can show the king's matter, forasmuch as no king, lord, or ruler, has asked such a thing of any magician, or enchanter, or Chaldean. {2:11} And it is a rare thing that the king requires, and there is no other that can show it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh. {2:12} For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of Babylon. {2:13} So the decree went forth, and the wise men were to be slain; and they sought Daniel and his companions to be slain. {2:14} Then Daniel returned answer with counsel and prudence to Arioch the captain of the king's guard, who was gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon; {2:15} he answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Therefore is the decree so urgent from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel. {2:16} And Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would appoint him a time, and he would show the king the interpretation. {2:17} Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions: {2:18} that they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that Daniel and his companions should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. {2:19} Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a vision of the night. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven. {2:20} Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God forever and ever; for wisdom and might are his. {2:21} And he changes the times and the seasons; he removes kings, and sets up kings; he gives wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that have understanding; {2:22} he reveals the deep and secret things; he knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with him. {2:23} I thank you, and praise you, O you God of my fathers, who have given me wisdom and might, and have now made known unto me what we desired of you; for you have made known unto us the king's matter. {2:24} Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon; he went and said thus unto him: Destroy not the wise men of Babylon; bring me in before the king, and I will show unto the king the interpretation. {2:25} Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, I have found a man of the children of the captivity of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation. {2:26} The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, are you able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation there? {2:27} Daniel answered before the king, and said, The secret which the king has demanded can neither wise men, enchanters, magicians, nor soothsayers, show unto the king; {2:28} but there is a God in heaven that reveals secrets, and he has made known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Your dream, and the visions of your head upon your bed, are these: {2:29} as for you, O king, your

thoughts came [into your mind] upon your bed, what should come to pass hereafter; and he that reveals secrets has made known to you what shall come to pass. {2:30} But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have more than any living, but to the intent that the interpretation may be made known to the king, and that you may know the thoughts of your heart. {2:31} you, O king, saw, and, behold, a great image. This image, which was mighty, and whose brightness was excellent, stood before you; and the aspect of it was terrible. {2:32} As for this image, its head was of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of brass, {2:33} its legs of iron, its feet part of iron, and part of clay. {2:34} you saw till that a stone was cut out outside hands, which smote the image upon its feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them in pieces. {2:35} Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken in pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing-floors; and the wind carried them away, so that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth. {2:36} This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation of it before the king. {2:37} you, O king, are king of kings, unto whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, and the strength, and the glory; {2:38} and where so ever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the birds of the heavens has he given into your hand, and has made you to rule over them all: you are the head of gold. {2:39} And after you shall arise another kingdom inferior to you; and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth. {2:40} And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron, forasmuch as iron breaks in pieces and subdues all things; and as iron that crushes all these, shall it break in pieces and crush. {2:41} And whereas you saw the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, it shall be a divided kingdom; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as you saw the iron mixed with miry clay. {2:42} And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. {2:43} And whereas you saw the iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men; but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron does not mingle with clay. {2:44} And in the days of those kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall the sovereignty of it be left to another people; but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. {2:45} Forasmuch as you saw that a stone was cut out of the mountain outside hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God has made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation there sure. {2:46} Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odors unto him. {2:47} The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth your God is the God of gods, and the Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing you have been able to reveal this secret. {2:48} Then the king made Daniel great, and gave him many great gifts, and made him to rule over the whole province of Babylon, and to be chief governor over all the wise men of Babylon. {2:49} And Daniel requested of the king, and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel was in the gate of the king.

{O27}3} Daniel Chapter Three. {3:1} Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits, and the breadth of it six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. {3:2} Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the satraps, the deputies, and the governors, the judges, the treasurers, the counselors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up. {3:3} Then the satraps, the deputies, and the governors, the judges, the treasurers, the counselors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. {3:4} Then the herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, {3:5} that at what time you hear the sound of the cornet, flute,

harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of music, you fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king has set up; {3:6} and who so falls not down and worships shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. {3:7} Therefore at that time, when all the peoples heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of music, all the peoples, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up. {3:8} Therefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and brought accusation against the Jews. {3:9} They answered and said to Nebuchadnezzar the king, O king, live forever. {3:10} you, O king, have made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of music, shall fall down and worship the golden image; {3:11} and who so falls not down and worships, shall be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. {3:12} There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; these men, O king, have not regarded you: they serve not your gods, nor worship the golden image which you have set up. {3:13} Then Nebuchadnezzar in [his] rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. Then they brought these men before the king. {3:14} Nebuchadnezzar answered and said unto them, Is it of purpose, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, that you serve not my god, nor worship the golden image which I have set up? {3:15} Now if you be ready that at what time you hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of music, you fall down and worship the image which I have made, [well]: but if you worship not, you shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that god that shall deliver you out of my hands? {3:16} Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. {3:17} If it be [so], our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace; and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. {3:18} But if not, be it known unto you, O king, that we will not serve your gods, nor worship the golden image which you have set up. {3:19} Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego: [therefore] he spoke, and commanded that they should heat the furnace seven times more than it was wont to be heated. {3:20} And he commanded certain mighty men that were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, [and] to cast them into the burning fiery furnace. {3:21} Then these men were bound in their clothes, their tunics, and their mantles, and their [other] garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. {3:22} Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the flame of the fire slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. {3:23} And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. {3:24} Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste: he spoke and said unto his counselors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king. {3:25} He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the aspect of the fourth is like a son of the gods. {3:26} Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace: he spoke and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, you servants of the Most High God, come forth, and come here. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego came forth out of the midst of the fire. {3:27} And the satraps, the deputies, and the governors, and the king's counselors, being gathered together, saw these men, that the fire had no power upon their bodies, nor was the hair of their head singed, neither were their clothes changed, nor had the smell of fire passed on them. {3:28} Nebuchadnezzar spoke and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who has sent his messenger, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and have yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God. {3:29} Therefore I make a decree, that every people, nation, and language, which speak anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses

shall be made a dunghill; because there is no other god that is able to deliver after this sort. {3:30} Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego in the province of Babylon.

{027}4} Daniel Chapter Four. {4:1} Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto all the peoples, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth: Peace be multiplied unto you. {4:2} It has seemed good unto me to show the signs and wonders that the Most High God has wrought toward me. {4:3} How great are his signs! and how mighty are his wonders! his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation. {4:4} I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at rest in my house, and flourishing in my palace. {4:5} I saw a dream which made me afraid; and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled me. {4:6} Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream. {4:7} Then came in the magicians, the enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers; and I told the dream before them; but they did not make known unto me the interpretation there. {4:8} But at the last Daniel came in before me, whose name was Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods: and I told the dream before him, [saying], {4:9} O Belteshazzar, master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in you, and no secret troubles you, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation there. {4:10} Thus were the visions of my head upon my bed: I saw, and, behold, a tree in the midst of the earth; and the height of it was great. {4:11} The tree grew, and was strong, and the height of it reached unto heaven, and the sight of it to the end of all the earth. {4:12} The leaves of it were fair, and the fruit of it much, and in it was food for all: the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the birds of the heavens lived in the branches there, and all flesh was fed from it. {4:13} I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a watcher and a holy one came down from heaven. {4:14} He cried aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree, and cut off its branches, shake off its leaves, and scatter its fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from its branches. {4:15} Nevertheless leave the stump of its roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven: and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth: {4:16} let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him. {4:17} The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones; to the intent that the living may know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whom so ever he will, and sets up over it the lowe of men. {4:18} This dream I, king Nebuchadnezzar, have seen; and you, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation, forasmuch as all the wise men of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation; but you are able; for the spirit of the holy gods is in you. {4:19} Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was stricken dumb for a while, and his thoughts troubled him. The king answered and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation, trouble you. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream be to them that hate you, and the interpretation of it to your adversaries. {4:20} The tree that you saw, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto heaven, and the sight of it to all the earth; {4:21} whose leaves were fair, and the fruit of it much, and in it was food for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the birds of the heavens had their habitation: {4:22} it is you, O king, that are grown and become strong; for your greatness is grown, and reaches unto heaven, and your dominion to the end of the earth. {4:23} And whereas the king saw a watcher and a holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew down the tree, and destroy it; nevertheless leave the stump of the roots of it in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field, and let it be wet with the dew of heaven: and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him; {4:24} this is the interpretation, O king, and it is the decree of the Most High, which is come upon my lord the king: {4:25} that you shall be driven from men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and you shall be made to eat grass as oxen, and shall be wet with the dew of heaven, and

seven times shall pass over you; till you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whom so ever he will. {4:26} And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the roots of the tree; your kingdom shall be sure unto you, after that you shall have known that the heavens do rule. {4:27} Therefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto you, and break off your sins by good works, and your iniquities by showing mercy to the poor; if there may be a lengthening of your tranquility. {4:28} All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar. {4:29} At the end of twelve moons he was walking in the royal palace of Babylon. {4:30} The king spoke and said, Is not this great Babylon, which I have built for the royal dwelling-place, by the might of my power and for the glory of my majesty? {4:31} While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, [saying], O king Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: The kingdom is departed from you: {4:32} and you shall be driven from men; and they dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field; you shall be made to eat grass as oxen; and seven times shall pass over you; until you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whom so ever he will. {4:33} The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hair was grown like eagles' [feathers], and his nails like birds' [claws]. {4:34} And at the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the Most High, and I praised and honored him that lives forever; for his dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom from generation to generation. {4:35} And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; and he does according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What do you? {4:36} At the same time mine understanding returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, my majesty and brightness returned unto me; and my counselors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent greatness was added unto me. {4:37} Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven; for all his works are truth, and his ways justice; and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

{O27}5} Daniel Chapter Five. {5:1} Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand. {5:2} Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king and his lords, his wives and his concubines, might drink there from. {5:3} Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king and his lords, his wives and his concubines, drank from them. {5:4} They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone. {5:5} In the same hour came forth the fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaster of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote. {5:6} Then the king's countenance was changed in him, and his thoughts troubled him; and the joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another. {5:7} The king cried aloud to bring in the enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. The king spoke and said to the wise men of Babylon, Anyone who shall read this writing, and show me the interpretation there, shall be clothed with purple, and have a chain of gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom. {5:8} Then came in all the king's wise men; but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation. {5:9} Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his countenance was changed in him, and his lords were perplexed. {5:10} [Now] the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords came into the banquet house: the queen spoke and said, O king, live forever; let not your thoughts trouble you, nor let your countenance be changed. {5:11} There is a man in your kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of your father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, were found in him; and the king Nebuchadnezzar your father, the king, [I say], your father, made him master of the magicians, enchanters, Chaldeans, and soothsayers; {5:12} forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and showing of dark sentences, and dissolving of

doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar. Now let Daniel be called, and he will show the interpretation. {5:13} Then was Daniel brought in before the king. The king spoke and said unto Daniel, are you that Daniel, who are of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of Judah? {5:14} I have heard of you, that the spirit of the gods is in you, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom are found in you. {5:15} And now the wise men, the enchanters, have been brought in before me, that they should read this writing, and make known unto me the interpretation there; but they could not show the interpretation of the thing. {5:16} But I have heard of you, that you Can give interpretations, and dissolve doubts; now if you Can read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation there, you shall be clothed with purple, and have a chain of gold about your neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom. {5:17} Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let your gifts be to yourself, and give your rewards to another; nevertheless I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation. {5:18} O you king, the Most High God gave Nebuchadnezzar your father the kingdom, and greatness, and glory, and majesty: {5:19} and because of the greatness that he gave him, all the peoples, nations, and languages trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew, and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he raised up, and whom he would he put down. {5:20} But when his heart was lifted up, and his spirit was hardened so that he dealt proudly, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him: {5:21} and he was driven from the sons of men, and his heart was made like the beasts', and his dwelling was with the wild donkeys; he was fed with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven; until he knew that the Most High God rules in the kingdom of men, and that he sets up over it whom so ever he will. {5:22} And you his son, O Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, though you knew all this, {5:23} but have lifted up yourself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before you, and you and your lords, your wives and your concubines, have drunk wine from them; and you have praised the gods of silver and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know; and the God in whose hand your breath is, and whose are all your ways, have you not glorified. {5:24} Then was the part of the hand sent from before him, and this writing was inscribed. {5:25} And this is the writing that was inscribed: MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN. {5:26} This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God has numbered your kingdom, and brought it to an end; {5:27} TEKEL; you are weighed in the balances, and are found wanting. {5:28} PERES; your kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians. {5:29} Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with purple, and put a chain of gold about his neck, and made proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom. {5:30} In that night Belshazzar the Chaldean King was slain. {5:31} And Darius the Mede received the kingdom, being about sixty two years old.

{027}6 Daniel Chapter Six. {6:1} It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom a hundred and twenty satraps, who should be throughout the whole kingdom; {6:2} and over them three presidents, of whom Daniel was one; that these satraps might give account unto them, and that the king should have no damage. {6:3} Then this Daniel was distinguished above the presidents and the satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm. {6:4} Then the presidents and the satraps sought to find occasion against Daniel as touching the kingdom; but they could find no occasion nor fault, forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him. {6:5} Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him concerning the law of his God. {6:6} Then these presidents and satraps assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, King Darius, live forever. {6:7} All the presidents of the kingdom, the deputies and the satraps, the counselors and the governors, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a strong interdict, that anyone who shall ask a petition of any god or man for thirty days, save of you, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions. {6:8} Now, O king, establish the interdict, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which

alters not. {6:9} Therefore king Darius signed the writing and the interdict. {6:10} And when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house (now his windows were open in his chamber toward Jerusalem) and he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did times past. {6:11} Then these men assembled together, and found Daniel making petition and supplication before his God. {6:12} Then they came near, and spoke before the king concerning the king's interdict: Have you not signed an interdict, that every man that shall make petition unto any god or man within thirty days, save unto you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which alters not. {6:13} Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, who is of the children of the captivity of Judah, regards not you, O king, nor the interdict that you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day. {6:14} Then the king, when he heard these words, was sore displeased, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him; and he labored till the going down of the sun to rescue him. {6:15} Then these men assembled together unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians, that no interdict nor statute which the king establishes may be changed. {6:16} Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. [Now] the king spoke and said unto Daniel, Your God whom you serves continually, he will deliver you. {6:17} And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. {6:18} Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting; neither were instruments of music brought before him: and his sleep fled from him. {6:19} Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions. {6:20} And when he came near unto the den to Daniel, he cried with a lamentable voice; the king spoke and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is your God, whom you serve continually, able to deliver you from the lions? {6:21} Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live forever. {6:22} My God has sent his messenger, and has shut the lions' mouths, and they have not hurt me; forasmuch as before him innocence was found in me; and also before you, O king, have I done no hurt. {6:23} Then was the king exceeding glad, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he had trusted in his God. {6:24} And the king commanded, and they brought those men that had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; and the lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces, before they came to the bottom of the den. {6:25} Then king Darius wrote unto all the peoples, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth: Peace be multiplied unto you. {6:26} I make a decree, that in all the dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel; for he is the living God, and steadfast forever, And his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed; and his dominion shall be even unto the end. {6:27} He delivers and rescues, and he works signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who has delivered Daniel from the power of the lions. {6:28} So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

{O27}7} Daniel Daniel Chapter Seven. {7:1} In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream and told the sum of the matters. {7:2} Daniel spoke and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of heaven brake forth upon the great sea. {7:3} And four great beasts came up from the sea, different one from another. {7:4} The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I watched till the wings of it were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made to stand upon two feet as a man; and a man's heart was given to it. {7:5} And, behold, another beast, a second, like to a bear; and it was raised up on one side, and three ribs were in its mouth between its teeth: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. {7:6} After this I watched, and, lo, another, like a leopard, which had upon its back four wings of a bird; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it. {7:7} After this I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, a fourth beast, terrible and powerful, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth; it

devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet: and it was different from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns. {7:8} I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another [the eleventh] horn, a little one, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this [eleventh] horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things. {7:9} I watched till thrones were placed, and one that was ancient of days did sit: his raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, [and] the wheels of it burning fire. {7:10} A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousands of thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. {7:11} I watched at that time because of the voice of the great words which the [eleventh] horn spoke; I watched even till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed, and it was given to be burned with fire. {7:12} And as for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

{7:13} I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, there came with the clouds of heaven one like unto a son of man, and he came even to [Yahweh] the ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. {7:14} And there was given him [coming from heaven like a son of man] dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations, and languages should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom [is] that which shall not be destroyed.

{7:15} As for me, Daniel, my spirit was grieved in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. {7:16} I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. {7:17} These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, that shall arise out of the earth. {7:18} But the Holy People of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.

{7:19} Then I desired to know the truth concerning the fourth beast, which was different from all of them, exceeding terrible, whose teeth were of iron, and its nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet; {7:20} and concerning the ten horns that were on its head, and the other [the eleventh horn] which came up, and before which three fell [down], even that [eleventh] horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spoke great things [that deceive], whose look was more stout than its fellows. {7:21} I watched, and the same [eleventh] horn made war with the Holy People [of God], and prevailed against them; {7:22} until the ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the Holy People of the Most High, and the time came that the Holy People took repossession of the [everlasting] kingdom.

{7:23} Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be different from all the kingdoms, and shall devour the entire earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. {7:24} And as for the ten horns, out of this kingdom shall ten kings arise: and another [the eleventh horn] shall arise after them; and he shall be different from the [other kings], and he shall defeat three kings. {7:25} And he [the eleventh horn] shall speak [blasphemous] words against the Most High, and [blasphemous words] shall deceive the Holy People of the Most High; and he [the eleventh horn] shall think [he can] change the set times [to worship] and [change] the laws [of the most high]; and they [the deceived Holy People] shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing [of the Holy People] for a time.

{7:26} But judgment of the court [of the Ekklesia] shall be seated, and they [the Holy People] shall [judge] to take away his dominion [to deceive], to consume and to destroy it unto the end. {7:27} And the kingdom and the dominion, and the [restored] greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the Holy People of the Most High: his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and the entire rule of all nations shall serve and obey Him [The Most high God]. {7:28} Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts much troubled me, and my countenance was changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

{027}8 Daniel Chapter Eight. {8:1} In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me, Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first. {8:2} And I saw in the vision; now it was so, that when I saw, I was in Shushan the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in the vision, and I was by the river Ulai. {8:3} Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last. {8:4} I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; and no beasts could stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and magnified himself. {8:5} And as I was considering, behold, a he-goat came from the west over the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. {8:6} And he came to the ram that had the two horns, which I saw standing before the river, and ran upon him in the fury of his power. {8:7} And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with anger against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns; and there was no power in the ram to stand before him; but he cast him down to the ground, and trampled upon him; and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. {8:8} And the he-goat magnified himself exceedingly: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and instead of it there came up four notable [horns] toward the four winds of heaven. {8:9} And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the glorious [land]. {8:10} And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and some of the host and of the stars it cast down to the ground, and trampled upon them. {8:11} behold, it magnified itself, even to the prince of the host; and it took away from him the continual [burnt-offering], and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. {8:12} And the host was given over [to it] together with the continual [burnt-offering] through transgression of the law; and it cast down truth to the ground, and it did [its pleasure] and prospered. {8:13} Then I heard a holy one speaking; and another holy one said unto that certain one who spoke, How long shall be the vision [concerning] the continual [burnt-offering], and the transgression of the law that makes desolate, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? {8:14} And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred evenings [and] mornings; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. {8:15} And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, that I sought to understand it; and, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man. {8:16} And I heard a man's voice between [the banks of] the Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision. {8:17} So he came near where I stood; and when he came, I was affrighted, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man; for the vision belongs to the time of the end. {8:18} Now as he was speaking with me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face toward the ground; but he touched me, and set me upright. {8:19} And he said, Behold, I will make you know what shall be in the latter time of the indignation; for it belongs to the appointed time of the end. {8:20} The ram which you saw, that had the two horns, they are the kings of Media and Persia. {8:21} And the rough he-goat is the king of Greece: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king. {8:22} And as for that which was broken, in the place where four stood up, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not with his power. {8:23} And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. {8:24} And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; and he shall destroy in horror, and shall prosper and do [his pleasure]; and he shall destroy the mighty ones and the holy people. {8:25} And through his policy he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and in [their] security shall he destroy many: he shall also stand up against the prince of princes; but he shall be broken outside hand. {8:26} And the vision of the evenings and mornings which has been told is true: but shut you up the vision; for it belongs to many days [to come]. {8:27} And I, Daniel, fainted, and was sick certain days; then I rose up, and did the king's business: and I wondered at the vision, but none understood it.

{027}9} Daniel Chapter Nine. {9:1} In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans, {9:2} in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years where the word of Yahweh came to Jeremiah the prophet, for the accomplishing of the desolations of Jerusalem, even seventy years. {9:3} And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. {9:4} And I prayed unto Yahweh my God, and made confession, and said, Oh, Lord, the great and dreadful God, who keeps covenant and agape loving kindness with them that agape love him and keep his commandments, {9:5} we have sinned, and have dealt perversely, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even turning aside from your precepts and from your ordinances; {9:6} neither have we heard unto your servants the prophets, that spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. {9:7} O Lord, good works belongs unto you, but unto us confusion of face, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries where you have driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against you. {9:8} O Lord, to us belongs confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against you. {9:9} To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveness; for we have rebelled against him; {9:10} neither have we obeyed the voice of Yahweh our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. {9:11} behold, all Israel have transgressed your law, even turning aside, that they should not obey your voice: therefore has the curse been poured out upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God; for we have sinned against him. {9:12} And he has confirmed his words, which he spoke against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil; for under the whole heaven has not been done as has been done upon Jerusalem. {9:13} As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet have we not entreated the favor of Yahweh our God, that we should turn from our iniquities, and have discernment in your truth. {9:14} Therefore has Yahweh watched over the evil, and brought it upon us; for Yahweh our God is righteous in all his works which he does, and we have not obeyed his voice. {9:15} And now, O Lord our God, that have brought your people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have gotten you renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly. {9:16} O Lord, according to all your agape love, let your rage and your anger, I pray you, be turned away from your city Jerusalem, your holy mountain; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people are become a reproach to all that are round about us. {9:17} Now therefore, O our God, hear unto the prayer of your servant, and to his supplications, and cause your face to shine upon your sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. {9:18} O my God, incline your ear, and hear; open your eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by your name: for we do not present our supplications before you for our good works, but for your great mercies' sake. {9:19} O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hear and do; defer not, for your own sake, O my God, because your city and your people are called by your name. {9:20} And while I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before Yahweh my God for the holy mountain of my God; {9:21} behold, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. {9:22} And he instructed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give you wisdom and understanding. {9:23} At the beginning of your supplications the commandment went forth, and I am come to tell you; for you are greatly beloved: therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision. {9:24} Seventy solar sevens [Sabbaton or 49 revolutions of the earth from dark to light] are decreed upon your people and upon your holy city, to finish transgression of the law, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for works against law, and to bring in everlasting good works, and to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most holy. {9:25} Know therefore and discern, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto

the anointed one, the prince, shall be seven solar sevens [Sabbaton], and sixty and two solar sevens [Sabbaton]: it shall be built again, with street and moat, even in troublous times. {9:26} And after the sixty two solar sevens shall the anointed one [Christ] be cut off, and shall have nothing: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end of it shall be with a flood, and even unto the end shall be war; desolations are determined. {9:27} And he [Christ] shall make a firm covenant with many for one [seven days solar cycle of the] Sabbaton : and in the middle of the solar sevens [Middle of the Sabbaton or on the fourth day of creation] he [the Chirst] shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease; and upon the wing of abominations [shall come] one that makes desolate; and even unto the full end, and that determined, shall [Anger] be poured out upon the desolate.

{O27}10} Daniel Chapter Ten. {10:1} In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing was true, even a great warfare: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision. {10:2} In those days I, Daniel, was grieving [for] three whole solar sevens. {10:3} I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine into my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole solar sevens were fulfilled. {10:4} And in the four and twentieth day of the first [the resurrection] moon [Abib], as I was by the side of the great river, which is Hiddekel, {10:5} I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, a man clothed in linen, whose loins were girded with pure gold of Uphaz: {10:6} his body also was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as flaming torches, and his arms and his feet like unto burnished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude. {10:7} And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision; for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, and they fled to hide themselves. {10:8} So I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me; for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength. {10:9} yet heard I the voice of his words; and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I fallen into a deep sleep on my face, with my face toward the ground. {10:10} And, behold, a hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands. {10:11} And he said unto me, O Daniel, you man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto you, and stand upright; for unto you am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling. {10:12} Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel; for from the first day that you did set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard: and I am come for your words' sake. {10:13} But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days; but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me: and I remained there with the kings of Persia. {10:14} Now I am come to make you understand what shall befall your people in the latter days; for the vision is yet for [many] days: {10:15} and when he had spoken unto me according to these words, I set my face toward the ground, and was dumb. {10:16} And, behold, one in the likeness of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spoke and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by reason of the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I retain no strength. {10:17} For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, immediately there remained no strength in me, neither was there breath left in me. {10:18} Then there touched me again one like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me. {10:19} And he said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto you, be strong, behold, be strong. And when he spoke unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for you have strengthened me. {10:20} Then said he, Know you Therefore I am come unto you? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I go forth, lo, the prince of Greece shall come. {10:21} But I will tell you that which is inscribed in the writing of truth [the new Covenant]: and there is none that holds with me against these, but Michael your prince.

{O27}11} Daniel Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And as for me, in the first year of Darius the Mede, I stood up to confirm and strengthen him. {11:2} And now will I show you the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and when he is waxed strong through his riches, he shall stir up all against the realm of

Greece. {11:3} And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will. {11:4} And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven, but not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion by which he ruled; for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others besides these. {11:5} And the king of the south shall be strong, and [one] of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion shall be a great dominion. {11:6} And at the end of years they shall join themselves together; and the daughter of the king of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the strength of her arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm; but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begot her, and he that strengthened her in those times. {11:7} But out of a shoot from her roots shall one stand up in his place, who shall come unto the army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail. {11:8} And also their gods, with their molten images, [and] with their goodly vessels of silver and of gold, shall he carry captive into Egypt; and he shall refrain some years from the king of the north. {11:9} And he shall come into the realm of the king of the south, but he shall return into his own land. {11:10} And his sons shall war, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces, which shall come on, and overflow, and pass through; and they shall return and war, even to his fortress. {11:11} And the king of the south shall be moved with anger, and shall come forth and fight with him, even with the king of the north; and he shall set forth a great multitude, and the multitude shall be given into his hand. {11:12} And the multitude shall be lifted up, and his heart shall be exalted; and he shall cast down tens of thousands, but he shall not prevail. {11:13} And the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former; and he shall come on at the end of the times, [even of] years, with a great army and with much substance. {11:14} And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the children of the violent among your people shall lift themselves up to establish the vision; but they shall fall. {11:15} So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mound, and take a well-fortified city: and the forces of the south shall not stand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to stand. {11:16} But he that comes against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him; and he shall stand in the glorious land, and in his hand shall be destruction. {11:17} And he shall set his face to come with the strength of his whole kingdom, and with him equitable conditions; and he shall perform them: and he shall give him the daughter of women, to corrupt her; but she shall not stand, neither be for him. {11:18} After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince shall cause the reproach offered by him to cease; behold, furthermore, he shall cause his reproach to turn upon him. {11:19} Then he shall turn his face toward the fortresses of his own land; but he shall stumble and fall, and shall not be found. {11:20} Then shall stand up in his place one that shall cause an exactor to pass through the glory of the kingdom; but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle. {11:21} And in his place shall stand up a contemptible person, to whom they had not given the honor of the kingdom: but he shall come in time of security, and shall obtain the kingdom by flatteries. {11:22} And the overwhelming forces shall be overwhelmed from before him, and shall be broken; behold, also the prince of the covenant. {11:23} And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully; for he shall come up, and shall become strong, with a small people. {11:24} In time of security shall he come even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them prey, and spoil, and substance: behold, he shall devise his devices against the strongholds, even for a time. {11:25} And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall war in battle with an exceeding great and mighty army; but he shall not stand; for they shall devise devices against him. {11:26} behold, they that eat of his dainties shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow; and many shall fall down slain. {11:27} And as for both these kings, their hearts shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table: but it shall not prosper; for yet the end shall be at the time appointed.

{11:28} Then shall he return into his land with great substance; and his heart [shall be] against the holy covenant; and he shall do [his pleasure], and return to his own land. {11:29} At the time appointed he shall return, and come into the south; but it shall not be in the latter time as it was in the former. {11:30} For ships of Kittim shall come against him; therefore he shall be grieved, and shall return, and have indignation against the holy covenant, and shall do [his pleasure]: he shall even return, and have regard unto them that forsake the holy covenant. {11:31} And forces shall stand on his part, and they shall profane the sanctuary, even the fortress, and shall take away the continual [burnt-offering], and they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate. {11:32} And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he pervert by flatteries; but the people that know their God shall be strong, and do [exploits]. {11:33} And they that are wise among the people shall instruct many; yet they shall fall by the sword and by flame, by captivity and by spoil, [many] days. {11:34} Now when they shall fall, they shall be helped with a little help; but many shall join themselves unto them with flatteries. {11:35} And some of them that are wise shall fall, to refine them, and to purify, and to make them white, even to the time of the end; because it is yet for the time appointed. {11:36} And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods; and he shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished; for that which is determined shall be done. {11:37} Neither shall he regard the gods of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall magnify himself above all. {11:38} But in his place shall he honor the god of fortresses; and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honor with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things. {11:39} And he shall deal with the strongest fortresses by the help of a foreign god: anyone who acknowledges [him] he will increase with glory; and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for a price. {11:40} And at the time of the end shall the king of the south contend with him; and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass through. {11:41} He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many [countries] shall be overthrown; but these shall be delivered out of his hand: Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. {11:42} He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries; and the land of Egypt shall not escape. {11:43} But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps. {11:44} But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him; and he shall go forth with great fury to destroy and utterly to sweep away many. {11:45} And he shall plant the tents of his palace between the sea and the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

{O27}12} Daniel Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince who stands for the children of your people; and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone that shall be found written in the book. {12:2} And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. {12:3} And they that are wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to good works as the stars forever and ever. {12:4} But you, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased. {12:5} Then I, Daniel, looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on the brink of the river on this side, and the other on the brink of the river on that side. {12:6} And one said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? {12:7} And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swears by him that lives forever that it shall be for a time, times, and a half; and when they have made an end of breaking in pieces the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished. {12:8}

And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my lord, what shall be the issue of these things? {12:9} And he said, Go your way, Daniel; for the words are shut up and sealed till the time of the end. {12:10} Many shall purify themselves, and make themselves white, and be refined; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but they that are wise shall understand. {12:11} And from the time that the continual [burnt-offering] shall be taken away, and the abomination that makes desolate set up, there shall be a thousand and two hundred and ninety days. {12:12} Blessed is he that waits, and comes to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. {12:13} But go you your way till the end be; for you shall rest, and shall stand in your lot, at the end of the days.

The Book Of Hosea

{O28}1} Hosea Chapter One. {1:1} The word of Yahweh that came unto Hosea the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel. {1:2} When Yahweh spoke at the first by Hosea, Yahweh said unto Hosea, Go, take unto you a wife of prostitution and children of prostitution; for the land does commit great prostitution, [departing] from Yahweh. {1:3} So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; and she conceived, and bare him a son. {1:4} And Yahweh said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; for yet a little while, and I will avenge the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause the kingdom of the house of Israel to cease. {1:5} And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel. {1:6} And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And [Yahweh] said unto him, Call her name Lo-ruhamah; for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel, that I should in any wise pardon them. {1:7} But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by Yahweh their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen. {1:8} Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son. {1:9} And [Yahweh] said, Call his name Lo-ammi; for you are not my people, and I will not be your [God]. {1:10} yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass that, in the place where it was said unto them, you are not my people, it shall be said unto them, [you are] the sons of the living God. {1:11} And the children of Judah and the children of Israel shall be gathered together, and they shall appoint themselves one head, and shall go up from the land; for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

{O28}2} Hosea Chapter Two. {2:1} Say you unto your brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ruhamah. {2:2} Contend with your mother, contend; for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband; and let her put away her prostitutions from her face, and her adulteries from between her breasts; {2:3} lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst. {2:4} behold, upon her children will I have no mercy; for they are children of prostitution; {2:5} for their mother has played the prostitute; she that conceived them has done shamefully; for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give me my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink. {2:6} Therefore, behold, I will hedge up your way with thorns, and I will build a wall against her, that she shall not find her paths. {2:7} And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find them: then shall she say, I will go and return to my first husband; for then was it better with me than now. {2:8} For she did not know that I gave her the grain, and the new wine, and the oil, and multiplied unto her silver and gold, which they used for Baal. {2:9} Therefore will I take back my grain in the time there, and my new wine in the season there, and will pluck away my wool and my flax which should have covered her nakedness. {2:10} And now will I uncover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of my hand. {2:11} I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feasts, her new moons, and her Sabbaths, and all her solemn assemblies. {2:12} And I will lay waste her vines and her fig-trees, where she has said, These are my hire that my lovers have given me; and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them. {2:13} And I will

visit upon her the days of the Baalim, unto which she burned incense, when she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and went after her lovers, and forgot me, said Yahweh. {2:14} Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her. {2:15} And I will give to her, her vineyards from there, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope; and she shall make answer there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt. {2:16} And it shall be at that day, said Yahweh, that you shall call me Ishi, and shall call me no more Baali. {2:17} For I will take away the names of the Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be mentioned by their name. {2:18} And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the birds of the heavens, and with the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the land, and will make them to lie down safely. {2:19} And I will betroth you unto me forever; behold, I will betroth you unto me in good works, and in justice, and in agape loving kindness, and in mercies. {2:20} I will even betroth you unto me in faithfulness; and you shall know Yahweh. {2:21} And it shall come to pass in that day, I will answer, said Yahweh, I will answer the heavens, and they shall answer the earth; {2:22} and the earth shall answer the grain, and the new wine, and the oil; and they shall answer Jezreel. {2:23} And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them that were not my people, you are my people; and they shall say, [you are] my God.

{O28}3} Hosea Chapter Three. {3:1} And Yahweh said unto me, Go again, love a woman beloved of [her] friend, and an adulteress, even as Yahweh agape loves children of Israel, though they turn unto other gods, and love cakes of raisins. {3:2} So I bought her to me for fifteen [pieces] of silver, and a homer of barley, and a half-homer of barley; {3:3} and I said unto her, you shall abide for me many days; you shall not play the prostitute, and you shall not be any man's wife: so will I also be toward you. {3:4} For the children of Israel shall abide many days outside king, and outside prince, and outside sacrifice, and outside pillar, and outside ephod or image for worship: {3:5} afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek Yahweh their God, and David their king, and shall come with fear unto Yahweh and to his goodness in the latter days.

{O28}4} Hosea Chapter Four. {4:1} Hear the word of Yahweh, you children of Israel; for Yahweh has a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor goodness, nor knowledge of God in the land. {4:2} There is nothing but swearing and breaking faith, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery; they break out, and blood touches blood. {4:3} Therefore shall the land grieve, and everyone that dwells therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field and the birds of the heavens; behold, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away. {4:4} yet let no man strive, neither let any man reprove; for your people are as they that strive with the priest. {4:5} And you shall stumble in the day, and the prophet also shall stumble with you in the night; and I will destroy your mother. {4:6} My [holy] people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because you have rejected knowledge, I will also reject you, that you shall be no priest to me: seeing you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children. {4:7} As they were multiplied, so they sinned against me: I will change their glory into shame. {4:8} They feed on the sin of my [holy] people, and set their hearts on their works against law. {4:9} And it shall be, like people, like priest; and I will punish them for their ways, and will repay them their doings. {4:10} And they shall eat, and not have enough; they shall play the prostitute, and shall not increase; because they have left off taking heed to Yahweh. {4:11} Prostitution and wine and new wine take away the understanding. {4:12} My people ask counsel at their stock, and their staff declares unto them; for the spirit of prostitution has caused them to err, and they have played the prostitute, [departing] from under their God. {4:13} They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and images for worship, because the shadow of it is good: therefore your daughters play the

prostitute, and your brides commit adultery. {4:14} I will not punish your daughters when they play the prostitute, nor your brides when they commit adultery; for [the men] themselves go apart with prostitutes, and they sacrifice with the prostitutes; and the people that does not understand shall be overthrown. {4:15} though you, Israel, play the prostitute, yet let not Judah offend; and come not you unto Gilgal, neither go you up to Beth-aven, nor swear, As Yahweh lives. {4:16} For Israel has behaved himself stubbornly, like a stubborn heifer: now will Yahweh feed them as a lamb in a large place. {4:17} Ephraim is joined to idols; let him alone. {4:18} Their drink is become sour; they play the prostitute continually; her rulers dearly love shame. {4:19} The wind has wrapped her up in its wings; and they shall be put to shame because of their sacrifices.

{O28)5} Hosea Chapter Five. {5:1} Hear this, O you priests, and hear, O house of Israel, and give ear, O house of the king; for unto you pertains the judgment; for you have been a snare at Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor. {5:2} And the rebels are gone deep in making slaughter; but I am a chastiser of them all. {5:3} I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me; for now, O Ephraim, you have played the prostitute, Israel is defiled. {5:4} Their doings will not suffer them to turn unto their God; for the spirit of prostitution is within them, and they know not Yahweh. {5:5} And the pride of Israel does testify to his face: therefore Israel and Ephraim shall stumble in their works against law; Judah also shall stumble with them. {5:6} They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek Yahweh; but they shall not find him: he has withdrawn himself from them. {5:7} They have dealt treacherously against Yahweh; for they have borne strange children: now shall the new moon devour them with their fields. {5:8} Blow you the cornet in Gibeah, and the trumpet in Ramah: sound an alarm at Beth-aven; behind you, O Benjamin. {5:9} Ephraim shall become a desolation in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be. {5:10} The princes of Judah are like them that remove the landmark: I will pour out my Anger upon them like water. {5:11} Ephraim is oppressed, he is crushed in judgment; because he was content to walk after [man's] command. {5:12} Therefore am I unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness. {5:13} When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah [saw] his wound, then went Ephraim to Assyria, and sent to king Jareb: but he is not able to heal you, neither will he cure you of your wound. {5:14} For I will be unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, even I, will tear and go away; I will carry off, and there shall be none to deliver. {5:15} I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me earnestly.

{O28)6} Hosea Chapter Six. {6:1} Come, and let us return unto Yahweh; for he has torn, and he will heal us; he has smitten, and he will bind us up. {6:2} After two days will he revive us: on the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live before him. {6:3} And let us know, let us follow on to know Yahweh: his going forth is sure as the morning; and he will come unto us as the rain, as the latter rain that waters the earth. {6:4} O Ephraim, what shall I do unto you? O Judah, what shall I do unto you? for your goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the dew that goes early away. {6:5} Therefore have I hewed them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth: and your judgments are [as] the light that goes forth. {6:6} For I desire goodness, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt-offerings. {6:7} But they like Adam have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me. {6:8} Gilead is a city of them that work works against law; it is stained with blood. {6:9} And as troops of robbers wait for a man, so the company of priests murder in the way toward Shechem; behold, they have committed lewdness. {6:10} In the house of Israel I have seen a horrible thing: there prostitution is [found] in Ephraim, Israel is defiled. {6:11} Also, O Judah, there is a harvest appointed for you, when I bring back the captivity of my people.

{O28)7} Hosea Chapter Seven. {7:1} When I would heal Israel, then is the works against law of Ephraim uncovered, and the wickedness of Samaria; for they commit falsehood, and the thief enters in, and the troop of robbers ravage outside. {7:2} And they consider not in their hearts that I remember all their wickedness: now have their own doings beset them about; they are

before my face. {7:3} They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies. {7:4} They are all adulterers; they are as an oven heated by the baker; he ceases to stir [the fire], from the kneading of the dough, until it be leavened. {7:5} On the day of our king the princes made themselves sick with the heat of wine; he stretched out his hand with scoffers. {7:6} For they have made ready their heart like an oven, while they lie in wait: their baker sleeps all the night; in the morning it burns as a flaming fire. {7:7} They are all hot as an oven, and devour their judges; all their kings are fallen: there is none among them that calls unto me. {7:8} Ephraim, he mixes himself among the peoples; Ephraim is a cake not turned. {7:9} Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knows[it] not: behold, gray hairs are here and there upon him, and he knows[it] not. {7:10} And the pride of Israel does testify to his face: yet they have not returned unto Yahweh their God, nor sought him, for all this. {7:11} And Ephraim is like a silly dove, outside understanding: they call unto Egypt, they go to Assyria. {7:12} When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them; I will bring them down as the birds of the heavens; I will chastise them, as their congregation has heard. {7:13} Woe unto them! for they have wandered from me; destruction unto them! for they have trespassed against me: though I would redeem them, yet they have spoken lies against me. {7:14} And they have not cried unto me with their heart, but they howl upon their beds: they assemble themselves for grain and new wine; they rebel against me. {7:15} though I have taught and strengthened their arms, yet do they devise mischief against me. {7:16} They return, but not to [him that is] on high; they are like a deceitful bow; their princes shall fall by the sword for the rage of their tongue: this shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.

{O28}8} Hosea Chapter Eight. {8:1} [Set] the trumpet to your mouth. As an eagle [he comes] against the house of Yahweh, because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my law. {8:2} They shall cry unto me, My God, we Israel know you. {8:3} Israel has cast off that which is good: the enemy shall pursue him. {8:4} They have set up kings, but not by me; they have made princes, and I knew it not: of their silver and their gold have they made them idols, that they may be cut off. {8:5} He has cast off your calf, O Samaria; mine anger is kindled against them: how long will it be before they attain to innocence? {8:6} For from Israel is even this; the workman made it, and it is no God; behold, the calf of Samaria shall be broken in pieces. {8:7} For they sow the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: he has no standing grain; the blade shall yield no meal; if it does yield, strangers shall swallow it up.0 {8:8} Israel is swallowed up: now are they among the nations as a vessel wherein no one delights. {8:9} For they are gone up to Assyria, [like] a wild donkey alone by himself: Ephraim has hired lovers. {8:10} behold, though they hire among the nations, now will I gather them; and they begin to be diminished by reason of the burden of the king of princes. {8:11} Because Ephraim has multiplied altars for sinning, altars have been unto him for sinning. {8:12} I wrote for him the ten thousand things of my law; but they are counted as a strange thing. {8:13} As for the sacrifices of mine offerings, they sacrifice flesh and eat it; but Yahweh accepts them not: now will he remember their works against law, and visit their sins; they shall return to Egypt. {8:14} For Israel has forgotten his Maker, and built palaces; and Judah has multiplied fortified cities: but I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour the castles there.

{O28}9} Hosea Chapter Nine. {9:1} Rejoice not, O Israel, for joy, like the peoples; for you have played the prostitute, [departing] from your God; you have hire upon every grain-floor. {9:2} The threshing-floor and the winepress shall not feed them, and the new wine shall fail her. {9:3} They shall not dwell in Yahweh's land; but Ephraim shall return to Egypt, and they shall eat unclean food in Assyria. {9:4} They shall not pour out wine-offerings to Yahweh, neither shall they be pleasing unto him: their sacrifices shall be unto them as the bread of grievance; all that eat of it shall be polluted; for their bread shall be for their appetite; it shall not come into the house of Yahweh. {9:5} What will you do in the day of solemn assembly, and in the day of the feast of Yahweh? {9:6} For, lo, they are gone away from destruction; [yet] Egypt shall gather them up, Memphis shall bury them; their pleasant things of silver, nettles shall possess them; thorns shall be in their tents. {9:7} The days of visitation are come, the days of recompense are come; Israel

shall know it: the prophet is a fool, the man that has the spirit is mad, for the abundance of your works against law, and because the enmity is great. {9:8} Ephraim [was] a watchman with my God: as for the prophet, a fowler's snare is in all his ways, [and] enmity in the house of his God. {9:9} They have deeply corrupted themselves, as in the days of Gibeah: he will remember their works against law, he will visit their sins. {9:10} I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your fathers as the first-ripe in the fig-tree at its first season: but they came to Baal-poor, and consecrated themselves unto the shameful thing, and became abominable like that which they loved. {9:11} As for Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird: there shall be no birth, and none with child, and no conception. {9:12} though they bring up their children, yet will I bereave them, so that not a man shall be left: behold, Woe also to them when I depart from them! {9:13} Ephraim, like as I have seen Tyre, is planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring out his children to the slayer. {9:14} Give them, O Yahweh-what will you give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts. {9:15} All their wickedness is in Gilgal; for there I hated them: because of the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of my house; I will love them no more; all their princes are rebels. {9:16} Ephraim is smitten, their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: behold, though they bring forth, yet will I slay the beloved fruit of their womb. {9:17} My God will cast them away, because they did not hear unto him; and they shall be wanderers among the nations.

{O28}10} Hosea Chapter Ten. {10:1} Israel is a luxuriant vine, that puts forth his fruit: according to the abundance of his fruit he has multiplied his altars; according to the goodness of their land they have made goodly pillars. {10:2} Their heart is divided; now shall they be found guilty: he will smite their altars, he will destroy their pillars. {10:3} Surely now shall they say, We have no king; for we fear not Yahweh; and the king, what can he do for us? {10:4} They speak [vain] words, swearing falsely in making covenants: therefore judgment springs up as hemlock in the furrows of the field. {10:5} The inhabitants of Samaria shall be in terror for the calves of Beth-aven; for the people of it shall grieve over it, and the priests of it that rejoiced over it, for the glory there, because it is departed from it. {10:6} It also shall be carried unto Assyria for a present to king Jareb: Ephraim shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel. {10:7} [As for] Samaria, her king is cut off, as foam upon the water. {10:8} The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed: the thorn and the thistle shall come up on their altars; and they shall say to the mountains, Cover us; and to the hills, Fall on us. {10:9} O Israel, you have sinned from the days of Gibeah: there they stood; the battle against the children of works against law does not overtake them in Gibeah. {10:10} When it is my desire, I will chastise them; and the peoples shall be gathered against them, when they are bound to their two transgression of the law. {10:11} And Ephraim is a heifer that is taught, that loves to tread out [the grain]; but I have passed over upon her fair neck: I will set a rider on Ephraim; Judah shall plow, Jacob shall break his clods. {10:12} Sow to yourselves in works according to law, reap according to kindness; break up your fallow ground; for it is time to seek Yahweh, till he come and rain good works upon you. {10:13} you have plowed wickedness, you have reaped works against law; you have eaten the fruit of lies; for you did trust in your way, in the multitude of your mighty men. {10:14} Therefore shall a tumult arise among your people, and all your fortresses shall be destroyed, as Shalman destroyed Beth-arbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces with her children. {10:15} So shall Beth-el do unto you because of your great wickedness: at daybreak shall the king of Israel be utterly cut off.

{O28}11} Hosea Chapter Eleven. {11:1} When Israel was a child, then I agape loved him, and called my son out of Egypt. {11:2} The more [the prophets] called them, the more they went from them: they sacrificed unto the Baalim, and burned incense to graven images. {11:3} yet I taught Ephraim to walk; I took them on my arms; but they knew not that I healed them. {11:4} I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of agape love; and I was to them as they that lift up the yoke on their jaws; and I laid food before them. {11:5} They shall not return into the land of Egypt; but the Assyrian shall be their king, because they refused to return [to me]. {11:6} And the

sword shall fall upon their cities, and shall consume their bars, and devour [them], because of their own counsels. {11:7} And my people are bent on backsliding from me: though they call them to [him that is] on high, none at all will exalt [him]. {11:8} How shall I give you up, Ephraim? [how] shall I cast you off, Israel? how shall I make you as Admah? [how] shall I set you as Zeboiim? my heart is turned within me, my compassions are kindled together. {11:9} I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for I am God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of you; and I will not come in Anger. {11:10} They shall walk after Yahweh, who will roar like a lion; for he will roar, and the children shall come trembling from the west. {11:11} They shall come trembling as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria; and I will make them to dwell in their houses, said Yahweh. {11:12} Ephraim encircles me about with falsehood, and the house of Israel with deceit; but Judah yet rules with God, and is faithful with the Holy One.

{o28}12} Hosea Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Ephraim feeds on wind, and follows after the east wind: he continually multiplies lies and desolation; and they make a covenant with Assyria, and oil is carried into Egypt. {12:2} Yahweh has also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him. {12:3} In the womb he took his brother by the heel; and in his manhood he had power with God: {12:4} behold, he had power over the messenger, and prevailed; he wept, and made supplication unto him: he found him at Beth-el, and there he spoke with us, {12:5} even Yahweh, the God of hosts; Yahweh is his memorial [name]. {12:6} Therefore turn you to your God: keep kindness and justice, and wait for your God continually. {12:7} [He is] a trafficker, the balances of deceit are in his hand: he loves to oppress. {12:8} And Ephraim said, Surely I am become rich, I have found me wealth: in all my labors they shall find in me no works against law that were sin. {12:9} But I am Yahweh your God from the land of Egypt; I will yet again make you to dwell in tents, as in the days of the solemn feast. {12:10} I have also spoken unto the prophets, and I have multiplied visions; and by the ministry of the prophets have I used parables {12:11} Is Gilead works against law? they are altogether false; in Gilgal they sacrifice bulls; behold, their altars are as heaps in the furrows of the field. {12:12} And Jacob fled into the field of Aram, and Israel served for a wife, and for a wife he kept [sheep]. {12:13} And by a prophet Yahweh brought Israel up out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he preserved. {12:14} Ephraim has provoked to anger most bitterly: therefore shall his blood be left upon him, and his reproach shall his Lord return unto him.

{O28}13} Hosea Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} When Ephraim spoke, there was trembling; he exalted himself in Israel; but when he offended in Baal, he died. {13:2} And now they sin more and more, and have made them molten images of their silver, even idols according to their own understanding, all of them the work of the craftsmen: they say of them, Let the men that sacrifice kiss the calves. {13:3} Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the dew that passes early away, as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the threshing-floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney. {13:4} yet I am Yahweh your God from the land of Egypt; and you shall know no god but me, and besides me there is no savior. {13:5} I did know you in the wilderness, in the land of great drought. {13:6} According to their pasture, so were they filled; they were filled, and their heart was exalted: therefore have they forgotten me. {13:7} Therefore am I unto them as a lion; as a leopard will I watch by the way; {13:8} I will meet them as a bear that is bereaved of her cubs, and will tear the appendage, the muscle of their heart; and there will I devour them like a lioness; the wild beast shall tear them. {13:9} It is your destruction, O Israel, that [you are] against me, against your help. {13:10} Where now is your king, that he may save you in all your cities? and your judges, of whom you said, Give me a king and princes? {13:11} I have given you a king in mine anger, and have taken him away in my Anger. {13:12} The works against law of Ephraim is bound up; his sin is laid up in store. {13:13} The sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him: he is an unwise son; for it is time he should not tarry in the place of the breaking forth of children. {13:14} I will ransom them from the power of Sheol; I will redeem them from death: O death, where are your plagues? O Sheol, where is your

destruction? repentance shall be hid from mine eyes. {13:15} though he be fruitful among his brethren, an east wind shall come, the breath of Yahweh coming up from the wilderness; and his spring shall become dry, and his fountain shall be dried up: he shall make spoil of the treasure of all goodly vessels. {13:16} Samaria shall bear her guilt; for she has rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword; their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.

{O28}14} Hosea Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} O Israel, return unto Yahweh your God; for you have fallen by your works against law. {14:2} Take with you words, and return unto Yahweh: say unto him, Take away all works against law, and accept that which is good: so will we render [as] bulls [the offering of] our lips. {14:3} Assyria shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses; neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, [you are] our gods; for in you the fatherless finds mercy. {14:4} I will heal their backsliding, I will agape love them freely; for mine anger is turned away from him. {14:5} I will be as the dew unto Israel; he shall blossom as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon. {14:6} His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive-tree, and his smell as Lebanon. {14:7} They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive [as] the grain, and blossom as the vine: the scent of it shall be as the wine of Lebanon. {14:8} Ephraim [shall say], What have I to do any more with idols? I have answered, and will regard him: I am like a green fir-tree; from me is your fruit found. {14:9} Who is wise, that he may understand these things? prudent, that he may know them? for the ways of Yahweh are right, and the just shall walk in them; but transgressors shall fall therein.

TheBook Of Joel

{O29}1} Joel Chapter One {1:1} The word of Yahweh that came to Joel the son of Pethuel. {1:2} Hear this, you old men, and give ear, all you inhabitants of the land. Has this been in your days, or in the days of your fathers? {1:3} Tell you your children of it, and [let] your children [tell] their children, and their children another generation. {1:4} That which the palmer-worm has left has the locust eaten; and that which the locust has left has the canker-worm eaten; and that which the canker-worm has left has the caterpillar eaten. {1:5} Awake, you drunkards, and weep; and wail, all you drinkers of wine, because of the sweet wine; for it is cut off from your mouth. {1:6} For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and outside number; his teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he has the jaw-teeth of a lioness. {1:7} He has laid my vine waste, and barked my fig-tree: he has made it clean bare, and cast it away; the branches of it are made white. {1:8} Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth. {1:9} The meal-offering and the drink-offering are cut off from the house of Yahweh; the priests, Yahweh's ministers, grieve. {1:10} The field is laid waste, the land grieves; for the grain is destroyed, the new wine is dried up, the oil languishes. {1:11} Be confounded, O you husbandmen, wail, O you vinedressers, for the wheat and for the barley; for the harvest of the field is perished. {1:12} The vine is withered, and the fig-tree languishes; the pomegranate-tree, the palm-tree also, and the apple-tree, even all the trees of the field are withered: for joy is withered away from the sons of men. {1:13} Gird yourselves [with sackcloth], and lament, you priests; wail, you ministers of the altar; come, lie all night in sackcloth, you ministers of my God: for the meal-offering and the drink-offering are withheld from the house of your God. {1:14} Sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the old men [and] all the inhabitants of the land unto the house of Yahweh your God, and cry unto Yahweh. {1:15} Alas for the day! for the day of Yahweh is at hand, and as destruction from the Almighty shall it come. {1:16} Is not the food cut off before our eyes, [behold], joy and gladness from the house of our God? {1:17} The seeds rot under their clods; the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the grain is withered. {1:18} How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; behold, the flocks of sheep are made desolate. {1:19} O Yahweh, to you do I cry; for the fire has devoured the pastures of the wilderness, and the flame has burned all the trees of the field. {1:20} behold, the beasts of the field pant unto you; for the water brooks are dried up, and the fire has devoured the pastures of the wilderness.

{O29}2 Joel Chapter Two. {2:1} Blow you the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain; let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of Yahweh comes, for it is near at hand; {2:2} a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, as the dawn spread upon the mountains; a great people and a strong; there has not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after them, even to the years of many generations. {2:3} A fire devours before them; and behind them a flame burns: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; behold, and none has escaped them. {2:4} The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so do they run. {2:5} Like the noise of chariots on the tops of the mountains do they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devours the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array. {2:6} At their presence the peoples are in anguish; all faces are waxed pale. {2:7} They run like mighty men; they climb the wall like men of war; and they march everyone on his ways, and they break not their ranks. {2:8} Neither does one thrust another; they march everyone in his path; and they burst through the weapons, and break not off [their course]. {2:9} They leap upon the city; they run upon the wall; they climb up into the houses; they enter in at the windows like a thief. {2:10} The earth quakes before them; the heavens tremble; the sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining. {2:11} And Yahweh utters his voice before his army; for his camp is very great; for he is strong that executes his word; for the day of Yahweh is great and very terrible; and who can abide it? {2:12} yet even now, said Yahweh, turn you unto me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with grieveing; {2:13} and rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto Yahweh your God; for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness, and repents him of the evil. {2:14} Who knows whether he will not turn and repent, and leave a blessing behind him, even a meal-offering and a drink-offering unto Yahweh your God? {2:15} Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly; {2:16} gather the people, sanctify the assembly, assemble the old men, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts; let the bridegroom go forth from his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. {2:17} Let the priests, the ministers of Yahweh, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare your people, O Yahweh, and give not your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them: Therefore should they say among the peoples, Where is their God? {2:18} Then was Yahweh jealous for his land, and had pity on his people. {2:19} And Yahweh answered and said unto his people, Behold, I will send you grain, and new wine, and oil, and you shall be satisfied with; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations; {2:20} but I will remove far off from you the northern [army], and will drive it into a land barren and desolate, its forefront into the eastern sea, and its hinder part into the Western sea; and its stench shall come up, and its ill savor shall come up, because it has done great things. {2:21} Fear not, O land, be glad and rejoice; for Yahweh has done great things. {2:22} Be not afraid, you beasts of the field; for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree bears its fruit, the fig-tree and the vine do yield their strength. {2:23} Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in Yahweh your God; for he gives you the former rain in just measure, and he causes to come down for you the rain, the former rain and the latter rain, in the first [moon Abib]. {2:24} And the floors shall be full of wheat [sown in Abib, the first moon of resurrection], and the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil. {2:25} And I will restore to you the years that the locust has eaten, the canker-worm, and the caterpillar, and the palmer-worm, my great army which I sent among you. {2:26} And you shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and shall praise the name of Yahweh your God, that has dealt wondrously with you; and my people shall never be put to shame. {2:27} And you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am Yahweh your God, and there is none else; and my people shall never be put to shame. {2:28} And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: {2:29} and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my Spirit. {2:30} And I will show wonders in the

heavens and in the earth: blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. {2:31} The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of Yahweh comes. {2:32} And it shall come to pass, that anyone who shall call on the name of Yahweh shall be delivered; for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those that escape, as Yahweh has said, and among the remnant those whom Yahweh does call.

{O29}3} Joel Chapter Three. {3:1} For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring back the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, {3:2} I will gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat; and I will execute judgment upon them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations: and they have parted my land, {3:3} and have cast lots for my people, and have given a boy for a prostitute, and sold a girl for wine, that they may drink. {3:4} behold, and what are you to me, O Tyre, and Sidon, and all the regions of Philistia? will you render me a recompense? and if you recompense me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompense upon your own head. {3:5} Forasmuch as you have taken my silver and my gold, and have carried into your temples my goodly precious things, {3:6} and have sold the children of Judah and the children of Jerusalem unto the sons of the Grecians, that you may remove them far from their border; {3:7} behold, I will stir them up out of the place where you have sold them, and will return your recompense upon your own head; {3:8} and I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the men of Sheba, to a nation far off: for Yahweh has spoken it. {3:9} Proclaim you this among the nations; prepare war; stir up the mighty men; let all the men of war draw near, let them come up. {3:10} Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruning-hooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong. {3:11} Haste you, and come, all you nations round about, and gather yourselves together: there cause your mighty ones to come down, O Yahweh. {3:12} Let the nations bestir themselves, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat; for there will I sit to judge all the nations round about. {3:13} Put you in the sickle; for the harvest is ripe: come, tread you; for the winepress is full, the vats overflow; for their wickedness is great. {3:14} Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! for the day of Yahweh is near in the valley of decision. {3:15} The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining. {3:16} And Yahweh will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but Yahweh will be a refuge unto his people, and a stronghold to the children of Israel. {3:17} So shall you know that I am Yahweh your God, dwelling in Zion my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more. {3:18} And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down sweet wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the brooks of Judah shall flow with waters; and a fountain shall come forth from the house of Yahweh, and shall water the valley of Shittim. {3:19} Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence done to the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land. {3:20} But Judah shall abide forever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation. {3:21} And I will cleanse their blood, that I have not cleansed: for Yahweh dwells in Zion.

The Book Of Amos

{O30}1} Amos Chapter One. {1:1} The words of Amos, who was among the herdsmen of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the earthquake. {1:2} And he said, Yahweh will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the pastures of the shepherds shall grieve, and the top of Carmel shall wither. {1:3} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgression of the law of Damascus, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because they have threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of iron: {1:4} but I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, and it shall devour the palaces of Ben-hadad. {1:5} And I will break the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the valley of Aven, and him that holds the Scepter from the house of Eden; and the people of Syria shall go into captivity unto Kir, said Yahweh. {1:6} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of Gaza, behold, for four, I

will not turn away the punishment there; because they carried away captive the whole people, to deliver them up to Edom: {1:7} but I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, and it shall devour the palaces there. {1:8} And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holds the Scepter from Ashkelon; and I will turn my hand against Ekron; and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, said the Lord Yahweh. {1:9} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of Tyre, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because they delivered up the whole people to Edom, and remembered not the brotherly covenant: {1:10} but I will send a fire on the wall of Tyre, and it shall devour the palaces there. {1:11} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of Edom, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because he did pursue his brother with the sword, and did cast off all pity, and his anger did tear perpetually, and he kept his Anger forever: {1:12} but I will send a fire upon Te'man, and it shall devour the palaces of Bozrah. {1:13} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of the children of Ammon, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because they have ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they may enlarge their border. {1:14} But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces there, with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind; {1:15} and their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together, said Yahweh.

{O30}2} Amos Chapter Two. {2:1} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of Moab, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime: {2:2} but I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kerioth; and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet; {2:3} and I will cut off the judge from the midst there, and will slay all the princes of it with him, said Yahweh. {2:4} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of Judah, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because they have rejected the law of Yahweh, and have not kept his statutes, and their lies have caused them to err, after which their fathers did walk: {2:5} but I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem. {2:6} Thus said Yahweh: For three transgressions of the law of Israel, behold, for four, I will not turn away the punishment there; because they have sold the righteous for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes- {2:7} they that pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: and a man and his father go unto the [same] maiden, to profane my holy name: {2:8} and they lay themselves down beside every altar upon clothes taken in pledge; and in the house of their God they drink the wine of such as have been fined. {2:9} yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath. {2:10} Also I brought you up out of the land of Egypt, and led you forty years in the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite. {2:11} And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazirites. Is it not even thus, O you children of Israel? said Yahweh. {2:12} But you gave the Nazirites wine to drink, and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophecy not. {2:13} Behold, I will press [you] in your place, as a care presses that is full of sheaves. {2:14} And flight shall perish from the swift; and the strong shall not strengthen his force; neither shall the mighty deliver himself; {2:15} neither shall he stand that handles the bow; and he that is swift of foot shall not deliver [himself]; neither shall he that rides the horse deliver himself; {2:16} and he that is courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked in that day, said Yahweh.

{O30}3} Amos Chapter Three. {3:1} Hear this word that Yahweh has spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up out of the land of Egypt, saying, {3:2} You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will visit upon you all your iniquities. {3:3} shall two walk together, except they have agreed? {3:4} Will a lion roar in the forest, when he has no prey? will a young lion cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing? {3:5} Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin is [set] for him? shall a snare spring up from the ground, and have taken nothing at all? {3:6} shall the trumpet be blown in a city, and the people not be afraid? shall evil befall a city, and Yahweh has not done it? {3:7} Surely the

Lord Yahweh will do nothing, except he reveal his secret unto his servants the prophets. {3:8} The lion has roared; who will not fear? The Lord Yahweh has spoken; who can but prophesy? {3:9} Publish you in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold what great tumults are therein, and what oppressions in the midst there. {3:10} For they know not to do right, said Yahweh, who store up violence and robbery in their palaces. {3:11} Therefore thus said the Lord Yahweh: An adversary [there shall be], even round about the land; and he shall bring down your strength from you, and your palaces shall be plundered. {3:12} Thus said Yahweh: As the shepherd rescues out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear, so shall the children of Israel be rescued that sit in Samaria in the corner of a couch, and on the silken cushions of a bed. {3:13} Hear you, and testify against the house of Jacob, said the Lord Yahweh, the God of hosts. {3:14} For in the day that I shall visit the transgression of the law of Israel upon him, I will also visit the altars of Beth-el; and the horns of the altar shall be cut off, and fall to the ground. {3:15} And I will smite the winter-house with the summer-house; and the houses of ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, said Yahweh.

{O30}4} Amos Chapter Four. {4:1} Hear this word, you cattle of Bashan, that are in the mountain of Samaria, that oppress the poor, that crush the needy, that say unto their lords, Bring, and let us drink. {4:2} The Lord Yahweh has sworn by his holiness, that, lo, the days shall come upon you, that they shall take you away with hooks, and your residue with fish-hooks. {4:3} And you shall go out at the breaches, everyone straight before her; and you shall cast [yourselves] into Harmon, said Yahweh. {4:4} Come to Beth-el, and transgress; to Gilgal, [and] multiply transgression of the law; and bring your sacrifices every morning, [and] your tithes every three days; {4:5} and offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving of that which is leavened, and proclaim freewill-offerings and publish them: for this you agape love, O you children of Israel, said the Lord Yahweh. {4:6} And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and want of bread in all your places; yet you have not returned unto me, said Yahweh. {4:7} And I also have withheld the rain from you, when there were yet three moons to the harvest; and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it not to rain upon another city: one piece was rained upon, and the piece where it rained not withered. {4:8} So two or three cities wandered unto one city to drink water, and were not satisfied: yet have you not returned unto me, said Yahweh. {4:9} I have smitten you with blasting and mildew: the multitude of your gardens and your vineyards and your fig-trees and your olive-trees has the palmer-worm devoured: yet have you not returned unto me, said Yahweh. {4:10} I have sent among you the pestilence after the manner of Egypt: your young men have I slain with the sword, and have carried away your horses; and I have made the stench of your camp to come up even into your nostrils: yet have you not returned unto me, said Yahweh. {4:11} I have overthrown [cities] among you, as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and you were as a brand plucked out of the burning: yet have you not returned unto me, said Yahweh. {4:12} Therefore thus will I do unto you, O Israel; [and] because I will do this unto you, prepare to meet your God, O Israel. {4:13} For, lo, he that forms the mountains, and creates the wind, and declares unto man what is his thought; that makes the morning darkness, and treads upon the high places of the earth-Yahweh, the God of hosts, is his name.

{O30}5} Amos Chapter Five. {5:1} Hear you this word which I take up for a lamentation over you, O house of Israel. {5:2} The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is cast down upon her land; there is none to raise her up. {5:3} For thus said the Lord Yahweh: The city that went forth a thousand shall have a hundred left, and that which went forth a hundred shall have ten left, to the house of Israel. {5:4} For thus said Yahweh unto the house of Israel, Seek you me, and you shall live; {5:5} but seek not Beth-el, nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and Beth-el shall come to nothing. {5:6} Seek Yahweh, and you shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, and there be none to quench it in Beth-el. {5:7} you who turn justice to wormwood, and cast down good works to the earth, {5:8} [seek him] that makes the Pleiades and Orion, and turns the

shadow of death into the morning, and makes the day dark with night; that calls for the waters of the sea, and pours them out upon the face of the earth (Yahweh is his name); {5:9} that brings sudden destruction upon the strong, so that destruction comes upon the fortress. {5:10} They hate him that reproves in the gate, and they abhor him that speaks uprightly. {5:11} Forasmuch therefore as you trample upon the poor, and take exactions from him of wheat: you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink the wine there. {5:12} For I know how manifold are your transgression of the law, and how mighty are your sins-you that afflict the just, that take a bribe, and that turn aside the needy in the gate [from their right]. {5:13} Therefore he that is prudent shall keep silence in such a time; for it is an evil time. {5:14} Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so Yahweh, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you say. {5:15} Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish justice in the gate: it may be that Yahweh, the God of hosts, will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph. {5:16} Therefore thus said Yahweh, the God of hosts, the Lord: Wailing shall be in all the broad ways; and they shall say in all the streets, Alas! Alas! and they shall call the husbandman to grieving, and such as are skilful in lamentation to wailing. {5:17} And in all vineyards shall be wailing; for I will pass through the midst of you, said Yahweh. {5:18} Woe unto you that desire the day of Yahweh! Therefore would you have the day of Yahweh? It is darkness, and not light. {5:19} As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him. {5:20} shall not the day of Yahweh be darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it? {5:21} I hate, I despise your feasts, and I will take no delight in your solemn assemblies. {5:22} behold, though you offer me your burnt-offerings and meal-offerings, I will not accept them; neither will I regard the peace-offerings of your fat beasts. {5:23} Take you away from me the noise of your songs; for I will not hear the melody of your viols. {5:24} But let justice roll down as waters, and good works as a mighty stream. {5:25} Did you bring unto me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel? {5:26} behold, you have borne the tabernacle of your king and the shrine of your images, the star of your god, which you made to yourselves. {5:27} Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus, said Yahweh, whose name is the God of hosts.

{O30}6} Amos Chapter Six. {6:1} Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and to them that are secure in the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel come! {6:2} Pass you unto Calneh, and see; and from there go you to Hamath the great; then go down to Goth of the Philistines: are they better than these kingdoms? or is their border greater than your border? {6:3} -you that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near; {6:4} that lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall; {6:5} that sing idle songs to the sound of the viol; that invent for themselves instruments of music, like David; {6:6} that drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief oils; but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph. {6:7} Therefore shall they now go captive with the first that go captive; and the revelry of them that stretched themselves shall pass away. {6:8} The Lord Yahweh has sworn by himself, said Yahweh, the God of hosts: I abhor the excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces; therefore will I deliver up the city with all that is therein. {6:9} And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house, that they shall die. {6:10} And when a man's uncle shall take him up, even he that burns him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that is in the innermost parts of the house, Is there yet any with you? and he shall say, No; then shall he say, Hold your peace; for we may not make mention of the name of Yahweh. {6:11} For, behold, Yahweh commands, and the great house shall be smitten with breaches, and the little house with clefts. {6:12} shall horses run upon the rock? will one plow [there] with oxen? that you have turned justice into gall, and the fruit of good works into wormwood; {6:13} you that rejoice in a thing of nothing, that say, Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength? {6:14} For, behold, I will raise up against you a nation, O house of Israel,

said Yahweh, the God of hosts; and they shall afflict you from the entrance of Hamath unto the brook of the Arabah.

{O30}7} Amos Chapter Seven. {7:1} Thus the Lord Yahweh showed me: and, behold, he formed locusts in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings. {7:2} And it came to pass that, when they made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord Yahweh, forgive, I ask you: how shall Jacob stand? for he is small. {7:3} Yahweh repented concerning this: It shall not be, said Yahweh. {7:4} Thus the Lord Yahweh showed me: and, behold, the Lord Yahweh called to content by fire; and it devoured the great deep, and would have eaten up the land. {7:5} Then said I, O Lord Yahweh, cease, I ask you: how shall Jacob stand? for he is small. {7:6} Yahweh repented concerning this: this also shall not be, said the Lord Yahweh. {7:7} Thus he showed me: and, behold, the Lord stood beside a wall made by a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. {7:8} And Yahweh said unto me, Amos, what see you? And I said, A plumb-line. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will not again pass by them any more; {7:9} and the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword. {7:10} Then Amaziah the priest of Beth-el sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words. {7:11} For thus Amos said, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led away captive out of his land. {7:12} Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O you seer, go, flee you away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there: {7:13} but prophesy not again any more at Beth-el; for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a royal house. {7:14} Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, I was no prophet, neither was I a prophet's son; but I was a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore-trees: {7:15} and Yahweh took me from following the flock, and Yahweh said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel. {7:16} Now therefore hear you the word of Yahweh: you say, Prophesy not against Israel, and drop not [your word] against the house of Isaac; {7:17} therefore thus said Yahweh: Your wife shall be a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be divided by line; and you yourself shall die in a land that is unclean, and Israel shall surely be led away captive out of his land.

{O30}8} Amos Chapter Eight. {8:1} Thus the Lord Yahweh showed me: and, behold, a basket of summer fruit. {8:2} And he said, Amos, what see you? And I said, A basket of summer fruit. Then said Yahweh unto me, The end is come upon my people Israel; I will not again pass by them any more. {8:3} And the songs of the temple shall be wailings in that day, said the Lord Yahweh: the dead bodies shall be many: in every place shall they cast them forth with silence. {8:4} Hear this, O you that would swallow up the needy, and cause the poor of the land to fail, {8:5} saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell grain? and the Sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and dealing falsely with balances of deceit; {8:6} that we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes, and sell the refuse of the wheat? {8:7} Yahweh has sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works. {8:8} shall not the land tremble for this, and everyone grieve that dwells therein? behold, it shall rise up wholly like the River; and it shall be troubled and sink again, like the River of Egypt. {8:9} And it shall come to pass in that day, said the Lord Yahweh, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day. {8:10} And I will turn your feasts into grieving, and all your songs into lamentation; and I will bring sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every head; and I will make it as the grieving for an only son, and the end of it as a bitter day. {8:11} Behold, the days come, said the Lord Yahweh, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of Yahweh. {8:12} And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east; they shall run to and fro to seek the word of Yahweh, and shall not find it. {8:13} In that day shall the fair virgins and the young men faint for thirst. {8:14} They that swear by the sin of

Samaria, and say, As your god, O Dan, lives; and, As the way of Beer-sheba lives; they shall fall, and never rise up again.

{O30}9} Amos Chapter Nine. {9:1} I saw the Lord standing beside the altar: and he said, Smite the capitals, that the thresholds may shake; and break them in pieces on the head of all of them; and I will slay the last of them with the sword: there shall not one of them flee away, and there shall not one of them escape. {9:2} though they dig into Sheol, there shall my hand take them; and though they climb up to heaven, there will I bring them down. {9:3} And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out there; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, there will I command the serpent, and it shall bite them. {9:4} And though they go into captivity before their enemies, there will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good. {9:5} For the Lord, Yahweh of hosts, [is] he that touches the land and it melts, and all that dwell therein shall grieve; and it shall rise up wholly like the River, and shall sink again, like the River of Egypt; {9:6} [it is] he that builds his chambers in the heavens, and has founded his vault upon the earth; he that calls for the waters of the sea, and pours them out upon the face of the earth; Yahweh is his name. {9:7} Are you not as the children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of Israel? said Yahweh. Have not I brought up Israel out of the land of Egypt, and the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir? {9:8} Behold, the eyes of the Lord Yahweh are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; save that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, said Yahweh. {9:9} For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all the nations, like as [grain] is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least kernel fall upon the earth. {9:10} All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, who say, The evil shall not overtake nor meet us. {9:11} In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches there; and I will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old; {9:12} that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the nations that are called by my name, said Yahweh that does this. {9:13} Behold, the days come, said Yahweh, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that sows seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt. {9:14} And I will bring back the captivity of my people Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine there; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. {9:15} And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be plucked up out of their land which I have given them, said Yahweh your God.

The Book Of Obadiah

{O31}I} Obadiah Chapter One. {1:1} The vision of Obadiah. Thus say the Lord Yahweh concerning Edom: We have heard tidings from Yahweh, and an ambassador is sent among the nations, [saying], Arise you, and let us rise up against her in battle. {1:2} Behold, I have made you small among the nations: you art greatly despised. {1:3} The pride of your heart has deceived you, O you that dwell in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that say in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground? {1:4} Though you mount on high as the eagle, and though your nest be set among the stars, I will bring you down from there, say Yahweh. {1:5} If thieves came to you, if robbers by night (how are you cut off!), would they not steal [only] till they had enough? if grape-gatherers came to you, would they not leave some gleaning grapes? {1:6} How are [the things of] Esau searched! how are his hidden treasures sought out! {1:7} All the men of your confederacy have brought you on your way, even to the border: the men that were at peace with you have deceived you, and prevailed against you; [they that eat] your bread lay a snare under you: there is no understanding in him. {1:8} shall I not in that day, say Yahweh, destroy the wise men out of Edom, and understanding out of the mount of Esau? {1:9} And your mighty men, O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that everyone may be cut off from the mount of Esau by slaughter. {1:10} For the violence done to your brother Jacob, shame shall cover you, and you shall be cut off forever. {1:11} In the day that you stood on the other side, in the day that

strangers carried away his substance, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even you was as one of them. {1:12} But look not you on the day of your brother in the day of his disaster, and rejoice not over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; neither speak proudly in the day of distress. {1:13} Enter not into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; behold, look not you on their affliction in the day of their calamity, neither lay you [hands] on their substance in the day of their calamity. {1:14} And stand you not in the crossway, to cut off those of his that escape; and deliver not up those of his that remain in the day of distress. {1:15} For the day of Yahweh is near upon all the nations: as you have done, it shall be done unto you; your dealing shall return upon your own head. {1:16} For as you have drunk upon my holy mountain, so shall all the nations drink continually; behold, they shall drink, and swallow down, and shall be as though they had not been. {1:17} But in mount Zion there shall be those that escape, and it shall be holy; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. {1:18} And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall burn among them, and devour them; and there shall not be any remaining to the house of Esau; for Yahweh has spoken it. {1:19} And they of the South shall possess the mount of Esau, and they of the lowland the Philistines; and they shall possess the field of Ephraim, and the field of Samaria; and Benjamin [shall possess] Gilead. {1:20} And the captives of this host of the children of Israel, that are [among] the Canaanites, [shall possess] even unto Zarephas; and the captives of Jerusalem, that are in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the South. {1:21} And saviors shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be Yahweh's.

The Book Of Johah

{O32}1} Jonah Chapter One. {1:1} Now the word of Yahweh came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, {1:2} Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me. {1:3} But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh; and he went down to Joppa, and found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare there, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh. {1:4} But Yahweh sent out a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken. {1:5} Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god; and they cast forth the wares that were in the ship into the sea, to lighten it unto them. But Jonah was gone down into the innermost parts of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep. {1:6} So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest you, O sleeper? arise, call upon your God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not. {1:7} And they said everyone to his fellow, Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this evil is upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah. {1:8} Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray you, for whose cause this evil is upon us; what is your occupation? and from where do you come? what is your country? and of what people are you? {1:9} And he said unto them, I am a Hebrew; and I fear Yahweh, the God of heaven, who has made the sea and the dry land. {1:10} Then were the men exceedingly afraid, and said unto him, What is this that you have done? For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of Yahweh, because he had told them. {1:11} Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto you, that the sea may be calm unto us? for the sea grew more and more tempestuous. {1:12} And he said unto them, Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest is upon you. {1:13} Nevertheless the men rowed hard to get them back to the land; but they could not: for the sea grew more and more tempestuous against them. {1:14} Therefore they cried unto Yahweh, and said, We ask you, O Yahweh, we ask you, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood; for you, O Yahweh, have done as it pleased you. {1:15} So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea; and the sea ceased from its raging. {1:16} Then the men feared Yahweh exceedingly; and they offered a sacrifice

unto Yahweh, and made vows. {1:17} And Yahweh prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah; and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

{O32}2} Jonah Chapter Two. {2:1} Then Jonah prayed unto Yahweh his God out of the fish's belly. {2:2} And he said, I called by reason of mine affliction unto Yahweh, And he answered me; Out of the belly of Sheol cried I, [And] you heard my voice. {2:3} For you did cast me into the depth, in the heart of the seas, And the flood was round about me; All your waves and your billows passed over me. {2:4} And I said, I am cast out from before your eyes; yet I will look again toward your holy temple. {2:5} The waters around me about, even to the soul; The deep was round about me; The weeds were wrapped about my head. {2:6} I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; The earth with its bars [closed] upon me forever: yet have you brought up my life from the pit, O Yahweh my God. {2:7} When my soul fainted within me, I remembered Yahweh; And my prayer came in unto you, into your holy temple. {2:8} They that regard lying vanities Forsake their own mercy. {2:9} But I will sacrifice unto you with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that which I have vowed. Salvation is of Yahweh. {2:10} And Yahweh spoke unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land.

{O32}3} Jonah Chapter Three. {3:1} And the word of Yahweh came unto Jonah the second time, saying, {3:2} Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid you. {3:3} So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of Yahweh. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city, of three days' journey. {3:4} And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown. {3:5} And the people of Nineveh believed God; and they proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them. {3:6} And the tidings reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. {3:7} And he made proclamation and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; let them not feed, nor drink water; {3:8} but let them be covered with sackcloth, both man and beast, and let them cry mightily unto God: behold, let them turn everyone from his evil way, and from the violence that is in his hands. {3:9} Who knows whether God will not turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not? {3:10} And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil which he said he would do unto them; and he did it not.

{O32}4} Jonah Chapter Four. {4:1} But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. {4:2} And he prayed unto Yahweh, and said, I pray you, O Yahweh, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I hurried to flee unto Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and abundant in agape loving kindness, and you [cause to] repent of the evil. {4:3} Therefore now, O Yahweh, take, I ask you, my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live. {4:4} And Yahweh said, you do well to be angry? {4:5} Then Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sat under it in the shade, till he might see what would become of the city. {4:6} And The God Yahweh prepared a gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to deliver him from his evil case. So Jonah was exceeding glad because of the gourd. {4:7} But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd, that it withered. {4:8} And it came to pass, when the sun arose, that God prepared a sultry east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and requested for himself that he might die, and said, It is better for me to die than to live. {4:9} And God said to Jonah, Do you well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well to be angry, even unto death. {4:10} And Yahweh said, you have had regard for the gourd, for which you have not labored, neither made it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night: {4:11} and should not I have regard for Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than one hundred twenty thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?

The Book Of Micah

{O33}1} Micah Chapter One. {1:1} The word of Yahweh that came to Micah the Morashtite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem. {1:2} Hear, you peoples, all of you: hear, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord Yahweh be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple. {1:3} For, behold, Yahweh comes forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth. {1:4} And the mountains shall be melted under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, as waters that are poured down a steep place. {1:5} For the transgression of the law of Jacob is all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of the law of Jacob? is it not Samaria? and what are the high places of Judah? are they not Jerusalem? {1:6} Therefore I will make Samaria as a heap of the field, [and] as places for planting vineyards; and I will pour down the stones of it into the valley, and I will uncover the foundations there. {1:7} And all her graven images shall be beaten to pieces, and all her hires shall be burned with fire, and all her idols will I lay desolate; for of the hire of a prostitute has she gathered them, and unto the hire of a prostitute shall they return. {1:8} For this will I lament and wail; I will go stripped and naked; I will make a wailing like the jackals, and a lamentation like the ostriches. {1:9} For her wounds are incurable; for it is come even unto Judah; it reaches unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem. {1:10} Tell it not in Goth, weep not at all: at Beth-le-aphrah have I rolled myself in the dust. {1:11} Pass away, O inhabitant of Shaphir, in nakedness and shame: the inhabitant of Zaanen is not come forth; the wailing of Beth-ezel shall take from you the stay there. {1:12} For the inhabitant of Maroth waits anxiously for good, because evil is come down from Yahweh unto the gate of Jerusalem. {1:13} Bind the chariot to the swift steed, O inhabitant of Lachish: she was the beginning of sin to the daughter of Zion; for the transgression of the law of Israel were found in you. {1:14} Therefore shall you give a parting gift to Moresheth-goth: the houses of Achzib shall be a deceitful thing unto the kings of Israel. {1:15} I will yet bring unto you, O inhabitant of Mareshah, him that shall possess you: the glory of Israel shall come even unto Adullam. {1:16} Make you bald, and cut off your hair for the children of your delight: enlarge your baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from you.

{O33}2} Micah Chapter Two. {2:1} Woe to them that devise works against law and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practice it, because it is in the power of their hand. {2:2} And they covet fields, and seize them; and houses, and take them away: and they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage. {2:3} Therefore thus said Yahweh: Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which you shall not remove your necks, neither shall you walk proudly; for it is an evil time. {2:4} In that day shall they take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, [and] say, We are utterly ruined: he changes the portion of my people: how does he remove [it] from me! to the rebellious he divides our fields. {2:5} Therefore you shall have none that shall cast the line by lot in the Ekklesia of Yahweh. {2:6} Prophecy you not, [thus] they prophesy. They shall not prophesy to these: reproaches shall not depart. {2:7} shall it be said, O house of Jacob, Is the Spirit of Yahweh straitened? are these his doings? Do not my words do good to him that walks uprightly? {2:8} But of late my people is risen up as the enemy: you strip the robe from off the garment from them that pass by securely [as men] with disdain in war. {2:9} The women of my people you cast out from their pleasant houses; from their young children you take away my glory forever. {2:10} Arise you, and depart; for this is not your resting-place; because of uncleanness that destroys, even with a grievous destruction. {2:11} If a man walking in a spirit of falsehood do lie, [saying], I will prophesy unto you of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people. {2:12} I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of you; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as a flock in the midst of their pasture; they shall make great noise by reason of [the multitude of] men. {2:13} The breaker is gone up before them: they have broken forth and passed on to the gate, and are gone out thereat; and their king is passed on before them, and Yahweh at the head of them.

{O33}3} Micah Chapter Three. {3:1} And I said, Hear, I pray you, you heads of Jacob, and rulers of the house of Israel: is it not for you to know justice? {3:2} you who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones; {3:3} who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them, and break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron. {3:4} Then shall they cry unto Yahweh, but he will not answer them; behold, he will hide his face from them at that time, according as they have wrought evil in their doings. {3:5} Thus said Yahweh concerning the prophets that make my people to err; that bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and who so puts not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him: {3:6} Therefore it shall be night unto you, that you shall have no vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that you shall not divine; and the sun shall go down upon the prophets, and the day shall be black over them. {3:7} And the seers shall be put to shame, and the diviners confounded; behold, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God. {3:8} But as for me, I am full of power by the Spirit of Yahweh, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression of the law, and to Israel his sin. {3:9} Hear this, I pray you, you heads of the house of Jacob, and rulers of the house of Israel, that abhor justice, and pervert all equity. {3:10} They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with works against law. {3:11} The heads of it judge for reward, and the priests of it teach for hire, and the prophets of it divine for money: yet they lean upon Yahweh, and say, Is not Yahweh in the midst of us? no evil shall come upon us. {3:12} Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.

{O33}4} Micah Chapter Four. {4:1} But in the latter days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of Yahweh's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and peoples shall flow unto it. {4:2} And many nations shall go and say, Come you, and let us go up to the mountain of Yahweh, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths. For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of Yahweh from Jerusalem; {4:3} and he will judge between many peoples, and will decide concerning strong nations afar off: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. {4:4} But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig-tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of Yahweh of hosts has spoken it. {4:5} For all the peoples walk everyone in the name of his god; and we will walk in the name of Yahweh our God forever and ever. {4:6} In that day, said Yahweh, will I assemble that which is lame, and I will gather that which is driven away, and that which I have afflicted; {4:7} and I will make that which was lame a remnant, and that which was cast far off a strong nation: and Yahweh will reign over them in mount Zion from here on even forever. {4:8} And you, O tower of the flock, the hill of the daughter of Zion, unto you shall it come, behold, the former dominion shall come, the kingdom of the daughter of Jerusalem. {4:9} Now why do you cry out aloud? Is there no king in you, is your counselor perished, that pangs have taken hold of you as of a woman in travail? {4:10} Be in pain, and labor to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail; for now shall you go forth out of the city, and shall dwell in the field, and shall come even unto Babylon: there shall you be rescued; there will Yahweh redeem you from the hand of your enemies. {4:11} And now many nations are assembled against you, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye see [our desire] upon Zion. {4:12} But they know not the thoughts of Yahweh, neither understand they his counsel; for he has gathered them as the sheaves to the threshing-floor. {4:13} Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; for I will make your horn iron, and I will make your hoofs brass; and you shall beat in pieces many peoples: and I will devote their gain unto Yahweh, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

{O33}5} Micah Chapter Five. {5:1} Now shall you gather yourself in troops, O daughter of troops: he has laid siege against us; they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.

{5:2} But you, Beth-lehem Ephrathah, which are little to be among the thousands of Judah, out of you shall one come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting. {5:3} Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she who travails has brought forth: then the residue of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. {5:4} And he shall stand, and shall feed [his flock] in the strength of Yahweh, in the majesty of the name of Yahweh his God: and they shall abide; for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth. {5:5} And this [man] shall be [our] peace. When the Assyrian shall come into our land, and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men. {5:6} And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances there: and he shall deliver us from the Assyrian, when he comes into our land, and when he treads within our border. {5:7} And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many peoples as dew from Yahweh, as showers upon the grass, that tarry not for man, nor wait for the sons of men. {5:8} And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the nations, in the midst of many peoples, as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep; who, if he go through, treads down and tears in pieces, and there is none to deliver. {5:9} Let your hand be lifted up above your adversaries, and let all your enemies be cut off. {5:10} And it shall come to pass in that day, said Yahweh, that I will cut off your horses out of the midst of you, and will destroy your chariots: {5:11} and I will cut off the cities of your land, and will throw down all your strongholds. {5:12} And I will cut off witchcrafts out of your hand; and you shall have no [more] soothsayers: {5:13} and I will cut off your graven images and your pillars out of the midst of you; and you shall no more worship the work of your hands; {5:14} and I will pluck up your Asherim out of the midst of you; and I will destroy your cities. {5:15} And I will execute vengeance in anger and Anger upon the nations which heard not.

{O33}6} Micah Chapter Six. {6:1} Hear you now what Yahweh said: Arise, contend you before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. {6:2} Hear, O you mountains, Yahweh's controversy, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for Yahweh has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. {6:3} O my people, what have I done unto you? and wherein have I wearied you? testify against me. {6:4} For I brought you up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. {6:5} O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him; [remember] from Shittim unto Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of Yahweh. {6:6} By which shall I come before Yahweh, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? {6:7} will Yahweh be pleased with thousands of rams, [or] with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my first-born for my transgression of the law, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? {6:8} He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what does Yahweh require of you, but to do justly, and to agape love, a genuine benevolent care for the welfare of others, and to walk humbly with your God? {6:9} The voice of Yahweh cries unto the city, and [the man of] wisdom will see your name: hear you the rod, and who has appointed it. {6:10} Are there yet treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and a scant measure that is abominable? {6:11} shall I be pure with wicked balances, and with a bag of deceitful weights? {6:12} For the rich men of it are full of violence, and the inhabitants of it have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth. {6:13} Therefore I also have smitten you with a grievous wound; I have made you desolate because of your sins. {6:14} you shall eat, but not be satisfied; and your humiliation shall be in the midst of you: and you shall put away, but shall not save; and that which you saves will I give up to the sword. {6:15} you shall sow, but shall not reap; you shall tread the olives, but shall not anoint you with oil; and the vintage, but shall not drink the wine. {6:16} For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and you walk in their counsels; that I may make you a desolation, and the inhabitants of it a hissing: and you shall bear the reproach of my people.

{O33}7} Micah Chapter Seven. {7:1} Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat; my soul desires the

first-ripe fig. {7:2} The godly man is perished out of the earth, and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net. {7:3} Their hands are upon that which is evil to do it diligently; the prince asks, and the judge [is ready] for a reward; and the great man, he utters the evil desire of his soul: thus they weave it together. {7:4} The best of them is as a brier; the most upright is [worse] than a thorn hedge: the day of your watchmen, even your visitation, is come; now shall be their perplexity. {7:5} Trust you not in a neighbor; put you not confidence in a friend; keep the doors of your mouth from her that lies in your bosom. {7:6} For the son dishonors the father, the daughter rises up against her mother, the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; a man's enemies are the men of his own house. {7:7} But as for me, I will look unto Yahweh; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me. {7:8} Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, Yahweh will be a light unto me. {7:9} I will bear the indignation of Yahweh, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, [and] I shall behold his good works. {7:10} Then mine enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover her who said unto me, Where is Yahweh your God? Mine eyes shall see [my desire] upon her; now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets. {7:11} A day for building your walls! in that day shall the decree be far removed. {7:12} In that day shall they come unto you from Assyria and the cities of Egypt, and from Egypt even to the River, and from sea to sea, and [from] mountain to mountain. {7:13} yet shall the land be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings. {7:14} Feed your people with your rod, the flock of your heritage, which dwell solitarily, in the forest in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old. {7:15} As in the days of your coming forth out of the land of Egypt will I show unto them marvelous things. {7:16} The nations shall see and be ashamed of all their might; they shall lay their hand upon their mouth; their ears shall be deaf. {7:17} They shall lick the dust like a serpent; like crawling things of the earth they shall come trembling out of their close places; they shall come with fear unto Yahweh our God, and shall be afraid because of you. {7:18} Who is a God like unto you, that pardons works against law, and pass over the transgression of the law of the remnant of his heritage? he retains not his anger forever, because he delights in agape loving kindness. {7:19} He will again have compassion upon us; he will tread our iniquities under foot; and you will cast all their sins into the depths of the sea. {7:20} you will perform the truth to Jacob, [and] the agape loving kindness to Abraham, which you have sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

The Book Of Nahum

{o34}1} Nahum Chapter One. {1:1} The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite. {1:2} Yahweh is a jealous God and avenges; Yahweh avenges and is full of Anger; Yahweh takes vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserves [Anger] for his enemies. {1:3} Yahweh is slow to anger, and great in power, and will by no means clear [the guilty]: Yahweh has his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet. {1:4} He rebukes the sea, and makes it dry, and dries up all the rivers: Bashan languishes, and Carmel; and the flower of Lebanon languishes. {1:5} The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt; and the earth is up heaved at his presence, behold, the world, and all that dwell therein. {1:6} Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his Anger is poured out like fire, and the rocks are broken asunder by him. {1:7} Yahweh is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and he knows them that take refuge in him. {1:8} But with an over-running flood he will make a full end of her place, and will pursue his enemies into darkness. {1:9} What do you devise against Yahweh? he will make a full end; affliction shall not rise up the second time. {1:10} For entangled like thorns, and drunk as with their drink, they are consumed utterly as dry stubble. {1:11} There is one gone forth out of you, that devises evil against Yahweh, that counsels wickedness. {1:12} Thus said Yahweh: though they be in full strength, and likewise many, even so shall they be cut down, and he shall pass away. though I have afflicted you, I will afflict you no more. {1:13} And now will I break his yoke from off you,

and will burst your bonds in sunder. {1:14} And Yahweh has given commandment concerning you, that no more of your name be sown: out of the house of your gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image; I will make your grave; for you are vile. {1:15} Behold, upon the mountains the feet of him that brings good tidings, that publishes peace! Keep your feasts, O Judah, perform your vows; for the wicked one shall no more pass through you; he is utterly cut off.

{O34}2} Nahum Chapter Two. {2:1} He that dashes in pieces is come up against you: keep the fortress, watch the way, make your loins strong, fortify your power mightily. {2:2} For Yahweh restored the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel; for the emptiers have emptied them out, and destroyed their vine-branches. {2:3} The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet: the chariots flash with steel in the day of his preparation, and the cypress [spears] are brandished. {2:4} The chariots rage in the streets; they rush to and fro in the broad ways: the appearance of them is like torches; they run like the lightnings. {2:5} He remember his nobles: they stumble in their march; they make haste to the wall there, and the shield of protection is prepared. {2:6} The gates of the rivers are opened, and the palace is dissolved. {2:7} And it is decreed: she is uncovered, she is carried away; and her handmaids moan as with the voice of doves, beating upon their breasts. {2:8} But Nineveh has been from of old like a pool of water: yet they flee away. Stand, stand, [they cry]; but none looks back. {2:9} Take you the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold; for there is no end of the store, the glory of all goodly furniture. {2:10} She is empty, and void, and waste; and the heart melts, and the knees smite together, and anguish is in all loins, and the faces of them all are waxed pale. {2:11} Where is the den of the lions, and the feeding-place of the young lions, where the lion [and] the lioness walked, the lion's whelp, and none made them afraid? {2:12} The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his caves with prey, and his dens with prey. {2:13} Behold, I am against you, said Yahweh of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour your young lions; and I will cut off your prey from the earth, and the voice of your messengers shall no more be heard.

{O34}3} Nahum Chapter Three. {3:1} Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and rapine; the prey departs not. {3:2} The noise of the whip, and the noise of the rattling of wheels, and prancing horses, and bounding chariots, {3:3} the horseman mounting, and the flashing sword, and the glittering spear, and a multitude of slain, and a great heap of corpses, and there is no end of the bodies; they stumble upon their bodies;- {3:4} because of the multitude of the prostitutions of the well-favored prostitute, the mistress of witchcrafts, that sells nations through her prostitutions, and families through her witchcrafts. {3:5} Behold, I am against you, said Yahweh of hosts, and I will uncover your skirts upon your face; and I will show the nations your nakedness, and the kingdoms your shame. {3:6} And I will cast abominable filth upon you, and make you vile, and will set you as a gazing-stock. {3:7} And it shall come to pass, that all they that look upon you shall flee from you, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? where shall I seek comforters for you? {3:8} are you better than No-amon, that was situate among the rivers, that had the waters round about her; whose rampart was the sea, [and] her wall was of the sea? {3:9} Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, and it was infinite; Put and Lubim were your helpers. {3:10} yet was she carried away, she went into captivity; her young children also were dashed in pieces at the head of all the streets; and they cast lots for her honorable men, and all her great men were bound in chains. {3:11} you also shall be drunk; you shall be hid; you also shall seek a stronghold because of the enemy. {3:12} All your fortresses shall be [like] fig-trees with the first-ripe figs: if they be shaken, they fall into the mouth of the eater. {3:13} Behold, your people in the midst of you are women; the gates of your land are set wide open unto your enemies: the fire has devoured your bars. {3:14} Draw you water for the siege; strengthen your fortresses; go into the clay, and tread the mortar; make strong the brick kiln. {3:15} There shall the fire devour you; the sword shall cut you off; it shall devour you like the canker-worm: make yourself many as the canker-worm; make yourself many as the locust. {3:16} you have multiplied

your merchants above the stars of heaven: the canker-worm ravage, and flees away. {3:17} Your princes are as the locusts, and your marshals as the swarms of grasshoppers, which encamp in the hedges in the cold day, but when the sun arises they flee away, and their place is not known where they are. {3:18} Your shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria; your nobles are at rest; your people are scattered upon the mountains, and there is none to gather them. {3:19} There is no relief assuaging for your hurt: your wound is grievous: all that hear the report of you clap their hands over you; for upon whom has not your wickedness passed continually?

The Book Of Habakkuk

(O35)1} Habakkuk Chapter One. {1:1} The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see. {1:2} O Yahweh, how long shall I cry, and you will not hear? I cry out unto you of violence, and you will not save. {1:3} Why do you show me works against law, and look upon perverseness? for destruction and violence are before me; and there is strife, and contention rises up. {1:4} Therefore the law is slacked, and justice does never go forth; for the wicked does compass about the righteous; therefore justice goes forth perverted. {1:5} Behold you among the nations, and look, and wonder marvelously; for I am working a work in your days, which you will not believe though it be told you. {1:6} For, lo, I raise up the Chaldeans, that ruthless and cruel nation, that march through the breadth of the earth, to possess dwelling-places that are not theirs. {1:7} They are terrible and dreadful; their judgment and their dignity proceed from themselves. {1:8} Their horses also are swifter than leopards, and are more fierce than the evening wolves; and their horsemen press proudly on: behold, their horsemen come from far; they fly as an eagle that hurries to devour. {1:9} They come all of them for violence; the set of their faces is forwards; and they gather captives as the sand. {1:10} behold, he scoffs at kings, and princes are a derision unto him; he derides every stronghold; for he heaps up dust, and takes it. {1:11} Then shall he sweep by [as] a wind, and shall pass over, and be guilty, [even] he whose might is his god. {1:12} are not you from everlasting, O Yahweh my God, my Holy One? we shall not die. O Yahweh, you have ordained him for judgment; and you, O Rock, have established him for correction. {1:13} you that are of purer eyes than to behold evil, and that Cannot look on perverseness, Therefore look you upon them that deal treacherously, and hold your peace when the wicked swallows up the man that is more righteous than he; {1:14} and make men as the fishes of the sea, as the creeping things, that have no ruler over them? {1:15} He takes up all of them with the angle, he catches them in his net, and gathers them in his drag; therefore he rejoices and is glad. {1:16} Therefore he sacrifice unto his net, and burns incense unto his drag; because by them his portion is fat, and his food plenteous. {1:17} shall he therefore empty his net, and spare not to slay the nations continually?

{O35)2} Habakkuk Chapter Two. {2:1} I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will look forth to see what he will speak with me, and what I shall answer concerning my complaint. {2:2} And Yahweh answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tablets, that he may run that read [about] it. {2:3} For the vision is yet for the appointed time, and it hurries toward the end, and shall not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not delay. {2:4} Behold, his soul is puffed up, it is not upright in him; but the righteous shall live by his faith. {2:5} behold, furthermore, wine is treacherous, a haughty man, that keeps not at home; who enlarges his desire as Sheol, and he is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathers unto him all nations, and heaps unto him all peoples. {2:6} shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, Woe to him that increases that which is not his! how long? and that loads himself with pledges! {2:7} shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite you, and awake that shall vex you, and you shall be for booty unto them? {2:8} Because you have plundered many nations, all the remnant of the peoples shall plunder you, because of men's blood, and for the violence done to the land, to the city and to all that dwell therein. {2:9} Woe to him that gets an evil gain for his house, that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the hand of evil! {2:10} you have devised shame to your

house, by cutting off many peoples, and have sinned against your soul. {2:11} For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it. {2:12} Woe to him that builds a town with blood, and establishes a city by works against law! {2:13} Behold, is it not of Yahweh of hosts that the peoples labor for the fire, and the nations weary themselves for vanity? {2:14} For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of Yahweh, as the waters cover the sea. {2:15} Woe unto him that gives his neighbor drink, [to you] that adds your venom, and makes him drunk also, that you may look on their nakedness! {2:16} you are filled with shame, and not glory: drink you also, and be as one uncircumcised; the cup of Yahweh's right hand shall come round unto you, and foul shame shall be upon your glory. {2:17} For the violence done to Lebanon shall cover you, and the destruction of the beasts, which made them afraid; because of men's blood, and for the violence done to the land, to the city and to all that dwell therein. {2:18} What profit [in] the graven image, that the maker of it has graven it; the molten image, even the teacher of lies, that he that fashioned its form trusts therein, to make dumb idols? {2:19} Woe unto him that said to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise! shall this teach? Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in the midst of it. {2:20} But Yahweh is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.

{O35}3} Habakkuk Chapter Three. {3:1} A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet, set to Shigionoth. {3:2} O Yahweh, I have heard the report of you, and am afraid: O Yahweh, revive your work in the midst of the years; In the midst of the years make it known; In Anger remember mercy. {3:3} God came from Teman, And the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, And the earth was full of his praise. {3:4} And [his] brightness was as the light; He had rays [coming forth] from his hand; And there was the hiding of his power. {3:5} Before him went the pestilence, And fiery bolts went forth at his feet. {3:6} He stood, and measured the earth; He watched, and drove asunder the nations; And the eternal mountains were scattered; The everlasting hills did bow; His goings were [as] of old. {3:7} I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction; The curtains of the land of Midian did tremble. {3:8} Was Yahweh displeased with the rivers? Was your anger against the rivers, Or your Anger against the sea, That you did ride upon your horses, Upon your chariots of salvation? {3:9} Your bow was made quite bare; The oaths to the tribes were a [sure] word. Selah. You did cleave the earth with rivers. {3:10} The mountains saw you, and were afraid; The tempest of waters passed by; The deep uttered its voice, And lifted up its hands on high. {3:11} The sun and moon stood still in their habitation, At the light of your arrows as they went, At the shining of your glittering spear. {3:12} you did march though the land in indignation; you did thresh the nations in anger. {3:13} you went forth for the salvation of your people, For the salvation of your anointed; you wounded the head out of the house of the wicked man, Laying bare the foundation even unto the neck. Selah. {3:14} you did pierce with his own staves the head of his warriors: They came as a whirlwind to scatter me; Their rejoicing was as to devour the poor secretly. {3:15} you did tread the sea with your horses, The heap of mighty waters. {3:16} I heard, and my body trembled, My lips quivered at the voice; Rottenness enters into my bones, and I tremble in my place; Because I must wait quietly for the day of trouble, For the coming up of the people that invades us. {3:17} For though the fig-tree shall not flourish, Neither shall fruit be in the vines; The labor of the olive shall fail, And the fields shall yield no food; The flock shall be cut off from the fold, And there shall be no herd in the stalls: {3:18} yet I will rejoice in Yahweh, I will joy in the God of my salvation. {3:19} Yahweh, the Lord, is my strength; And he makes my feet like hinds' [feet], And will make me to walk upon my high places.

The Book Of Zephaniah

{O36}1} Zephaniah Chapter One. {1:1} The word of Yahweh which came unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hezekiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah. {1:2} I will utterly consume all things from off

the face of the ground, said Yahweh. {1:3} I will consume man and beast; I will consume the birds of the heavens, and the fishes of the sea, and the stumbling blocks with the wicked; and I will cut off man from off the face of the ground, said Yahweh. {1:4} And I will stretch out my hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, [and] the name of the Chemarim with the priests; {1:5} and them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship, that swear to Yahweh and swear by Malcam; {1:6} and them that are turned back from following Yahweh; and those that have not sought Yahweh, nor inquired after him. {1:7} Hold your peace at the presence of the Lord Yahweh; for the day of Yahweh is at hand: for Yahweh has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. {1:8} And it shall come to pass in the day of Yahweh's sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's sons, and all such as are clothed with foreign apparel. {1:9} And in that day I will punish all those that leap over the threshold, that fill their master's house with violence and deceit. {1:10} And in that day, said Yahweh, there shall be the noise of a cry from the fish gate, and a wailing from the second quarter, and a great crashing from the hills. {1:11} Wail, you inhabitants of Maktesh; for all the people of Canaan are undone; all they that were laden with silver are cut off. {1:12} And it shall come to pass at that time, that I will search Jerusalem with lamps; and I will punish the men that are settled on their lees, that say in their heart, Yahweh will not do good, neither will he do evil. {1:13} And their wealth shall become a spoil, and their houses a desolation: behold, they shall build houses, but shall not inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, but shall not drink the wine there. {1:14} The great day of Yahweh is near, it is near and hurries greatly, [even] the voice of the day of Yahweh; the mighty man cries there bitterly. {1:15} That day is a day of Anger, a day of trouble and distress, a day of waste and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, {1:16} a day of the trumpet and alarm, against the fortified cities, and against the high battlements. {1:17} And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against Yahweh; and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as dung. {1:18} Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of Yahweh's Anger; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he will make an end, behold, a terrible end, of all them that dwell in the land.

{O36}2} Zephaniah Chapter Two. {2:1} Gather yourselves together, behold, gather together, O nation that has no shame; {2:2} before the decree bring forth, [before] the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of Yahweh come upon you, before the day of Yahweh's anger come upon you. {2:3} Seek you Yahweh, all you meek of the earth, that have kept his ordinances; seek good works, seek meekness: it may be you will be hid in the day of Yahweh's anger. {2:4} For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation; they shall drive out Ashdod at noonday, and Ekron shall be rooted up. {2:5} Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea-coast, the nation of the Cherethites! The word of Yahweh is against you, O Canaan, the land of the Philistines; I will destroy you, that there shall be no inhabitant. {2:6} And the sea-coast shall be pastures, with cottages for shepherds and folds for flocks. {2:7} And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed [their flocks] thereupon; in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening; for Yahweh their God will visit them, and bring back their captivity. {2:8} I have heard the reproach of Moab, and the reviling of the children of Ammon, by which they have reproached my people, and magnified themselves against their border. {2:9} Therefore as I live, said Yahweh of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, a possession of nettles, and salt pits, and a perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall make a prey of them, and the remnant of my nation shall inherit them. {2:10} This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified themselves against the people of Yahweh of hosts. {2:11} Yahweh will be terrible unto them; for he will famish all the gods of the earth; and men shall worship him, everyone from his place, even all the isles of the nations. {2:12} you Ethiopians also, you shall be slain by my sword. {2:13} And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy Assyria, and will

make Nineveh a desolation, and dry like the wilderness. {2:14} And herds shall lie down in the midst of her, all the beasts of the nations: both the pelican and the porcupine shall lodge in the capitals there; [their] voice shall sing in the windows; desolation shall be in the thresholds: for he has laid bare the cedar-work. {2:15} This is the joyous city that lived carelessly, that said in her heart, I am, and there is none besides me: how is she become a desolation, a place for beasts to lie down in! everyone that passes by her shall hiss, and wag his hand.

{O36}3} Zephaniah Chapter Three. {3:1} Woe to her that is rebellious and polluted! to the oppressing city! {3:2} She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in Yahweh; she drew not near to her God. {3:3} Her princes in the midst of her are roaring lions; her judges are evening wolves; they leave nothing till the morrow. {3:4} Her prophets are light and treacherous persons; her priests have profaned the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law. {3:5} Yahweh in the midst of her is righteous; he will not do works against law; every morning does he bring his justice to light, he fails not; but the unjust knows no shame. {3:6} I have cut off nations; their battlements are desolate; I have made their streets waste, so that none passes by; their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, so that there is no inhabitant. {3:7} I said, Only fear you me; receive correction; so her dwelling shall not be cut off, [according to] all that I have appointed concerning her: but they rose early and corrupted all their doings. {3:8} Therefore wait you for me, said Yahweh, until the day that I rise up to the prey; for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger; for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy. {3:9} For then will I turn to the peoples of a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of Yahweh, to serve him with one consent. {3:10} From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, even the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering. {3:11} In that day shall you not be put to shame for all your doings, wherein you have transgressed against me; for then I will take away out of the midst of you your proudly exulting ones, and you shall no more be haughty in my holy mountain. {3:12} But I will leave in the midst of you an afflicted and poor people, and they shall take refuge in the name of Yahweh. {3:13} The remnant of Israel shall not do works against law, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth; for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid. {3:14} Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. {3:15} Yahweh has taken away your judgments, he has cast out your enemy: the King of Israel, even Yahweh, is in the midst of you; you shall not fear evil any more. {3:16} In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear you not; O Zion, let not your hands be slack. {3:17} Yahweh your God is in the midst of you, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with joy; he will rest in his agape love; he will joy over you with singing. {3:18} I will gather them that sorrow for the solemn assembly, who were of you; [to whom] the burden upon her was a reproach. {3:19} Behold, at that time I will deal with all them that afflict you; and I will save that which is lame, and gather that which was driven away; and I will make them a praise and a name, whose shame has been in all the earth. {3:20} At that time will I bring you in, and at that time will I gather you; for I will make you a name and a praise among all the peoples of the earth, when I bring back your captivity before your eyes, said Yahweh.

The Book Of Haggai

{O37}1} Haggai Chapter One. {1:1} In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth moon, in the first day of the moon, came the word of Yahweh by Haggai the prophet unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, saying, {1:2} Thus speaks Yahweh of hosts, saying, This people say, It is not the time [for us] to come, the time for Yahweh's house to be built. {1:3} Then came the word of Yahweh by Haggai the prophet, saying, {1:4} Is it a time for you yourselves to dwell in your ceiled houses, while this house lies waste? {1:5} Now therefore thus said Yahweh of hosts: Consider your ways. {1:6} you have sown much, and bring in little; you eat, but you have not enough; you drink, but

you are not filled with drink; you clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earns wages earns wages [to put it] into a bag with holes. {1:7} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Consider your ways. {1:8} Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, said Yahweh. {1:9} you looked for much, and, lo, it came to little; and when you brought it home, I did blow upon it. Why? said Yahweh of hosts. Because of my house that lies waste, while you run every man to his own house. {1:10} Therefore for your sake the heavens withhold the dew, and the earth withholds its fruit. {1:11} And I called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the grain, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon that which the ground brings forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labor of the hands. {1:12} Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of Yahweh their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as Yahweh their God had sent him; and the people did fear before Yahweh. {1:13} Then spoke Haggai Yahweh's messenger in Yahweh's message unto the people, saying, I am with you, said Yahweh. {1:14} And Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work on the house of Yahweh of hosts, their God, {1:15} in the four and twentieth day of the moon, in the sixth [moon], in the second year of Darius the king.

{O37}2} Haggai Chapter Two. {2:1} In the seventh [moon], in the one and twentieth [day] of the moon, came the word of Yahweh by Haggai the prophet, saying, {2:2} Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, saying, {2:3} Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? and how do you see it now? is it not in your eyes as nothing? {2:4} yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, said Yahweh; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land, said Yahweh, and work: for I am with you, said Yahweh of hosts, {2:5} [according to] the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, and my Spirit abode among you: fear you not. {2:6} For thus said Yahweh of hosts: yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; {2:7} and I will shake all nations; and the precious things of all nations shall come; and I will fill this house with glory, said Yahweh of hosts. {2:8} The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, said Yahweh of hosts. {2:9} The latter glory of this house shall be greater than the former, said Yahweh of hosts; and in this place will I give peace, said Yahweh of hosts. {2:10} In the four and twentieth [day] of the ninth [moon], in the second year of Darius, came the word of Yahweh by Haggai the prophet, saying, {2:11} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Ask now the priests concerning the law, saying, {2:12} If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or pottage, or wine, or oil, or any food, shall it become holy? And the priests answered and said, No. {2:13} Then said Haggai, If one that is unclean by reason of a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean. {2:14} Then answered Haggai and said, So is this people, and so is this nation before me, said Yahweh; and so is every work of their hands; and that which they offer there is unclean. {2:15} And now, I pray you, consider from this day and backward, before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of Yahweh. {2:16} Through all that time, when one came to a heap of twenty [measures], there were but ten; when one came to the wine vat to draw out fifty [vessels], there were but twenty. {2:17} I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the work of your hands; yet you [turned] not to me, said Yahweh. {2:18} Consider, I pray you, from this day and backward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth [moon], since the day that the foundation of Yahweh's temple was laid, consider it. {2:19} Is the seed yet in the barn? behold, the vine, and the fig-tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive-tree have not brought forth; from this day will I bless [you]. {2:20} And the word of Yahweh came the second time unto Haggai in the four and twentieth [day] of the moon, saying, {2:21} Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth; {2:22} and I will overthrow the throne of

kingdoms; and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the nations; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, everyone by the sword of his brother. {2:23} In that day, said Yahweh of hosts, will I take you, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, said Yahweh, and will make you as a signet; for I have chosen you, said Yahweh of hosts.

The Book Of Zechariah

{O38}1} Zechariah Chapter One. {1:1} In the eighth moon, in the second year of Darius, came the word of Yahweh unto Zechariah the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo, the prophet, saying, {1:2} Yahweh was sore displeased with your fathers. {1:3} Therefore say you unto them, Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Return unto me, said Yahweh of hosts, and I will return unto you, said Yahweh of hosts. {1:4} Be you not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets cried, saying, Thus said Yahweh of hosts, Return you now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hear unto me, said Yahweh. {1:5} Your fathers, where are they? and the prophets, do they live forever? {1:6} But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not overtake your fathers? and they turned and said, Like as Yahweh of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so has he dealt with us. {1:7} Upon the four and twentieth day of the eleventh moon, which is the moon Shebat, in the second year of Darius, came the word of Yahweh unto Zechariah the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo, the prophet, saying, {1:8} I saw in the night, and, behold, a man riding upon a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle-trees that were in the bottom; and behind him there were horses, red, sorrel, and white. {1:9} Then said I, O my lord, what are these? And the messenger that talked with me said unto me, I will show you what these are. {1:10} And the man that stood among the myrtle-trees answered and said, These are they whom Yahweh has sent to walk to and fro through the earth. {1:11} And they answered the messenger of Yahweh that stood among the myrtle-trees, and said, We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sits still, and is at rest. {1:12} Then the messenger of Yahweh answered and said, O Yahweh of hosts, how long will you not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which you have had indignation these seventy years? {1:13} And Yahweh answered the messenger that talked with me with good words, [even] comfortable words. {1:14} So the messenger that talked with me said unto me, Cry you, saying, Thus said Yahweh of hosts: I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy. {1:15} And I am very sore displeased with the nations that are at ease; for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction. {1:16} Therefore thus said Yahweh: I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies; my house shall be built in it, said Yahweh of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth over Jerusalem. {1:17} Cry yet again, saying, Thus said Yahweh of hosts: My cities shall yet overflow with prosperity; and Yahweh shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem. {1:18} And I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, four horns. {1:19} And I said unto the messenger that talked with me, What are these? And he answered me, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem. {1:20} And Yahweh showed me four smiths. {1:21} Then said I, What come these to do? And he spoke, saying, These are the horns which scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head; but these are come to terrify them, to cast down the horns of the nations, which lifted up their horn against the land of Judah to scatter it.

{O38}2} Zechariah Chapter Two. {2:1} And I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, a man with a measuring line in his hand. {2:2} Then said I, Where do you go? And he said unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see what is the breadth there, and what is the length there. {2:3} And, behold, the messenger that talked with me went forth, and another messenger went out to meet him, {2:4} and said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, Jerusalem shall be inhabited as villages outside walls, by reason of the multitude of men and cattle therein. {2:5} For I, said Yahweh, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and I will be the glory in the midst of her. {2:6} Ho, ho, flee from the land of the north, said Yahweh; for I have spread you abroad as

the four winds of the heavens, said Yahweh. {2:7} Ho Zion, escape, you that dwell with the daughter of Babylon. {2:8} For thus said Yahweh of hosts: After glory has he sent me unto the nations which plundered you; for he that touches you touches the apple of his eye. {2:9} For, behold, I will shake my hand over them, and they shall be a spoil to those that served them; and you shall know that Yahweh of hosts has sent me. {2:10} Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion; for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of you, said Yahweh. {2:11} And many nations shall join themselves to Yahweh in that day, and shall be my people; and I will dwell in the midst of you, and you shall know that Yahweh of hosts has sent me unto you. {2:12} And Yahweh shall inherit Judah as his portion in the holy land, and shall yet choose Jerusalem. {2:13} Be silent, all flesh, before Yahweh; for he is waked up out of his holy habitation.

{O38}3} Zechariah Chapter Three. {3:1} And he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the messenger of Yahweh, and Satan standing at his right hand to be his adversary. {3:2} And Yahweh said unto Satan, Yahweh rebuke you, O Satan; behold, Yahweh that has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire? {3:3} Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the messenger. {3:4} And he answered and spoke unto those that stood before him, saying, Take the filthy garments from off him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused your works against law to pass from you, and I will clothe you with rich apparel. {3:5} And I said, Let them set a clean turban upon his head. So they set a clean turban upon his head, and clothed him with garments; and the messenger of Yahweh was standing by. {3:6} And the messenger of Yahweh protested unto Joshua, saying, {3:7} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: If you will walk in my ways, and if you will keep my charge, then you also shall judge my house, and shall also keep my courts, and I will give you a place of access among these that stand by. {3:8} Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, you and your fellows that sit before you; for they are men that are a sign: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the Branch. {3:9} For, behold, the stone that I have set before Joshua; upon one stone are seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving there, said Yahweh of hosts, and I will remove the works against law of that land in one day. {3:10} In that day, said Yahweh of hosts, shall you invite every man his neighbor under the vine and under the fig-tree.

{O38}4} Zechariah Chapter Four. {4:1} And the messenger that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep. {4:2} And he said unto me, What see you? And I said, I have seen, and, behold, a candlestick all of gold, with its bowl upon the top of it, and its seven lamps thereon; there are seven pipes to each of the lamps, which are upon the top there; {4:3} and two olive-trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side there. {4:4} And I answered and spoke to the messenger that talked with me, saying, What are these, my lord? {4:5} Then the messenger that talked with me answered and said unto me, Know you not what these are? And I said, No, my lord. {4:6} Then he answered and spoke unto me, saying, This is the word of Yahweh unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, said Yahweh of hosts. {4:7} Who are you, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel [you shall become] a plain; and he shall bring forth the top stone with shoutings of Grace, grace, unto it. {4:8} Furthermore the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {4:9} The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and you shall know that Yahweh of hosts has sent me unto you. {4:10} For who has despised the day of small things? for these seven shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel; [these are] the eyes of Yahweh, which run to and fro through the whole earth. {4:11} Then answered I, and said unto him, What are these two olive-trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side there? {4:12} And I answered the second time, and said unto him, What are these two olive-branches, which are beside the two golden spouts, that empty the golden [oil] out of themselves? {4:13} And he answered me and said, Know you not what these are? And I said, No, my lord. {4:14} Then said he, These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

{O38)5} Zechariah Chapter Five. {5:1} Then again I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, a flying roll. {5:2} And he said unto me, What sees you? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length of it is twenty cubits, and the breadth of item cubits. {5:3} Then said he unto me, This is the Woe that goes forth over the face of the whole land: foreveryone that steals shall be cut off on the one side according to it; and everyone that swears shall be cut off on the other side according to it. {5:4} I will cause it to go forth, said Yahweh of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief, and into the house of him that swears falsely by my name; and it shall abide in the midst of his house, and shall consume it with the timber of it and the stones there. {5:5} Then the messenger that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now your eyes, and see what is this that goes forth. {5:6} And I said, What is it? And he said, This is the ephah that goes forth. He said furthermore, This is their appearance in all the land {5:7} (and, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead); and this is a woman sitting in the midst of the ephah. {5:8} And he said, This is Wickedness: and he cast her down into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth there. {5:9} Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there came forth two women, and the wind was in their wings; now they had wings like the wings of a stork; and they lifted up the ephah between earth and heaven. {5:10} Then said I to the messenger that talked with me, Where do these bear the ephah? {5:11} And he said unto me, To build her a house in the land of Shinar: and when it is prepared, she shall be set there in her own place.

{O38)6} Zechariah Chapter Six. {6:1} And again I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of brass. {6:2} In the first chariot were red horses; and in the second chariot black horses; {6:3} and in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot grizzled strong horses. {6:4} Then I answered and said unto the messenger that talked with me, What are these, my lord? {6:5} And the messenger answered and said unto me, These are the four winds of heaven, which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth. {6:6} [The chariot] wherein are the black horses goes forth toward the north country; and the white went forth after them; and the grizzled went forth toward the south country. {6:7} And the strong went forth, and sought to go that they might walk to and fro through the earth: and he said, Get you from here, walk to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and fro through the earth. {6:8} Then cried he to me, and spoke unto me, saying, Behold, they that go toward the north country have quieted my spirit in the north country. {6:9} And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, {6:10} Take of them of the captivity, even of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah; and come you the same day, and go into the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah, where they are come from Babylon; {6:11} behold, take [of them] silver and gold, and make crowns, and set them upon the head of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest; {6:12} and speak unto him, saying, Thus speaks Yahweh of hosts, saying, Behold, the man whose name is the Branch: and he shall grow up out of his place; and he shall build the temple of Yahweh; {6:13} even he shall build the temple of Yahweh; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne; and the counsel of peace shall be between them both. {6:14} And the crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen the son of Zephaniah, for a memorial in the temple of Yahweh. {6:15} And they that are far off shall come and build in the temple of Yahweh; and you shall know that Yahweh of hosts has sent me unto you. And [this] shall come to pass, if you will diligently obey the voice of Yahweh your God.

{O38)7} Zechariah Chapter Seven. {7:1} And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Darius, that the word of Yahweh came unto Zechariah in the fourth [day] of the ninth moon, even in Chislev. {7:2} Now [they of] Beth-el had sent Sharezer and Regem-melech, and their men, to entreat the favor of Yahweh, {7:3} [and] to speak unto the priests of the house of Yahweh of hosts, and to the prophets, saying, Should I weep in the fifth moon, separating myself, as I have done these so many years? {7:4} Then came the word of Yahweh of hosts unto me, saying, {7:5} Speak unto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When you fasted and grieved in the fifth and in the seventh [moon], even these seventy years, did you at all fast unto me, even to

me? {7:6} And when you eat, and when you drink, do not you eat for yourselves, and drink for yourselves? {7:7} [Should you] not [hear] the words which Yahweh cried by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the cities of it round about her, and the South and the lowland were inhabited? {7:8} And the word of Yahweh came unto Zechariah, saying, {7:9} Thus has Yahweh of hosts spoken, saying, Execute true judgment, and show kindness and compassion every man to his brother; {7:10} and oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the alien, nor the poor; and let none of you devise evil against his brother in your heart. {7:11} But they refused to hear, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they might not hear. {7:12} behold, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which Yahweh of hosts had sent by his Spirit by the former prophets: therefore there came great Anger from Yahweh of hosts. {7:13} And it is come to pass that, as he cried, and they would not hear, so they shall cry, and I will not hear, said Yahweh of hosts; {7:14} but I will scatter them with a whirlwind among all the nations which they have not known. Thus the land was desolate after them, so that no man passed through nor returned: for they laid the pleasant land desolate.

{O38}8} Zechariah Chapter Eight. {8:1} And the word of Yahweh of hosts came [to me], saying, {8:2} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: I am jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I am jealous for her with great Anger. {8:3} Thus said Yahweh: I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called The city of truth; and the mountain of Yahweh of hosts, The holy mountain. {8:4} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, every man with his staff in his hand for very age. {8:5} And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets there. {8:6} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in those days, should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? said Yahweh of hosts. {8:7} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from the west country; {8:8} and I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in good works. {8:9} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: Let your hands be strong, you that hear in these days these words from the mouth of the prophets that were in the day that the foundation of the house of Yahweh of hosts was laid, even the temple, that it might be built. {8:10} For before those days there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast; neither was there any peace to him that went out or came in, because of the adversary: for I set all men everyone against his neighbor. {8:11} But now I will not be unto the remnant of this people as in the former days, said Yahweh of hosts. {8:12} For [there shall be] the seed of peace; the vine shall give its fruit, and the ground shall give its increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to inherit all these things. {8:13} And it shall come to pass that, as you were woe among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, so will I save you, and you shall be a blessing. Fear not, [but] let your hands be strong. {8:14} For thus said Yahweh of hosts: As I thought to do evil unto you, when your fathers provoked me to Anger, said Yahweh of hosts, and I repented not; {8:15} so again have I thought in these days to do good unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear you not. {8:16} These are the things that you shall do: speak you every man the truth with his neighbor; execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates; {8:17} and let none of you devise evil in your hearts against his neighbor; and love no false oath: for all these are things that I hate, said Yahweh. {8:18} And the word of Yahweh of hosts came unto me, saying, {8:19} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: The fast of the fourth [moon], and the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and cheerful feasts; therefore agape love truth and peace. {8:20} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: [It shall] yet [come to pass], that there shall come peoples, and the inhabitants of many cities; {8:21} and the inhabitants of one [city] shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to entreat the favor of Yahweh, and to seek Yahweh of hosts: I will go also. {8:22} behold, many peoples and strong nations shall come to seek Yahweh of hosts in Jerusalem, and to entreat the favor of Yahweh.

{8:23} Thus said Yahweh of hosts: In those days [it shall come to pass], that ten men shall take hold, out of all the languages of the nations, they shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you, for we have heard that God is with you.

{O38}9} Zechariah Chapter Nine. {9:1} The burden of the word of Yahweh upon the land of Hadrach, and Damascus [shall be] its resting-place (for the eye of man and of all the tribes of Israel is toward Yahweh); {9:2} and Hamath, also, which borders there on; Tyre and Sidon, because they are very wise. {9:3} And Tyre did build herself a stronghold, and heaped up silver as the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets. {9:4} Behold, the Lord will dispossess her, and he will smite her power in the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire. {9:5} Ashkelon shall see it, and fear; Gaza also, and shall be sore pained; and Ekron, for her expectation shall be put to shame; and the king shall perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon shall not be inhabited. {9:6} And the unlawful conceived shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines. {9:7} And I will take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his teeth; and he also shall be a remnant for our God; and he shall be as a chieftain in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite. {9:8} And I will encamp about my house against the army, that none pass through or return; and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes. {9:9} Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, your king comes unto you; he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an donkey, even upon a colt the foal of an ass. {9:10} And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off; and he shall speak peace unto the nations: and his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. {9:11} As for you also, because of the blood of your covenant I have set free your prisoners from the pit wherein is no water. {9:12} Turn you to the stronghold, you prisoners of hope: even to-day do I declare that I will render double unto you. {9:13} For I have bent Judah for me, I have filled the bow with Ephraim; and I will stir up your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and will make you as the sword of a mighty man. {9:14} And Yahweh shall be seen over them; and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning; and the Lord Yahweh will blow the trumpet, and will go with whirlwinds of the south. {9:15} Yahweh of hosts will defend them; and they shall devour, and shall tread down the sling-stones; and they shall drink, and make a noise as through wine; and they shall be filled like bowls, like the corners of the altar. {9:16} And Yahweh their God will save them in that day as the flock of his people; for [they shall be as] the stones of a crown, lifted on high over his land. {9:17} For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! grain shall make the young men flourish, and new wine the virgins.

{O38}10} Zechariah Chapter Ten. {10:1} Ask you of Yahweh rain in the time of the latter rain, [even of] Yahweh that makes lightnings; and he will give them showers of rain, to everyone grass in the field. {10:2} For the idols [for worship] have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie; and they have told false dreams, they comfort in vain: therefore they go their way like sheep, they are afflicted, because there is no shepherd. {10:3} Mine anger is kindled against the shepherds, and I will punish the he-goats; for Yahweh of hosts has visited his flock, the house of Judah, and will make them as his goodly horse in the battle. {10:4} From him shall come forth the corner-stone, from him the nail, from him the battle bow, from him every ruler together. {10:5} And they shall be as mighty men, treading down [their enemies] in the mire of the streets in the battle; and they shall fight, because Yahweh is with them; and the riders on horses shall be confounded. {10:6} And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them back; for I have mercy upon them; and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I am Yahweh their God, and I will hear them. {10:7} And [they of] Ephraim shall be like a mighty man, and their heart shall rejoice as through wine; behold, their children shall see it, and rejoice; their heart shall be glad in Yahweh.

{10:8} I will hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them; and they shall increase as they have increased. {10:9} And I will sow them among the peoples; and they shall remember me in far countries; and they shall live with their children, and shall return. {10:10} I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and [place] shall not be found for them. {10:11} And he will pass through the sea of affliction, and will smite the waves in the sea, and all the depths of the Nile shall dry up; and the pride of Assyria shall be brought down, and the Scepterer of Egypt shall depart. {10:12} And I will strengthen them in Yahweh; and they shall walk up and down in his name, said Yahweh.

{O38}11} Zechariah Chapter Eleven . {11:1} Open your doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour your cedars. {11:2} Wail, O fir-tree, for the cedar is fallen, because the goodly ones are destroyed: wail, O you oaks of Bashan, for the strong forest is come down. {11:3} A voice of the wailing of the shepherds! for their glory is destroyed: a voice of the roaring of young lions! for the pride of the Jordan is laid waste. {11:4} Thus said Yahweh my God: Feed the flock of slaughter; {11:5} whose possessors slay them, and hold themselves not guilty; and they that sell them say, Blessed be Yahweh, for I am rich; and their own shepherds pity them not. {11:6} For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, said Yahweh; but, lo, I will deliver the men everyone into his neighbor's hand, and into the hand of his king; and they shall smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliver them. {11:7} So I fed the flock of slaughter, verily the poor of the flock. And I took unto me two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called Bands; and I fed the flock. {11:8} And I cut off the three shepherds in one moon; for my soul was weary of them, and their soul also loathed me. {11:9} Then said I, I will not feed you: that which dies, let it die; and that which is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let them that are left eat everyone the flesh of another. {11:10} And I took my staff Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant which I had made with all the peoples. {11:11} And it was broken in that day; and thus the poor of the flock that gave heed unto me knew that it was the word of Yahweh. {11:12} And I said unto them, If you think good, give me my hire; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my hire thirty [pieces] of silver. {11:13} And Yahweh said unto me, Cast it unto the potter, the goodly price that I was prized at by them. And I took the thirty [pieces] of silver, and cast them unto the potter, in the house of Yahweh. {11:14} Then I cut asunder mine other staff, even Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel. {11:15} And Yahweh said unto me, Take unto you yet again the instruments of a foolish shepherd. {11:16} For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, who will not visit those that are cut off, neither will seek those that are scattered, nor heal that which is broken, nor feed that which is sound; but he will eat the flesh of the fat [sheep], and will tear their hoofs in pieces. {11:17} Woe to the worthless shepherd that leaves the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

{O38}12} Zechariah Eleven Twelve. {12:1} The burden of the word of Yahweh concerning Israel. [Thus] said Yahweh, who stretches forth the heavens, and lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him: {12:2} behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of reeling unto all the peoples round about, and upon Judah also shall it be in the siege against Jerusalem. {12:3} And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all the peoples; all that burden themselves with it shall be sore wounded; and all the nations of the earth shall be gathered together against it. {12:4} In that day, said Yahweh, I will smite every horse with terror, and his rider with madness; and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the peoples with blindness. {12:5} And the chieftains of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem are my strength in Yahweh of hosts their God. {12:6} In that day will I make the chieftains of Judah like a pan of fire among wood, and like a flaming torch among sheaves; and they shall devour all the peoples

round about, on the right hand and on the left; and [they of] Jerusalem shall yet again dwell in their own place, even in Jerusalem. {12:7} Yahweh also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem be not magnified above Judah. {12:8} In that day shall Yahweh defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as God, as the messenger of Yahweh before them. {12:9} And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. {12:10} And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplication; and they shall look unto me whom they have pierced; and they shall grieve for him, as one grieves for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his first-born. {12:11} In that day shall there be a great grieving in Jerusalem, as the grieving of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon. {12:12} And the land shall grieve, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart; {12:13} the family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of the Shimeites apart, and their wives apart; {12:14} all the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.

{O38}13} Zechariah Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness. {13:2} And it shall come to pass in that day, said Yahweh of hosts, that I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered; and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land. {13:3} And it shall come to pass that, when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begot him shall say unto him, you shall not live; for you speak lies in the name of Yahweh; and his father and his mother that begot him shall thrust him through when he prophesies. {13:4} And it shall come to pass in that day, that the prophets shall be ashamed everyone of his vision, when he prophesies; neither shall they wear a hairy mantle to deceive: {13:5} but he shall say, I am no prophet, I am a tiller of the ground; for I have been made a slave from my youth. {13:6} And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds between your arms? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends. {13:7} Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that is my fellow, said Yahweh of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered; and I will turn my hand upon the little ones. {13:8} And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, said Yahweh, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein. {13:9} And I will bring the third part into the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried. They shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people; and they shall say, Yahweh is my God.

{O38}14} Zechariah Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Behold, a day of Yahweh comes, when your spoil shall be divided in the midst of you. {14:2} For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. {14:3} Then shall Yahweh go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. {14:4} And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east; and the mount of Olives shall be cleft in the midst of it toward the east and toward the west, [and there shall be] a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. {14:5} And you shall flee by the valley of my mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azel; behold, you shall flee, like as you fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah; and Yahweh my God shall come, and all the holy ones with you. {14:6} And it shall come to pass in that day, that there shall not be light; the bright ones shall withdraw themselves: {14:7} but it shall be one day which is known unto Yahweh; not day, and not night; but it shall come to pass,

that at evening time there shall be light. {14:8} And it shall come to pass in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the eastern sea, and half of them toward the western sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. {14:9} And Yahweh shall be King over all the earth: in that day shall Yahweh be one, and his name one. {14:10} All the land shall be made like the Arabah, from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem; and she shall be lifted up, and shall dwell in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananel unto the king's wine-presses. {14:11} And men shall dwell therein, and there shall be no more woe; but Jerusalem shall dwell safely. {14:12} And this shall be the plague by which Yahweh will smite all the peoples that have warred against Jerusalem: their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their sockets, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth. {14:13} And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great tumult from Yahweh shall be among them; and they shall lay hold everyone on the hand of his neighbor, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbor. {14:14} And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the nations round about shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance. {14:15} And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the donkey, and of all the beasts that shall be in those camps, as that plague. {14:16} And it shall come to pass, that everyone that is left of all the nations that came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, Yahweh of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. {14:17} And it shall be, that who so of [all] the families of the earth goes not up unto Jerusalem to worship the King, Yahweh of hosts, upon them there shall be no rain. {14:18} And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, neither [shall it be] upon them; there shall be the plague by which Yahweh will smite the nations that go not up to keep the feast of tabernacles. {14:19} This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all the nations that go not up to keep the feast of tabernacles. {14:20} In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLY UNTO YAHWEH; and the pots in Yahweh's house shall be like the bowls before the altar. {14:21} behold, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holy unto Yahweh of hosts; and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and boil therein: and in that day there shall be no more a Canaanite in the house of Yahweh of hosts.

The Book Of Malachi

{o39}1} Malachi Chapter One. {1:1} The burden of the word of Yahweh to Israel by Malachi. {1:2} I have agape loved you, said Yahweh. yet you say, Wherein have you agape loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother, said Yahweh: yet I agape loved Jacob; {1:3} but Esau I hated, and made his mountains a desolation, and [gave] his heritage to the jackals of the wilderness. {1:4} Whereas Edom said, We are beaten down, but we will return and build the waste places; thus said Yahweh of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and men shall call them The border of wickedness, and The people against whom Yahweh has indignation forever. {1:5} And your eyes shall see, and you shall say, Yahweh be magnified beyond the border of Israel. {1:6} A son honors his father, and a servant his master: if then I am a father, where is mine honor? and if I am a master, where is my fear? said Yahweh of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And you say, Wherein have we despised your name? {1:7} you offer polluted bread upon mine altar. And you say, Wherein have we polluted you? In that you say, The table of Yahweh is contemptible. {1:8} And when you offer the blind for sacrifice, it is no evil! and when you offer the lame and sick, it is no evil! Present it now unto your governor; will he be pleased with you? or will he accept your person? said Yahweh of hosts. {1:9} And now, I pray you, entreat the favor of God, that he may be gracious unto us: this has been by your means: will he accept any of your persons? said Yahweh of hosts. {1:10} Oh that there were one among you that would shut the doors, that you might not kindle [fire on] mine altar in vain! I have no pleasure in you, said Yahweh of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand. {1:11} For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name [shall be] great among the Nations; and in

every place incense [shall be] offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name [shall be] great among the Nations, said Yahweh of hosts. {1:12} But you profane it, in that you say, The table of Yahweh is polluted, and the fruit there, even its food, is contemptible. {1:13} you say also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and you have snuffed at it, said Yahweh of hosts; and you have brought that which was taken by violence, and the lame, and the sick; thus you bring the offering: should I accept this at your hand? said Yahweh. {1:14} But woe be the deceiver, who has in his flock a male, and vows, and sacrifice unto the Lord a blemished thing; for I am a great King, said Yahweh of hosts, and my name is terrible among the Nations.

{O39}2} Malachi Chapter Two. {2:1} And now, O you priests, this commandment is for you. {2:2} If you will not hear, and if you will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, said Yahweh of hosts, then will I send the curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings; behold, I have cursed them already, because you do not lay it to heart. {2:3} Behold, I will rebuke your seed, and will spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your feasts; and you shall be taken away with it. {2:4} And you shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant may be with Levi, said Yahweh of hosts. {2:5} My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him that he might fear; and he feared me, and stood in awe of my name. {2:6} The law of truth was in his mouth, and [illegal] works outside the law was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and uprightness, and turned many away from works against law. {2:7} For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth; for he is the messenger of Yahweh of hosts. {2:8} But you are turned aside out of the way; you have caused many to stumble in the law; you have corrupted the covenant of Levi, said Yahweh of hosts. {2:9} Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as you have not kept my ways, but have had respect of persons in the law. {2:10} Have we not all one father? has not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, profaning the covenant of our fathers? {2:11} Judah has dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah has profaned the holiness of Yahweh which [Judah] loves, and has married the daughter of a foreign god. {2:12} Yahweh will cut off, to the man that does this, him that wakes and him that answers, out of the tents of Jacob, and him that offers an offering unto Yahweh of hosts. {2:13} And this again you do: you cover the altar of Yahweh with tears, with weeping, and with sighing, so much that he regards not the offering any more, neither receives it with good will at your hand. {2:14} yet you say, Therefore? Because Yahweh has been witness between you and the wife of your youth, against whom you have dealt treacherously, though she is your companion, and the wife of your covenant. {2:15} And did he not make one, although he had the residue of the Spirit? And Therefore one? He sought a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth. {2:16} For I hate putting away, said Yahweh, the God of Israel, and him that covers his garment with violence, said Yahweh of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that you deal not treacherously. {2:17} you have wearied Yahweh with your words. yet you say, Wherein have we wearied him? In that you say, Everyone that does evil is good in the sight of Yahweh, and he delights in them; or where is the God of justice?

{O39}3} Malachi Chapter Three. {3:1} Behold, I send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, behold, he comes, said Yahweh of hosts. {3:2} But who can abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appears? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap: {3:3} and he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi, and refine them as gold and silver; and they shall offer unto Yahweh offerings in good works. {3:4} Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto Yahweh, as in the days of old, and as in ancient years. {3:5} And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and

against the false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the alien [from his right], and fear not me, said Yahweh of hosts. {3:6} For I, Yahweh, change not; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed. {3:7} From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, said Yahweh of hosts. But you say, Wherein shall we return? {3:8} Will a man rob God? yet you rob me. But you say, Wherein have we robbed you? In tithes and offerings. {3:9} you are cursed with the curse; for you rob me, even this whole nation. {3:10} Bring you the whole tithe into the store-house, that there may be food in my house, and prove me now herewith, said Yahweh of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough [to receive it]. {3:11} And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast its fruit before the time in the field, said Yahweh of hosts. {3:12} And all nations shall call you happy; for you shall be a delightful land, said Yahweh of hosts. {3:13} Your words have been stout against me, said Yahweh. yet you say, What have we spoken against you? {3:14} you have said, It is vain to serve God; and what profit is it that we have kept his charge, and that we have walked grieve fully before Yahweh of hosts? {3:15} And now we call the proud happy; behold, they that work wickedness are built up; behold, they tempt God, and escape. {3:16} Then they that feared Yahweh spoke one with another; and Yahweh heard, and heard, and a book of remembrance was written before him, for them that feared Yahweh, and that thought upon his name. {3:17} And they shall be mine, said Yahweh of hosts, [even] mine own possession, in the day that I make; and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son that serves him. {3:18} Then shall you return and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serves God and him that serves him not.

{O39}4} Malachi Chapter Four. {4:1} For, behold, the day comes, it burns as a furnace; and all the proud, and all that work wickedness, shall be stubble; and the day that comes shall burn them up, said Yahweh of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. {4:2} But unto you that fear my name shall the sun of good works arise with healing in its wings; and you shall go forth, and gambol as calves of the stall. {4:3} And you shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I make, said Yahweh of hosts. {4:4} Remember you the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, even statutes and ordinances. {4:5} Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of Yahweh come. {4:6} And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers; lest I come and smite the earth with woe.

The New Testament Ekklesia Bible in Restoration

The Gospel According To Matthew

{N1}1} Matthew Chapter One. {1:1} The book of the generation of Yehsus [Yahweh Is Salvation] Christ [The Anointed], the son of David [The Beloved], the son of Abraham [Father Of Multitudes]. {1:2} Abraham begot Isaac; and Isaac begot Jacob; and Jacob begot Judah and his brethren; {1:3} and Judah begot Perez and Zerah of Tamar; and Perez begot Hezron; and Hezron begot Ram; {1:4} and Ram begot Amminadab; and Amminadab begot Nahshon; and Nahshon begot Salmon; {1:5} and Salmon begot Boaz of Rahab; and Boaz begot Obed of Ruth; and Obed begot Jesse; {1:6} and Jesse begot David the king. And David begot Solomon of her

[that had been the wife] of Uriah; {1:7} and Solomon begot Rehoboam; and Rehoboam begot Abijah; and Abijah begot Asa; {1:8} and Asa begot Jehoshaphat; and Jehoshaphat begot Joram; and Joram begot Uzziah; {1:9} and Uzziah begot Jotham; and Jotham begot Ahaz; and Ahaz begot Hezekiah; {1:10} and Hezekiah begot Manasseh; and Manasseh begot Amon; and Amon begot Josiah; {1:11} and Josiah begot Jechoniah and his brethren, at the time of the carrying away to Babylon. {1:12} And after the carrying away to Babylon, Jechoniah begot Shealtiel; and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel; {1:13} and Zerubbabel begot Abiud; and Abiud begot Eliakim; and Eliakim begot Azor; {1:14} and Azor begot Sadoc; and Sadoc begot Achim; and Achim begot Eliud; {1:15} and Eliud begot Eleazar; and Eleazar begot Matthan; and Matthan begot Jacob; {1:16} and Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Maria, of whom was born Yehsus, who is called Christ. {1:17} So all the generations from Abraham unto David are fourteen generations; and from David unto the carrying away to Babylon fourteen generations; and from the carrying away to Babylon unto the Christ fourteen generations. {1:18} Now the birth of Yehsus Christ was on this wise: When his mother Maria had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. {1:19} And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man, and not willing to make her a public example, was intent to put her away secretly {1:20} But when he thought on these things, behold, an messenger of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, you son of David, fear not to take unto you Maria your wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. {1:21} And she shall bring forth a son; and you shall call his name Yehsus; for it is he that shall save his people from their sins. {1:22} Now all this is come to pass, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, {1:23} Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, And they shall call his name Immanuel; which is, being interpreted, God with us. {1:24} And Joseph arose from his sleep, and did as the messenger of the Lord commanded him, and took unto him his wife; {1:25} and sexually joined her not until she had brought forth a son: and he called his name Yehsus.

{n1}2} Matthew Chapter Two. {2:1} Now when Yehsus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, Wise-men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, {2:2} Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we saw his star in the east, and are come to worship him. {2:3} And when Herod the king heard it, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. {2:4} And gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ should be born. {2:5} And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea: for thus it is written through the prophet, {2:6} And you Bethlehem, land of Judah, are in no wise least among the princes of Judah: For out of you shall come forth a governor, Who shall be shepherd of my people Israel. {2:7} Then Herod secretly called the Wise-men, and learned of them exactly what time the star appeared. {2:8} And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search out exactly concerning the young child; and when you have found [him,] bring me word, that I also may come and worship him. {2:9} And they, having heard the king, went their way; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. {2:10} And when they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. {2:11} And they came into the house and saw the young child with Maria his mother; and they fell down and worshipped him; and opening their treasures they offered unto him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. {2:12} And being warned [of God] in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. {2:13} Now when they were departed, behold, an messenger of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be you there until I tell you: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. {2:14} And he arose and took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt; {2:15} and was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt did I call my son. {2:16} Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the Wise-men, was

exceeding angry, and sent forth, and slew all the male children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the borders there, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had exactly learned of the Wise-men. {2:17} Then was fulfilled that which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying, {2:18} A voice was heard in Ramah, Weeping and great grieving, Rachel weeping for her children; And she would not be comforted, because they are not. {2:19} But when Herod was dead, behold, a messenger of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, {2:20} Arise and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead that sought the young child's life. {2:21} And he arose and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. {2:22} But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there; and being warned [of God] in a dream, he withdrew into the parts of Galilee, {2:23} and came and lived in a city called Nazareth; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophets, that he should be called a Nazarene.

{N1}3} Matthew Chapter three. {3:1} And in those days comes John The Immerser [in Water], preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, {3:2} Repent you; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. {3:3} For this is he that was spoken of through Isaiah the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make you ready the way of the Lord, Make his paths straight. {3:4} Now John himself had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his food was locusts and wild honey. {3:5} Then went out unto him Jerusalem, and all Judea, and all the region round about the Jordan; {3:6} and they were Immersed of him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. {3:7} But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his immersion, he said unto them, you offspring of vipers, who warned you to flee from the Anger to come? {3:8} Bring forth therefore fruit worthy of repentance: {3:9} and think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham for our father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. {3:10} And even now the axe lies at the root of the trees: every tree therefore that brings not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. {3:11} I indeed immerse you in water unto repentance: but he that comes after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall immerse you in the Holy Spirit and [in] fire: {3:12} whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly cleanse his threshing-floor; and he will gather his wheat into the garner, but the chaff he will burn up with unquenchable fire. {3:13} Then comes Yehsus from Galilee to the Jordan unto John, to be Immersed of him [in water]. {3:14} But John would have hindered him, saying, I have need to be Immersed [in water] of you, and come you to me? {3:15} But Yehsus answering said unto him, Suffer [it] now: for thus it becomes us to fulfill all good works. Then he suffers him. {3:16} And Yehsus when he was Immersed [in water], went up immediately from the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon him; {3:17} and lo, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is my agape beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

{N1}4} Matthew Chapter Four. {4:1} Then was Yehsus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. {4:2} And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he afterward hungered. {4:3} And the tempter came and said unto him, If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread. {4:4} But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. {4:5} Then the devil takes him into the holy city; and he set him on the pinnacle of the temple, {4:6} and said unto him, If you are the Son of God, cast yourself down: for it is written, He shall give his messengers charge concerning you: and, On their hands they shall bear you up, Lest haply you dash your foot against a stone. {4:7} Yehsus said unto him, Again it is written, you shall not make trial of the Lord your God. {4:8} Again, the devil takes him unto an exceeding high mountain, and shows him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; {4:9} and he said unto him, All these things will I give you, if you will fall down and worship me. {4:10} Then said

Yehsus unto him, Get you from here, Satan: for it is written, you shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve. {4:11} Then the devil leaves him; and behold, messengers came and ministered unto him. {4:12} Now when he heard that John was delivered up, he withdrew into Galilee; {4:13} and leaving Nazareth, he came and lived in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali: {4:14} that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying, {4:15} The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, Toward the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Nations, {4:16} The people that sat in darkness Saw a great light, And to them that sat in the region and shadow of death, To them did light spring up. {4:17} From that time began Yehsus to preach, and to say, Repent you; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. {4:18} And walking by the sea of Galilee, he saw two brethren, Simon who is called Petros, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishers. {4:19} And he said unto them, Come you after me, and I will make you fishers of men. {4:20} And they immediately left the nets, and followed him. {4:21} And going on from there he saw two other brethren, James the [son] of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. {4:22} And they immediately left the boat and their father, and followed him. {4:23} And Yehsus went about in all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness among the people. {4:24} And the report of him went forth into all Syria: and they brought unto him all that were sick, held with different diseases and torments, possessed with demons, and epileptic, and palsied; and he healed them. {4:25} And there followed him great multitudes from Galilee and Decapolis and Jerusalem and Judea and [from] beyond the Jordan.

{N1}5} Matthew Chapter Five. {5:1} And seeing the multitudes, he went up into the mountain: and when he had sat down, his disciples came unto him: {5:2} and he opened his mouth and taught them, saying, {5:3} Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. {5:4} Blessed are they that grieve: for they shall be comforted. {5:5} Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. {5:6} Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after good works: for they shall be filled. {5:7} Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. {5:8} Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. {5:9} Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called sons of God. {5:10} Blessed are they that have been persecuted for good works' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. {5:11} Blessed are you when [men] shall reproach you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. {5:12} Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for also they persecuted the prophets that were before you. {5:13} you are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost its savor, by which shall it be salted? Salt mixed with impurities and lost is savor, is good for nothing, but to be cast out and trodden under foot of men. {5:14} you are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. {5:15} Neither do [men] light a lamp, and put it under the bushel, but on the stand; and it shines unto all that are in the house. {5:16} Even so let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. {5:17} Think not that I came to destroy the [written] law [through Moses] or the prophets: I came not to destroy, but to fulfill. {5:18} For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass away from the [written] law [through Moses], till all things be accomplished. {5:19} Anyone who therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven: but anyone who shall do and teach them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. {5:20} For I say unto you, that except your good works, shall exceed [the good works] of the scribes and Pharisees, you shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven. {5:21} you have heard that it was said to them of old time, you shall not kill; and anyone who shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: {5:22} but I say unto you, that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be in danger of the judgment; and anyone who shall say to his brother, You are worthless, shall be in

danger of the council; and anyone who shall say, you fool, shall be in danger of the hell of fire. {5:23} If therefore you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has anything against you, {5:24} leave there your gift before the altar, and go your way, first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. {5:25} Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are with him in the way; lest haply the adversary deliver you to the judge, and the judge deliver you to the officer, and you be cast into prison. {5:26} Verily I say unto you, you shall by no means come out there, till you have paid the last farthing. {5:27} you have heard that it was said, you shall not commit adultery: {5:28} but I say unto you, that everyone [a man tempted] that looks on a [married] woman [of the other man] to lust [to fulfill his great desire] after her [with intent] has [already] committed adultery with her already in his heart. {5:29} And if your right eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out, and cast it from you: for it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not your whole body be cast into hell. {5:30} And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off, and cast it from you: for it is profitable for you that one of your members should perish, and not your whole body go into hell. {5:31} It was said also [in the Pharisee Halakhah], Anyone who shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of [a legal separation] of divorcement: {5:32} but I say unto you, that everyone that puts away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, will be guilty of causing her to be made an adulteress: and anyone who shall marry her when she is [lawfully or unlawfully] put away commits adultery. {5:33} Again, you have heard that it was said to them of old time, you shall not forswear yourself, but shall perform unto the Lord your oaths: {5:34} but I say unto you, swear not at all; neither by the heaven, for it is the throne of God; {5:35} nor by the earth, for it is the footstool of his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. {5:36} Neither shall you swear by your head, for you Cannot make one hair white or black. {5:37} But let your speech be, yes-yes, or no-no; and whatever is more than these is of the evil [one]. {5:38} you have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: {5:39} but I say unto you, resist not him that is evil: but anyone who smites you on your right cheek, turn to him the other also. {5:40} And if any man would go to law with you, and take away your coat, let him have your cloak also. {5:41} And anyone who shall compel you to go one mile, go with him two. {5:42} Give to him that asks you, and from him that would borrow of you turn not you away. {5:43} you have heard that it was said [in the unwritten Halakhah Pharisee law], you shall agape love your neighbor, and hate your enemy: {5:44} but I say unto you, agape love your enemies, and pray for them that persecute you; {5:45} that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven: for he makes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the just and the unjust. {5:46} For if you agape love them that agape love you, what reward have you? do not even the tax collectors the same? {5:47} And if you salute your brethren only, what do you more [than others?] do not even the Nations the same? {5:48} you therefore shall be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

{N1}6} Matthew Chapter Six. {6:1} Take heed that you do not your agape godlikeness before men, to be seen of them: else you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven. {6:2} When therefore you do genuine benevolence, sound not a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have received their reward. {6:3} But when you do genuine benevolence, let not your left hand know what your right hand does: {6:4} that your genuine benevolence may be in secret: and your Father who sees in secret shall recompense you. {6:5} And when you pray, you shall not be as the hypocrites: for they [selfishly for affection] philo love to stand and pray in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have received their reward. {6:6} But you, when you pray, enter into your inner chamber, and having shut your door, pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret shall recompense you. {6:7} And in praying use not vain repetitions, as the Nations do: for they think

that they shall be heard for their much speaking. {6:8} Be not therefore like unto them: for your Father knows what things you have need of, before you ask him. {6:9} After this manner therefore pray you. Our Father who in heaven is, Hallowed be your name. {6:10} Your kingdom come. Your will be done, as in heaven, so on earth. {6:11} Give us this day our daily bread. {6:12} And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. {6:13} And bring us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil [one.] {6:14} For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. {6:15} But if you forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. {6:16} Furthermore when you fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may be seen of men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have received their reward. {6:17} But you, when you fast, anoint your head, and wash your face; {6:18} that you be not seen of men to fast, but of your Father who is in secret: and your Father, who sees in secret, shall recompense you. {6:19} Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust consume, and where thieves break through and steal: {6:20} but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust does consume, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: {6:21} for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. {6:22} The lamp of the body is the eye: if therefore your eye be single, your whole body shall be full of light. {6:23} But if your eye be evil, your whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you be darkness, how great is the darkness! {6:24} No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one, and agape love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. you cannot serve God and mammon. {6:25} Therefore I say unto you, be not anxious for your life, what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor yet for your body, what you shall put on. Is not the life more than the food, and the body than the raiment? {6:26} Behold the birds of the heaven, which they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; and your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you of much more value then they? {6:27} And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit unto the measure of his life? {6:28} And why are you anxious concerning clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: {6:29} yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. {6:30} But if God does so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, [shall he] not much more [clothe] you, O you of little faith? {6:31} Be not therefore anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, With what shall we be clothed? {6:32} For after all these things do the Nations seek; for your heavenly Father knows that you have need of all these things. {6:33} But seek you first his kingdom, and his good works; and all these things shall be added unto you. {6:34} Be not therefore anxious for the morrow: for the morrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil there.

(n1)7} Matthew Chapter Seven. {7:1} Judge not, that you be not judged. {7:2} For with what judgment you judge [others], you shall be judged: and with what measure you make, it shall be measured unto you. {7:3} And why behold you the splinter that is in your brother's eye, but consider not the timber that is in your own eye? {7:4} Or how will you say to your brother, Let me cast out the splinter out of your eye; and lo, the timber is in your own eye? {7:5} you hypocrite, cast out first the timber out of your own eye; and then shall you see clearly to cast out the splinter out of your brother's eye. {7:6} Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast your pearls before the swine, lest haply they trample them under their feet, and turn and rip you apart. {7:7} Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: {7:8} for everyone that asks receives; and he that seeks finds; and to him that knocks it shall be opened. {7:9} Or what man is there of you, who, if his son shall ask him for a loaf, will give him a stone; {7:10} or if he shall ask for a fish, will give him a serpent? {7:11} If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father who is in heaven give good things to them that ask him? {7:12} All things therefore whatever you would that men should do unto you, even so do you also unto them: for this is the

[written] law [through Moses] and the prophets. {7:13} Enter you in by the hard to find and the hard to get through gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many are they that enter in there. {7:14} For hard to find and hard to get through is the gate, and narrow is the way, that leads unto life, and few are they that find it. {7:15} Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves. {7:16} By their fruits you shall know them. Do [men] gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? {7:17} Even so every good tree brings forth good fruit; but the corrupt tree brings forth evil fruit. {7:18} A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. {7:19} Every tree that brings not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. {7:20} Therefore by their fruits you shall know them. {7:21} Not everyone that says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father who is in heaven. {7:22} Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy by your name, and by your name cast out demons, and by your name do many mighty works? {7:23} And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work against law. {7:24} Everyone therefore that hears these words of mine, and does them, shall be likened unto a wise man, who built his house in the unconquerable mountain fortress [Petra]: {7:25} and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded in the unconquerable mountain fortress [Petra]. {7:26} And everyone that hears these words of mine, and does them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house in the sand: {7:27} and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and smote upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall there. {7:28} And it came to pass, when Yehsus had finished these words, the multitudes were astonished at his teaching: {7:29} for he taught them as [one] having authority, and not as their scribes.

{N1}8} Matthew Chapter Eight {8:1} And when he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. {8:2} And behold, there came to him a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if you will, you can make me clean. {8:3} And he stretched forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be you made clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. {8:4} And Yehsus said unto him, See you tell no man; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. {8:5} And when he was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, asking him, {8:6} and saying, Lord, my servant lies in the house sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. {8:7} And he said unto him, I will come and heal him. {8:8} And the centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant shall be healed. {8:9} For I also am a man under authority, having under myself soldiers: and I say to this one, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my slave, Do this, and he does it. {8:10} And when Yehsus heard it, he marveled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. {8:11} And I say unto you, that many shall come from the east and the west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven: {8:12} but the sons of the kingdom shall be cast forth into the outer darkness: there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth. {8:13} And Yehsus said unto the centurion, Go your way; as you have believed, [so] be it done unto you. And the servant was healed in that hour. {8:14} And when Yehsus was come into the house of Petros, he saw his wife's mother lying sick of a fever. {8:15} And he touched her hand, and the fever left her; and she arose, and ministered unto him. {8:16} And when even was come, they brought unto him many possessed with demons: and he cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all that were sick: {8:17} that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying: Himself took our infirmities, and bare our diseases. {8:18} Now when Yehsus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandments to depart unto the other side. {8:19} And there came a scribe, and said unto him, Teacher, I will follow you where ever you go. {8:20} And Yehsus said unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the heaven [have] nests; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his head. {8:21} And

another of the disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. {8:22} But Yehsus said unto him, Follow me; and leave the dead to bury their own dead. {8:23} And when he was entered into a boat, his disciples followed him. {8:24} And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, so much that the boat was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. {8:25} And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Save, Lord; we perish. {8:26} And he said unto them, Why are you fearful, O you of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm. {8:27} And the men marveled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him? {8:28} And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gadarenes, there met him two possessed with demons, coming forth out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man could pass by that way. {8:29} And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with you, you Son of God? are you come here to torment us before the time? {8:30} Now there was afar off from them a herd of many swine feeding. {8:31} And the demons beg him, saying, If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine. {8:32} And he said unto them, Go. And they came out, and went into the swine: and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep into the sea, and perished in the waters. {8:33} And they that fed them fled, and went away into the city, and told everything, and what was befallen to them that were possessed with demons. {8:34} And behold, all the city came out to meet Yehsus: and when they saw him, they beg [him] that he would depart from their borders.

{N1}9} Matthew Chapter Nine. {9:1} And he entered into a boat, and crossed over, and came into his own city. {9:2} And behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Yehsus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven. {9:3} And behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemes. {9:4} And Yehsus knowing their thoughts said, Therefore think you evil in your hearts? {9:5} For which is easier, to say, Your sins are forgiven; or to say, Arise, and walk? {9:6} But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins (then said he to the sick of the palsy), Arise, and take up your bed, and go up unto your house. {9:7} And he arose, and departed to his house. {9:8} But when the multitudes saw it, they were afraid, and glorified God, who had given such authority unto men. {9:9} And as Yehsus passed by from there, he saw a man, called Matthew, sitting at the place of toll: and he said unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him. {9:10} And it came to pass, as he sat at meat in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Yehsus and his disciples. {9:11} And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why [does] your Teacher eat with the tax collectors and sinners? {9:12} But when he heard it, he said, They that are whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick. {9:13} But go you and learn what [this] means, I desire mercy, and not sacrifice, for I came not to call the righteous, but sinners. {9:14} Then come to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but your disciples fast not? {9:15} And Yehsus said unto them, Can the sons of the bride chamber grieve, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then will they fast. {9:16} And no man puts a piece of undressed cloth upon an old garment; for that which should fill it up takes from the garment, and a worse rent is made. {9:17} Neither do [men] put new wine into old wine-skins: else the skins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the skins perish: but they put new wine into fresh wine-skins, and both are preserved. {9:18} While he spoke these things unto them, behold, there came a ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay your hand upon her, and she shall live. {9:19} And Yehsus arose, and followed him, and [so did] his disciples. {9:20} And behold, a woman, who had an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: {9:21} for she said within herself, If I do but touch his garment, I shall be made whole. {9:22} But Yehsus turning and seeing her said, Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. {9:23} And when Yehsus came into the ruler's house, and saw the flute-players, and the crowd making a tumult,

{9:24} he said, Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleeps. And they laughed at him. {9:25} But when the crowd was put forth, he entered in, and took her by the hand; and the maid arose. {9:26} And the fame hereof went forth into all that land. {9:27} And as Yehsus passed by from there, two blind men followed him, crying out, and saying, Have mercy on us, you son of David. {9:28} And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Yehsus said unto them, Believe you that I am able to do this? They say unto him, behold, Lord. {9:29} Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it done unto you. {9:30} And their eyes were opened. And Yehsus strictly charged them, saying, See that no man know it. {9:31} But they went forth, and spread abroad his fame in all that land. {9:32} And as they went forth, behold, there was brought to him a man who could not talk and possessed with a demon. {9:33} And when the demon was cast out, the dumb man spoke: and the multitudes marveled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel. {9:34} But the Pharisees said, By the prince of the demons cast he out demons. {9:35} And Yehsus went about all the cities and the villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness. {9:36} But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd. {9:37} Then said he unto his disciples, The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few. {9:38} Pray you therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest.

{N1}10} Matthew Chapter Ten. {10:1} And he called unto him his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of disease and all manner of sickness. {10:2} Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: The first, Simon, who is called Petros, and Andrew his brother; James the [son] of Zebedee, and John his brother; {10:3} Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the [son] of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; {10:4} Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him. {10:5} These twelve Yehsus sent forth, and charged them, saying, Go not into [any] way of the Nations, and enter not into any city of the Samaritans: {10:6} but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. {10:7} And as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. {10:8} Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons: freely you received, freely give. {10:9} Get you no gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses; {10:10} no wallet for [your] journey, neither two coats, nor shoes, nor staff: for the laborer is worthy of his food. {10:11} And into whatever city or village you shall enter, search out who in it is worthy; and there abide till you go forth. {10:12} And as you enter into the house, salute it. {10:13} And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you. {10:14} And anyone who shall not receive you, nor hear your words, as you go forth out of that house or that city, shake off the dust of your feet. {10:15} Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city. {10:16} Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be you therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. {10:17} But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to councils, and in theirs synagogues they will scourge you; {10:18} behold and before governors and kings shall you be brought for my sake, for a testimony to them and to the Nations. {10:19} But when they deliver you up, be not anxious how or what you shall speak: for it shall be given you in that hour what you shall speak. {10:20} For it is not you that speak, but the Spirit of your Father that speaks in you. {10:21} And brother shall deliver up brother to death, and the father his child: and children shall rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death. {10:22} And you shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endures to the end, the same shall be saved. {10:23} But when they persecute you in this city, flee into the next: for verily I say unto you, you shall not have gone through the cities of Israel, till the Son of man shall come. {10:24} A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his lord. {10:25} It is enough for the disciple that he be as his teacher, and the slave as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more them of his household! {10:26} Fear them not therefore:

for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. {10:27} What I tell you in the darkness, speak you in the light; and what you hear in the ear, proclaim upon the house-tops. {10:28} And be not afraid of them that kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him who is able to destroy both soul and body in burning Gehenna. {10:29} Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? and not one of them shall fall on the ground outside your Father: {10:30} but the very hairs of your head are all numbered. {10:31} Fear not therefore: you are of more value than many sparrows. {10:32} Everyone therefore who shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in heaven. {10:33} But anyone who shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven. {10:34} Think not that I came to send peace on the earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. {10:35} For I came to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law: {10:36} and a man's foes [shall be] they of his own household. {10:37} He that philo loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he that philo loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. {10:38} And he that does not take his cross and follow after me, is not worthy of me. {10:39} He that finds his life shall lose it; and he that losses his life for my sake shall find it. {10:40} He that receives you receives me, and he that receives me receives him that sent me. {10:41} He that receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward: and he that receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. {10:42} And anyone who shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, in the name of [my] disciple, verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward.

{N111} Matthew Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And it came to pass when Yehsus had finished commanding his twelve disciples, he departed there to teach and preach in their cities. {11:2} Now when John heard in the prison the works of the Christ, he sent by his disciples {11:3} and said unto him, are you he that comes, or look we for another? {11:4} And Yehsus answered and said unto them, Go and tell John the things which you hear and see: {11:5} the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good tidings preached to them. {11:6} And blessed is he, anyone who shall find no occasion of stumbling in me. {11:7} And as these went their way, Yehsus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went you out into the wilderness to behold? a reed shaken with the wind? {11:8} But what went you out to see? a man clothed in soft [raiment]? Behold, they that wear soft [raiment] are in king's houses. {11:9} But Therefore went you out? to see a prophet? behold, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. {11:10} This is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before your face, Who shall prepare your way before you. {11:11} Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there has not arisen a greater than John the Immerser [in water]: yet he that is but little in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. {11:12} And from the days of John the Immerser [in water] until now the kingdom of heaven is taught by force, and men enter it by works of force. {11:13} For all the prophets and the law [through Moses], prophesied until John. {11:14} And if you are willing to receive [it,] this is Elijah, that is to come. {11:15} He that has ears to hear, let him hear. {11:16} But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the marketplaces, who call unto their fellows {11:17} and say, We piped unto you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not grieve. {11:18} For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He has a demon. {11:19} The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold, a gluttonous man and a winebibber, a friend of tax collectors and sinners! And wisdom is justified by her works. {11:20} Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not. {11:21} Woe unto you, Corazon! Woe unto you, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tire and Sidon which were done in you, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. {11:22} But I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable for Tire and Sidon in the day of judgment than for you. {11:23} And you,

Capernaum, shall you be exalted unto heaven? you shall go down unto Hades: for if the mighty works had been done in Sodom which were done in you, it would have remained until this day. {11:24} But I say unto you that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for you. {11:25} At that season Yehsus answered and said, I thank you, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you did hide these things from the wise and understanding, and did reveal them unto babes: {11:26} behold, Father, for so it was well-pleasing in your sight. {11:27} All things have been delivered unto me of my Father: and no one knows the Son, save the Father; neither does any know the Father, save the Son, and he to whom so ever the Son wills to reveal [him.] {11:28} Come unto me, all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. {11:29} Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and you shall find rest unto your souls. {11:30} For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

{N1}12} Matthew Chapter Twelve. {12:1} At that season Yehsus went on the Sabbath day through the grain fields; and his disciples were hungry and began to pluck ears and to eat. {12:2} But the Pharisees, when they saw it, said unto him, Behold, your disciples do that which it is not lawful [through our unwritten Halakah law] to do upon the Sabbath. {12:3} But he said unto them, Have you not read what David did, when he was hungry, and they that were with him; {12:4} how he entered into the house of God, and ate the showbread, which it was not lawful [written through Moses] for him to eat, neither for them that were with him, but only for the priests? {12:5} Or have you not read in the law [written through Moses], that on the Sabbath day the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are guiltless? {12:6} But I say unto you, that one greater than the temple is here. {12:7} But if you had known what this means, I desire mercy, and not sacrifice, you would not have condemned the guiltless. {12:8} For the Son of man is lord of the Sabbath. {12:9} And he departed there, and went into their synagogue: {12:10} and behold, a man having a withered hand. And they asked him, saying, Is it [in the Pharisee unwritten Halakah law], lawful to heal on the Sabbath day? that they might accuse him. {12:11} And he said unto them, What man shall there be of you, that shall have one sheep, and if this fall into a pit on the Sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out? {12:12} How much then is a man of more value than a sheep! Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath day. {12:13} Then said he to the man, Stretch forth your hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored whole, as the other. {12:14} But the Pharisees went out, and took counsel against him, how they might destroy him. {12:15} And Yehsus perceiving [it] withdrew from there: and many followed him; and he healed them all, {12:16} and charged them that they should not make him known: {12:17} that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying, {12:18} Behold, my servant whom I have chosen; My agape beloved in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my Spirit upon him, And he shall declare judgment to the Nations. {12:19} He shall not strive, nor cry aloud; Neither shall any one hear his voice in the streets. {12:20} A bruised reed shall he not break, And smoking flax shall he not quench, Till he send forth judgment unto victory. {12:21} And in his name shall the Nations hope. {12:22} Then was brought unto him one possessed with a demon, blind and dumb: and he healed him, so much that the dumb man spoke and saw. {12:23} And all the multitudes were amazed, and said, Can this be the son of David? {12:24} But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This man does not cast out demons, but by Beelzebub the prince of the demons. {12:25} And knowing their thoughts he said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand: {12:26} and if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then shall his kingdom stand? {12:27} And if I by Beelzebub cast out demons, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. {12:28} But if I by the Spirit of God cast out demons, then is the kingdom of God come upon you. {12:29} Or how can one enter into the house of the strong [man,] and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong [man]? and then he will spoil his house. {12:30} He that is not with me is against me, and he that gathers not with me scatters. {12:31} Therefore I say unto you, Every sin and blasphemy shall be

forgiven unto men; but the blasphemy against the Spirit shall not be forgiven. {12:32} And anyone who shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him; but anyone who shall speak against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, nor in that which is to come. {12:33} Either make the tree good, and its fruit good; or make the tree corrupt, and its fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by its fruit. {12:34} you offspring of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speak. {12:35} The good man out of his good treasure brings forth good things: and the evil man out of his evil treasure brings forth evil things. {12:36} And I say unto you, that every word that stops righteous work that men shall speak, they shall give account of it in the day of judgment. {12:37} For by your words you shall be judged sinless, and by your words you shall be condemned. {12:38} Then certain of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, Teacher, we would see a sign from you. {12:39} But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given it but the sign of Jonah the prophet: {12:40} for as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the huge fish; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. {12:41} The men of Nineveh shall stand up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, a greater than Jonah is here. {12:42} The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, a greater than Solomon is here. {12:43} But the unclean spirit, when he is gone out of the man, passes through waterless places, seeking rest, and finds it not. {12:44} Then he said, I will return into my house where I came out; and when he is come, he finds it empty, swept, and garnished. {12:45} Then goes he, and takes with himself seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this evil generation. {12:46} While he was yet speaking to the multitudes, behold, his mother and his brethren stood outside, seeking to speak to him. {12:47} And one said unto him, Behold, your mother and your brethren stand outside, seeking to speak to you. {12:48} But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren? {12:49} And he stretched forth his hand towards his disciples, and said, Behold, my mother and my brethren! {12:50} For anyone who shall do the will of my Father who is in heaven, he is my brother, and sister, and mother.

{N1}13} Matthew Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} On that day went Yehsus out of the house, and sat by the sea side. {13:2} And there were gathered unto him great multitudes, so that he entered into a boat, and sat; and all the multitude stood on the beach. {13:3} And he spoke to them many things in parables, saying, Behold, the sower went forth to sow; {13:4} and as he sowed, some [seeds] fell by the way side, and the birds came and devoured them: {13:5} and others fell upon the rocky places, where they had not much earth: and immediately they sprang up, because they had no deepness of earth: {13:6} and when the sun was risen, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. {13:7} And others fell upon the thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked them: {13:8} and others fell upon the good ground, and yielded fruit, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. {13:9} He that has ears, let him hear. {13:10} And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speak you unto them in parables? {13:11} And he answered and said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. {13:12} For anyone who has, to him shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but anyone who has not, from him shall be taken away even that which he has. {13:13} Therefore speak I to them in parables; because seeing they see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. {13:14} And unto them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah, which said, By hearing you shall hear, and shall in no wise understand; And seeing you shall see, and shall in no wise perceive: {13:15} For this people's heart is waxed gross, And their ears are dull of hearing, And their eyes they have closed; Lest haply they should perceive with their eyes, And hear with their ears, And understand with

their heart, And should turn again, And I should heal them. {13:16} But blessed are your eyes, for they see; and your ears, for they hear. {13:17} For verily I say unto you, that many prophets and righteous men desired to see the things which you see, and saw them not; and to hear the things which you hear, and heard them not. {13:18} Hear then you the parable of the Sower. {13:19} When any one hears the word of the kingdom, and understands it not, [then] comes the evil [one], and snatches away that which has been sown in his heart. This is he that was sown by the way side. {13:20} And he that was sown upon the rocky places, this is he that hears the word, and immediately with joy receives it; {13:21} yet has he not root in himself, but endures for a while; and when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. {13:22} And he that was sown among the thorns, this is he that hears the word; and the cares of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. {13:23} And he that was sown upon the good ground, this is he that hears the word, and understands it; who verily bears fruit, and brings forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. {13:24} Another parable set he before them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man that sowed good seed in his field: {13:25} but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed [poison] tares (DARNEL) also among the wheat, and went away. {13:26} But when the blade sprang up [it looked like wheat but when] it brought forth fruit, and then appeared the [poison black seeds the] tares also. {13:27} And the slaves of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? where then has it tares? {13:28} And he said unto them, An enemy has done this. And the slaves say unto him, Will you then that we go and gather them up? {13:29} But he said, No; lest haply while you gather up the tares, you root up the wheat with them. {13:30} Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather up first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them; but gather the wheat into my barn. {13:31} Another parable set he before them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like unto a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: {13:32} which indeed is less than all seeds; but when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the heaven come and lodge in the branches there. {13:33} Another parable spoke he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till it was all leavened. {13:34} All these things spoke Yehsus in parables unto the multitudes; and outside a parable spoke he nothing unto them: {13:35} that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things hidden from the foundation of the world. {13:36} Then he left the multitudes, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Explain unto us the parable of the tares of the field. {13:37} And he answered and said, He that sows the good seed is the Son of man; {13:38} and the field is the world; and the good seed, these are the sons of the kingdom; and the tares are the sons of the evil [one]; {13:39} and the enemy that sowed them is the devil: and the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are messengers. {13:40} As therefore the tares are gathered up and burned with fire; so shall it be in the end of the world. {13:41} The Son of man shall send forth his messengers, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all who do things that cause stumbling, and them that do work against law, {13:42} and shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth. {13:43} Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He that has ears, let him hear. {13:44} The kingdom of heaven is like unto a treasure hidden in the field; which a man found, and hid; and in his joy he goes and sells all that he has, and buys that field. {13:45} Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is a merchant seeking goodly pearls: {13:46} and having found one pearl of great price, he went and sold all that he had, and bought it. {13:47} Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: {13:48} which, when it was filled, they drew up on the beach; and they sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but the bad they cast away. {13:49} So shall it be in the end of the world: the messengers shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the righteous, {13:50} and shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be the weeping and the gnashing

of teeth. {13:51} Have you understood all these things? They say unto him, behold. {13:52} And he said unto them, Therefore every scribe who has been made a disciple to the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is a householder, who brings forth out of his treasure things new and old. {13:53} And it came to pass, when Yehsus had finished these parables, he departed there. {13:54} And coming into his own country he taught them in their synagogue, so much that they were astonished, and said, Where has this man this wisdom, and these mighty works? {13:55} Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Maria? and his brethren, James, and Joseph, and Simon, and Judas? {13:56} And his sisters, are they not all with us? Where then has this man all these things? {13:57} And they were offended in him. But Yehsus said unto them, A prophet is not outside honor, save in his own country, and in his own house. {13:58} And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

{N1}14} Matthew Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} At that season Herod the tetrarch heard the report concerning Yehsus, {14:2} and said unto his servant, This is John the Immerser [in water]; he is risen from the dead; and therefore do these powers work in him. {14:3} For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife. {14:4} For John said unto him, It is not lawful for you to have her. {14:5} And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet. {14:6} But when Herod's birthday came, the daughter of Herodias danced in the midst, and pleased Herod. {14:7} Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatever she should ask. {14:8} And she, being put forward by her mother, said, Give me here on a platter the head of John the Immerser [in water]. {14:9} And the king was grieved; but for the sake of his oaths, and of them that sat at meat with him, he commanded it to be given; {14:10} and he sent and beheaded John in the prison. {14:11} And his head was brought on a platter, and given to the maid: and she brought it to her mother. {14:12} And his disciples came, and took up the corpse, and buried him; and they went and told Yehsus. {14:13} Now when Yehsus heard [it], he withdrew from there in a boat, to a desert place apart: and when the multitudes heard [there,] they followed him on foot from the cities. {14:14} And he came forth, and saw a great multitude, and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. {14:15} And when even was come, the disciples came to him, saying, The place is desert, and the time is already past; send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves food. {14:16} But Yehsus said unto them, They have no need to go away; give you them to eat. {14:17} And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes. {14:18} And he said, Bring them here to me. {14:19} And he commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass; and he took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples to the multitudes. {14:20} And they all ate, and were filled: and they took up that which remained over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. {14:21} And they that did eat were about five thousand men, besides women and children. {14:22} And immediately he constrained the disciples to enter into the boat, and to go before him unto the other side, till he should send the multitudes away. {14:23} And after he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into the mountain apart to pray: and when even was come, he was there alone. {14:24} But the boat was now in the midst of the sea, distressed by the waves; for the wind was contrary. {14:25} And in the fourth watch of the night he came unto them, walking upon the sea. {14:26} And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a ghost; and they cried out for fear. {14:27} But immediately Yehsus spoke unto them, saying Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. {14:28} And Petros answered him and said, Lord, if it be you, bid me come unto you upon the waters. {14:29} And he said, Come. And Petros went down from the boat, and walked upon the waters to come to Yehsus. {14:30} But when he saw the wind, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried out, saying, Lord, save me. {14:31} And immediately Yehsus stretched forth his hand, and took hold of him, and said unto him, O you of little faith, Therefore did you doubt? {14:32} And when they were gone up into the boat, the wind ceased. {14:33}

And they that were in the boat worshipped him, saying, Of a truth you are the Son of God. {14:34} And when they had crossed over, they came to the land, unto Gennesaret. {14:35} And when the men of that place knew him, they sent into all that region round about, and brought unto him all that were sick, {14:36} and they beg him that they might only touch the border of his garment: and as many as touched were made whole.

{N1}15} Matthew Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Then there come to Yehsus from Jerusalem Pharisees and scribes, saying, {15:2} Why do your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread. {15:3} And he answered and said unto them, Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? {15:4} For God said, Honor your father and your mother: and, He that speaks evil of father or mother, let him die the death. {15:5} But you say, anyone who shall say to his father or his mother That by which you might have been profited by me is given [to God]; {15:6} he shall not honor his father. And you have made void the word of God because of your tradition. {15:7} you hypocrites, well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying, {15:8} This people honors me with their lips; But their heart is far from me. {15:9} But in vain do they worship me, Teaching [as their] instructions the precepts of men. {15:10} And he called to him the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand: {15:11} Not that which enters into the mouth defiles the man; but that which proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man. {15:12} Then came the disciples, and said unto him, Know you that the Pharisees were offended, when they heard this saying? {15:13} But he answered and said, Every plant which my heavenly Father planted not, shall be rooted up. {15:14} Let them alone: they are blind guides. And if the blind guide the blind, both shall fall into a pit. {15:15} And Petros answered and said unto him, Declare unto us the parable. {15:16} And he said, Are you also even yet outside understanding? {15:17} Perceive you not, that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the belly, and is cast out into the drain? {15:18} But the things which proceed out of the mouth come forth out of the heart; and they defile the man. {15:19} For out of the heart come forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, railings: {15:20} these are the things which defile the man; but to eat with unwashed hands defiles not the man. {15:21} And Yehsus went out there, and withdrew into the parts of Tyre and Sidon. {15:22} And behold, a Canaanitish woman came out from those borders, and cried, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, you son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a demon. {15:23} But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and beg him, saying, Send her away; for she cries after us. {15:24} But he answered and said, I was not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. {15:25} But she came and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. {15:26} And he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread and cast it to the dogs. {15:27} But she said, behold, Lord: for even the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. {15:28} Then Yehsus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is your faith: be it done unto you even as you will. And her daughter was healed from that hour. {15:29} And Yehsus departed there, and came near unto the sea of Galilee; and he went up into the mountain, and sat there. {15:30} And there came unto him great multitudes, having with them the lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and they cast them down at his feet; and he healed them: {15:31} so much that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb speaking, the maimed whole, and lame walking, and the blind seeing: and they glorified the God of Israel. {15:32} And Yehsus called unto him his disciples, and said, I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days and have nothing to eat: and I would not send them away fasting, lest haply they faint on the way. {15:33} And the disciples say unto him, Where should we have so many loaves in a desert place as to fill so great a multitude? {15:34} And Yehsus said unto them, How many loaves have you? And they said, Seven, and a few small fishes. {15:35} And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground; {15:36} and he took the seven loaves and the fishes; and he gave thanks and brake, and gave to the disciples, and the disciples to the multitudes. {15:37} And they all ate, and were filled: and they took up that which remained

over of the broken pieces, seven baskets full. {15:38} And they that did eat were four thousand men, besides women and children. {15:39} And he sent away the multitudes, and entered into the boat, and came into the borders of Magdala.

{N1}16} Matthew Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And the Pharisees and Sadducees came, and trying him asked him to show them a sign from heaven. {16:2} But he answered and said unto them, When it is evening, you say, [It will be] fair weather: for the heaven is red. {16:3} And in the morning, [It will be] foul weather to-day: for the heaven is red and lowering. you know how to discern the face of the heaven; but you cannot [discern] the signs of the times. {16:4} An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of Jonah. And he left them, and departed. {16:5} And the disciples came to the other side and forgot to take bread. {16:6} And Yehsus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees. {16:7} And they reasoned among themselves, saying, We took no bread. {16:8} And Yehsus perceiving it said, O you of little faith, why reason you among yourselves, because you have no bread? {16:9} Do you not yet perceive, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets you took up? {16:10} Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets you took up? {16:11} How is it that you do not perceive that I spoke not to you concerning bread? But beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees. {16:12} Then understood they that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees. {16:13} Now when Yehsus came into the parts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Who do men say that the Son of man is? {16:14} And they said, Some [say] John the Immerser [in water]; some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets.

{16:15} He said unto them, But who say you that I am? {16:16} And Simon Petros [The Small Stone] answered and said, you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. {16:17} And Yehsus answered and said unto him, Blessed are you, Simon son of-Jonah: for flesh and blood has not revealed it unto you, but my Father who is in heaven. {16:18} And I also say unto you, that you are Petros [a precious Small Stone] but on this [the unconquerable mountain fortress] of the Petra, I edify [the court of] my Ekklesia; and [in the life or death warfare from the assaults from] the gates of Hades shall not conquer her [my Ekklesia]. {16:19} I will give unto you [my Ekklesia] the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatever you [my Ekklesia] shall bind on earth is already bound in heaven; and whatever you [my Ekklesia] shall loose on earth shall be what is already loosed in heaven. {16:20} Then charged he the disciples that they should tell no man that he was the Christ.

{16:21} From that time began Yehsus to show unto his disciples, that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and the third day be raised up. {16:22} And Petros took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from you, Lord: this shall never happen you. {16:23} But he turned, and said unto Petros, Get you behind me, Satan: you are a stumbling-block unto me: for you mind not the things of God, but the things of men.

{16:24} Then said Yehsus unto his disciples, If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. {16:25} For anyone who would save his life shall lose it: and anyone who shall lose his life for my sake shall find it. {16:26} For what shall a man be profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and forfeit his life? or what shall a man give in exchange for his life? {16:27} For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his messengers; and then shall he render unto every man according to his works.

{16:28} Verily I say unto you, there are some of them that stand here, who shall in no wise taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

{N1}17} Matthew Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And after six days Yehsus takes with him Petros, and James, and John his brother, and brings them up into a high mountain apart: {17:2}

and he was transfigured before them; and his face did shine as the sun, and his garments became white as the light. {17:3} And behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elijah talking with him. {17:4} And Petros answered, and said unto Yehsus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if you will, I will make here three tabernacles; one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah. {17:5} While he was yet speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my agape beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear you him. {17:6} And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. {17:7} And Yehsus came and touched them and said, Arise, and be not afraid. {17:8} And lifting up their eyes, they saw no one, save Yehsus only. {17:9} And as they were coming down from the mountain, Yehsus commanded them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen from the dead. {17:10} And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elijah must first come? {17:11} And he answered and said, Elijah indeed comes, and shall restore all things: {17:12} but I say unto you, that Elijah is come already, and they knew him not, but did unto him whatever they would. Even so shall the Son of man also suffer of them. {17:13} Then understood the disciples that he spoke unto them of John the Immerser [in water]. {17:14} And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a man, kneeling to him, saying, {17:15} Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is epileptic, and suffers grievously; for oft-times he falls into the fire, and off-times into the water. {17:16} And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not cure him. {17:17} And Yehsus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I bear with you? bring him here to me. {17:18} And Yehsus rebuked him; and the demon went out of him: and the boy was cured from that hour. {17:19} Then came the disciples to Yehsus apart, and said, Why could we not cast it out? {17:20} And he said unto them, Because of your little faith: for verily I say unto you, If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you shall say unto this mountain, Remove from here to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you. {17:21} [This not in some manuscripts "But this kind goes not out save by prayer and fasting."] {17:22} And while they abode in Galilee, Yehsus said unto them, The Son of man shall be delivered up into the hands of men; {17:23} and they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised up. And they were exceeding sorry. {17:24} And when they were come to Capernaum, they that received the half-shekel came to Petros, and said, Does not your teacher pay the half-shekel? {17:25} He said, behold. And when he came into the house, Yehsus spoke first to him, saying, What think you, Simon? the kings of the earth, from whom do they receive toll or tribute? from their sons, or from strangers? {17:26} And when he said, From strangers, Yehsus said unto him, Therefore the sons are free. {17:27} But, lest we cause them to stumble, go you to the sea, and cast a hook, and take up the fish that first comes up; and when you have opened his mouth, you shall find a shekel: that take, and give unto them for me and you.

{N1}18} Matthew Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} In that hour came the disciples unto Yehsus, saying, Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven? {18:2} And he called to him a little child, and set him in the midst of them, {18:3} and said, Verily I say unto you, Except you turn, and become [humble] as little children, you shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven. {18:4} Anyone who therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. {18:5} And who so shall receive one such little child [that humbles self] in my name receives me: {18:6} But who so shall cause one of these little [humble] ones that believe on me to stumble, it is profitable for him that a great millstone should be hanged about his neck, and [that] he should be sunk in the depth of the sea. {18:7} Woe unto the world because of occasions of stumbling! for it must needs be that the occasions come; but woe to that man through whom the occasion comes! {18:8} And if your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off, and cast it from you: it is good for you to enter into life maimed or halt, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into the eternal fire. {18:9} And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out, and cast it from you: it is good for you to enter into life with one eye, rather

than having two eyes to be cast into the hell of fire. {18:10} See that you despise not one of these little [humble] ones; for I say unto you, that in heaven their messengers do always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven. {18:11} [For the Son of man came to save that which was lost.] {18:12} How think you? if any man have a hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, does he not leave the ninety and nine, and go unto the mountains, and seek that which goes astray? {18:13} And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety and nine which have not gone astray. {18:14} Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish. {18:15} And if your brother sin against you, go, show him his fault between you and him alone: if he hear you, you have gained your brother. {18:16} But if he hear [you] not, take with you one or two more, that at the mouth of two witnesses or three every word may be established. {18:17} And if he refuse to hear them, tell it unto the Ekklesia: and if he refuse to hear the Ekklesia also, let him be unto you as the Gentile and the tax collector. {18:18} Verily I say unto you, what things so ever you [the Ekklesia] shall bind on earth shall be what is [already] bound in heaven; and what things so ever you [the Ekklesia] shall loose on earth shall be what is [already] loosed in heaven. {18:19} Again I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father who is in heaven. {18:20} For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. {18:21} Then came Petros and said to him, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? until seven times? {18:22} Yehsus said unto him, I say not unto you, Until seven times; but, Until seventy times seven. {18:23} Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, who would make a reckoning with his slaves. {18:24} And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, that owed him ten thousand talents. {18:25} But forasmuch as he had not [by which] to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. {18:26} The slave therefore fell down and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you all. {18:27} And the lord of that slave, being moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. {18:28} But that slave went out, and found one of his fellow-slaves, who owed him a hundred shillings: and he laid hold on him, and took [him] by the throat, saying, Pay what you owe. {18:29} So his fellow-slave fell down and beg him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay you. {18:30} And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay that which was due. {18:31} So when his fellow-slave saw what was done, they were exceeding sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. {18:32} Then his lord called him unto him, and said to him, you wicked slave, I forgave you all that debt, because you begged me: {18:33} should not you also have had mercy on your fellow-Slave, even as I had mercy on you? {18:34} And his lord was angry, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due. {18:35} So shall also my heavenly Father do unto you, if you forgive not everyone his brother from your hearts.

{N1}19} Matthew Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And it came to pass when Yehsus had finished these words, he departed from Galilee, and came into the borders of Judea beyond the Jordan; {19:2} and great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there. {19:3} And there came unto him Pharisees, trying him, and saying, Is it [the Jewish unwritten oral Halakhah] lawful [for a man] to put away his wife forever cause? {19:4} And he answered and said, Have you not read [what is written], that he who made [them] from the beginning made them male and female, {19:5} and said, For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh? {19:6} So that they are no more two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder. {19:7} They say unto him, Why then did Moses command to give a bill of divorcement, and to put [her] away? {19:8} He said unto them, Moses for your hardness of heart suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it has not been so. {19:9} And I say unto you, Anyone who shall put away his wife, except for fornication, and shall marry another, [cause his wife] to commit adultery: and he that

marries her when she is put away [also] commits adultery. {19:10} The disciples say unto him, If the case of the man is so with his wife, it is not expedient to marry. {19:11} But he said unto them, Not all men can receive this saying, but they to whom it is given. {19:12} For there are eunuchs that were so born from their mother's womb: and there are eunuchs that were made eunuchs by men: and there are eunuchs that made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive it, let him receive it. {19:13} Then were there brought unto him little children that he should lay his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. {19:14} But Yehsus said, Suffer the little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven. {19:15} And he laid his hands on them, and departed there. {19:16} And behold, one came to him and said, Teacher, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? {19:17} And he said unto him, Why ask you me concerning that which is good? One there is who is good: but if you would enter into life, keep the commandments. {19:18} He said unto him, Which? And Yehsus said, you shall not kill, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not bear false witness, {19:19} Honor your father and mother; and, you shall agape love your neighbor as yourself. {19:20} The young man said unto him, All these things have I observed: what lack I yet? {19:21} Yehsus said unto him, If you would be perfect, go, sell that which you have, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. {19:22} But when the young man heard the saying, he went away sorrowful; for he was one that had great possessions. {19:23} And Yehsus said unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, It is hard for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of heaven. {19:24} And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. {19:25} And when the disciples heard it, they were astonished exceedingly, saying, Who then can be saved? {19:26} And Yehsus looking upon [them] said to them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible. {19:27} Then answered Petros and said unto him, Lo, we have left all, and followed you; what then shall we have? {19:28} And Yehsus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that you who have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit on the throne of his glory, you also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. {19:29} And everyone that has left houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and shall inherit eternal life. {19:30} But many shall be last [that are] first; and first [that are] last.

{N1}20} Matthew Chapter Twenty. {20:1} For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that was a householder, who went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard. {20:2} And when he had agreed with the laborers for a shilling a day, he sent them into his vineyard. {20:3} And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing in the marketplace idle; {20:4} and to them he said, Go you also into the vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you. And they went their way. {20:5} Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did likewise. {20:6} And about the eleventh [hour] he went out, and found others standing; and he said unto them, Why stand you here all the day idle? {20:7} They say unto him, Because no man has hired us. He said unto them, Go you also into the vineyard. {20:8} And when even was come, the lord of the vineyard said unto his steward, Call the laborers, and pay them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. {20:9} And when they came that [were hired] about the eleventh hour, they received every man a shilling. {20:10} And when the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise received every man a shilling. {20:11} And when they received it, they murmured against the householder, {20:12} saying, These last have spent [but] one hour, and you have made them equal unto us, who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat. {20:13} But he answered and said to one of them, Friend, I do you no wrong: did not you agree with me for a shilling? {20:14} Take up that which is yours, and go your way; it is my will to give unto this last, even as unto you. {20:15} Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? or is your eye evil, because I am good? {20:16} So the last shall

be first, and the first last. {20:17} And as Yehsus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples apart, and on the way he said unto them, {20:18} Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests and scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, {20:19} and shall deliver him unto the Nations to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify: and the third day he shall be raised up. {20:20} Then came to him the mother of the sons of Zebedee with her sons, worshipping [him], and asking a certain thing of him. {20:21} And he said unto her, What would you? She said unto him, Command that these my two sons may sit, one on your right hand, and one on your left hand, in your kingdom. {20:22} But Yehsus answered and said, you know not what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink? They say unto him, We are able. {20:23} He said unto them, My cup indeed you shall drink: but to sit on my right hand, and on [my] left hand, is not mine to give; but [it is for them] for whom it has been prepared of my Father. {20:24} And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation concerning the two brethren. {20:25} But Yehsus called them unto him, and said, you know that the rulers of the Nations lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. {20:26} Not so shall it be among you: but anyone who would become great among you shall be your slave; {20:27} and anyone who would be first among you shall be your slave: {20:28} even as the Son of man came not to be served unto, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many. {20:29} And as they went out from Jericho, a great multitude followed him. {20:30} And behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Yehsus was passing by, cried out, saying, Lord, have mercy on us, you son of David. {20:31} And the multitude rebuked them, that they should hold their peace: but they cried out the more, saying, Lord, have mercy on us, you son of David. {20:32} And Yehsus stood still, and called them, and said, What will you that I should do unto you? {20:33} They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened. {20:34} And Yehsus, being moved with compassion, touched their eyes; and immediately they received their sight, and followed him.

{N1}21} Matthew Chapter Twenty-One.. {21:1} And when they drew near unto Jerusalem, and came unto Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then Yehsus sent two disciples, {21:2} saying unto them, Go into the village that is over against you, and immediately you shall find an donkey tied, and a colt with her: loose [them], and bring [them] unto me. {21:3} And if anyone say anything unto you, you shall say, The Lord has need of them; and immediately he will send them. {21:4} Now this is come to pass, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet, saying, {21:5} Tell you the daughter of Zion, Behold, your King comes unto you, Meek, and riding upon an donkey, And upon a colt the foal of an ass. {21:6} And the disciples went, and did even as Yehsus appointed them, {21:7} and brought the donkey, and the colt, and put on them their garments; and he sat thereon. {21:8} And the most part of the multitude spread their garments in the way; and others cut branches from the trees, and spread them in the way. {21:9} And the multitudes that went before him, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed [is] he that comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. {21:10} And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, Who is this? {21:11} And the multitudes said, This is the prophet, Yehsus, from Nazareth of Galilee. {21:12} And Yehsus entered into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold the doves; {21:13} and he said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called a house of prayer: but you make it a den of robbers. {21:14} And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them. {21:15} But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children that were crying in the temple and saying, Hosanna to the son of David; they were moved with indignation, {21:16} and said unto him, Hear you what these are saying? And Yehsus said unto them, behold: did you never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings you have perfected praise? {21:17} And he left them, and went forth out of the city to Bethany, and lodged there. {21:18} Now in the morning as he returned to the city, he hungered. {21:19} And

seeing a fig tree by the way side, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only; and he said unto it, Let there be no fruit from you from here on forever. And immediately the fig tree withered away. {21:20} And when the disciples saw it, they marveled, saying, How did the fig tree immediately wither away? {21:21} And Yehsus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If you have faith, and doubt not, you shall not only do what is done to the fig tree, but even if you shall say unto this mountain, Be you taken up and cast into the sea, it shall be done. {21:22} And all things, whatever you shall ask in prayer, believing, you shall receive. {21:23} And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority do you these things? and who gave you this authority? {21:24} And Yehsus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one question, which if you tell me, I likewise will tell you by what authority I do these things. {21:25} The immersion of John, where was it? from heaven or from men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why then did you not believe him? {21:26} But if we shall say, From men; we fear the multitude; for all hold John as a prophet. {21:27} And they answered Yehsus, and said, We know not. He also said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things. {21:28} But what think you? A man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to-day in the vineyard. {21:29} And he answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented himself, and went. {21:30} And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I [go], sir: and went not. {21:31} Which of the two did the will of his father? They say, The first. Yehsus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. {21:32} For John came unto you in the way of good works, and you believed him not; but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him: and you, when you saw it, did not even repent yourselves afterward, that you might believe him. {21:33} Hear another parable: There was a man that was a householder, who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge about it, and dug a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into another country. {21:34} And when the season of the fruits drew near, he sent his slaves to the husbandmen, to receive his fruits. {21:35} And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. {21:36} Again, he sent other slaves more than the first: and they did unto them in like manner. {21:37} But afterward he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. {21:38} But the husbandmen, when they saw the son, said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and take his inheritance. {21:39} And they took him, and cast him forth out of the vineyard, and killed him. {21:40} When therefore the lord of the vineyard shall come, what will he do unto those husbandmen? {21:41} They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those miserable men, and will let out the vineyard unto other husbandmen, who shall render him the fruits in their seasons. {21:42} Yehsus said unto them, Did you never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, The same was made the head of the corner; This was from the Lord, And it is marvelous in our eyes? {21:43} Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken away from you, and shall be given to a nation bringing forth the fruits there. {21:44} And he that falls on this stone shall be broken to pieces: but on whom so ever it shall fall, it will scatter him as dust. {21:45} And when the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he spoke of them. {21:46} And when they sought to lay hold on him, they feared the multitudes, because they took him for a prophet.

{N1}22} Matthew Chapter Twenty-Two. {22:1} And Yehsus answered and spoke again in parables unto them, saying, {22:2} The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a certain king, who made a marriage feast for his son, {22:3} and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the marriage feast: and they would not come. {22:4} Again he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them that are bidden, Behold, I have made ready my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come to the marriage feast. {22:5} But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his merchandise; {22:6} and the rest laid hold on

his servants, and treated them shamefully, and killed them. {22:7} But the king was angry; and he sent his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. {22:8} Then said he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they that were bidden were not worthy. {22:9} Go you therefore unto the partings of the highways, and as many as you shall find, bid to the marriage feast. {22:10} And those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was filled with guests. {22:11} But when the king came in to behold the guests, he saw there a man who had not on a wedding-garment: {22:12} and he said unto him, Friend, how came you in here not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless. {22:13} Then the king said to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and cast him out into the outer darkness; there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth. {22:14} For many are called, but few chosen. {22:15} Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might ensnare him in [his] talk. {22:16} And they send to him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying, Teacher, we know that you are true, and teach the way of God in truth, and cares not for any one: for you regards not the person of men. {22:17} Tell us therefore, What think you? Is it [the unwritten Halakah] lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? {22:18} But Yehsus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why make you trial of me, you hypocrites? {22:19} Show me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a denarius. {22:20} And he said unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? {22:21} They say unto him, Caesar's. Then said he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's. {22:22} And when they heard it, they marveled, and left him, and went away. {22:23} On that day there came to him Sadducees, they that say that there is no resurrection: and they asked him, {22:24} saying, Teacher, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. {22:25} Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first married and deceased, and having no seed left his wife unto his brother; {22:26} in like manner the second also, and the third, unto the seventh. {22:27} And after them all, the woman died. {22:28} In the resurrection therefore whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her. {22:29} But Yehsus answered and said unto them, you do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God. {22:30} For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as messengers in heaven. {22:31} But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have you not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying, {22:32} I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not [the God] of the dead, but of the living. {22:33} And when the multitudes heard it, they were astonished at his teaching. {22:34} But the Pharisees, when they heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, gathered themselves together. {22:35} And one of them, a [unwritten oral law the Halakah law of the heart] lawyer, asked him a question, trying him: {22:36} Teacher, which is the great commandment in the [Halakah] law? {22:37} And he said unto him, you shall Agape love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. {22:38} This is the great and first commandment. {22:39} And a second like [unto it] is this, you shall Agape love your neighbor as yourself. {22:40} On these two commandments the whole law hangs, and the prophets. {22:41} Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Yehsus asked them a question, {22:42} saying, What think you of the Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, [The son] of David. {22:43} He said unto them, How then does David in the Spirit call him Lord, saying; {22:44} The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit you on my right hand, Till I put your enemies underneath your feet? {22:45} If David then calls him Lord, how is he his son? {22:46} And no one was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

{N1}23} Matthew Chapter Twenty-Three. {23:1} Then spoke Yehsus to the multitudes and to his disciples, {23:2} saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses seat: {23:3} all things therefore whatever they bid you, [you are wrong to] do and observe: but do not you after their works; for they say, and do not. {23:4} behold, they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be

borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with their finger. {23:5} But all their works they do to be seen of men: for they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders [of their garments], {23:6} and philo love the chief place at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, {23:7} and the salutations in the marketplaces, and to be called of men, Rabbi. {23:8} But be not you called Rabbi: for one is your teacher, and all you are brethren. {23:9} And call no man your father on the earth: for one is your Father, [even] he who is in heaven. {23:10} Neither be you called masters: for one is your master, [even] the Christ. {23:11} But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. {23:12} And anyone who shall exalt himself shall be humbled; and anyone who shall humble himself shall be exalted. {23:13} But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because you shut the kingdom of heaven against men: for you enter not in yourselves, neither suffer you them that are entering in to enter. {23:14} Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you devour widows' houses, even while for a pretence you make long prayers: therefore you shall receive greater condemnation. {23:15} Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you compass sea and land to make one proselyte; and when he is become so, you make him twofold more a son of hell than yourselves. {23:16} Woe unto you, you blind guides, that say, Anyone who shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but anyone who shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor. {23:17} you fools and blind: for which is greater, the gold, or the temple that has sanctified the gold? {23:18} And, Anyone who shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but anyone who shall swear by the gift that is upon it, he is a debtor. {23:19} you blind: for which is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifies the gift? {23:20} He therefore that swears by the altar, swears by it, and by all things thereon. {23:21} And he that swears by the temple, swears by it, and by him that dwells therein. {23:22} And he that swears by the heaven, swears by the throne of God, and by him that sits there on. {23:23} Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you tithe mint and anise and cummin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the [written] law [through Moses], justice, and mercy, and faith: but these you ought to have done, and not to have left the other undone. {23:24} you blind guides that strain out the gnat, and swallow the camel! {23:25} Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you cleanse the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full from extortion and excess. {23:26} you blind Pharisee, cleanse first the inside of the cup and of the platter, that the outside of it may become clean also. {23:27} Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you are like unto whiten sepulchres, which outwardly appear beautiful, but inwardly are full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness. {23:28} Even so you also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but inwardly you are full of hypocrisy and work against law. {23:29} Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you build the sepulchres of the prophets, and garnish the tombs of the righteous, {23:30} and say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we should not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. {23:31} Therefore you witness to yourselves, that you are sons of them that slew the prophets. {23:32} Fill you up then the measure of your fathers. {23:33} you serpents, you offspring of vipers, how shall you escape the judgment of hell? {23:34} Therefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: some of them shall you kill and crucify; and some of them shall you scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city: {23:35} that upon you may come all the righteous bloodshed on the earth, from the blood of Abel the righteous unto the blood of Zachariah son of Barachiah, whom you slew between the sanctuary and the altar. {23:36} Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. {23:37} O Jerusalem, Jerusalem that kills the prophets, and stones them that are sent unto her! how often would I have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, and you would not! {23:38} Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. {23:39} For I say unto you, you shall not see me from here on, till you shall say, Blessed [is] he that comes in the name of the Lord.

{N1}24} Matthew Chapter Twenty-Four. {24:1} And Yehsus went out from the temple, and was going on his way; and his disciples came to him to show him the buildings of the temple. {24:2} But he answered and said unto them, See you not all these things? Verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another that shall not be thrown down. {24:3} And as he sat on the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what [shall be] the sign of your coming, and of the end of the world? {24:4} And Yehsus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man lead you astray. {24:5} For many shall come in my name, saying, I am the Christ; and shall lead many astray. {24:6} And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that you be not troubled: for [these things] must needs come to pass; but the end is not yet. {24:7} For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines and earthquakes in different places. {24:8} But all these things are the beginning of travail. {24:9} Then shall they deliver you up unto tribulation, and shall kill you: and you shall be hated of all the nations for my name's sake. {24:10} And then shall many stumble, and shall deliver up one another, and shall hate one another. {24:11} And many false prophets shall arise, and shall lead many astray. {24:12} And because works against law shall be multiplied, the agape love of the many shall wax cold. {24:13} But he that endures to the end, the same shall be saved. {24:14} And this good news of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world for a testimony unto all the nations; and then shall the end come. {24:15} When therefore you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let him that reads understand), {24:16} then let them that are in Judea flee unto the mountains: {24:17} let him that is on the housetop not go down to take out things that are in his house: {24:18} and let him that is in the field not return back to take his cloak. {24:19} But Woe unto them that are with child and to them that give suck in those days! {24:20} And pray you that your flight be not in the winter, neither on a Sabbath: {24:21} for then shall be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, nor ever shall be. {24:22} And except those days had been shortened, no flesh would have been saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. {24:23} Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is the Christ, or, Here; believe [it] not. {24:24} For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. {24:25} Behold, I have told you beforehand. {24:26} If therefore they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the wilderness; go not forth: Behold, he is in the inner chambers; believe [it] not. {24:27} For as the lightning comes forth from the east, and is seen even unto the west; so shall be the coming of the Son of man. {24:28} Where so ever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together. {24:29} But immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: {24:30} and then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth grieve, and they shall see the Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. {24:31} And he shall send forth his messengers with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. {24:32} Now from the fig tree learn her parable: when her branch is now become tender, and puts forth its leaves, you know that the summer is near; {24:33} even so you also, when you see all these things, know you that he is near, [even] at the doors. {24:34} Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all these things be accomplished. {24:35} Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away. {24:36} But of that day and hour knows no one, not even the messengers of heaven, neither the Son, but the Father only. {24:37} And as [were] the days of Noah, so shall be the coming of the Son of man. {24:38} For as in those days which were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, {24:39} and they knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall be the coming of the Son of man. {24:40} Then shall two men be in the field; one is taken, and one is left: {24:41} two women [shall be] grinding at the mill; one is

taken, and one is left. {24:42} Watch therefore: for you know not on what day your Lord comes. {24:43} But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what watch the thief was coming, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken through. {24:44} Therefore be you also ready; for in an hour that you think not the Son of man comes. {24:45} Who then is the faithful and wise slave, whom his lord has set over his household, to give them their food in due season? {24:46} Blessed is that slave, whom his lord when he comes shall find so doing. {24:47} Verily I say unto you, that he will set him over all that he has. {24:48} But if that evil slave shall say in his heart, My lord tarries; {24:49} and shall begin to beat his fellow-slaves, and shall eat and drink with the drunk; {24:50} the lord of that servant shall come in a day when he expects not, and in an hour when he knows not, {24:51} and shall cut him asunder, and appoint his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth.

{N1}25} Matthew Chapter Twenty Five. {25:1} Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, who took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. {25:2} And five of them were foolish, and five were wise. {25:3} For the foolish, when they took their lamps, took no oil with them: {25:4} but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. {25:5} Now while the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. {25:6} But at midnight there is a cry, Behold, the bridegroom! Come you forth to meet him. {25:7} Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. {25:8} And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are going out. {25:9} But the wise answered, saying, Perhaps there will not be enough for us and you: go you rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. {25:10} And while they went away to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage feast: and the door was shut. {25:11} Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. {25:12} But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. {25:13} Watch therefore, for you know not the day nor the hour.

{25:14} For [it is] as [when] a man, going into another country, called his own slaves, and delivered unto them his goods. {25:15} And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one; to each according to his several ability; and he went on his journey. {25:16} Immediately he that received the five talents went and traded with them, and made other five talents. {25:17} In like manner he also that [received] the two gained other two. {25:18} But he that received the one went away and dug in the earth, and hid his lord's money. {25:19} Now after a long time the lord of those slaves comes, and makes a reckoning with them. {25:20} And he that received the five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, you delivered unto me five talents: lo, I have gained other five talents. {25:21} His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful slave: you have been faithful over a few things, I will set you over many things; enter you into the joy of your lord. {25:22} And he also that [received] the two talents came and said, Lord, you delivered unto me two talents: lo, I have gained other two talents. {25:23} His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful slave: you have been faithful over a few things, I will set you over many things; enter you into the joy of your lord. {25:24} And he also that had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew you that you are a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter; {25:25} and I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the earth: lo, you have your own. {25:26} But his lord answered and said unto him, you wicked and slothful slave, you knew that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I did not scatter; {25:27} you ought therefore to have put my money to the bankers, and at my coming I should have received back mine own with interest. {25:28} Take you away therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him that has the ten talents. {25:29} For unto everyone that has shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that has not, even that which he has shall be taken away. {25:30} And cast you out the unprofitable slave into the outer darkness: there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth. {25:31} But when the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the messengers with him, then

shall he sit on the throne of his glory: {25:32} and before him shall be gathered all the nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; {25:33} and he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. {25:34} Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: {25:35} for I was hungry, and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me drink; I was a stranger, and you took me in; {25:36} naked, and you clothed me; I was sick, and you visited me; I was in prison, and you came unto me. {25:37} Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we you hungry, and fed you? or athirst, and gave you drink? {25:38} And when saw we you a stranger, and took you in? or naked, and clothed you? {25:39} And when saw we you sick, or in prison, and came unto you? {25:40} And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you did it unto one of these my brethren, [even] these least, you did it unto me. {25:41} Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire which is prepared for the devil and his messengers: {25:42} for I was hungry, and you did not give me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me no drink; {25:43} I was a stranger, and you took me not in; naked, and you clothed me not; sick, and in prison, and you visited me not. {25:44} Then shall they also answer, saying, Lord, when saw we you hungry, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto you? {25:45} Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you did it not unto one of these least, you did it not unto me. {25:46} And these shall go away into eternal punishment: but the righteous into eternal life.

{N1}26} Matthew Chapter Twenty-Six. {26:1} And it came to pass, when Yehsus had finished all these words, he said unto his disciples, {26:2} you know that after two days the Passover comes, and the Son of man is delivered up to be crucified. {26:3} Then were gathered together the chief priests, and the elders of the people, unto the court of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas; {26:4} and they took counsel together that they might take Yehsus by subtlety, and kill him. {26:5} But they said, Not during the feast, lest a tumult arise among the people. {26:6} Now when Yehsus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, {26:7} there came unto him a woman having an alabaster cruse of exceeding precious ointment, and she poured it upon his head, as he sat at meat. {26:8} But when the disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying, To what purpose is this waste? {26:9} For this [ointment] might have been sold for much, and given to the poor. {26:10} But Yehsus perceiving it said unto them, Why trouble you the woman? for she has wrought a good work upon me. {26:11} For you have the poor always with you; but me you have not always. {26:12} For in that she poured this ointment upon my body, she did it to prepare me for burial. {26:13} Verily I say unto you, Where so ever this good news shall be preached in the whole world, that also which this woman has done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. {26:14} Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, {26:15} and said, What are you willing to give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they weighed unto him thirty pieces of silver. {26:16} And from that time he sought opportunity to deliver him [unto them.] {26:17} Now on the first [of the preparation day] of unleavened bread the disciples came to Yehsus, saying, Where will you that we make ready for you to eat the Passover? {26:18} And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Teacher said, My time is at hand; I keep [my] Passover at your house with my disciples. {26:19} And the disciples did as Yehsus appointed them; and they made ready the Passover [Seder]. {26:20} Now when the beginning of night [the supper hour] was come, he was sitting at meat with the twelve disciples; {26:21} and as they were eating, he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me. {26:22} And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began to say unto him every one, Is it I, Lord? {26:23} And he answered and said, He that dipped his hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me. {26:24} The Son of man goes, even as it is written of him: but woe unto that man through whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had not been born. {26:25} And Judas, who betrayed him, answered and said, Is it I,

Rabbi? He said unto him, you have said. {26:26} And as they were eating [the Passover of], Yehsus [he] took bread, and blessed, and brake it; and he gave to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. {26:27} And he took a cup, and gave thanks, and gave to them, saying, Drink all of it; {26:28} for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many unto remission of sins. {26:29} But I say unto you, I shall not drink from here on of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom. {26:30} And when they had sung a hymn, they went out unto the mount of Olives. {26:31} Then said Yehsus unto them, All you shall be offended in me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. {26:32} But after I am raised up, I will go before you into Galilee. {26:33} But Petros answered and said unto him, If all shall be offended in you, I will never be offended. {26:34} Yehsus said unto him, Verily I say unto you, that this night, before the cock crow, you shall deny me thrice. {26:35} Petros said unto him, Even if I must die with you, [yet] will I not deny you. Likewise also said all the disciples. {26:36} Then comes Yehsus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and said unto his disciples, Sit you here, while I go yonder and pray. {26:37} And he took with him Petros and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and sore troubled. {26:38} Then said he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: abide you here, and watch with me. {26:39} And he went forward a little, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass away from me: nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will. {26:40} And he comes unto the disciples, and finds them sleeping, and said unto Petros, What, could you not watch with me one hour? {26:41} Watch and pray, that you enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. {26:42} Again a second time he went away, and prayed, saying, My Father, if this cannot pass away, except I drink it, your will be done. {26:43} And he came again and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. {26:44} And he left them again, and went away, and prayed a third time, saying again the same words. {26:45} Then comes he to the disciples, and said unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. {26:46} Arise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that betrays me. {26:47} And while he yet spoke, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priest and elders of the people. {26:48} Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, Whom so ever I shall kiss, that is he: take him. {26:49} And immediately he came to Yehsus, and said, Hail, Rabbi; and kissed him. {26:50} And Yehsus said unto him, Friend, [do] that for which you are come. Then they came and laid hands on Yehsus, and took him. {26:51} And behold, one of them that were with Yehsus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and smote the slave of the high priest, and struck off his ear. {26:52} Then said Yehsus unto him, Put up again your sword into its place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. {26:53} Or think you that I cannot ask my Father, and he shall even now send me more than twelve legions of messengers? {26:54} How then should the scriptures be fulfilled that thus it must be? {26:55} In that hour said Yehsus to the multitudes, Are you come out as against a robber with swords and staves to seize me? I sat daily in the temple teaching, and you took me not. {26:56} But all this is come to pass, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples left him, and fled. {26:57} And they that had taken Yehsus led him away to [the house of] Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were gathered together. {26:58} But Petros followed him afar off, unto the court of the high priest, and entered in, and sat with the officers, to see the end. {26:59} Now the chief priests and the whole council sought false witness against Yehsus that they might put him to death; {26:60} and they found it not, though many false witnesses came. But afterward came two, {26:61} and said, This man said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days. {26:62} And the high priest stood up, and said unto him, Answer you nothing? what is it which these witness against you? {26:63} But Yehsus held his peace. And the high priest said unto him, I adjure you by the living God, that you tell us whether you are the Christ, the Son of God. {26:64} Yehsus said unto him, you have said: nevertheless I say unto you, From

here on you shall see the Son of man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven. {26:65} Then the high priest rent his garments, saying, He has spoken blasphemy: what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now you have heard the blasphemy: {26:66} what think you? They answered and said, He is worthy of death. {26:67} Then did they spit in his face and buffet him: and some smote him with the palms of their hands, {26:68} saying, Prophesy unto us, you Christ: who is he that struck you? {26:69} Now Petros was sitting outside in the court: and a maid came unto him, saying, you also was with Yehsus the Galilean. {26:70} But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what you say. {26:71} And when he was gone out into the porch, another [maid] saw him, and said unto them that were there, This man also was with Yehsus of Nazareth. {26:72} And again he denied with an oath, I know not the man. {26:73} And after a little while they that stood by came and said to Petros, Of a truth you also are [one] of them; for your speech makes you known. {26:74} Then began he to curse and to swear, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew. {26:75} And Petros remembered the word which Yehsus had said, Before the cock crow, you shall deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

{N1}27) Matthew Chapter Twenty-seven {27:1} Now when morning was come, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Yehsus to put him to death: {27:2} and they bound him, and led him away, and delivered him up to Pilate the governor. {27:3} Then Judas, who betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, {27:4} saying, I have sinned in that I betrayed innocent blood. But they said, What is that to us? see you [to it]. {27:5} And he cast down the pieces of silver into the sanctuary, and departed; and he went away and hanged himself. {27:6} And the chief priests took the pieces of silver, and said, It is not [Halakah] lawful to put them into the treasury, since it is the price of blood. {27:7} And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. {27:8} Therefore that field was called, the field of blood, unto this day. {27:9} Then was fulfilled that which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was priced, whom [certain] of the children of Israel did price; {27:10} and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me. {27:11} Now Yehsus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, are you the King of the Jews? And Yehsus said unto him, you say. {27:12} And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. {27:13} Then said Pilate unto him, Hear you not how many things they witness against you? {27:14} And he gave him no answer, not even to one word: so much that the governor marveled greatly. {27:15} Now at the feast the governor was wont to release unto the multitude one prisoner, whom they would. {27:16} And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. {27:17} When therefore they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will you that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Yehsus who is called Christ? {27:18} For he knew that for envy they had delivered him up. {27:19} And while he was sitting on the judgment-seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have you nothing to do with that righteous man; for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. {27:20} Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas, and destroy Yehsus. {27:21} But the governor answered and said unto them, Which of the two will you that I release unto you? And they said, Barabbas. {27:22} Pilate said unto them, What then shall I do unto Yehsus who is called Christ? They all say, Let him be crucified. {27:23} And he said, Why, what evil has he done? But they cried out exceedingly, saying, Let him be crucified. {27:24} So when Pilate saw that he prevailed nothing, but rather that a tumult was arising, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this righteous man; see you [to it]. {27:25} And all the people answered and said, His blood [be] on us, and on our children. {27:26} Then released he unto them Barabbas; but Yehsus he scourged and delivered to be crucified. {27:27} Then the soldiers of the governor took Yehsus into the Praetorium, and gathered unto him the whole band.

{27:28} And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. {27:29} And they platted a crown of thorns and put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand; and they kneeled down before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews! {27:30} And they spat upon him, and took the reed and smote him on the head. {27:31} And when they had mocked him, they took off from him the robe, and put on him his garments, and led him away to crucify him. {27:32} And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to go [with them], that he might bear his cross. {27:33} And they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, The place of a skull, {27:34} they gave him wine to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted it, he would not drink. {27:35} And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments among them, casting lots; {27:36} and they sat and watched him there. {27:37} And they set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS YEHSUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. {27:38} Then are there crucified with him two robbers, one on the right hand and one on the left. {27:39} And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, {27:40} and saying, you that destroys the temple, and build it in three days, save yourself: if you are the Son of God, come down from the cross. {27:41} In like manner also the chief priests mocking [him], with the scribes and elders, said, {27:42} He saved others; himself he cannot save. He is the King of Israel; let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe on him. {27:43} He trusts on God; let him deliver him now, if he desires him: for he said, I am the Son of God. {27:44} And the robbers also that were crucified with him cast upon him the same reproach. {27:45} Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. {27:46} And about the ninth hour Yehsus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is, My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? {27:47} And some of them stood there, when they heard it, said, This man calls Elijah. {27:48} And immediately one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. {27:49} And the rest said, Let be; let us see whether Elijah comes to save him. {27:50} And Yehsus cried again with a loud voice, and yielded up his spirit. {27:51} And behold, the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake; and the rocks were rent; {27:52} and the tombs were opened; and many bodies of the Holy People that had fallen asleep were raised; {27:53} and coming forth out of the tombs after his resurrection they entered into the holy city and appeared unto many. {27:54} Now the centurion, and they that were with him watching Yehsus, when they saw the earthquake, and the things that were done, feared exceedingly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God. {27:55} And many women were there beholding from afar, who had followed Yehsus from Galilee, ministering unto him: {27:56} among whom was Maria Magdalene, and Maria the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. {27:57} And when even was come, there came a rich man from Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Yehsus' disciple: {27:58} this man went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Yehsus. Then Pilate commanded it to be given up. {27:59} And Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, {27:60} and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb, and departed. {27:61} And Maria Magdalene was there, and the other Maria, sitting over against the sepulcher. {27:62} Now on the morrow [of the Passover day], which is [the next day] after the [crucifixion] and Preparation [for the Passover], the chief priests and the Pharisees were gathered together unto Pilate, {27:63} saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said while he was yet alive, After three days I rise again. {27:64} Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest haply his disciples come and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: and the last error will be worse than the first. {27:65} Pilate said unto them, you have a guard: go, make it [as] sure as you can. {27:66} So they went, and made the sepulcher sure, sealing the stone, the guard being with them.

(Translation note. Study the resurrection in all the good news records Mat 28:1 Mark 16:1; Luke 24:1 John 20:1. False Bible translations that change the resurrection moment from sunset to

sunrise will change and Cripple the good news of Christ and rip from the Bible records the power of the good news of God to convince that the Bible is from God).

{N1}28} Matthew Chapter Twenty-Eight. {28:1} Now late on the Sabbath day, at dusk as it began to light up night towards the [day] one of the solar seven day Sabbaton, came Maria Magdalene and the other Maria to see the sepulcher. {28:2} And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an messenger of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled away the stone, and sat upon it. {28:3} His appearance was as lightning, and his raiment white as snow: {28:4} and for fear of him the watchers did quake, and became as dead men. {28:5} And the messenger answered and said unto the women, Fear not you; for I know that you seek Yehsus, who has been crucified. {28:6} He is not here; for he is risen, even as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. {28:7} And go quickly, and tell his disciples, He is risen from the dead; and lo, he goes before you into Galilee; there shall you see him: lo, I have told you. {28:8} And they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring his disciples word. {28:9} And behold, Yehsus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. {28:10} Then said Yehsus unto them, Fear not: go tell my brethren that they depart into Galilee, and there shall they see me. {28:11} Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city, and told unto the chief priests all the things that were come to pass. {28:12} And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave much money unto the soldiers, {28:13} saying, Say you, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept. {28:14} And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and rid you of care. {28:15} So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying was spread abroad among the Jews, [and continues] until this day. {28:16} But the eleven disciples went into Galilee, unto the mountain where Yehsus had appointed them. {28:17} And when they saw him, they worshipped [him]; but some doubted. {28:18} And Yehsus came to them and spoke unto them, saying, All authority has been given unto me in heaven and on earth. {28:19} Go you therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, immersing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: {28:20} teaching them to observe all things whatever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

The Gospel According To Mark

{N2}1} Mark Chapter One. {1:1} The beginning of the good news of Yehsus Christ, the Son of God. {1:2} Even as it is written in Isaiah the prophet, Behold, I send my messenger before your face, Who shall prepare your way. {1:3} The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make you ready the way of the Lord, Make his paths straight; {1:4} John came, who immersed [in water] in the wilderness and preached the [water] immersion [in water] of repentance unto remission of sins. {1:5} And there went out unto him all the country of Judea, and all they of Jerusalem; And they were immersed of him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. {1:6} And John was clothed with camel's hair, and [had] a leathern girdle about his loins, and did eat locusts and wild honey. {1:7} And he preached, saying, There comes after me he that is mightier than I, the latch of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose. {1:8} I immersed you in water; But he shall Immerse you in the Holy Spirit. {1:9} And it came to pass in those days, that Yehsus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was immersed [in water] of John in the Jordan. {1:10} And immediately coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens rent asunder, and the Spirit as a dove descending upon him: {1:11} And a voice came out of the heavens, you are my agape beloved Son, in you I am well pleased. {1:12} And immediately the Spirit drives him forth into the wilderness. {1:13} And he was in the wilderness forty days tempted of Satan; And he was with the wild beasts; And the messengers [of God] ministered unto him. {1:14} Now after John was delivered up, Yehsus came into Galilee, preaching the good news of God, {1:15} and saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent you, and believe in the good news. {1:16} And passing along by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the

brother of Simon casting a net in the sea; for they were fishers. {1:17} And Yehsus said unto them, Come you after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men. {1:18} And immediately they left the nets, and followed him. {1:19} And going on a little further, he saw James the [son] of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending the nets. {1:20} And immediately he called them: and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went after him. {1:21} And they go into Capernaum; and immediately on the Sabbath day he entered into the synagogue and taught. {1:22} And they were astonished at his teaching: For he taught them as having authority, and not as the scribes. {1:23} And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, {1:24} saying, What have we to do with you, Yehsus you Nazarene? are you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God. {1:25} And Yehsus rebuked him, saying, Hold your peace, and come out of him. {1:26} And the unclean spirit, tearing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. {1:27} And they were all amazed, so much that they questioned among themselves, saying, What is this? a new teaching! with authority he commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him. {1:28} And the report of him went out immediately everywhere roundabout into all the region of Galilee. {1:29} And immediately, when they were come out of the synagogue, they came into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. {1:30} Now Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever; and immediately they tell him of her: {1:31} and he came and took her by the hand, and raised her up; and the fever left her, and she ministered unto them. {1:32} And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were sick, and them that were possessed with demons. {1:33} And all the city was gathered together at the door. {1:34} And he healed many that were sick with different diseases, and cast out many demons; and he suffered not the demons to speak, because they knew him. {1:35} And in the morning, a great while before day, he rose up and went out, and departed into a desert place, and there prayed. {1:36} And Simon and they that were with him followed after him; {1:37} and they found him, and say unto him, All are seeking you. {1:38} And he said unto them, Let us go elsewhere into the next towns, that I may preach there also; for to this end came I forth. {1:39} And he went into their synagogues throughout all Galilee, preaching and casting out demons. {1:40} And there comes to him a leper, asking him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If you will, you can make me clean. {1:41} And being moved with compassion, he stretched forth his hand, and touched him, and said unto him, I will; be you made clean. {1:42} And immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was made clean. {1:43} And he strictly charged him, and immediately sent him out, {1:44} and said unto him, See you say nothing to any man: but go show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing the things which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. {1:45} But he went out, and began to publish it much, and to spread abroad the matter, so much that Yehsus could no more openly enter into a city, but was outside in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter.

{N2}2} Mark Chapter Two. {2:1} And when he entered again into Capernaum after some days, it was spoken abroad that he was in the house. {2:2} And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room [for them], no, not even about the door: and he spoke the word unto them. {2:3} And they come, bringing unto him a man sick of the palsy, carried by four. {2:4} And when they could not come near unto him for the crowd, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed whereon the sick of the palsy lay. {2:5} And Yehsus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, your sins are forgiven. {2:6} But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts, {2:7} Why does this man thus speak? he blasphemeth: who can forgive sins but one, [even] God? {2:8} And immediately Yehsus, perceiving in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, said unto them, Why reason you these things in your hearts? {2:9} Which is easier, to say to the sick of the palsy, Your sins are forgiven; or to say, Arise, and take up your bed, and walk? {2:10} But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins (he said to the sick of the

palsy), {2:11} I say unto you, Arise, take up your bed, and go unto your house. {2:12} And he arose, and immediately took up the bed, and went forth before them all; so much that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion. {2:13} And he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude coming unto him, and he taught them. {2:14} And as he passed by, he saw Levi the [son] of Alphaeus sitting at the place of toll, and he said unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him. {2:15} And it came to pass, that he was sitting at meat in his house, and many tax collectors and sinners sat down with Yehsus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him. {2:16} And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with the sinners and tax collectors, said unto his disciples, [How is it] that he eats and drinks with tax collectors and sinners? {2:17} And when Yehsus heard it, he said unto them, They that are whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners. {2:18} And John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting: and they come and say unto him, Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples fast not? {2:19} And Yehsus said unto them, Can the sons of the bride chamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. {2:20} But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then will they fast in that day. {2:21} No man sews a piece of undressed cloth on an old garment: else that which should fill it up takes from it, the new from the old, and a worse rent is made. {2:22} And no man puts new wine into old wineskins; else the wine will burst the skins, and the wine perishes, and the skins: but [they put] new wine into fresh wine-skins. {2:23} And it came to pass, that he was going on the Sabbath day through the grain fields; and his disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears. {2:24} And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the Sabbath day that which is not [our Halakah] lawful? {2:25} And he said unto them, Did you never read what David did, when he had need, and was hungry, he, and they that were with him? {2:26} How he entered into the house of God when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the showbread, which it is not lawful [through Moses] to eat save for the priests, and gave also to them that were with him? {2:27} And he said unto them, The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath: {2:28} so that the Son of man is lord even of the Sabbath.

{N2}3} Mark Chapter Three. {3:1} And he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there who had his hand withered. {3:2} And they watched him, whether he would heal him on the Sabbath day; that they might accuse him. {3:3} And he said unto the man that had his hand withered, Stand forth. {3:4} And he said unto them, Is it lawful [through Moses] on the Sabbath day to do good, or to do harm? to save a life, or to kill? But they held their peace. {3:5} And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved at the hardening of their heart, he said unto the man, Stretch forth your hand. And he stretched it forth; and his hand was restored. {3:6} And the Pharisees went out, and immediately with the Herodians took counsel against him, how they might destroy him. {3:7} And Yehsus with his disciples withdrew to the sea: and a great multitude from Galilee followed; and from Judea, {3:8} and from Jerusalem, and from Idumaea, and beyond the Jordan, and about Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, hearing what great things he did, came unto him. {3:9} And he spoke to his disciples, that a little boat should wait on him because of the crowd, lest they should throng him: {3:10} for he had healed many; so much that as many as had plagues pressed upon him that they might touch him. {3:11} And the unclean spirits, when so ever they watched him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, you are the Son of God. {3:12} And he charged them much that they should not make him known. {3:13} And he goes up into the mountain, and calls unto him whom he himself would; and they went unto him. {3:14} And he appointed twelve, that they might be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach, {3:15} and to have authority to cast out demons: {3:16} and Simon he surnamed Petros; {3:17} and James the [son] of Zebedee, and John the brother of James; and them he surnamed Boanerges, which is, Sons of thunder: {3:18} and Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the [son] of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus, and

Simon the Cananaean, {3:19} and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him. And he comes into a house. {3:20} And the multitude comes together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread. {3:21} And when his friends heard it, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, He is beside himself. {3:22} And the scribes that came down from Jerusalem said, He has Beelzebub, and, By the prince of the demons cast he out the demons. {3:23} And he called them unto him, and said unto them in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan? {3:24} And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. {3:25} And if a house be divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. {3:26} And if Satan has risen up against himself, and is divided, he cannot stand, but has an end. {3:27} But no one can enter into the house of the strong [man], and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong [man]; and then he will spoil his house. {3:28} Verily I say unto you, All their sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and their blasphemies by which so ever they shall blaspheme: {3:29} but anyone who shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit has never forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin: {3:30} because they said, He has an unclean spirit. {3:31} And there come his mother and his brethren; and, standing outside, they sent unto him, calling him. {3:32} And a multitude was sitting about him; and they say unto him, Behold, your mother and your brethren outside seek for you. {3:33} And he answers them, and said, Who is my mother and my brethren? {3:34} And looking round on them that sat round about him, he said, Behold, my mother and my brethren! {3:35} For anyone who shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

{N2}4} Mark Chapter Four. {4:1} And again he began to teach by the sea side. And there is gathered unto him a very great multitude, so that he entered into a boat, and sat in the sea; and all the multitude were by the sea on the land. {4:2} And he taught them many things in parables, and said unto them in his teaching, {4:3} Hear: Behold, the sower went forth to sow: {4:4} and it came to pass, as he sowed, some [seed] fell by the way side, and the birds came and devoured it. {4:5} And other fell on the rocky [ground], where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no deepness of earth: {4:6} and when the sun was risen, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away. {4:7} And other fell among the thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit. {4:8} And others fell into the good ground, and yielded fruit, growing up and increasing; and brought forth, thirty fold, and sixty fold, and a hundredfold. {4:9} And he said, Who has ears to hear, let him hear. {4:10} And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the parables. {4:11} And he said unto them, Unto you is given the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are outside, all things are done in parables: {4:12} that seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest haply they should turn again, and it should be forgiven them. {4:13} And he said unto them, Know you not this parable? and how shall you know all the parables? {4:14} The sower sows the word. {4:15} And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; and when they have heard, immediately comes Satan, and takes away the word which has been sown in them. {4:16} And these in like manner are they that are sown upon the rocky [places], who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with joy; {4:17} and they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately they stumble. {4:18} And others are they that are sown among the thorns; these are they that have heard the word, {4:19} and the cares of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. {4:20} And those are they that were sown upon the good ground; such as hear the word, and accept it, and bear fruit, thirty fold, and sixty fold, and a hundredfold. {4:21} And he said unto them, Is the lamp brought to be put under the bushel, or under the bed, [and] not to be put on the stand? {4:22} For there is nothing hid, save that it should be manifested; neither was [anything] made secret, but that it should come to light. {4:23} If any man has ears to hear, let him hear. {4:24} And he said unto them, Take heed what you hear: with what measure you measure it shall be measured unto you; and more shall be given unto you.

{4:25} For he that has, to him shall be given: and he that has not, from him shall be taken away even that which he has. {4:26} And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed upon the earth; {4:27} and should sleep and rise night and day, and the seed should spring up and grow, he knows not how. {4:28} The earth bears fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain on the ear. {4:29} But when the fruit is ripe, immediately he puts forth the sickle, because the harvest is come. {4:30} And he said, How shall we liken the kingdom of God? or in what parable shall we set it forth? {4:31} It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown upon the earth, though it be less than all the seeds that are upon the earth, {4:32} yet when it is sown, grows up, and becomes greater than all the herbs, and puts out great branches; so that the birds of the heaven can lodge under the shadow there. {4:33} And with many such parables spoke he the word unto them, as they were able to hear it; {4:34} and outside a parable spoke he not unto them: but privately to his own disciples he expounded all things. {4:35} And on that day, when even was come, he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side. {4:36} And leaving the multitude, they take him with them, even as he was, in the boat. And other boats were with him. {4:37} And there arises a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the boat, so much that the boat was now filling. {4:38} And he himself was in the stern, asleep on the cushion: and they awake him, and say unto him, Teacher, cares you not that we perish? {4:39} And he awoke, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. {4:40} And he said unto them, Why are you fearful? have you not yet faith? {4:41} And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

{N2}5} Mark Chapter Five. {5:1} And they came to the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gerasenes. {5:2} And when he was come out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, {5:3} who had his dwelling in the tombs: and no man could any more bind him, no, not with a chain; {5:4} because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been rent asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: and no man had strength to tame him. {5:5} And always, night and day, in the tombs and in the mountains, he was crying out, and cutting himself with stones. {5:6} And when he saw Yehsus from afar, he ran and worshipped him; {5:7} and crying out with a loud voice, he said, What have I to do with you, Yehsus, you Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, torment me not. {5:8} For he said unto him, Come forth, you unclean spirit, out of the man. {5:9} And he asked him, What is your name? And he said unto him, My name is Legion; for we are many. {5:10} And he beg him much that he would not send them away out of the country. {5:11} Now there was there on the mountain side a great herd of swine feeding. {5:12} And they beg him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them. {5:13} And he gave them leave. And the unclean spirits came out, and entered into the swine: and the herd rushed down the steep into the sea, [in number] about two thousand; and they were drowned in the sea. {5:14} And they that fed them fled, and told it in the city, and in the country. And they came to see what it was that had come to pass. {5:15} And they come to Yehsus, and behold him that was possessed with demons sitting, clothed and in his right mind, [even] him that had the legion: and they were afraid. {5:16} And they that saw it declared unto them how it befell him that was possessed with demons, and concerning the swine. {5:17} And they began to ask him to depart from their borders. {5:18} And as he was entering into the boat, he that had been possessed with demons beg him that he might be with him. {5:19} And he suffered him not, but said unto him, Go to your house unto your friends, and tell them how great things the Lord has done for you, and [how] he had mercy on you. {5:20} And he went his way, and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Yehsus had done for him: and all men marveled. {5:21} And when Yehsus had crossed over again in the boat unto the other side, a great multitude was gathered unto him; and he was by the sea. {5:22} And there comes one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and seeing him, he falls at his feet, {5:23} and begs him much, saying, My little daughter is at the point of death: [I pray

you], that you come and lay your hands on her, that she may be made whole, and live. {5:24} And he went with him; and a great multitude followed him, and they thronged him. {5:25} And a woman, who had an issue of blood twelve years, {5:26} and had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, {5:27} having heard the things concerning Yehsus, came in the crowd behind, and touched his garment. {5:28} For she said, If I touch but his garments, I shall be made whole. {5:29} And immediately the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her plague. {5:30} And immediately Yehsus, perceiving in himself that the power [proceeding] from him had gone forth, turned him about in the crowd, and said, Who touched my garments? {5:31} And his disciples said unto him, you see the multitude thronging you, and say you, Who touched me? {5:32} And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing. {5:33} But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what had been done to her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth. {5:34} And he said unto her, Daughter, your faith has made you whole; go in peace, and be whole of your plague. {5:35} While he was speaking, they come from the ruler of the synagogue's [house] saying, Your daughter is dead: why trouble you the Teacher any further? {5:36} But Yehsus, not heeding the word spoken, said unto the ruler of the synagogue, Fear not, only believe. {5:37} And he suffered no man to follow with him, save Petros, and James, and John the brother of James. {5:38} And they come to the house of the ruler of the synagogue; and he watched a tumult, and [many] weeping and wailing greatly. {5:39} And when he was entered in, he said unto them, Why make you a tumult, and weep? the child is not dead, but sleeps. {5:40} And they laughed him to scorn. But he, having put them all forth, takes the father of the child and her mother and them that were with him, and goes in where the child was. {5:41} And taking the child by the hand, he said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Maid, I say unto you, Arise. {5:42} And immediately the maid rose up, and walked; for she was twelve years old. And they were amazed immediately with a great amazement. {5:43} And he charged them much that no man should know this: and he commanded that [something] should be given her to eat.

{N2}6} Mark Chapter Six. {6:1} And he went out from there; and he comes into his own country; and his disciples follow him. {6:2} And when the Sabbath was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing him were astonished, saying, Where has this man these things? and, What is the wisdom that is given unto this man, and [what mean] such mighty works wrought by his hands? {6:3} Is not this the carpenter, the son of Maria, and brother of James, and Joses, and Judas, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended in him. {6:4} And Yehsus said unto them, A prophet is not outside honor, save in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house. {6:5} And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them. {6:6} And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages teaching. {6:7} And he calls unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and he gave them authority over the unclean spirits; {6:8} and he charged them that they should take nothing for [their] journey, save a staff only; no bread, no wallet, no money in their purse; {6:9} but [to go] shod with sandals: and, [said he], put not on two coats. {6:10} And he said unto them, Where so ever you enter into a house, there abide till you depart there. {6:11} And whatever place shall not receive you, and they hear you not, as you go forth there, shake off the dust that is under your feet for a testimony unto them. {6:12} And they went out, and preached that [men] should repent. {6:13} And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them. {6:14} And king Herod heard [there]; for his name had become known: and he said, John the Immerser [in water] is risen from the dead, and therefore do these powers work in him. {6:15} But others said, It is Elijah. And others said, [It is] a prophet, [even] as one of the prophets. {6:16} But Herod, when he heard [there], said, John, whom I beheaded, he is risen. {6:17} For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife;

for he had married her. {6:18} For John said unto Herod, It is not lawful [through Moses] for you to have your brother's wife. {6:19} And Herodias set herself against him, and desired to kill him; and she could not; {6:20} for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and kept him safe. And when he heard him, he was much perplexed; and he heard him gladly. {6:21} And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, and the high captains, and the chief men of Galilee; {6:22} and when the daughter of Herodias herself came in and danced, she pleased Herod and them that sat at meat with him; and the king said unto the girl, Ask of me whatever you will, and I will give it you. {6:23} And he swore unto her, Whatever you shall ask of me, I will give it you, unto the half of my kingdom. {6:24} And she went out, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of John the Immerser . {6:25} And she came in immediately with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that you now give me on a platter the head of John the Immerser . {6:26} And the king was exceeding sorry; but for the sake of his oaths, and of them that sat at meat, he would not reject her. {6:27} And immediately the king sent forth a soldier of his guard, and commanded to bring his head: and he went and beheaded him in the prison, {6:28} and brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the maid; and the maid gave it to her mother. {6:29} And when his disciples heard [there], they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb. {6:30} And the apostles gather themselves together unto Yehsus; and they told him all things, whatever they had done, and whatever they had taught. {6:31} And he said unto them, Come you yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while. For there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat. {6:32} And they went away in the boat to a desert place apart. {6:33} And [the people] saw them going, and many knew [them], and they ran together there on foot from all the cities, and out run them. {6:34} And he came forth and saw a great multitude, and he had compassion on them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things. {6:35} And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, The place is desert, and the day is now far spent; {6:36} send them away, that they may go into the country and villages round about, and buy themselves somewhat to eat. {6:37} But he answered and said unto them, Give you them to eat. And they say unto him, shall we go and buy two hundred shillings' worth of bread, and give them to eat? {6:38} And he said unto them, How many loaves have you? go [and] see. And when they knew, they say, Five, and two fishes. {6:39} And he commanded them that all should sit down by companies upon the green grass. {6:40} And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties. {6:41} And he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake the loaves; and he gave to the disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all. {6:42} And they all ate, and were filled. {6:43} And they took up broken pieces, twelve basketfuls, and also of the fishes. {6:44} And they that ate the loaves were five thousand men. {6:45} And immediately he constrained his disciples to enter into the boat, and to go before [him] unto the other side to Bethsaida, while he himself sends the multitude away. {6:46} And after he had taken leave of them, he departed into the mountain to pray. {6:47} And when even was come, the boat was in the midst of the sea, and he alone on the land. {6:48} And seeing them distressed in rowing, for the wind was contrary unto them, about the fourth watch of the night he comes unto them, walking on the sea; and he would have passed by them: {6:49} but they, when they saw him walking on the sea, supposed that it was a ghost, and cried out; {6:50} for they all saw him, and were troubled. But he immediately spoke with them, and said unto them, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid. {6:51} And he went up unto them into the boat; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves; {6:52} for they understood not concerning the loaves, but their heart was hardened. {6:53} And when they had crossed over, they came to the land unto Gennesaret, and moored to the shore. {6:54} And when they were come out of the boat, immediately [the people] knew him, {6:55} and ran round about that whole region, and began to carry about on their beds those that were sick, where they heard he was. {6:56} And where so ever he entered, into villages, or into cities, or into the country, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and beg him

that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole.

{N2}7} Mark Chapter Seven. {7:1} And there are gathered together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, who had come from Jerusalem, {7:2} and had seen that some of his disciples ate their bread with defiled, that is, unwashed, hands. {7:3} (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands diligently, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders; {7:4} and [when they come] from the market-place, except they bathe themselves, they eat not; and many other things there are, which they have received to hold, washings of cups, and pots, and brazen vessels.) {7:5} And the Pharisees and the scribes ask him, Why walk not your disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat their bread with defiled hands? {7:6} And he said unto them, Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honors me with their lips, But their heart is far from me. {7:7} But in vain do they worship me, Teaching [as their] instructions the precepts of men. {7:8} you leave the commandment of God, and hold fast the tradition of men. {7:9} And he said unto them, Full well do you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition. {7:10} For Moses said, Honor your father and your mother; and, He that speaks evil of father or mother, let him die the death: {7:11} but you say, If a man shall say to his father or his mother, That by which you might have been profited by me is Corban, that is to say, Given [to God]; {7:12} you no longer suffer him to do anything for his father or his mother; {7:13} making void the word of God by your tradition, which you have delivered: and many such like things you do. {7:14} And he called to him the multitude again, and said unto them, Hear me all of you, and understand: {7:15} there is nothing from outside the man, that going into him can defile him; but the things which proceed out of the man are those that defile the man. {7:16} [If any man has ears to hear, let him hear.] {7:17} And when he was entered into the house from the multitude, his disciples asked of him the parable. {7:18} And he said unto them, Are you so outside understanding also? Perceive you not, that whatever from outside goes into the man, [it] cannot defile him; {7:19} because it goes not into his heart, but into his belly, and goes out into the drain? [This he said], making all meats clean. {7:20} And he said, That which proceeds out of the man, that defiles the man. {7:21} For from within, out of the heart of men, evil thoughts proceed, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, {7:22} covetings, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, railing, pride, foolishness: {7:23} all these evil things proceed from within, and defile the man. {7:24} And from there he arose, and went away into the borders of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered into a house, and would have no man know it; and he could not be hid. {7:25} But immediately a woman, whose little daughter had an unclean spirit, having heard of him, came and fell down at his feet. {7:26} Now the woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by race. And she beg him that he would cast forth the demon out of her daughter. {7:27} And he said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread and cast it to the dogs. {7:28} But she answered and said unto him, behold, Lord; even the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs. {7:29} And he said unto her, For this saying go your way; the demon is gone out of your daughter. {7:30} And she went away unto her house, and found the child laid upon the bed, and the demon gone out. {7:31} And again he went out from the borders of Tyre, and came through Sidon unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the borders of Decapolis. {7:32} And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they ask him to lay his hand upon him. {7:33} And he took him aside from the multitude privately, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat, and touched his tongue; {7:34} and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and said unto him, ephphatha, that is, Be opened. {7:35} And his ears were opened, and the bond of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plain. {7:36} And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it. {7:37} And they were beyond measure astonished, saying, He has done all things well; he makes even the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

{N2}8} Mark Chapter Eight. {8:1} In those days, when there was again a great multitude, and they had nothing to eat, he called unto him his disciples, and said unto them, {8:2} I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: {8:3} and if I send them away fasting to their home, they will faint on the way; and some of them are come from far. {8:4} And his disciples answered him, Where shall one be able to fill these men with bread here in a desert place? {8:5} And he asked them, How many loaves have you? And they said, Seven. {8:6} And he commands the multitude to sit down on the ground: and he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks, he brake, and gave to his disciples, to set before them; and they set them before the multitude. {8:7} And they had a few small fishes: and having blessed them, he commanded to set these also before them. {8:8} And they ate, and were filled: and they took up, of broken pieces that remained over, seven baskets. {8:9} And they were about four thousand: and he sent them away. {8:10} And immediately he entered into the boat with his disciples, and came into the parts of Dalmanutha. {8:11} And the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, seeking of him a sign from heaven, trying him. {8:12} And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and said, Why does this generation seek a sign? verily I say unto you, There shall no sign be given unto this generation. {8:13} And he left them, and again entering into [the boat] departed to the other side. {8:14} And they forgot to take bread; and they had not in the boat with them more than one loaf. {8:15} And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod. {8:16} And they reasoned one with another, saying, We have no bread. {8:17} And Yehsus perceiving it said unto them, Why reason you, because you have no bread? do you not yet perceive, neither understand? have you your heart hardened? {8:18} Having eyes, see you not? and having ears, hear you not? and do you not remember? {8:19} When I brake the five loaves among the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces took you up? They say unto him, Twelve. {8:20} And when the seven among the four thousand, how many basketfuls of broken pieces took you up? And they say unto him, Seven. {8:21} And he said unto them, Do you not yet understand? {8:22} And they come unto Bethsaida. And they bring to him a blind man, and ask him to touch him. {8:23} And he took hold of the blind man by the hand, and brought him out of the village; and when he had spit on his eyes, and laid his hands upon him, he asked him, See you anything? {8:24} And he looked up, and said, I see men; for I behold [them] as trees, walking. {8:25} Then again he laid his hands upon his eyes; and he looked steadfastly, and was restored, and saw all things clearly. {8:26} And he sent him away to his home, saying, Do not even enter into the village. {8:27} And Yehsus went forth, and his disciples, into the villages of Caesarea Philippi: and on the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Who do men say that I am? {8:28} And they told him, saying, John the Immerser [in water]; and others, Elijah; but others, One of the prophets. {8:29} And he asked them, But who say you that I am? Petros answered and said unto him, you are the Christ. {8:30} And he charged them that they should tell no man of him. {8:31} And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders, and the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. {8:32} And he spoke the saying openly. And Petros took him, and began to rebuke him. {8:33} But he turning about, and seeing his disciples, rebuked Petros, and said, Get you behind me, Satan; for you mind not the things of God, but the things of men. {8:34} And he called unto him the multitude with his disciples, and said unto them, If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. {8:35} For anyone who would save his life shall lose it; and anyone who shall lose his life for my sake and the good news's shall save it. {8:36} For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world, and forfeit his life? {8:37} For what should a man give in exchange for his life? {8:38} For anyone who shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of man also shall be ashamed of him, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy messengers.

{N2}9} Mark Chapter Nine. {9:1} And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There are some here of them that stand [by], who shall in no wise taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God come with power. {9:2} And after six days Yehsus takes with him Petros, and James, and John, and brings them up into a high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them; {9:3} and his garments became glistening, exceeding white, so as no fuller on earth can whiten them. {9:4} And there appeared unto them Elijah with Moses: and they were talking with Yehsus. {9:5} And Petros answers and said to Yehsus, Rabbi, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah. {9:6} For he knew not what to answer; for they became sore afraid. {9:7} And there came a cloud overshadowing them: and there came a voice out of the cloud, This is my agape beloved Son: hear you him. {9:8} And suddenly looking round about, they saw no one any more, save Yehsus only with themselves. {9:9} And as they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, save when the Son of man should have risen again from the dead. {9:10} And they kept the saying, questioning among themselves what the rising again from the dead should mean. {9:11} And they asked him, saying, [How is it] that the scribes say that Elijah must first come? {9:12} And he said unto them, Elijah indeed comes first, and restores all things: and how is it written of the Son of man, that he should suffer many things and be set at nothing? {9:13} But I say unto you, that Elijah is come, and they have also done unto him whatever they would, even as it is written of him. {9:14} And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great multitude about them, and scribes questioning with them. {9:15} And immediately all the multitude, when they saw him, were greatly amazed, and running to him saluted him. {9:16} And he asked them, What question you with them? {9:17} And one of the multitude answered him, Teacher, I brought unto you my son, who has a dumb spirit; {9:18} and where so ever it takes him, it dashes him down: and he foams, and grinds his teeth, and pines away: and I spoke to your disciples that they should cast it out; and they were not able. {9:19} And he answers them and said, O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I bear with you? bring him unto me. {9:20} 20 And they brought him unto him: and when he saw him, straightway the spirit tare him grievously; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed foaming [at the mouth]. {9:21} And he asked his father, How long time is it since this has come unto him? And he said, From a child. {9:22} And oft-times it has cast him both into the fire and into the waters, to destroy him: but if you Can do anything, have compassion on us, and help us. {9:23} And Yehsus said unto him, If you Can! All things are possible to him that believes. {9:24} Immediately the father of the child cried out, and said, I believe; help you mine unbelief. {9:25} And when Yehsus saw that a multitude came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying unto him, you dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and enter no more into him. {9:26} And having cried out, and torn him much, he came out: and [the boy] became as one dead; so much that the majority said, He is dead. {9:27} But Yehsus took him by the hand, and raised him up; and he arose. {9:28} And when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, [How is it] that we could not cast it out? {9:29} And he said unto them, This kind can come out by nothing, save by prayer. {9:30} And they went forth from there, and passed through Galilee; and he would not that any man should know it. {9:31} For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The Son of man is delivered up into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he shall rise again. {9:32} But they understood not the saying, and were afraid to ask him. {9:33} And they came to Capernaum: and when he was in the house he asked them, What were you reasoning on the way? {9:34} But they held their peace: for they had disputed one with another on the way, who [was] the greatest. {9:35} And he sat down, and called the twelve; and he said unto them, If any man would be first, he shall be last of all, and servant of all. {9:36} And he took a little child, and set him in the midst of them: and taking him in his arms, he said unto them, {9:37} Anyone who shall receive one of such little children in my name, receives me: and anyone who receives me, receives not me, but him that sent me. {9:38} John said unto him, Teacher, we saw one casting out demons in your

name; and we forbade him, because he followed not us. {9:39} But Yehsus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man who shall do a mighty work in my name, and be able quickly to speak evil of me. {9:40} For he that is not against us is for us. {9:41} For anyone who shall give you a cup of water to drink, because you are Christ's, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward. {9:42} And anyone who shall cause one of these little ones that believe on me to stumble, it were better for him if a great millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea. {9:43} And if your hand cause you to stumble, cut it off: it is good for you to enter into life maimed, rather than having your two hands to go into hell, into the unquenchable fire. {9:44} [where their worm dies not, and the fire is not quenched.] {9:45} And if your foot cause you to stumble, cut it off: it is good for you to enter into life halt, rather than having your two feet to be cast into hell. {9:46} [where their worm dies not, and the fire is not quenched.] {9:47} And if your eye cause you to stumble, cast it out: it is good for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell; {9:48} where their worm dies not, and the fire is not quenched. {9:49} For everyone shall be salted with fire. {9:50} Salt is good: but if the salt have lost its saltiness, by which will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace one with another.

{N2}10} Mark Chapter Ten. {10:1} And he arose from there and comes into the borders of Judea and beyond the Jordan: and multitudes come together unto him again; and, as he was wont, he taught them again. {10:2} And there came unto him Pharisees, and asked him, Is it [Halakah] lawful for a man to put away [his] wife? trying him. {10:3} And he answered and said unto them, What did Moses command you? {10:4} And they said, Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put her away. {10:5} But Yehsus said unto them, For your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. {10:6} But from the beginning of the creation, Male and female made he them. {10:7} For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; {10:8} and the two shall become one flesh: so that they are no more two, but one flesh. {10:9} What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder. {10:10} And in the house the disciples asked him again of this matter. {10:11} And he said unto them, Anyone who shall put away his wife, and marry another, causes her to be adulterated [when she remarries]: {10:12} and if she herself shall put away her husband, and marry another, she commits adultery. {10:13} And they were bringing unto him little children, that he should touch them: and the disciples rebuked them. {10:14} But when Yehsus saw it, he was moved with indignation, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me; forbid them not: for to such [are they that] belong in the kingdom of God. {10:15} Verily I say unto you, Anyone who shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall in no wise enter therein. {10:16} And he took them in his arms, and blessed them, laying his hands upon them. {10:17} And as he was going forth into the way, there ran one to him, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? {10:18} And Yehsus said unto him, Why call you me good? none is good save one, [even] God. {10:19} you know the commandments, Do not kill, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother. {10:20} And he said unto him, Teacher, all these things have I observed from my youth. {10:21} And Yehsus looking upon him agape loved him, and said unto him, One thing you lack: go, sell whatever you have, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. {10:22} But his countenance fell at the saying, and he went away sorrowful: for he was one that had great possessions. {10:23} And Yehsus looked round about, and said unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! {10:24} And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Yehsus answers again, and said unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! {10:25} It is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. {10:26} And they were astonished exceedingly, saying unto him, Then who can be saved? {10:27} Yehsus looking upon them said, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for all

things are possible with God. {10:28} Petros began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed you. {10:29} Yehsus said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that has left house, or brethren, or sisters, or mother, or father, or children, or lands, for my sake, and for the good news's sake, {10:30} but he shall receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life. {10:31} But many [that are] first shall be last; and the last first. {10:32} And they were on the way, going up to Jerusalem; and Yehsus was going before them: and they were amazed; and they that followed were afraid. And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them the things that were to happen unto him, {10:33} [saying], Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests and the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him unto the Nations: {10:34} and they shall mock him, and shall spit upon him, and shall scourge him, and shall kill him; and after three days he shall rise again. {10:35} And there come near unto him James and John, the sons of Zebedee, saying unto him, Teacher, we would that you should do for us whatever we shall ask of you. {10:36} And he said unto them, What would you that I should do for you? {10:37} And they said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on your right hand, and one on [your] left hand, in your glory. {10:38} But Yehsus said unto them, you know not what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink? or to be immersed with the Immersion that I am immersed with? {10:39} And they said unto him, We are able. And Yehsus said unto them, The cup that I drink you shall drink; and with the Immersion that I am immersed the same shall you be immersed: {10:40} but to sit on my right hand or on [my] left hand is not mine to give; but [it is for them] for whom it has been prepared. {10:41} And when the ten heard it, they began to be moved with indignation concerning James and John. {10:42} And Yehsus called them to him, and said unto them, you know that they who are accounted to rule over the Nations lord it over them; and their great ones exercise authority over them. {10:43} But it is not so among you: but anyone who would become great among you, shall be your server; {10:44} and anyone who would be first among you, shall be slave of all. {10:45} For the Son of man also came not to be ministered unto, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many. {10:46} And they come to Jericho: and as he went out from Jericho, with his disciples and a great multitude, the son of Timaeus, Bareimaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the way side. {10:47} And when he heard that it was Yehsus the Nazarene, he began to cry out, and say, Yehsus, you son of David, have mercy on me. {10:48} And many rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried out the more a great deal, you son of David, have mercy on me. {10:49} And Yehsus stood still, and said, Call you him. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good cheer: rise, he calls you. {10:50} And he, casting away his garment, sprang up, and came to Yehsus. {10:51} And Yehsus answered him, and said, What will you that I should do unto you? And the blind man said unto him, Rabboni, that I may receive my sight. {10:52} And Yehsus said unto him, Go your way; your faith has made you whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him in the way.

{N2}11} Mark Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And when they draw near unto Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sends two of his disciples, {11:2} and said unto them, Go your way into the village that is over against you: and immediately as you enter into it, you shall find a colt tied, whereon no man ever yet sat; loose him, and bring him. {11:3} And if anyone say unto you, Why do you this? say you, The Lord has need of him; and immediately he will send him back here. {11:4} And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door outside in the open street; and they loosed him. {11:5} And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do you, loose the colt? {11:6} And they said unto them even as Yehsus had said: and they let them go. {11:7} And they bring the colt unto Yehsus, and cast on him their garments; and he sat upon him. {11:8} And many spread their garments upon the way; and others branches, which they had cut from the fields. {11:9} And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, Hosanna; Blessed [is] he that comes in the name of the Lord: {11:10} Blessed

[is] the kingdom that comes, [the kingdom] of our father David: Hosanna in the highest. {11:11} And he entered into Jerusalem, into the temple; and when he had looked round about upon all things, it being now eventide, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve. {11:12} And on the morrow, when they were come out from Bethany, he hungered. {11:13} And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find anything thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for it was not the season of figs. {11:14} And he answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit from you from here on forever. And his disciples heard it. {11:15} And they come to Jerusalem: and he entered into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and them that bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold the doves; {11:16} and he would not suffer that any man should carry a vessel through the temple. {11:17} And he taught, and said unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations? but you have made it a den of robbers. {11:18} And the chief priests and the scribes heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, for all the multitude was astonished at his teaching. {11:19} And every evening he went forth out of the city. {11:20} And as they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away from the roots. {11:21} And Petros calling to remembrance said unto him, Rabbi, behold, the fig tree which you cursed is withered away. {11:22} And Yehsus answering said unto them, Have faith in God. {11:23} Verily I say unto you, Anyone who shall say unto this mountain, Be you taken up and cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that what he said comes to pass; he shall have it. {11:24} Therefore I say unto you, All things whatever you pray and ask for, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them. {11:25} And when so ever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against any one; that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. {11:26} [But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father who is in heaven forgive your trespasses.] {11:27} And they come again to Jerusalem: and as he was walking in the temple, there come to him the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders; {11:28} and they said unto him, By what authority do you these things? or who gave you this authority to do these things? {11:29} And Yehsus said unto them, I will ask of you one question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things. {11:30} The Immersion of John, was it from heaven, or from men? answer me. {11:31} And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; He will say, Why then did you not believe him? {11:32} But should we say, From men--they feared the people: for all verily held John to be a prophet. {11:33} And they answered Yehsus and say, We know not. And Yehsus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

{N2}12) Mark Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And he began to speak unto them in parables. A man planted a vineyard, and set a hedge about it, and dug a pit for the winepress, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into another country. {12:2} And at the season he sent to the husbandmen a slave, that he might receive from the husbandmen of the fruits of the vineyard. {12:3} And they took him, and beat him, and sent him away empty. {12:4} And again he sent unto them another slave; and him they wounded in the head, and handled shamefully. {12:5} And he sent another; and him they killed: and many others; beating some, and killing some. {12:6} He had yet one, a agape beloved son: he sent him last unto them, saying, They will reverence my son. {12:7} But those husbandmen said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours. {12:8} And they took him, and killed him, and cast him forth out of the vineyard. {12:9} What therefore will the lord of the vineyard do? he will come and destroy the husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others. {12:10} Have you not read even this scripture: The stone which the builders rejected, The same was made the head of the corner; {12:11} This was from the Lord, And it is marvelous in our eyes? {12:12} And they sought to lay hold on him; and they feared the multitude; for they perceived that he spoke the parable against them: and they left him, and went away. {12:13} And they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, that they might catch him in talk. {12:14} And when they

were come, they say unto him, Teacher, we know that you are true, and cares not for any one; for you regards not the person of men, but of a truth teach the way of God: Is it [Halakah] lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? {12:15} shall we give, or shall we not give? But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, Why make you trial of me? bring me a denarius [coin], that I may see it. {12:16} And they brought it. And he said unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? And they said unto him, Caesar's. {12:17} And Yehsus said unto them, Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's. And they marveled greatly at him. {12:18} And there come unto him Sadducees, who say that there is no resurrection; and they asked him, saying, {12:19} Teacher, Moses wrote unto us, If a man's brother die, and leave a wife behind him, and leave no child, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. {12:20} There were seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed; {12:21} and the second took her, and died, leaving no seed behind him; and the third likewise: {12:22} and the seven left no seed. Last of all the woman also died. {12:23} In the resurrection whose wife shall she be of them? for the seven had her to wife. {12:24} Yehsus said unto them, Is it not for this cause that you err, that you know not the scriptures, nor the power of God? {12:25} For when they shall rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as messengers in heaven. {12:26} But as touching the dead, that they are raised; have you not read in the book of Moses, in [the place concerning] the Bush, how God spoke unto him, saying, I [am] the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? {12:27} He is not the God of the dead, but of the living: you do greatly err. {12:28} And one of the scribes came, and heard them questioning together, and knowing that he had answered them well, asked him, What commandment is the first of all? {12:29} Yehsus answered, The first is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God, the Lord is one: {12:30} and you shall agape love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. {12:31} The second is this, you shall agape love your neighbor as [you agape love] yourself. There is none other commandment greater than these. {12:32} And the scribe said unto him, Of a truth, Teacher, you have well said that he is one; and there is none other but he: {12:33} and to agape love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength, and to agape love his neighbor as himself, is much more than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices. {12:34} And when Yehsus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, you are not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that dare ask him any question. {12:35} And Yehsus answered and said, as he taught in the temple, How say the scribes that the Christ is the son of David? {12:36} David himself said in the Holy Spirit, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit you on my right hand, Till I make your enemies the footstool of your feet. {12:37} David himself calls him Lord; and where is he his son? And the common people heard him gladly. {12:38} And in his teaching he said, Beware of the scribes, who desire to walk in long robes, and [to have] salutations in the marketplaces, {12:39} and chief seats in the synagogues, and chief places at feasts: {12:40} they that devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers; these shall receive greater condemnation. {12:41} And he sat down over against the treasury, and watched how the multitude cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. {12:42} And there came a poor widow, and she cast in two mites, which make a farthing. {12:43} And he called unto him his disciples, and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, This poor widow cast in more than all they that are casting into the treasury: {12:44} for they all did cast in of their superfluity; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, [even] all her living.

{N2}13} Mark Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} And as he went forth out of the temple, one of his disciples said unto him, Teacher, behold, what manner of stones and what manner of buildings! {13:2} And Yehsus said unto him, See you these great buildings? there shall not be left here one stone upon another, which shall not be thrown down. {13:3} And as he sat on the mount of Olives over against the temple, Petros and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,

{13:4} Tell us, when shall these things be? and what [shall be] the sign when these things are all about to be accomplished? {13:5} And Yehsus began to say unto them, Take heed that no man lead you astray. {13:6} Many shall come in my name, saying, I am [he]; and shall lead many astray. {13:7} And when you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, be not troubled: [these things] must needs come to pass; but the end is not yet. {13:8} For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there shall be earthquakes in different places; there shall be famines: these things are the beginning of intolerable anguish. {13:9} But take you heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in synagogues shall you be beaten; and before governors and kings shall you stand for my sake, for a testimony unto them. {13:10} And the good news must first be preached unto all the nations. {13:11} And when they lead you [to judgment], and deliver you up, be not anxious beforehand what you shall speak: but whatever shall be given you in that hour that you speak; for it is not you that speak, but the Holy Spirit. {13:12} And brother shall deliver up brother to death, and the father his child; and children shall rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death. {13:13} And you shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endures to the end, the same shall be saved. {13:14} But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not (let him that reads understand), then let them that are in Judea flee unto the mountains: {13:15} and let him that is on the housetop not go down, nor enter in, to take anything out his house: {13:16} and let him that is in the field not return back to take his cloak. {13:17} But woe unto them that are with child and to them that give suck in those days! {13:18} And pray you that it be not in the winter. {13:19} For those days shall be tribulation, such as there has not been the like from the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never shall be. {13:20} And except the Lord had shortened the days, no flesh would have been saved; but for the elect's sake, whom he chose, he shortened the days. {13:21} And then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is the Christ; or, Lo, there; believe [it] not: {13:22} for there shall arise false Christs and false prophets, and shall show signs and wonders, that they may lead astray, if possible, the elect. {13:23} But take you heed: behold, I have told you all things beforehand. {13:24} But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, {13:25} and the stars shall be falling from heaven, and the powers that are in the heavens shall be shaken. {13:26} And then shall they see the Son of man coming in clouds with great power and glory. {13:27} And then shall he send forth the messengers, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the outermost part of the earth to the outermost part of heaven. {13:28} Now from the fig tree learn her parable: when her branch is now become tender, and put forth its leaves, you know that the summer is near; {13:29} even so you also, when you see these things coming to pass, know you that he is near, [even] at the doors. {13:30} Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, until all these things be accomplished. {13:31} Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. {13:32} But of that day or that hour knows no one, not even the messengers in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father. {13:33} Take you heed, watch and pray: for you know not when the time is. {13:34} [It is] as [when] a man, sojourning in another country, having left his house, and given authority to his servants, to each one his work, commanded also the porter to watch. {13:35} Watch therefore: for you know not when the lord of the house comes, whether at even, or at midnight, or at cockcrowing, or in the morning; {13:36} lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. {13:37} And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

{N2)14} Mark Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Now after two days was [the feast of] the Passover and the unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him with subtlety, and kill him: {14:2} for they said, Not during the feast, lest haply there shall be a tumult of the people. {14:3} And while he was in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster cruse of ointment of pure nard very costly; [and] she brake the cruse, and poured it over his head. {14:4} But there were some that had

indignation among themselves, [saying], To what purpose has this waste of the ointment been made? {14:5} For this ointment might have been sold for above three hundred shillings, and given to the poor. And they murmured against her. {14:6} But Yehsus said, Let her alone; why trouble you her? she has wrought a good work on me. {14:7} For you have the poor always with you, and when so ever you will you can do them good: but me you have not always. {14:8} She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for the burying. {14:9} And verily I say unto you, Where so ever the good news shall be preached throughout the whole world, that also which this woman has done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. {14:10} And Judas Iscariot, he that was one of the twelve, went away unto the chief priests, that he might deliver him unto them. {14:11} And they, when they heard it, were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently deliver him [unto them].

{14:12} And on the first day of unleavened bread, when they sacrificed the Passover, his disciples say unto him, Where will you that we go and make ready that you may eat the Passover? {14:13} And he sends two of his disciples, and said unto them, Go into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him; {14:14} and where so ever he shall enter in, say to the master of the house, The Teacher said, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat my Passover with my disciples? {14:15} And he will himself show you a large upper room furnished [and] ready: and there make ready for us.

{14:16} And the disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the Passover [of Yehsus]. {14:17} And when it was beginning of night he comes with the twelve. {14:18} And as they sat and were eating, Yehsus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you shall betray me, [even] he that eats with me. {14:19} They began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, Is it I? {14:20} And he said unto them, [It is] one of the twelve, he that dips with me in the dish. {14:21} For the Son of man goes, even as it is written of him: but woe unto that man through whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had not been born. {14:22} And as they were eating, he took bread, and when he had blessed, he brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take you: this is my body. {14:23} And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks [and divided], he [had] gave to them: and they drank of it all. {14:24} And he said unto them, This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. {14:25} Verily I say unto you, I shall no more drink of the fruit of the vine, until that day when I [will] drink it new in the kingdom of God. {14:26} And when they had sung a hymn, they went out unto the mount of Olives. {14:27} And Yehsus said unto them, All you shall be lose faith in me: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered abroad. {14:28} However, after I am raised up, I will go before you into Galilee.

{14:29} But Petros said unto him, Although all shall lose faith, yet will not I. {14:30} And Yehsus said unto him, Verily I say unto you, that you to-day, [even] this night, before the cock crow twice, shall deny me thrice. {14:31} But he spoke exceedingly vehemently, If I must die with you, I will not deny you. And in like manner also said they all. {14:32} And they come unto a place which was named Gethsemane: and he said unto his disciples, Sit you here, while I pray. {14:33} And he takes with him Petros and James and John, and began to be greatly amazed, and sore troubled. {14:34} And he said unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death: abide you here, and watch. {14:35} And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass away from him. {14:36} And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto you; remove this cup from me: however not what I will, but what you will. {14:37} And he comes, and finds them sleeping, and said unto Petros, Simon, you sleep? could you not watch one hour? {14:38} Watch and pray, that you enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. {14:39} And again he went away, and prayed, saying the same words. {14:40} And again he came, and found them sleeping, for

their eyes were very heavy; and they knew not what to answer him. {14:41} And he comes the third time, and said unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough; the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. {14:42} Arise, let us be going: behold, he that betrays me is at hand. {14:43} And immediately, while he yet spoke, comes Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. {14:44} Now he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whom so ever I shall kiss, that is he; take him, and lead him away safely. {14:45} And when he was come, immediately he came to him, and said, Rabbi; and kissed him. {14:46} And they laid hands on him, and took him. {14:47} But a certain one of them that stood by drew his sword, and smote the slave of the high priest, and struck off his ear. {14:48} And Yehsus answered and said unto them, Are you come out, as against a robber, with swords and staves to seize me? {14:49} I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and you took me not: but [this is done] that the scriptures might be fulfilled. {14:50} And they all left him, and fled. {14:51} And a certain young man followed with him, having a linen cloth cast about him, over [his] naked [body]: and they lay hold on him; {14:52} but he left the linen cloth, and fled naked. {14:53} And they led Yehsus away to the high priest: and there come together with him all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes. {14:54} And Petros had followed him afar off, even within, into the court of the high priest; and he was sitting with the officers, and warming himself in the light [of the fire]. {14:55} Now the chief priests and the whole council sought witness against Yehsus to put him to death; and found it not. {14:56} For many bare false witness against him, and their witness agreed not together. {14:57} And there stood up certain, and bare false witness against him, saying, {14:58} We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another made outside hands. {14:59} And not even so did their witness agree together. {14:60} And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Yehsus, saying, Answer you nothing? what is it which these witness against you? {14:61} But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? {14:62} And Yehsus said, I am: and you shall see the Son of man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven. {14:63} And the high priest rent his clothes, and said, What further need have we of witnesses? {14:64} you have heard the blasphemy: what think you? And they all condemned him to be worthy of death. {14:65} And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophecy: and the officers received him with blows of their hands. {14:66} And as Petros was beneath in the court, there comes one of the maids of the high priest; {14:67} and seeing Petros warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, you also was with the Nazarene, [even] Yehsus. {14:68} But he denied, saying, I neither know, nor understand what you say: and he went out into the porch; and the cock crew. {14:69} And the maid saw him, and began again to say to them that stood by, This is [one] of them. {14:70} But he again denied it. And after a little while again they that stood by said to Petros, of a truth you are [one] of them; for you are a Galilean. {14:71} But he began to Woe, and to swear, I know not this man of whom you speak. {14:72} And immediately the second time the cock crew. And Petros called to mind the word, how that Yehsus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, you shall deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

{N2}15} Mark Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And immediately in the morning the chief priests with the elders and scribes, and the whole council, held a consultation, and bound Yehsus, and carried him away, and delivered him up to Pilate. {15:2} And Pilate asked him, are you the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, [as] you say. {15:3} And the chief priests accused him of many things. {15:4} And Pilate again asked him, saying, Answer you nothing? behold how many things they accuse you of. {15:5} But Yehsus no more answered anything; so much that Pilate marveled. {15:6} Now at the feast he used to release unto them one prisoner, whom they asked of him. {15:7} And there was one called Barabbas, [lying] bound with them that had made

insurrection, men who in the insurrection had committed murder. {15:8} And the multitude went up and began to ask him [to do] as he was wont to do unto them. {15:9} And Pilate answered them, saying, Will you that I release unto you the King of the Jews? {15:10} For he perceived that for envy the chief priests had delivered him up. {15:11} But the chief priests stirred up the multitude, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them. {15:12} And Pilate again answered and said unto them, What then shall I do unto him whom you call the King of the Jews? {15:13} And they cried out again, Crucify him. {15:14} And Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil has he done? But they cried out exceedingly, Crucify him. {15:15} And Pilate, wishing to content the multitude, released unto them Barabbas, and delivered Yehsus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified. {15:16} And the soldiers led him away within the court, which is the Praetorium; and they call together the whole band. {15:17} And they clothe him with purple, and plating a crown of thorns, they put it on him; {15:18} and they began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews! {15:19} And they smote his head with a reed, and spat upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him. {15:20} And when they had mocked him, they took off from him the purple, and put on him his garments. And they lead him out to crucify him. {15:21} And they compel one passing by, Simon of Cyrene, coming from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to go [with them], that he might bear his cross. {15:22} And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. {15:23} And they offered him wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not. {15:24} And they crucify him, and part his garments among them, casting lots upon them, what each should take. {15:25} And it was the third hour, and they crucified him. {15:26} And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. {15:27} And with him they crucify two robbers; one on his right hand, and one on his left. {15:28} [And the scripture was fulfilled, which said, And he was reckoned with transgressors.] {15:29} And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ha! you that destroys the temple, and build it in three days, {15:30} save yourself, and come down from the cross. {15:31} In like manner also the chief priests mocking [him] among themselves with the scribes said, He saved others; himself he cannot save. {15:32} Let the Christ, the King of Israel, now come down from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reproached him. {15:33} And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. {15:34} And at the ninth hour Yehsus cried with a loud voice, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? {15:35} And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calls Elijah. {15:36} And one ran, and filling a sponge full of vinegar, put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let be; let us see whether Elijah comes to take him down. {15:37} And Yehsus uttered a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. {15:38} And the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom. {15:39} And when the centurion, who stood by over against him, saw that he so gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God. {15:40} And there were also women beholding from afar: among whom [were] both Maria Magdalene, and Maria the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome; {15:41} who, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered unto him; and many other women that came up with him unto Jerusalem. {15:42} And when even was now come, because it was the Preparation [of the Passover], that is, the day before the [Passover] Sabbath, {15:43} there came Joseph of Arimathaea, a councilor of honorable estate, who also himself was looking for the kingdom of God; and he boldly went in unto Pilate, and asked for the body of Yehsus. {15:44} And Pilate marveled if he were already dead: and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead. {15:45} And when he learned it of the centurion, he granted the corpse to Joseph. {15:46} And he bought a linen cloth, and taking him down, wound him in the linen cloth, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of a rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. {15:47} And Maria Magdalene and Maria the [mother] of Joses watched where he was laid. {15:48} And when the [Passover] Sabbath was past, Maria

Magdalene, and Maria the [mother] of James, and Salome, bought spices, that they might come and anoint him. (*see parallel record of Luke 23:55-56)

Maria Magdalene comes to the empty tomb the third time after sunrise on Day One.

{N2)16} Mark 16. Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And very early [morning] when [day] One of the Sabbaton [is half past], they [the women] come [again] to the tomb when the sun was risen. {16:2} And they were saying among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the tomb? {16:3} and looking up, they see that the stone is rolled back: for it was exceeding great. {16:4} And entering into the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, arrayed in a white robe; and they were amazed. {16:5} And he said unto them, Be not amazed: you seek Yehsus, the Nazarene, who has been crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold, the place where they laid him! {16:6} But go, tell his disciples and Petros, He goes before you into Galilee: there shall you see him, as he said unto you. {16:7} And they went out, and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them: and [this last visit to the tomb] they said nothing to any one; for they were afraid.

Mark {16:8} Now [Yehsus] rising early, [at dusk of the evening] at the first of the [seven day solar] Sabbaton he appeared first to Maria Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. {16:9} She went and told them that had been with him, as they grieved and wept. {16:10} And they, when they heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, disbelieved. {16:11} And after these things he was manifested in another form unto two of them, as they walked, on their way into the country. {16:12} And they went away and told it unto the rest: neither believed they them. {16:13} And afterward he was manifested unto the eleven themselves as they sat at meat; and he upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them that had seen him after he was risen. {16:14} And he said unto them, Go you into all the world, and preach the good news to the whole creation. {16:15} He that believes and is immersed [in water] shall be saved; but he that disbelieves shall be condemned. {16:16} And these signs shall accompany them that believe: in my name shall they cast out demons; they shall speak with new tongues; {16:17} they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall in no wise hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. {16:18} So then the Lord Yehsus, after he had spoken unto them, was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. {16:19} And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word by the signs that followed. Amen.

The Gospel According To Luke

{N3)1} Luke Chapter One. {1:1} Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to draw up a narrative concerning those matters which have been fulfilled among us, {1:2} even as they delivered them unto us, who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, {1:3} it seemed good to me also, having traced the course of all things accurately from the first, to write unto you in [giving you the] order, most excellent Theophilus; {1:4} that you might know the certainty concerning the [the order in] things wherein you were instructed. {1:5} There was in the days of Herod, king of Judea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abijah: and he had a wife of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elisabeth. {1:6} And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. {1:7} And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were [now] well stricken in years. {1:8} Now it came to pass, while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course, {1:9} according to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to enter into the temple of the Lord and burn incense. {1:10} And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. {1:11} And there appeared unto him an

messenger of the Lord standing on the right side of altar of incense. {1:12} And Zacharias was troubled when he saw [him], and fear fell upon him. {1:13} But the messenger said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: because your supplication is heard, and your wife Elisabeth shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. {1:14} And you shall have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth. {1:15} For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and he shall drink no wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. {1:16} And many of the children of Israel shall he turn unto the Lord their God. {1:17} And he shall go before his face in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient [to walk] in the wisdom of the just; to make ready for the Lord a people prepared [for him]. {1:18} And Zacharias said unto the messenger, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years. {1:19} And the messenger answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and I was sent to speak unto you, and to bring you these good tidings. {1:20} And behold, you shall be silent and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall come to pass, because you believed not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season. {1:21} And the people were waiting for Zacharias, and they marveled while he tarried in the temple. {1:22} And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: and he continued making signs unto them, and remained dumb. {1:23} And it came to pass, when the days of his ministration were fulfilled, he departed unto his house. {1:24} And after these days Elisabeth his wife conceived; and she hid herself five moons, saying, {1:25} Thus has the Lord done unto me in the days wherein he looked upon [me], to take away my reproach among men. {1:26} Now in the sixth moon the messenger Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, {1:27} to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Maria. {1:28} And he came in unto her, and said, Hail, you that are highly favored, the Lord [is] with you. {1:29} But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this might be. {1:30} And the messenger said unto her, Fear not, Maria: for you have found favor with God. {1:31} And behold, you shall conceive in your womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call his name YEHSUS. {1:32} He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: {1:33} and he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. {1:34} And Maria said unto the messenger, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? {1:35} And the messenger answered and said unto her, The Holy Spirit shall come upon you, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow you: Therefore also the holy thing which is begotten [by God] shall be called the Son of God. {1:36} And behold, Elisabeth your kinswoman, she also has conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth moon with her that was called barren. {1:37} For no word from God shall be void of power. {1:38} And Maria said, Behold, the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to your word. And the messenger departed from her. {1:39} And Maria arose in these days and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Judah; {1:40} and entered into the house of Zacharias and saluted Elisabeth. {1:41} And it came to pass, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Maria, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit; {1:42} and she lifted up her voice with a loud cry, and said, Blessed [are] you among women, and blessed [is] the fruit of your womb. {1:43} And where is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come unto me? {1:44} For behold, when the voice of your salutation came into mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. {1:45} And blessed [is] she that believed; for there shall be a fulfillment of the things which have been spoken to her from the Lord. {1:46} And Maria said, My soul does magnify the Lord, {1:47} And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. {1:48} For he has looked upon the low estate of his handmaid: For behold, from here on all generations shall call me blessed. {1:49} For he that is mighty has done to me great things; And holy is his name. {1:50} And his mercy is unto generations and generations On them that fear him. {1:51} He has showed strength with his arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their heart. {1:52} He has put down princes from

[their] thrones, And has exalted them of low degree. {1:53} The hungry he has filled with good things; And the rich he has sent empty away. {1:54} He has given help to Israel his servant, That he might remember mercy {1:55} (As he spoke unto our fathers) Toward Abraham and his seed forever. {1:56} And Maria abode with her about three moons, and returned unto her house. {1:57} Now Elisabeth's time was fulfilled that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son. {1:58} And her neighbors and her kinsfolk heard that the Lord had magnified his mercy towards her; and they rejoiced with her. {1:59} And it came to pass on the eighth day, that they came to circumcise the child; and they would have called him Zacharias, after the name of the father. {1:60} And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John. {1:61} And they said unto her, There is none of your kindred that is called by this name. {1:62} And they made signs to his father, what he would have him called. {1:63} And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marveled all. {1:64} And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue [loosed], and he spoke, blessing God. {1:65} And fear came on all that lived round about them: and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill country of Judea. {1:66} And all that heard them laid them up in their heart, saying, What then shall this child be? For the hand of the Lord was with him. {1:67} And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying, {1:68} Blessed [be] the Lord, the God of Israel; For he has visited and wrought redemption for his people, {1:69} And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of his servant David {1:70} (As he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets that have been from of old), {1:71} Salvation from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; {1:72} To show mercy towards, our fathers, And to remember his holy covenant; {1:73} The oath which he spoke unto Abraham our father, {1:74} To grant unto us that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies Should serve him outside fear, {1:75} In holiness and good works before him all our days. {1:76} behold and you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High: For you shall go before the face of the Lord to make ready his ways; {1:77} To give knowledge of salvation unto his people In the remission of their sins, {1:78} Because of the tender mercy of our God, Whereby the dayspring from on high shall visit us, {1:79} To shine upon them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death; To guide our feet into the way of peace. {1:80} And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his showing unto Israel.

{N3}2} Luke Chapter Two. {2:1} Now it came to pass in those days, there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be enrolled. {2:2} This was the first enrolment made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria. {2:3} And all went to enroll themselves, everyone to his own city. {2:4} And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David; {2:5} to enroll himself with Maria, who was betrothed to him, being great with child. {2:6} And it came to pass, while they were there, the days were fulfilled that she should be delivered. {2:7} And she brought forth her firstborn son; and she wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. {2:8} And there were shepherds in the same country abiding in the field, and keeping watch by night over their flock. {2:9} And an messenger of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. {2:10} And the messenger said unto them, Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people: {2:11} for there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. {2:12} And this [is] the sign unto you: you shall find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger. {2:13} And suddenly there was with the messenger a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, {2:14} Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased. {2:15} And it came to pass, when the messengers went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing that is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us. {2:16} And they came with haste, and

found both Maria and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger. {2:17} And when they saw it, they made known concerning the saying which was spoken to them about this child. {2:18} And all that heard it wondered at the things which were spoken unto them by the shepherds. {2:19} But Maria kept all these sayings, pondering them in her heart. {2:20} And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken unto them. {2:21} And when eight days were fulfilled for circumcising him, his name was called YEHSUS, which was so called by the messenger before he was conceived in the womb. {2:22} And when the days of their purification according to the law of Moses were fulfilled, they brought him up to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord {2:23} (as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord), {2:24} and to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons. {2:25} And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Spirit was upon him. {2:26} And it had been revealed unto him by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. {2:27} And he came in the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Yehsus, that they might do concerning him after the custom of the law [through Moses], 28} then he received him into his arms, and blessed God, and said, {2:29} Now let you your slave depart, Lord, According to your word, in peace; {2:30} For mine eyes have seen your salvation, {2:31} Which you have prepared before the face of all peoples; {2:32} A light for revelation to the Nations, And the glory of your people Israel. {2:33} And his father and his mother were marveling at the things which were spoken concerning him; {2:34} and Simeon blessed them, and said unto Maria his mother, Behold, this [child] is set for the falling and the rising of many in Israel; and for a sign which is spoken against; {2:35} behold and a sword shall pierce through your own soul; that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed. {2:36} And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher (she was of a great age, having lived with a husband seven years from her virginity, {2:37} and she had been a widow even unto eighty four years), who departed not from the temple, worshipping with fastings and supplications night and day. {2:38} And coming up at that very hour she gave thanks unto God, and spoke of him to all them that were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. {2:39} And when they had accomplished all things that were according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth. {2:40} And the child grew, and waxed strong, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him. {2:41} And his parents went every year to Jerusalem at the feast of the Passover. {2:42} And when he was twelve years old, they went up after the custom of the feast; {2:43} and when they had fulfilled the days, as they were returning, the boy Yehsus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and his parents knew it not; {2:44} but supposing him to be in the company, they went a day's journey; and they sought for him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance: {2:45} and when they found him not, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking for him. {2:46} And it came to pass, after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both hearing them, and asking them questions: {2:47} and all that heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. {2:48} And when they saw him, they were astonished; and his mother said unto him, Son, why have you thus dealt with us? behold, your father and I sought you sorrowing. {2:49} And he said unto them, How is it that you sought me? knew you not that I must be in my Father's house? {2:50} And they understood not the saying which he spoke unto them. {2:51} And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth; and he was subject unto them: and his mother kept all [these] sayings in her heart. {2:52} And Yehsus advanced in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

{N3}3} Luke Chapter Three. {3:1} Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, {3:2} in

the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. {3:3} And he came into all the region round about the Jordan, preaching the immersion of repentance unto remission of sins; {3:4} as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make you ready the way of the Lord, Make his paths straight. {3:5} Every valley shall be filled, And every mountain and hill shall be brought low; And the crooked shall become straight, And the rough ways smooth; {3:6} And all flesh shall see the salvation of God. {3:7} He said therefore to the multitudes that went out to be immersed of him [in water], you offspring of vipers, who warned you to flee from the Anger to come? {3:8} Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. {3:9} And even now the axe also lies at the root of the trees: every tree therefore that brings not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. {3:10} And the multitudes asked him, saying, What then must we do? {3:11} And he answered and said unto them, He that has two coats, let him impart to him that has none; and he that has food, let him do likewise. {3:12} And there came also tax collectors to be immersed [in water], and they said unto him, Teacher, what must we do? {3:13} And he said unto them, Extort no more than that which is appointed you. {3:14} And soldiers also asked him, saying, And we, what must we do? And he said unto them, Extort from no man by violence, neither accuse [any one] wrongfully; and be content with your wages. {3:15} And as the people were in expectation, and all men reasoned in their hearts concerning John, whether haply he were the Christ; {3:16} John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed immerse you with water; but there comes he that is mightier than I, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall immerse you in the Holy Spirit and [in] fire: {3:17} whose fan is in his hand, thoroughly to cleanse his threshing-floor, and to gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn up with unquenchable fire. {3:18} With many other exhortations therefore preached he good tidings unto the people; {3:19} but Herod the tetrarch, being reprov'd by him for Herodias his brother's wife, and for all the evil things which Herod had done, {3:20} added this also to them all, that he shut up John in prison. {3:21} Now it came to pass, when all the people were immersed [in water], that, Yehsus also having been immersed in water, and praying, the heaven was opened, {3:22} and the Holy Spirit descended in a bodily form, as a dove, upon him, and a voice came out of heaven, you are my agape beloved Son; in you I am well pleased. {3:23} And Yehsus himself, when he began [to teach], was about thirty years of age, being the son (as was supposed) of Joseph, the [son] of Heli, {3:24} the [son] of Matthat, the [son] of Levi, the [son] of Melchi, the [son] of Jannai, the [son] of Joseph, {3:25} the [son] of Mattathias, the [son] of Amos, the [son] of Nahum, the [son] of Esli, the [son] of Naggai, {3:26} the [son] of Maath, the [son] of Mattathias, the [son] of Semein, the [son] of Josech, the [son] of Joda, {3:27} the [son] of Joanan, the [son] of Rhesa, the [son] of Zerubbabel, the [son] of Shealtiel, the [son] of Neri, {3:28} the [son] of Melchi, the [son] of Addi, the [son] of Cosam, the [son] of Elmadam, the [son] of Er, {3:29} the [son] of Yehsus, the [son] of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the [son] of Matthat, the [son] of Levi, {3:30} the [son] of Symeon, the [son] of Judas, the [son] of Joseph, the [son] of Jonam, the [son] of Eliakim, {3:31} the [son] of Melea, the [son] of Menna, the [son] of Mattatha, the [son] of Nathan, the [son] of David, {3:32} the [son] of Jesse, the [son] of Obed, the [son] of Boaz, the [son] of Salmon, the [son] of Nahshon, {3:33} the [son] of Amminadab, the [son] of Arni, the [son] of Hezron, the [son] of Perez, the [son] of Judah, {3:34} the [son] of Jacob, the [son] of Isaac, the [son] of Abraham, the [son] of Terah, the [son] of Nahor, {3:35} the [son] of Serug, the [son] of Reu, the [son] of Peleg, the [son] of Eber, the [son] of Shelah {3:36} the [son] of Cainan, the [son] of Arphaxad, the [son] of Shem, the [son] of Noah, the [son] of Lamech, {3:37} the [son] of Methuselah, the [son] of Enoch, the [son] of Jared, the [son] of Mahalaleel, the [son] of Cainan, {3:38} the [son] of Enos, the [son] of Seth, the [son] of Adam, the [son] of God.

{N3}4} Luke Chapter Four. {4:1} And Yehsus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan, and was led in the Spirit in the wilderness {4:2} during forty days, being tempted of the devil. And he did eat nothing in those days: and when they were completed, he hungered. {4:3} And the devil said unto him, if you are the Son of God, command this stone that it become bread. {4:4} And Yehsus answered unto him, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone. {4:5} And he led him up, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. {4:6} And the devil said unto him, To you will I give all this authority, and the glory of them: for it has been delivered unto me; and to whom so ever I will I give it. {4:7} If you therefore will worship before me, it shall all be yours. {4:8} And Yehsus answered and said unto him, It is written, you shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve. {4:9} And he led him to Jerusalem, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If you are the Son of God, cast yourself down from here: {4:10} for it is written, He shall give his messengers charge concerning you, to guard you: {4:11} and, On their hands they shall bear you up, Lest haply you dash your foot against a stone. {4:12} And Yehsus answering said unto him, It is said, you shall not make trial of the Lord your God. {4:13} And when the devil had completed every temptation, he departed from him for a season. {4:14} And Yehsus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and a fame went out concerning him through all the region round about. {4:15} And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all. {4:16} And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and he entered, as his custom was, into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. {4:17} And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And he opened the book, and found the place where it was written, {4:18} The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, Because he anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor: He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives, And recovering of sight to the blind, To set at liberty them that are bruised, {4:19} To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. {4:20} And he closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down: and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fastened on him. {4:21} And he began to say unto them, To-day has this scripture been fulfilled in your ears. {4:22} And all bare him witness, and wondered at the words of grace which proceeded out of his mouth: and they said, Is not this Joseph's son? {4:23} And he said unto them, Doubtless you will say unto me this parable, Physician, heal yourself: whatever we have heard done at Capernaum, do also here in your own country. {4:24} And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is acceptable in his own country. {4:25} But of a truth I say unto you, There were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six moons, when there came a great famine over all the land; {4:26} and unto none of them was Elijah sent, but only to Zarephas, in the land of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. {4:27} And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian. {4:28} And they were all filled with Anger in the synagogue, as they heard these things; {4:29} and they rose up, and cast him forth out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might throw him down headlong. {4:30} But he passing through the midst of them went his way. {4:31} And he came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath day: {4:32} and they were astonished at his teaching; for his word was with authority. {4:33} And in the synagogue there was a man, that had a spirit of an unclean demon; and he cried out with a loud voice, {4:34} Ah! what have we to do with you, Yehsus you Nazarene? are you come to destroy us? I know you who you are, the Holy One of God. {4:35} And Yehsus rebuked him, saying, Hold your peace, and come out of him. And when the demon had thrown him down in the midst, he came out of him, having done him no hurt. {4:36} And amazement came upon all, and they spoke together, one with another, saying, What is this word? for with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out. {4:37} And there went forth a rumor concerning him into every place of the region round about. {4:38} And he rose up from the synagogue, and entered into the house of Simon. And Simon's wife's mother was held with a great fever; and they beg him for her. {4:39} And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it

left her: and immediately she rose up and ministered unto them. {4:40} And when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with different diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on everyone of them, and healed them. {4:41} And demons also came out from many, crying out, and saying, you are the Son of God. And rebuking them, he suffered them not to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ. {4:42} And when it was day, he came out and went into a desert place: and the multitudes sought after him, and came unto him, and would have stayed him, that he should not go from them. {4:43} But he said unto them, I must preach the good tidings of the kingdom of God to the other cities also: for therefore was I sent. {4:44} And he was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

{N3}5} Luke Chapter Five. {5:1} Now it came to pass, while the multitude pressed upon him and heard the word of God, that he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret; {5:2} and he saw two boats standing by the lake: but the fishermen had gone out of them, and were washing their nets. {5:3} And he entered into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the multitudes out of the boat. {5:4} And when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Put out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch. {5:5} And Simon answered and said, Master, we toiled all night, and took nothing: but at your word I will let down the nets. {5:6} And when they had done this, they enclosed a great multitude of fishes; and their nets were breaking; {5:7} and they beckoned unto their partners in the other boat, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. {5:8} But Simon Petros, when he saw it, fell down at Yehsus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord. {5:9} For he was amazed, and all that were with him, at the catch of the fishes which they had taken; {5:10} and so were also James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Yehsus said unto Simon, Fear not; from here on you shall catch men. {5:11} And when they had brought their boats to land, they left all, and followed him. {5:12} And it came to pass, while he was in one of the cities, behold, a man full of leprosy: and when he saw Yehsus, he fell on his face, and beg him, saying, Lord, if you will, you Can make me clean. {5:13} And he stretched forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be you made clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him. {5:14} And he charged him to tell no man: but go your way, and show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing, according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. {5:15} But so much the more went abroad the report concerning him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed of their infirmities. {5:16} But he withdrew himself in the deserts, and prayed. {5:17} And it came to pass on one of those days, that he was teaching; and there were Pharisees and doctors of the [Halakhah, the Jewish oral] law sitting by, who were come out of every village of Galilee and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. {5:18} And behold, men bring on a bed a man that was palsied: and they sought to bring him in, and to lay him before him. {5:19} And not finding by what [way] they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went up to the housetop, and let him down through the tiles with his couch into the midst before Yehsus. {5:20} And seeing their faith, he said, Man, your sins are forgiven you. {5:21} And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this that speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone? {5:22} But Yehsus perceiving their reasonings, answered and said unto them, Why reason you in your hearts? {5:23} Which is easier, to say, Your sins are forgiven you; or to say, Arise and walk? {5:24} But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins (he said unto him that was palsied), I say unto you, Arise, and take up your couch, and go unto your house. {5:25} And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his house, glorifying God. {5:26} And amazement took hold on all, and they glorified God; and they were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to-day. {5:27} And after these things he went forth, and watched a tax collector, named Levi, sitting at the place of toll, and said unto him, Follow me. {5:28} And he forsook all, and rose up and followed him. {5:29} And Levi made him a great feast in his house: and there was a great

multitude of tax collectors and of others that were sitting at meat with them. {5:30} And the Pharisees and their scribes murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners? {5:31} And Yehsus answering said unto them, They that are in health have no need of a physician; but they that are sick. {5:32} I am not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. {5:33} And they said unto him, The disciples of John fast often, and make supplications; likewise also the [disciples] of the Pharisees; but you eat and drink. {5:34} And Yehsus said unto them, Can you make the sons of the bride-chamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them? {5:35} But the days will come; and when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, then will they fast in those days. {5:36} And he spoke also a parable unto them: No man rends a piece from a new garment and puts it upon an old garment; else he will rend the new, and also the piece from the new will not agree with the old. {5:37} And no man puts new wine into old wine-skins; else the new wine will burst the skins, and itself will be spilled, and the skins will perish. {5:38} But new wine must be put into fresh wine-skins. {5:39} And no man having drunk old [wine] desires new; for he said, The old is good.

{N3}6} Luke Chapter Six. {6:1} Now it came to pass on a Sabbath, that he was going through the grain fields; and his disciples plucked the ears, and did eat, rubbing them in their hands. {6:2} But certain of the Pharisees said, Why do you that which it is not [Halakhah] lawful to do on the Sabbath day? {6:3} And Yehsus answering them said, Have you not read even this, what David did, when he was hungry, he, and they that were with him; {6:4} how he entered into the house of God, and took and ate the showbread, and gave also to them that were with him; which it is not lawful [through Moses] to eat save for the priests alone? {6:5} And he said unto them, The Son of man is lord of the Sabbath. {6:6} And it came to pass on another Sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man there, and his right hand was withered. {6:7} And the scribes and the Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the Sabbath; that they might find how to accuse him. {6:8} But he knew their thoughts; and he said to the man that had his hand withered, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth. {6:9} And Yehsus said unto them, I ask you, Is it lawful [through Moses] on the Sabbath to do good, or to do harm? to save a life, or to destroy it? {6:10} And he looked round about on them all, and said unto him, Stretch forth your hand. And he did [so]: and his hand was restored. {6:11} But they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Yehsus.

{6:12} And it came to pass in that [night of] day [one], that he went out into the mountain to pray; and he continued all night in prayer to God. {6:13} And when it was day [light], he called his disciples; and he chose from them twelve, whom also he named apostles: {6:14} Simon, whom he also named Petros, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip and Bartholomew, {6:15} and Matthew and Thomas, and James [the son] of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, {6:16} and Judas [the son] of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor; {6:17} and he came down with them, and stood on a level place, and a great multitude of his disciples, and a great number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases; {6:18} and they that were troubled with unclean spirits were healed. {6:19} And all the multitude sought to touch him; for power came forth from him, and healed [them] all. {6:20} And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, Blessed [are] you poor: for yours is the kingdom of God. {6:21} Blessed [are] you that hunger now: for you shall be filled. Blessed [are] you that weep now: for you shall laugh. {6:22} Blessed are you, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you [from their company], and reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. {6:23} Rejoice in that day, and leap [for joy]: for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for in the same manner did their fathers unto the prophets. {6:24} But woe unto you that are rich! for you have received your consolation. {6:25} woe unto you, you that are full now! for you shall hunger. woe [unto you], you that laugh now! for you shall grieve and weep. {6:26}

Woe [unto you], when all men shall speak well of you! for in the same manner did their fathers to the false prophets. {6:27} But I say unto you that hear, agape Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you, {6:28} bless them that curse you, pray for them that despitefully use you. {6:29} To him that smites you on the [one] cheek offer also the other; and from him that takes away your cloak withhold not your coat also. {6:30} Give to everyone that asks you; and of him that takes away your goods ask them not again. {6:31} And as you would that men should do to you, do you also to them likewise. {6:32} And if you agape love them that agape love you, what thank have you? for even sinners agape love those that agape love them. {6:33} And if you do good to them that do good to you, what thank have you? for even sinners do the same. {6:34} And if you lend to them of whom you hope to receive, what thank have you? even sinners lend to sinners, to receive again as much. {6:35} But agape love your enemies, and do [them] good, and lend, never despairing; and your reward shall be great, and you shall be sons of the Most High: for he is kind toward the unthankful and evil. {6:36} Be you merciful, even as your Father is merciful. {6:37} And judge not, and you shall not be judged: and condemn not, and you shall not be condemned: release, and you shall be released: {6:38} give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, shall they give into your bosom. For with whatever measure you make it shall be measured to you again. {6:39} And he spoke also a parable unto them, Can the blind guide the blind? shall they not both fall into a pit? {6:40} The disciple is not above his teacher: but everyone when he is perfected shall be as his teacher. {6:41} And why behold you the mote that is in your brother's eye, but consider not the beam that is in your own eye? {6:42} Or how Can you say to your brother, Brother, let me cast out the mote that is in your eye, when you yourself behold not the beam that is in your own eye? you hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of your own eye, and then shall you see clearly to cast out the mote that is in your brother's eye. {6:43} For there is no good tree that brings forth corrupt fruit; nor again a corrupt tree that brings forth good fruit. {6:44} For each tree is known by its own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes. {6:45} The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth that which is good; and the evil [man] out of the evil [treasure] brings forth that which is evil: for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speak. {6:46} And why call you me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? {6:47} Everyone that comes unto me, and hears my words, and does them, I will show you to whom he is like: {6:48} he is like a man building a house, who dug and went deep, and laid a foundation upon the rock: and when a flood arose, the stream brake against that house, and could not shake it: because it had been well built. {6:49} But he that hears, and does not, is like a man that built a house upon the earth outside a foundation; against which the stream brake, and immediately it fell in; and the ruin of that house was great.

{N3}7} Luke Chapter Seven. {7:1} After he had ended all his sayings in the ears of the people, he entered into Capernaum. {7:2} And a certain centurion's slave, who was dear unto him, was sick and at the point of death. {7:3} And when he heard concerning Yehsus, he sent unto him elders of the Jews, asking him that he would come and save his slave. {7:4} And they, when they came to Yehsus, beg him earnestly, saying, He is worthy that you should do this for him; {7:5} for the agape loves our nation, and himself built us our synagogue. {7:6} And Yehsus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not yourself; for I am not worthy that you should come under my roof: {7:7} Therefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto you: but say the word, and my slave shall be healed. {7:8} For I also am a man set under authority, having under myself soldiers: and I say to this one, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my slave, Do this, and he does it. {7:9} And when Yehsus heard these things, he marveled at him, and turned and said unto the multitude that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. {7:10} And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the slave whole. {7:11} And it came to pass soon afterwards, that he went to a city called Nain; and

his disciples went with him, and a great multitude. {7:12} Now when he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, there was carried out one that was dead, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her. {7:13} And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. {7:14} And he came near and touched the bier: and the bearers stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto you, Arise. {7:15} And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. {7:16} And fear took hold on all: and they glorified God, saying, A great prophet is arisen among us: and, God has visited his people. {7:17} And this report went forth concerning him in the whole of Judea, and all the region round about. {7:18} And the disciples of John told him of all these things. {7:19} And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to the Lord, saying, are you he that comes, or look we for another? {7:20} And when the men were come unto him, they said, John the Immerser [in water] has sent us unto you, saying, are you he that comes, or look we for another? {7:21} In that hour he cured many of diseases and plagues and evil spirits; and on many that were blind he bestowed sight. {7:22} And he answered and said unto them, Go and tell John the things which you have seen and heard; the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good tidings preached to them. {7:23} And blessed is he, anyone who shall find no occasion of stumbling in me. {7:24} And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went you out into the wilderness to behold? a reed shaken with the wind? {7:25} But what went you out to see? a man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that are gorgeously dressed, and live delicately, are in kings' courts. {7:26} But what went you out to see? a prophet? behold, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. {7:27} This is he of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before your face, Who shall prepare your way before you. {7:28} I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there is none greater than John: yet he that is but little in the kingdom of God is greater than he. {7:29} And all the people when they heard, and the tax collectors, justified God, being immersed [in water] with the immersion of John. {7:30} But the Pharisees and the [Halakah] lawyers rejected for themselves the counsel of God, being not immersed [in water] of him. {7:31} Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation, and to what are they like? {7:32} They are like unto children that sit in the marketplace, and call one to another; who say, We piped unto you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not weep. {7:33} For John the Immerser [in water] is come eating no bread nor drinking wine; and you say, He has a demon. {7:34} The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and you say, Behold, a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of tax collectors and sinners! {7:35} And wisdom is justified of all her children. {7:36} And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he entered into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat. {7:37} And behold, a woman who was in the city, a sinner; and when she knew that he was sitting at meat in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster cruse of ointment, {7:38} and standing behind at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. {7:39} Now when the Pharisee that had bidden him saw it, he spoke within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have perceived who and what manner of woman this is that touches him, that she is a sinner. {7:40} And Yehsus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto you. And he said, Teacher, say on. {7:41} A certain lender had two debtors: the one owed five hundred shillings, and the other fifty. {7:42} When they had not [by which] to pay, he forgave them both. Which of them therefore will agape love him most? {7:43} Simon answered and said, He, I suppose, to whom he forgave the most. And he said unto him, you have rightly judged. {7:44} And turning to the woman, he said unto Simon, See you this woman? I entered into your house, you gave me no water for my feet: but she has wetted my feet with her tears, and wiped them with her hair. {7:45} you gave me no kiss: but she, since the time I came in, has not ceased to kiss my feet. {7:46} My head with oil you did not anoint: but she has anointed my feet with ointment. {7:47} Therefore I say unto you, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she

agape loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, [the same] agape loves little. {7:48} And he said unto her, Your sins are forgiven. {7:49} And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that even forgives sins? {7:50} And he said unto the woman, Your faith has saved you; go in peace.

{N3}8} Luke Chapter Eight. {8:1} And it came to pass soon afterwards, that he went about through cities and villages, preaching and bringing the good tidings of the kingdom of God, and with him the twelve, {8:2} and certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Maria that was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, {8:3} and Joanna the wife of Chuzas Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, who ministered unto them of their substance. {8:4} And when a great multitude came together, and they of every city resorted unto him, he spoke by a parable: {8:5} The sower went forth to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden under foot, and the birds of the heaven devoured it. {8:6} And other fell on the rock; and as soon as it grew, it withered away, because it had no moisture. {8:7} And other fell amidst the thorns; and the thorns grew with it, and choked it. {8:8} And other fell into the good ground, and grew, and brought forth fruit a hundredfold. As he said these things, he cried, He that has ears to hear, let him hear. {8:9} And his disciples asked him what this parable might be. {8:10} And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to the rest in parables; that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. {8:11} Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. {8:12} And those by the way side are they that have heard; then comes the devil, and takes away the word from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved. {8:13} And those on the rock [are] they who, when they have heard, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. {8:14} And that which fell among the thorns, these are they that have heard, and as they go on their way they are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of [this] life, and bring no fruit to perfection. {8:15} And that in the good ground, these are such as in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, hold it fast, and bring forth fruit with patience. {8:16} And no man, when he has lighted a lamp, covers it with a vessel, or puts it under a bed; but puts it on a stand, that they that enter in may see the light. {8:17} For nothing is hid, that shall not be made manifest; nor [anything] secret, that shall not be known and come to light. {8:18} Take heed therefore how you hear: for anyone who has, to him shall be given; and anyone who has not, from him shall be taken away even that which he thinks he has. {8:19} And there came to him his mother and brethren, and they could not come at him for the crowd. {8:20} And it was told him, Your mother and your brethren stand outside, desiring to see you. {8:21} But he answered and said unto them, My mother and my brethren are these that hear the word of God, and do it. {8:22} Now it came to pass on one of those days, that he entered into a boat, himself and his disciples; and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake: and they launched forth. {8:23} But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filling [with water], and were in jeopardy. {8:24} And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. And he awoke, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm. {8:25} And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And being afraid they marveled, saying one to another, Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him? {8:26} And they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is over against Galilee. {8:27} And when he was come forth upon the land, there met him a certain man out of the city, who had demons; and for a long time he had worn no clothes, and abode not in [any] house, but in the tombs. {8:28} And when he saw Yehsus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with you, Yehsus, you Son of the Most High God? I ask you, torment me not. {8:29} For he was commanding the unclean spirit to come out from the man. For oftentimes it had seized him: and he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters; and breaking the bands asunder, he was driven of the demon into the deserts. {8:30} And Yehsus asked him, What is your name?

And he said, Legion; for many demons were entered into him. {8:31} And they ask him that he would not command them to depart into the abyss. {8:32} Now there was there a herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they ask him that he would give them choice to enter into them. And he gave them permission. {8:33} And the demons came out from the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd rushed down the steep into the lake, and were drowned. {8:34} And when they that fed them saw what had come to pass, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. {8:35} And they went out to see what had come to pass; and they came to Yehsus, and found the man, from whom the demons were gone out, sitting, clothed and in his right mind, at the feet of Yehsus: and they were afraid. {8:36} And they that saw it told them how he that was possessed with demons was made whole. {8:37} And all the people of the country of the Gerasenes round about asked him to depart from them, for they were held with great fear: and he entered into a boat, and returned. {8:38} But the man from whom the demons were gone out prayed him that he might be with him: but he sent him away, saying, {8:39} Return to your house, and declare how great things God has done for you. And he went his way, publishing throughout the whole city how great things Yehsus had done for him. {8:40} And as Yehsus returned, the multitude welcomed him; for they were all waiting for him. {8:41} And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Yehsus' feet, and beg him to come into his house; {8:42} for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as he went the multitudes thronged him. {8:43} And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, who had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed of any, {8:44} came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately the issue of her blood stopped. {8:45} And Yehsus said, Who is it that touched me? And when all denied, Petros said, and they that were with him, Master, the multitudes press you and crush [you]. {8:46} But Yehsus said, Someone did touch me; for I perceived that power had gone forth from me. {8:47} And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people for what cause she touched him, and how she was healed immediately. {8:48} And he said unto her, Daughter, your faith has made you whole; go in peace. {8:49} While he yet spoke, there comes one from the ruler of the synagogue's [house], saying, Your daughter is dead; trouble not the Teacher. {8:50} But Yehsus hearing it, answered him, Fear not: only believe, and she shall be made whole. {8:51} And when he came to the house, he suffered not any man to enter in with him, save Petros, and John, and James, and the father of the maiden and her mother. {8:52} And all were weeping, and bewailing her: but he said, Weep not; for she is not dead, but sleeps. {8:53} And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead. {8:54} But he, taking her by the hand, called, saying, Maiden, arise. {8:55} And her spirit returned, and she rose up immediately: and he commanded that [something] be given her to eat. {8:56} And her parents were amazed: but he charged them to tell no man what had been done.

{N3}9} Luke Chapter Nine. {9:1} And he called the twelve together, and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. {9:2} And he sent them forth to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. {9:3} And he said unto them, Take nothing for your journey, neither staff, nor wallet, nor bread, nor money; neither have two coats. {9:4} And into whatever house you enter, there abide, and there depart. {9:5} And as many as receive you not, when you depart from that city, shake off the dust from your feet for a testimony against them. {9:6} And they departed, and went throughout the villages, preaching the good news, and healing everywhere. {9:7} Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done: and he was much perplexed, because that it was said by some, that John was risen from the dead; {9:8} and by some, that Elijah had appeared; and by others, that one of the old prophets was risen again. {9:9} And Herod said, John I beheaded: but who is this, about whom I hear such things? And he sought to see him. {9:10} And the apostles, when they were returned, declared unto him what things they had done. And he took them, and withdrew apart to a city called Bethsaida. {9:11} But the

multitudes perceiving it followed him: and he welcomed them, and spoke to them of the kingdom of God, and them that had need of healing he cured. {9:12} And the day began to wear away; and the twelve came, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages and country round about, and lodge, and get provisions: for we are here in a desert place. {9:13} But he said unto them, Give you them to eat. And they said, We have no more than five loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy food for all this people. {9:14} For they were about five thousand men. And he said unto his disciples, Make them sit down in companies, about fifty each. {9:15} And they did so, and made them all sit down. {9:16} And he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake; and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude. {9:17} And they ate, and were all filled: and there was taken up that which remained over to them of broken pieces, twelve baskets. {9:18} And it came to pass, as he was praying apart, the disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Who do the multitudes say that I am? {9:19} And they answering said, John the Immerser [in water]; but others [say], Elijah; and others, that one of the old prophets is risen again. {9:20} And he said unto them, But who say you that I am? And Petros answering said, The Christ of God. {9:21} But he charged them, and commanded [them] to tell this to no man; {9:22} saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and the third day be raised up. {9:23} And he said unto all, If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. {9:24} For anyone who would save his life shall lose it; but anyone who shall lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it. {9:25} For what is a man profited, if he gain the whole world, and lose or forfeit his own self? {9:26} For anyone who shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he comes in his own glory, and [the glory] of the Father, and of the holy messengers. {9:27} But I tell you of a truth, There are some of them that stand here, who shall in no wise taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God. {9:28} And it came to pass about eight days after these sayings, that he took with him Petros and John and James, and went up into the mountain to pray. {9:29} And as he was praying, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment [became] white [and] dazzling. {9:30} And behold, there talked with him two men, who were Moses and Elijah; {9:31} who appeared in glory, and spoke of his decease which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. {9:32} Now Petros and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: but when they were fully awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him. {9:33} And it came to pass, as they were parting from him, Petros said unto Yehsus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah: not knowing what he said. {9:34} And while he said these things, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud. {9:35} And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my Son, my chosen: hear you him. {9:36} And when the voice came, Yehsus was found alone. And they held their peace, and told no man in those days any of the things which they had seen. {9:37} And it came to pass, on the next day, when they were come down from the mountain, a great multitude met him. {9:38} And behold, a man from the multitude cried, saying, Teacher, I ask you to look upon my son; for he is mine only child: {9:39} and behold, a spirit takes him, and he suddenly cries out; and it tears him that he foams, and it hardly departs from him, bruising him sorely. {9:40} And I beg your disciples to cast it out; and they could not. {9:41} And Yehsus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and bear with you? bring here your son. {9:42} And as he was yet a coming, the demon dashed him down, and tare [him] grievously. But Yehsus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. {9:43} And they were all astonished at the majesty of God. But while all were marveling at all the things which he did, he said unto his disciples, {9:44} Let these words sink into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered up into the hands of men. {9:45} But they understood not this saying, and it was concealed from them, that they should not perceive it; and they were afraid to ask him about this saying. {9:46} And there arose a reasoning among them, which of them was the greatest.

{9:47} But when Yehsus saw the reasoning of their heart, he took a little child, and set him by his side, {9:48} and said unto them, Anyone who shall receive this little child in my name receives me: and anyone who shall receive me receives him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same is great. {9:49} And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out demons in your name; and we forbade him, because he follows not with us. {9:50} But Yehsus said unto him, Forbid [him] not: for he that is not against you is for you. {9:51} And it came to pass, when the days were well-near come that he should be received up, he steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem, {9:52} and sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him. {9:53} And they did not receive him, because his face was [as though he were] going to Jerusalem. {9:54} And when his disciples James and John saw [this], they said, Lord, will you that we bid fire to come down from heaven, and consume them? {9:55} But he turned, and rebuked them. {9:56} And they went to another village. {9:57} And as they went on the way, a certain man said unto him, I will follow you where ever you go. {9:58} And Yehsus said unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the heaven [have] nests; but the Son of man has not where to lay his head. {9:59} And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. {9:60} But he said unto him, Leave the dead to bury their own dead; but go you and publish abroad the kingdom of God. {9:61} And another also said, I will follow you, Lord; but first suffer me to bid farewell to them that are at my house. {9:62} But Yehsus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

{N3}10} Luke Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now after these things the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, where he himself was about to come. {10:2} And he said unto them, The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few: pray you therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest. {10:3} Go your ways; behold, I send you forth as lambs in the midst of wolves. {10:4} Carry no purse, no wallet, no shoes; and salute no man on the way. {10:5} And into whatever house you shall enter, first say, Peace [be] to this house. {10:6} And if a son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon him: but if not, it shall turn to you again. {10:7} And in that same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the laborer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house. {10:8} And into whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you: {10:9} and heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come near unto you. {10:10} But into whatever city you shall enter, and they receive you not, go out into the streets of it and say, {10:11} Even the dust from your city, that cleaves to our feet, we wipe off against you: nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God is come near. {10:12} I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city. {10:13} Woe unto you, Chorazin! Woe unto you, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which were done in you, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. {10:14} But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment, than for you. {10:15} And you, Capernaum, shall you be exalted unto heaven? you shall be brought down unto Hades. {10:16} He that hears you hears me; and he that rejects you rejects me; and he that rejects me rejects him that sent me. {10:17} And the seventy returned with joy, saying, Lord, even the demons are subject unto us in your name. {10:18} And he said unto them, I watched Satan fallen as lightning from heaven. {10:19} Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall in any wise hurt you. {10:20} Nevertheless in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven. {10:21} In that same hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit, and said, I thank you, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you did hide these things from the wise and understanding, and did reveal them unto babes: behold, Father; for so it was well-pleasing in your sight. {10:22} All things have been delivered unto me of my Father: and no one knows who the Son is, save the Father; and who the Father is, save the Son, and he to whom so ever the Son wills

to reveal [him]. {10:23} And turning to the disciples, he said privately, Blessed [are] the eyes which see the things that you see: {10:24} for I say unto you, that many prophets and kings desired to see the things which you see, and saw them not; and to hear the things which you hear, and heard them not. {10:25} And behold, a certain [Halakah] lawyer stood up and made trial of him, saying, Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? {10:26} And he said unto him, What is written in the law [through Moses]? how [do] you read? {10:27} And he answering said, you shall agape love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and [agape] your neighbor as [you agape love] yourself. {10:28} And he said unto him, you have answered right: this do, and you shall live. {10:29} But he, desiring to justify himself, said unto Yehsus, And who is my neighbor? {10:30} Yehsus made answer and said, A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho; and he fell among robbers, who both stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. {10:31} And by chance a certain priest was going down that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. {10:32} And in like manner a Levite also, when he came to the place, and saw him, passed by on the other side. {10:33} But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he was moved with compassion, {10:34} and came to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring on [them] oil and wine; and he set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. {10:35} And on the morrow he took out two shillings, and gave them to the host, and said, Take care of him; and whatever you spend more, I, when I come back again, will repay you. {10:36} Which of these three, think you, proved neighbor unto him that fell among the robbers? {10:37} And he said, He that showed mercy on him. And Yehsus said unto him, Go, and do you likewise. {10:38} Now as they went on their way, he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. {10:39} And she had a sister called Maria, who also sat at the Lord's feet, and heard his word. {10:40} But Martha was cumbered about much serving; and she came up to him, and said, Lord, do you not care that my sister did leave me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me. {10:41} But the Lord answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things: {10:42} but one thing is needful: for Maria has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

{N3}11} Luke Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And it came to pass, as he was praying in a certain place, that when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, even as John also taught his disciples. {11:2} And he said unto them, When you pray, say, Father, Hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. {11:3} Give us day by day our daily bread. {11:4} And forgive us our sins; for we ourselves also forgive everyone that is indebted to us. And bring us not into temptation. {11:5} And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say to him, Friend, lend me three loaves; {11:6} for a friend of mine is come to me from a journey, and I have nothing to set before him; {11:7} and he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give you? {11:8} I say unto you, though he will not rise and give him because he is his friend, yet because of his aggressive insistence he will arise and give him as many as he needs. {11:9} And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. {11:10} For everyone that asks receives; and he that seeks finds; and to him that knocks it shall be opened. {11:11} And of which of you that is a father shall his son ask a loaf, and he give him a stone? or a fish, and he for a fish give him a serpent? {11:12} Or [if] he shall ask an egg, will he give him a scorpion? {11:13} If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall [your] heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him? {11:14} And he was casting out a demon [that was] dumb. And it came to pass, when the demon was gone out, the dumb man spoke; and the multitudes marveled. {11:15} But some of them said, By Beelzebub the prince of the demons cast he out demons. {11:16} And others, trying [him], sought of him a sign from heaven. {11:17} But he, knowing

their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house [divided] against a house falls. {11:18} And if Satan also is divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebub. {11:19} And if I by Beelzebub cast out demons, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. {11:20} But if I by the finger of God cast out demons, then is the kingdom of God come upon you. {11:21} When the strong [man] fully armed guard his own court, his goods are in peace: {11:22} but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he takes from him his whole armor wherein he trusted, and divides his spoils. {11:23} He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathers not with me scatters. {11:24} The unclean spirit when he is gone out of the man, passes through waterless places, seeking rest, and finding none, he said, I will turn back unto my house where I came out. {11:25} And when he is come, he finds it swept and garnished. {11:26} Then goes he, and takes [to him] seven other spirits more evil than himself; and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. {11:27} And it came to pass, as he said these things, a certain woman out of the multitude lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare you, and the breasts which you did suck. {11:28} But he said, behold rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it. {11:29} And when the multitudes were gathering together unto him, he began to say, This generation is an evil generation: it seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it but the sign of Jonah. {11:30} For even as Jonah became a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation. {11:31} The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and shall condemn them: for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, a greater than Solomon is here. {11:32} The men of Nineveh shall stand up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, a greater than Jonah is here. {11:33} No man, when he has lighted a lamp, puts it in a cellar, neither under the bushel, but on the stand, that they which enter in may see the light. {11:34} The lamp of your body is your eye: when your eye is single, your whole body also is full of light; but when it is evil, your body also is full of darkness. {11:35} Look therefore whether the light that is in you be not darkness. {11:36} If therefore your whole body be full of light, having no part dark, it shall be wholly full of light, as when the lamp with its bright shining does give you light. {11:37} Now as he spoke, a Pharisee asks him to Eat the morning meal with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat. {11:38} And when the Pharisee saw it, he marveled that he had not first bathed himself before [eating] the morning meal. {11:39} And the Lord said unto him, Now you the Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the platter; but your inward part is full of extortion and wickedness. {11:40} you foolish ones, did not he that made the outside make the inside also? {11:41} But give for genuine benevolence to those things which are within; and behold, all things are clean unto you. {11:42} But woe unto you Pharisees! for you tithe mint and rue and every herb, and pass over justice and the agape love of God: but these ought you to have done, and not to leave the other undone. {11:43} Woe unto you Pharisees! for you agapata love the chief seats in the synagogues, and the salutations in the marketplaces. {11:44} Woe unto you! for you are as the tombs which appear not, and the men that walk over [them] know it not. {11:45} And one of the [Halakah] lawyers answering said unto him, Teacher, in saying this you reproach us also. {11:46} And he said, Woe unto you [The unwritten oral Halakah] lawyers also! for you load men with burdens grievous to be borne, and you yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers. {11:47} Woe unto you! for you build the tombs of the prophets, and your fathers killed them. {11:48} So you are witnesses and consent unto the works of your fathers: for they killed them, and you build [their tombs]. {11:49} Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send unto them prophets and apostles; and [some] of them they shall kill and persecute; {11:50} that the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation; {11:51} from the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zachariah, who perished between the altar and the sanctuary: behold, I say unto you, it shall be required of this generation. {11:52} Woe unto

you [in the unwritten Halakah] lawyers! for you took away the key of knowledge: you entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in you hindered. {11:53} And when he was come out from there, the scribes and the Pharisees began to press upon [him] vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things; {11:54} laying wait for him, to catch something out of his mouth.

{N3}12} Luke Chapter Twelve. {12:1} In the mean time, when the many thousands of the multitude were gathered together, so much that they trod one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first of all, Beware you of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. {12:2} But there is nothing covered up, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. {12:3} Therefore whatever you have said in the darkness shall be heard in the light; and what you have spoken in the ear in the inner chambers shall be proclaimed upon the housetops. {12:4} And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. {12:5} But I will warn you whom you shall fear: Fear him, who after he has killed has power to cast into hell; behold, I say unto you, Fear him. {12:6} Are not five sparrows sold for two pence? and not one of them is forgotten in the sight of God. {12:7} But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not: you are of more value than many sparrows. {12:8} And I say unto you, Everyone who shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the messengers of God: {12:9} but he that denies me in the presence of men shall be denied in the presence of the messengers of God. {12:10} And everyone who shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven. {12:11} And when they bring you before the synagogues, and the rulers, and the authorities, be not anxious how or what you shall answer, or what you shall say: {12:12} for the Holy Spirit shall teach you in that very hour what you ought to say. {12:13} And one out of the multitude said unto him, Teacher, bid my brother divide the inheritance with me. {12:14} But he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you? {12:15} And he said unto them, Take heed, and keep yourselves from all covetousness: for a man's life consists not in the abundance of the things which he possesses. {12:16} And he spoke a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: {12:17} and he reasoned within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have not where to bestow my fruits? {12:18} And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my grain and my goods. {12:19} And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have much goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry. {12:20} But God said unto him, you foolish one, this night is your soul required of you; and the things which you have prepared, whose shall they be? {12:21} So is he that lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. {12:22} And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Be not anxious for [your] life, what you shall eat; nor yet for your body, what you shall put on. {12:23} For the life is more than the food, and the body than the raiment. {12:24} Consider the ravens that they sow not, neither reap; which have no store-chamber nor barn; and God feeds them: of how much more value are you than the birds! {12:25} And which of you by being anxious can add a cubit unto the measure of his life? {12:26} If then you are not able to do even that which is least, why are you anxious concerning the rest? {12:27} Consider the lilies, how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin; yet I say unto you, Even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. {12:28} But if God does so clothe the grass in the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven; how much more [shall he clothe] you, O you of little faith? {12:29} And seek not you what you shall eat, and what you shall drink, neither be you of doubtful mind. {12:30} For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: but your Father knows that you have need of these things. {12:31} yet seek you his kingdom, and these things shall be added unto you. {12:32} Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. {12:33} Sell that which you have, and give genuine benevolence; make for yourselves purses which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that fails not, where no thief draws near, neither moth destroys. {12:34} For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. {12:35} Let your

loins be girded about, and your lamps burning; {12:36} and be you yourselves like unto men looking for their lord, when he shall return from the marriage feast; that, when he comes and knocks, they may immediately open unto him. {12:37} Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he comes shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them sit down to meat, and shall come and serve them. {12:38} And if he shall come in the second watch, and if in the third, and find [them] so blessed are those [servants]. {12:39} But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what hour the thief was coming, he would have watched, and not have left his house to be broken through. {12:40} Be you also ready: for in an hour that you think not the Son of man comes. {12:41} And Petros said, Lord, speak you this parable unto us, or even unto all? {12:42} And the Lord said, Who then is the faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall set over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? {12:43} Blessed is that slave, whom his lord when he comes shall find so doing. {12:44} Of a truth I say unto you, that he will set him over all that he has. {12:45} But if that slave shall say in his heart, My lord delays his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and the maidservants, and to eat and drink, and to be drunk; {12:46} the lord of that slave shall come in a day when he expects not, and in an hour when he knows not, and shall cut him asunder, and appoint his portion with the unfaithful. {12:47} And that slave, who knew his lord's will, and made not ready, nor did according to his will, shall be beaten with many [stripes]; {12:48} but he that knew not, and did things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few [stripes]. And to whom so ever much is given, of him shall much be required: and to whom they commit much, of him will they ask the more. {12:49} I came to cast fire upon the earth; and what do I desire, if it is already kindled? {12:50} But I have a [certain kind of] immersion to be immersed with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished! {12:51} Think you that I am come to give peace in the earth? I tell you, No; but rather division: {12:52} for there shall be from here on five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. {12:53} They shall be divided, father against son, and son against father; mother against daughter, and daughter against her mother; mother in law against her daughter in law, and daughter in law against her mother in law. {12:54} And he said to the multitudes also, When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, There comes a shower; and so it comes to pass. {12:55} And when [you see] a south wind blowing, you say, There will be a scorching heat; and it comes to pass. {12:56} you hypocrites, you know how to interpret the face of the earth and the heaven; but how is it that you know not how to interpret this time? {12:57} And why even of yourselves judge you not what is right? {12:58} For as you are going with your adversary before the judge, on the way give diligence to be settled with him; lest haply he drag you unto the judge, and the judge shall deliver you to the officer, and the officer shall cast you into prison. {12:59} I say unto you, you shall by no means come out there, till you have paid the very last mite.

{N3}13} Luke Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Now there were some present at that very season who told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. {13:2} And he answered and said unto them, Think you that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they have suffered these things? {13:3} I tell you, No: but, except you repent, you shall all in like manner perish. {13:4} Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and killed them, think you that they were offenders above all the men that dwell in Jerusalem? {13:5} I tell you, No: but, except you repent, you shall all likewise perish. {13:6} And he spoke this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came seeking fruit thereon, and found none. {13:7} And he said unto the vinedresser, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why does it also cumber the ground? {13:8} And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: {13:9} and if it bear fruit there on, [well]; but if not, you shall cut it down. {13:10} And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath day. {13:11} And behold, a woman that had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years; and she was bowed together, and

could in no wise lift herself up. {13:12} And when Yehsus saw her, he called her, and said to her, Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity. {13:13} And he laid his hands upon her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. {13:14} And the ruler of the synagogue, being moved with indignation because Yehsus had healed on the Sabbath, answered and said to the multitude, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the day of the Sabbath. {13:15} But the Lord answered him, and said, you hypocrites, does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or his donkey from the stall, and lead him away to watering? {13:16} And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan had bound, lo, [these] eighteen years, to have been loosed from this bond on the day of the Sabbath? {13:17} And as he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame: and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him. {13:18} He said therefore, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I liken it? {13:19} It is like unto a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his own garden; and it grew, and became a tree; and the birds of the heaven lodged in the branches there. {13:20} And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God? {13:21} It is like unto leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till it was all leavened. {13:22} And he went on his way through cities and villages, teaching, and journeying on unto Jerusalem. {13:23} And one said unto him, Lord, are they few that are saved? And he said unto them, {13:24} Strive to enter in by the narrow door: for many, I say unto you, shall seek to enter in, and shall not be able. {13:25} When once the master of the house is risen up, and has shut to the door, and you begin to stand outside, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, open to us; and he shall answer and say to you, I know you not where you are; {13:26} then shall you begin to say, We did eat and drink in your presence, and you did teach in our streets; {13:27} and he shall say, I tell you, I know not where you are; depart from me, all you workers against law. {13:28} There shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth, when you shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and yourselves cast forth outside. {13:29} And they shall come from the east and west, and from the north and south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God. {13:30} And behold, there are last who shall be first, and there are first who shall be last. {13:31} In that very hour there came certain Pharisees, saying to him, Get you out, and go from here: for Herod would fain kill you. {13:32} And he said unto them, Go and say to that fox, Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures to-day and to-morrow, and the third [day] I am perfected. {13:33} Nevertheless I must go on my way to-day and to-morrow and the [day] following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem. {13:34} O Jerusalem, Jerusalem that kills the prophets, and stones them that are sent unto her! how often would I have gathered your children together, even as a hen [gathers] her own brood under her wings, and you would not! {13:35} Behold, your house is left unto you [desolate]: and I say unto you, you shall not see me, until you shall say, Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

{N3}14} Luke Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And it came to pass, when he went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees on a Sabbath to eat bread, that they were watching him. {14:2} And behold, there was before him a certain man that had the dropsy. {14:3} And Yehsus answering spoke unto the [Halakah] lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful [though Moses] to heal on the Sabbath, or not? {14:4} But they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go. {14:5} And he said unto them, Which of you shall have an donkey or an ox fallen into a well, and will not immediately draw him up on a Sabbath day? {14:6} And they could not answer again unto these things. {14:7} And he spoke a parable unto those that were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief seats; saying unto them, {14:8} When you are bidden of any man to a marriage feast, sit not down in the chief seat; lest haply a more honorable man than you be bidden of him, {14:9} and he that bade you and him shall come and say to you, Give this man place; and then you shall begin with shame to take the low place. {14:10} But when you are bidden, go and sit down in the low place; that when he that has bidden you comes, he may say to

you, Friend, go up higher: then shall you have glory in the presence of all that sit at meat with you. {14:11} For everyone that exalts himself shall be humbled; and he that humbles himself shall be exalted. {14:12} And he said to him also that had bidden him, When you make a morning meal (Ariston) or a supper (deipnon or evening meal), call not your friends, nor your brethren, nor your kinsmen, nor rich neighbors; lest haply they also bid you again, and a recompense be made you. {14:13} But when you make a feast (doche dokh-ay), bid the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind: {14:14} and you shall be blessed; because they have not [by which] to recompense you: for you shall be recompensed in the resurrection of the just. {14:15} And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God. {14:16} But he said unto him, A certain man made a great supper; and he called many: {14:17} and he sent forth his slave at [his] supper Hour to say to them that were called, Come; for [all] things are now ready. {14:18} And they all with one [consent] began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a field, and I must needs go out and see it; I pray you have me excused. {14:19} And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray you have me excused. {14:20} And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. {14:21} And the slave came, and told his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his slave, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and maimed and blind and lame. {14:22} And the servant said, Lord, what you did command is done, and yet there is room. {14:23} And the lord said unto the slave, Go out into the highways and hedges, and constrain [them] to come in, that my house may be filled. {14:24} For I say unto you, that none of those men that were called shall taste of my supper. {14:25} Now there went with him great multitudes: and he turned, and said unto them, {14:26} If any man comes unto me, and hates not his own father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, behold, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. {14:27} Anyone who does not bear his own cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple. {14:28} For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he have [what he needs] to complete it? {14:29} Lest haply, when he has laid a foundation, and is not able to finish, all that behold [others] begin to mock him, {14:30} saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish. {14:31} Or what king, as he goes to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and take counsel whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him that comes against him with twenty thousand? {14:32} Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends an delegation, and asks conditions of peace. {14:33} So therefore anyone who he be of you that renounces not all that he has, he cannot be my disciple. {14:34} Salt therefore is good: but if even the salt have lost its savor, by which shall it be seasoned? {14:35} It is fit neither for the land nor for the dunghill: [men] cast it out. He that has ears to hear, let him hear.

{N3}15} Luke Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Now all the tax collectors and sinners were drawing near unto him to hear him. {15:2} And both the Pharisees and the scribes murmured, saying, This man receives sinners, and eats with them. {15:3} And he spoke unto them this parable, saying, {15:4} What man of you, having a hundred sheep, and having lost one of them, does not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? {15:5} And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. {15:6} And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying unto them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. {15:7} I say unto you that even so there shall be joy in heaven over one sinner that repents, [more] than over ninety and nine righteous persons, who need no repentance. {15:8} Or what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, does not light a lamp, and sweep the house, and seek diligently until she find it? {15:9} And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I had lost. {15:10} Even so, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the messengers of God over one sinner that repents. {15:11} And he said, A certain man had two sons: {15:12}

and the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of [your] substance that falls to me. And he divided unto them his living. {15:13} And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together and took his journey into a far country; and there he wasted his substance with riotous living. {15:14} And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that country; and he began to be in want. {15:15} And he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. {15:16} And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. {15:17} But when he came to himself he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish here with hunger! {15:18} I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight: {15:19} I am no more worthy to be called your son: make me as one of your hired servants. {15:20} And he arose, and came to his father. But while he was yet afar off, his father saw him, and was moved with compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. {15:21} And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight: I am no more worthy to be called your son. {15:22} But the father said to his servants, Bring forth quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: {15:23} and bring the fatted calf, [and] kill it, and let us eat, and make merry: {15:24} for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry. {15:25} Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. {15:26} And he called to him one of the servants, and inquired what these things might be. {15:27} And he said unto him, Your brother is come; and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound. {15:28} But he was angry, and would not go in: and his father came out, and entreated him. {15:29} But he answered and said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve you, and I never transgressed a commandment of your; and [yet] you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends: {15:30} but when this your son came, who has devoured your living with prostitutes, you killed for him the fatted calf. {15:31} And he said unto him, Son, you are ever with me, and all that is mine is yours. {15:32} But it was meet to make merry and be glad: for this your brother was dead, and is alive [again]; and [was] lost, and is found.

{N3}16} Luke Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And he said also unto the disciples, There was a certain rich man, who had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he was wasting his goods. {16:2} And he called him, and said unto him, What is this that I hear of you? render the account of your stewardship; for you Can be no longer steward. {16:3} And the steward said within himself, What shall I do, seeing that my lord takes away the stewardship from me? I have not strength to dig; to beg I am ashamed. {16:4} I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. {16:5} And calling to him each one of his lord's debtors, he said to the first, How much owe you unto my lord? {16:6} And he said, A hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take your bond, and sit down quickly and write fifty. {16:7} Then said he to another, And how much owe you? And he said, A hundred measures of wheat. He said unto him, Take your bond, and write eighty. {16:8} And his lord commended the unrighteous steward because he had done wisely: for the sons of this world are for their own generation wiser than the sons of the light. {16:9} And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends by means of the mammon of works outside the law; that, when it shall fail, they may receive you into the eternal tabernacles. {16:10} He that is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much: and he that is [illegal] in works outside the law in a very little is [illegal] in works outside the law also in much. {16:11} If therefore you have not been faithful in the [illegal]) works outside the law of mammon, who will commit to your trust the true [riches]? {16:12} And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? {16:13} No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and agape love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. you cannot serve God and mammon. {16:14} And the Pharisees, who were philo lovers of money, heard all these things;

and they scoffed at him. {16:15} And he said unto them, you are they that justify yourselves in the sight of men; but God knows your hearts: for that which is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God. {16:16} The [written] law [through Moses] and the prophets [were] until John: from that time the good news of the kingdom of God is preached, and every man enters by force into it. {16:17} But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away, than for one tittle of the [written] law [through Moses] to fall. {16:18} Everyone that puts away his wife, and marries another, is the cause of adultery: and he that marries one that is divorced from a husband adulterates the wife of another. {16:19} Now there was a certain rich man, and he was clothed in purple and fine linen, faring sumptuously every day: {16:20} and a certain beggar named Lazarus was laid at his gate, full of sores, {16:21} and desiring to be fed with the [crumbs] that fell from the rich man's table; behold, even the dogs come and licked his sores. {16:22} And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and that he was carried away by the messengers into Abraham's bosom: and the rich man also died, and was buried. {16:23} And in Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and sees Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. {16:24} And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame. {16:25} But Abraham said, Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things: but now here he is comforted and you are in anguish. {16:26} And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, that they that would pass from here to you may not be able, and that none may cross over from there to us. {16:27} And he said, I pray you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house; {16:28} for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. {16:29} But Abraham said, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. {16:30} And he said, No, father Abraham: but if one go to them from the dead, they will repent. {16:31} And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, if one rise from the dead.

{N3}17} Luke Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And he said unto his disciples, It is impossible but that occasions of stumbling should come; but Woe unto him, through whom they come! {17:2} It were well for him if a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, rather than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble. {17:3} Take heed to yourselves: if your brother sin, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him. {17:4} And if he sin against you seven times in the day, and seven times turn again to you, saying, I repent; you shall forgive him. {17:5} And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith. {17:6} And the Lord said, If you had faith as a grain of mustard seed, you would say unto this sycamore tree, Be you rooted up, and be you planted in the sea; and it would obey you. {17:7} But who is there of you, having a slave plowing or keeping sheep, that will say unto him, when he is come in from the field, Come immediately and sit down to meat; {17:8} and will not rather say unto him, Make ready by which I may sup, and gird yourself, and serve me, till I have eaten and drunk; and afterward you shall eat and drink? {17:9} Does he thank the slave because he did the things that were commanded? {17:10} Even so you also, when you shall have done all the things that are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable slaves; we have done that which it was our duty to do. {17:11} And it came to pass, as they were on their way to Jerusalem, that he was passing along the borders of Samaria and Galilee. {17:12} And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, who stood afar off: {17:13} and they lifted up their voices, saying, Yehsus, Master, have mercy on us. {17:14} And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go and show yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, as they went, they were cleansed. {17:15} And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, with a loud voice glorifying God; {17:16} and he fell upon his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. {17:17} And Yehsus answering said, Were not the ten cleansed? but where are the nine? {17:18} Were there none found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger? {17:19} And he said unto

him, Arise, and go your way: your faith has made you whole. {17:20} And being asked by the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God comes, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God comes not with observation: {17:21} neither shall they say, Lo, here! or, There! for lo, the kingdom of God is within you. {17:22} And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when you shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and you shall not see it. {17:23} And they shall say to you, Lo, there! Lo, here! go not away, nor follow after [them]: {17:24} for as the lightning, when it lightens out of the one part under the heaven, shines unto the other part under heaven; so shall the Son of man be in his day. {17:25} But first must he suffer many things and be rejected of this generation. {17:26} And as it came to pass in the days of Noah, even so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. {17:27} They ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. {17:28} Likewise even as it came to pass in the days of Lot; they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; {17:29} but in the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all: {17:30} after the same manner shall it be in the day that the Son of man is revealed. {17:31} In that day, he that shall be on the housetop, and his goods in the house, let him not go down to take them away: and let him that is in the field likewise not return back. {17:32} Remember Lot's wife. {17:33} Anyone who shall seek to gain his life shall lose it: but anyone who shall lose [his life] shall preserve it. {17:34} I say unto you, In that night there shall be two men on one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. {17:35} There shall be two women grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. {17:36} [There shall be two men in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left.] {17:37} And they answering say unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Where the body [is], there will the eagles also be gathered together.

{N3}18} Luke Chapter Fifteen. {18:1} And he spoke a parable unto them to the end that they ought always to pray, and not to faint; {18:2} saying, There was in a city a judge, who feared not God, and regarded not man: {18:3} and there was a widow in that city; and she came oft unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. {18:4} And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, though I fear not God, nor regard man; {18:5} yet because this widow troubles me, I will avenge her, lest she wear me out by her continual coming. {18:6} And the Lord said, Hear what the unrighteous judge said. {18:7} And shall not God avenge his elect, that cry to him day and night, and [yet] he is longsuffering over them? {18:8} I say unto you, that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of man comes, shall he find faith on the earth? {18:9} And he spoke also this parable unto certain who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and set all others at nothing: {18:10} Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a tax collector. {18:11} The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank you, that I am not as the rest of men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. {18:12} I fast twice in the sevens; I give tithes of all that I get. {18:13} But the tax collector, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote his breast, saying, God, be you merciful to me a sinner. {18:14} I say unto you, This man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for everyone that exalts himself shall be humbled; but he that humbles himself shall be exalted. {18:15} And they were bringing unto him also their babes, that he should touch them: but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. {18:16} But Yehsus called them unto him, saying, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for to such belongs the kingdom of God. {18:17} Verily I say unto you, Anyone who shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall in no wise enter therein. {18:18} And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? {18:19} And Yehsus said unto him, Why call you me good? none is good, save one, [even] God. {18:20} you know the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother. {18:21} And he said, All these things have I observed from my youth up. {18:22} And when Yehsus heard it, he said unto him, One

thing you lack yet: sell all that you have, and distribute unto the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. {18:23} But when he heard these things, he became exceeding sorrowful; for he was very rich. {18:24} And Yehsus seeing him said, How hardly they that have riches shall enter into the kingdom of God! {18:25} For it is easier for a camel to enter in through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. {18:26} And they that heard it said, Then who can be saved? {18:27} But he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God. {18:28} And Petros said, Lo, we have left our own, and followed you. {18:29} And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that has left house, or wife, or brethren, or parents, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, {18:30} who shall not receive manifold more in this time, and in the world to come eternal life. {18:31} And he took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all the things that are written through the prophets shall be accomplished unto the Son of man. {18:32} For he shall be delivered up unto the Nations, and shall be mocked, and shamefully treated, and spit upon: {18:33} and they shall scourge and kill him: and the third day he shall rise again. {18:34} And they understood none of these things; and this saying was hid from them, and they perceived not the things that were said. {18:35} And it came to pass, as he drew near unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging: {18:36} and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. {18:37} And they told him that Yehsus of Nazareth passes by. {18:38} And he cried, saying, Yehsus, you son of David, have mercy on me. {18:39} And they that went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried out the more a great deal, you son of David, have mercy on me. {18:40} And Yehsus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, {18:41} What will you that I should do unto you? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. {18:42} And Yehsus said unto him, Receive your sight; your faith has made you whole. {18:43} And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

{N3}19} Luke Chapter Eighteen. {19:1} And he entered and was passing through Jericho. {19:2} And behold, a man called by name Zacchaeus; and he was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. {19:3} And he sought to see Yehsus who he was; and could not for the crowd, because he was little of stature. {19:4} And he ran on before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. {19:5} And when Yehsus came to the place, he looked up, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to-day I must abide at your house. {19:6} And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully. {19:7} And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, He is gone in to lodge with a man that is a sinner. {19:8} And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have wrongfully exacted anything of any man, I restore fourfold. {19:9} And Yehsus said unto him, To-day is salvation come to this house, forasmuch as he also is a son of Abraham. {19:10} For the Son of man came to seek and to save that which was lost. {19:11} And as they heard these things, he added and spoke a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and [because] they supposed that the kingdom of God was immediately to appear. {19:12} He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country, to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. {19:13} And he called ten slaves of his, and gave them ten pounds, and said unto them, Trade you [herewith] till I come. {19:14} But his citizens hated him, and sent an ambassador after him, saying, We will not that this man reign over us. {19:15} And it came to pass, when he was come back again, having received the kingdom, that he commanded these slaves, unto whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by trading. {19:16} And the first came before him, saying, Lord, your pound has made ten pounds more. {19:17} And he said unto him, Well done, you good slave: because you was found faithful in a very little, have you authority over ten cities. {19:18} And the second came, saying, Your pound, Lord, has made five pounds. {19:19} And he said unto him also, Be you also over five cities. {19:20} And another came, saying, Lord, behold, [here is] your pound, which I kept laid up in a

napkin: {19:21} for I feared you, because you are an austere man: you take up that which you lay not down, and reap that which you did not sow. {19:22} He said unto him, Out of your own mouth will I judge you, you wicked slave. you knew that I am an austere man, taking up that which I laid not down, and reaping that which I did not sow; {19:23} then Therefore gave you not my money into the bank, and I at my coming should have required it with interest? {19:24} And he said unto them that stood by, Take away from him the pound, and give it unto him that has the ten pounds. {19:25} And they said unto him, Lord, he has ten pounds. {19:26} I say unto you, that unto everyone that has shall be given; but from him that has not, even that which he has shall be taken away from him. {19:27} But these mine enemies, that would not that I should reign over them, bring here, and slay them before me. {19:28} And when he had thus spoken, he went on before, going up to Jerusalem. {19:29} And it came to pass, when he drew near unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, {19:30} saying, Go your way into the village over against [you]; in which as you enter you shall find a colt tied, whereon no man ever yet sat: loose him, and bring him. {19:31} And if any one ask you, Why do you loose him? thus shall you say, The Lord has need of him. {19:32} And they that were sent went away, and found even as he had said unto them. {19:33} And as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said unto them, Why loose you the colt? {19:34} And they said, The Lord has need of him. {19:35} And they brought him to Yehsus: and they threw their garments upon the colt, and set Yehsus thereon. {19:36} And as he went, they spread their garments in the way. {19:37} And as he was now drawing near, [even] at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works which they had seen; {19:38} saying, Blessed [is] the King that comes in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest. {19:39} And some of the Pharisees from the multitude said unto him, Teacher, rebuke your disciples. {19:40} And he answered and said, I tell you that, if these shall hold their peace, the stones will cry out. {19:41} And when he drew near, he saw the city and wept over it, {19:42} saying, If you had known in this day, even you, the things which belong unto peace! but now they are hid from your eyes. {19:43} For the days shall come upon you, when your enemies shall cast up a bank about you, and compass you round, and keep you in on every side, {19:44} and shall dash you to the ground, and your children within you; and they shall not leave in you one stone upon another; because you knew not the time of your visitation. {19:45} And he entered into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold, {19:46} saying unto them, It is written, And my house shall be a house of prayer: but you have made it a den of robbers. {19:47} And he was teaching daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people sought to destroy him: {19:48} and they could not find what they might do; for the people all hung upon him, listening.

{N3}20} Luke Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And it came to pass, on one of the days, as he was teaching the people in the temple, and preaching the good news, there came upon him the chief priests and the scribes with the elders; {20:2} and they spoke, saying unto him, Tell us: By what authority do you these things? or who is he that gave you this authority? {20:3} And he answered and said unto them, I also will ask you a question; and tell me: {20:4} The immersion of John, was it from heaven, or from men? {20:5} And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why did you not believe him? {20:6} But if we shall say, From men; all the people will stone us: for they are persuaded that John was a prophet. {20:7} And they answered, that they knew not where [it was]. {20:8} And Yehsus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things. {20:9} And he began to speak unto the people this parable: A man planted a vineyard, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into another country for a long time. {20:10} And at the season he sent unto the husbandmen a servant, that they should give him of the fruit of the vineyard: but the husbandmen beat him, and sent him away empty. {20:11} And he sent yet another servant: and him also they beat, and handled him shamefully, and sent him away empty. {20:12} And he sent yet a third: and him also they

wounded, and cast him forth. {20:13} And the lord of the vineyard said, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; it may be they will reverence him. {20:14} But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned one with another, saying, This is the heir; let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours. {20:15} And they cast him forth out of the vineyard, and killed him. What therefore will the lord of the vineyard do unto them? {20:16} He will come and destroy these husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others. And when they heard it, they said, God forbid. {20:17} But he looked upon them, and said, What then is this that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, The same was made the head of the corner? {20:18} Everyone that falls on that stone shall be broken to pieces; but on whom so ever it shall fall, it will scatter him as dust. {20:19} And the scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him in that very hour; and they feared the people: for they perceived that he spoke this parable against them. {20:20} And they watched him, and sent forth spies, who feigned themselves to be righteous, that they might take hold of his speech, so as to deliver him up to the rule and to the authority of the governor. {20:21} And they asked him, saying, Teacher, we know that you say and teach rightly, and acceptest not the person [of any], but of a truth teach the way of God: {20:22} Is it [Halakah] lawful for us to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? {20:23} But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, {20:24} Show me a denarius. Whose image and superscription has it? And they said, Caesar's. {20:25} And he said unto them, Then render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's. {20:26} And they were not able to take hold of the saying before the people: and they marveled at his answer, and held their peace. {20:27} And there came to him certain of the Sadducees, they that say that there is no resurrection; {20:28} and they asked him, saying, Teacher, Moses wrote unto us, that if a man's brother die, having a wife, and he be childless, his brother should take the wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. {20:29} There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died childless; {20:30} and the second: {20:31} and the third took her; and likewise the seven also left no children, and died. {20:32} Afterward the woman also died. {20:33} In the resurrection therefore whose wife of them shall she be? for the seven had her to wife. {20:34} And Yehsus said unto them, The sons of this world marry, and are given in marriage: {20:35} but they that are accounted worthy to attain to that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage: {20:36} for neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the messengers; and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. {20:37} But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in [the place concerning] the Bush, when he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. {20:38} Now he is not the God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him. {20:39} And certain of the scribes answering said, Teacher, you have well said. {20:40} For they durst not any more ask him any question. {20:41} And he said unto them, How say they that the Christ is David's son? {20:42} For David himself said in the book of Psalms, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit you on my right hand, {20:43} Till I make your enemies the footstool of your feet. {20:44} David therefore calls him Lord, and how is he his son? {20:45} And in the hearing of all the people he said unto his disciples, {20:46} Beware of the scribes, who desire to walk in long robes, and philo love salutations in the marketplaces, and chief seats in the synagogues, and chief places at feasts; {20:47} who devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these shall receive greater condemnation.

{N3}21} Luke Chapter Twenty-One. {21:1} And he looked up, and saw the rich men that were casting their gifts into the treasury. {21:2} And he saw a certain poor widow casting in there two mites. {21:3} And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, This poor widow cast in more than they all: {21:4} for all these did of their superfluity cast in unto the gifts; but she of her want did cast in all the living that she had. {21:5} And as some spoke of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and offerings, he said, {21:6} As for these things which you behold, the days will come, in which there shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. {21:7} And they asked him, saying, Teacher, when therefore shall these things be? and what

[shall be] the sign when these things are about to come to pass? {21:8} And he said, Take heed that you be not led astray: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am [he]; and, The time is at hand: go you not after them. {21:9} And when you shall hear of wars and tumults, be not terrified: for these things must needs come to pass first; but the end is not immediately. {21:10} Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; {21:11} and there shall be great earthquakes, and in different places famines and pestilences; and there shall be terrors and great signs from heaven. {21:12} But before all these things, they shall lay their hands on you, and shall persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for my name's sake. {21:13} It shall turn out unto you for a testimony. {21:14} Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate beforehand how to answer: {21:15} for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to withstand or to gainsay. {21:16} But you shall be delivered up even by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolk, and friends; and [some] of you shall they cause to be put to death. {21:17} And you shall be hated of all men for my name's sake. {21:18} And not a hair of your head shall perish. {21:19} In your patience you shall win your souls. {21:20} But when you see Jerusalem around with armies, then know that her desolation is at hand. {21:21} Then let them that are in Judea flee unto the mountains; and let them that are in the midst of her depart out; and let not them that are in the country enter therein. {21:22} For these are days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. {21:23} Woe unto them that are with child and to them that give suck in those days! for there shall be great distress upon the land, and Anger unto this people. {21:24} And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led captive into all the nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Nations, until the times of the Nations be fulfilled. {21:25} And there shall be signs in sun and moon and stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, in perplexity for the roaring of the sea and the billows; {21:26} men fainting for fear, and for expectation of the things which are coming on the world: for the powers of the heavens shall be shaken. {21:27} And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. {21:28} But when these things begin to come to pass, look up, and lift up your heads; because your redemption draws near. {21:29} And he spoke to them a parable: Behold the fig tree, and all the trees: {21:30} when they now shoot forth, you see it and know of your own selves that the summer is now near. {21:31} Even so you also, when you see these things coming to pass, know you that the kingdom of God is near. {21:32} Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all things be accomplished. {21:33} Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. {21:34} But take heed to yourselves, lest haply your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting [hang-over from], and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that day come on you suddenly as a snare: {21:35} for [so] shall it come upon all them that dwell on the face of all the earth. {21:36} But watch you at every season, making supplication that you may prevail to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. {21:37} And every day he was teaching in the temple; and every night he went out, and lodged in the mount that is called Olivet. {21:38} And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, to hear him.

{N3}22} Luke Chapter Twenty-Two. {22:1} Now [when adjusting the first moon Abib to begin nearest to the vernal Equinox] the feast of unleavened bread drew near, which is called "the Passover." {22:2} And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might put him to death; for they feared the people. {22:3} And Satan entered into Judas who was called Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve. {22:4} And he went away, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might deliver him unto them. {22:5} And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. {22:6} And he consented, and sought opportunity to deliver him unto them in the absence of the multitude.

{22:7} And the [beginning night the fourteenth day of the moon Abib] the [preparation] day of unleavened bread came [the first the night of the day to kill the lambs] on which the Passover

must be sacrificed. {22:8} And he sent Petros and John, saying, Go and make ready for us [my] Passover, that we may eat. {22:9} And they said unto him, Where will you that we make ready? {22:10} And he said unto them, Behold, when you are entered into the city, there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where into he goes. {22:11} And you shall say unto the master of the house, The Teacher said unto you, Where is the guest chamber, where I shall eat [my] Passover with my disciples? {22:12} And he will show you a large upper room furnished: there make ready. {22:13} And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the Passover [of Yehsus]. {22:14} And when the [supper] hour [of the new day] was come, he reclining, and the apostles with him. {22:15} And he said unto them, With a great desire I have desired to eat my Passover with you before I suffer: {22:16} for I say unto you, I shall not eat it [my Passover again], until it be fulfilled, [I will eat this Passover with you] in the kingdom of God. {22:17} And he received a cup, and when he had given thanks, he said, Take this [cup] , and [first] divide the contents among yourselves: {22:18} for I say unto you, I shall not drink from here on of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come. {22:19} And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave to them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. {22:20} And the [divided] cup in like manner after [the common] supper, saying, This [divided] cup is the new covenant in my blood, [showing] that which is poured out for you. {22:21} But behold, the hand of him that betrays me is with me on the table. {22:22} For the Son of man indeed goes, as it has been determined: but woe unto that man through whom he is betrayed! {22:23} And they began to question among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. {22:24} And there arose also a contention among them, which of them was accounted to be greatest. {22:25} And he said unto them, The kings of the Nations have lordship over them; and they that have authority over them are called Benefactors. {22:26} But you [shall] not [be] so: but he that is the greater among you, let him become as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that does serve. {22:27} For which is greater, he that sits at meat, or he that serves? is not he that sits at meat? but I am in the midst of you as he that serves. {22:28} But you are they that have continued with me in my temptations; {22:29} and I appoint unto you a kingdom, even as my Father appointed unto me, {22:30} that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom; and you shall sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. {22:31} Simon, Simon, behold, Satan asked to have you, that he might sift you all as wheat: {22:32} but I made supplication for you, that your faith fail not; and do you, when once you have turned again, establish your brethren. {22:33} And he said unto him, Lord, with you I am ready to go both to prison and to death. {22:34} And he said, I tell you, Petros, the cock shall not crow this day, until you shall thrice deny that you know me. {22:35} And he said unto them, When I sent you forth outside purse, and wallet, and shoes, lacked you anything? And they said, Nothing. {22:36} And he said unto them, But now, he that has a purse, let him take it, and likewise a wallet; and he that has none, let him sell his cloak, and buy a sword. {22:37} For I say unto you, that this which is written must be fulfilled in me, And he was reckoned with transgressors: for that which concerns me has fulfillment. {22:38} And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough. {22:39} And he came out, and went, as his custom was, unto the mount of Olives; and the disciples also followed him. {22:40} And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that you enter not into temptation. {22:41} And he was parted from them about a stone's cast; and he kneeled down and prayed, {22:42} saying, Father, if you be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but yours, be done. {22:43} And there appeared unto him an messenger from heaven, strengthening him. {22:44} And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became as it were great drops of blood falling down upon the ground. {22:45} And when he rose up from his prayer, he came unto the disciples, and found them sleeping for sorrow, {22:46} and said unto them, Why sleep you? rise and pray, that you enter not into temptation. {22:47} While he yet spoke, behold, a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them; and he drew near unto Yehsus to kiss him. {22:48} But Yehsus said unto him, Judas, betray you the

Son of man with a kiss? {22:49} And when they that were about him saw what would follow, they said, Lord, shall we smite with the sword? {22:50} And a certain one of them smote the slave of the high priest, and struck off his right ear. {22:51} But Yehsus answered and said, Suffer you [them] thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him. {22:52} And Yehsus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and elders, that were come against him, Are you come out, as against a robber, with swords and staves? {22:53} When I was daily with you in the temple, you stretched not forth your hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. {22:54} And they seized him, and led him [away], and brought him into the high priest's house. But Petros followed afar off. {22:55} And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the court, and had sat down together, Petros sat in the midst of them. {22:56} And a certain maid seeing him as he sat in the light [of the fire], and looking steadfastly upon him, said, This man also was with him. {22:57} But he denied, saying, Woman, I know him not. {22:58} And after a little while another saw him, and said, you also are [one] of them. But Petros said, Man, I am not. {22:59} And after the space of about one hour another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean. {22:60} But Petros said, Man, I know not what you say. And immediately, while he yet spoke, the cock crew. {22:61} And the Lord turned, and looked upon Petros. And Petros remembered the word of the Lord, how that he said unto him, Before the cock crow this day you shall deny me thrice. {22:62} And he went out, and wept bitterly. {22:63} And the men that held [Yehsus] mocked him, and beat him. {22:64} And they blindfolded him, and asked him, saying, Prophecy: who is he that struck you? {22:65} And many other things spoke they against him, reviling him. {22:66} And as soon as it was day, the assembly of the elders of the people was gathered together, both chief priests and scribes; and they led him away into their council, saying, {22:67} If you are the Christ, tell us. But he said unto them, If I tell you, you will not believe: {22:68} and if I ask [you], you will not answer. {22:69} But from here on shall the Son of man be seated at the right hand of the power of God. {22:70} And they all said, are you then the Son of God? And he said unto them, you say that I am. {22:71} And they said, What further need have we of witness? for we ourselves have heard from his own mouth.

{N3}23} Luke Chapter Twenty-Three. {23:1} And the whole company of them rose up, and brought him before Pilate. {23:2} And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this man perverting our nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ a king. {23:3} And Pilate asked him, saying, are you the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, you say. {23:4} And Pilate said unto the chief priests and the multitudes, I find no fault in this man. {23:5} But they were the more urgent, saying, He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, and beginning from Galilee even unto this place. {23:6} But when Pilate heard it, he asked whether the man were a Galilean. {23:7} And when he knew that he was of Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him unto Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem in these days. {23:8} Now when Herod saw Yehsus, he was exceeding glad: for he was of a long time desirous to see him, because he had heard concerning him; and he hoped to see some miracle done by him. {23:9} And he questioned him in many words; but he answered him nothing. {23:10} And the chief priests and the scribes stood, vehemently accusing him. {23:11} And Herod with his soldiers set him at nothing, and mocked him, and arraying him in gorgeous apparel sent him back to Pilate. {23:12} And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day: for before they were at enmity between themselves. {23:13} And Pilate called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, {23:14} and said unto them, you brought unto me this man, as one that perverts the people: and behold, I having examined him before you, found no fault in this man touching those things where you accuse him: {23:15} no, nor yet Herod: for he sent him back unto us; and behold, nothing worthy of death has been done by him. {23:16} I will therefore chasten him, and release him. {23:17} [Now he must need to release unto them at the feast one prisoner.] {23:18} But they cried out all together, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas: -- {23:19} one who for a certain insurrection made in the city, and for murder, was

cast into prison. {23:20} And Pilate spoke unto them again, desiring to release Yehsus; {23:21} but they shouted, saying, Crucify, crucify him. {23:22} And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil has this man done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chasten him and release him. {23:23} But they were urgent with loud voices, asking that he might be crucified. And their voices prevailed. {23:24} And Pilate gave sentence that what they asked for should be done. {23:25} And he released him that for insurrection and murder had been cast into prison, whom they asked for; but Yehsus he [was] delivered up [according] to their will. {23:26} And when they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon of Cyrene, coming from the country, and laid on him the cross, to bear it after Yehsus. {23:27} And there followed him a great multitude of the people, and of women who bewailed and lamented him. {23:28} But Yehsus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. {23:29} For behold, the days are coming, in which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the breasts that never gave suck. {23:30} Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. {23:31} For if they do these things in the green tree, what shall be done in the dry? {23:32} And there were also two others, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. {23:33} And when they came unto the place which is called The skull, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand and the other on the left. {23:34} And Yehsus said, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And parting his garments among them, they cast lots. {23:35} And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also scoffed at him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if this is the Christ of God, his chosen. {23:36} And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, offering him vinegar, {23:37} and saying, If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself. {23:38} And there was also a superscription over him, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. {23:39} And one of the malefactors that were hanged railed on him, saying, are not you the Christ? save yourself and us. {23:40} But the other answered, and rebuking him said, Do you not even fear God, seeing you are in the same condemnation? {23:41} And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man has done nothing amiss. {23:42} And he said, Yehsus, remember me when you come in your kingdom. {23:43} And he said unto him, Verily today I say unto you, you shall be with me in Paradise. {23:44} And it was now about the sixth hour [of day-light], and a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, {23:45} the sun's light failing: and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. {23:46} And Yehsus, crying with a loud voice, said, Father, into your hands I commend my spirit: and having said this, he gave up the ghost. {23:47} And when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. {23:48} And all the multitudes that came together to this sight, when they watched the things that were done, returned smiting their breasts. {23:49} And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed with him from Galilee, stood afar off, seeing these things. {23:50} And behold, a man named Joseph, who was a councilor, a good and righteous man {23:51} (he had not consented to their counsel and deed), [a man] of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews, who was looking for the kingdom of God: {23:52} this man went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Yehsus. {23:53} And he took it down, and wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid him in a tomb that was hewn in stone, where never man had yet lain. {23:54} And it was the day of the Preparation [of the Passover], and the [high] Sabbath was [epiphosko or lighting up the night to eat the Passover]. {23:55} And the women, who had come with him out of Galilee, followed after, and watched the tomb, and how his body was laid. {23:56} And they returned [after the Passover Sabbath] , and [they purchased and] prepared spices and ointments. And on the [seventh day] Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

{N3}24} Luke Chapter Twenty-Four.

-[Note The beginning of the New Testament and the change from the Old Testament lunar calendar to the all solar Calendar].

{24:1} but on day One of the Sabbaton, at early dark they came unto the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared.

But late evening on the [night] of the solar day “Mia” [day one] of the Sabbaton, they came unto the tomb, bringing the spices which they had prepared. {24:2} And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. {24:3} And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Yehsus. {24:4} And it came to pass, while they were perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling clothes [that light the night]: {24:5} and as they were affrighted and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek you the living among the dead? {24:6} He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spoke unto you when he was yet in Galilee, {24:7} saying that the Son of man must be delivered up into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again. {24:8} And they remembered his words, {24:9} and returned from the tomb, and told all these things to the eleven, and to all the rest. {24:10} Now they were Maria Magdalene, and Joanna, and Maria the [mother] of James: and the other women with them told these things unto the apostles. {24:11} And these words appeared in their sight as idle talk; and they disbelieved them. {24:12} But Petros arose, and ran unto the tomb; and stooping and looking in, he sees the linen cloths by themselves; and he departed to his home, wondering at that which was come to pass. {24:13} And behold, two of them were going that very day to a village named Emmaus, which was sixty furlongs from Jerusalem. {24:14} And they communed with each other of all these things which had happened. {24:15} And it came to pass, while they communed and questioned together, that Yehsus himself drew near, and went with them. {24:16} But their eyes were held that they should not know him. {24:17} And he said unto them, What communications are these that you have one with another, as you walk? And they stood still, looking sad. {24:18} And one of them, named Cleopas, answering said unto him, Do you alone sojourn in Jerusalem and not know the things which are come to pass there in these days? {24:19} And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, The things concerning Yehsus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: {24:20} and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. {24:21} But we hoped that it was he who should redeem Israel. behold and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things came to pass. {24:22} Furthermore certain women of our company amazed us, having been early [dark] at the tomb; {24:23} and when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of messengers, who said that he was alive. {24:24} And certain of them that were with us went to the tomb, and found it even so as the women had said: but him they saw not. {24:25} And he said unto them, O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! {24:26} Did Christ not need to suffer these things, and [so] to enter into his glory? {24:27} And beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. {24:28} And they drew near unto the village, where they were going: and he made as though he would go further. {24:29} And they constrained him, saying, Abide with us; for it is toward evening, and the day [one] is near the end. And he went in to abide with them. {24:30} And it came to pass, when he had sat down with them to meat, he took the bread and blessed; and breaking [it] he gave to them. {24:31} And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. {24:32} And they said one to another, Was not our heart burning within us, while he spoke to us in the way, while he opened to us the scriptures? {24:33} And they rose up that very hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, {24:34} saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon. {24:35} And they rehearsed the things [that happened] in the way, and how he was known of them in the breaking of the bread.

{24:36} And as they spoke these things, he himself stood in the midst of them, and said unto them, Peace [be] unto you. {24:37} But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they watched a spirit. {24:38} And he said unto them, Why are you troubled? and Therefore do questionings arise in your heart? {24:39} See my hands and my feet that it is I myself: handle me,

and see; for a spirit has not flesh and bones, as you behold me having. {24:40} And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. {24:41} And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have you here anything to eat? {24:42} And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish. {24:43} And he took it, and ate before them. {24:44} And he said unto them, These are my words which I spoke unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must needs be fulfilled, which are written in the law of Moses, and the prophets, and the Psalms, concerning me. {24:45} Then opened he their mind, that they might understand the scriptures; {24:46} and he said unto them, Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer, and rise again from the dead the third day; {24:47} and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name unto all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. {24:48} you are witnesses of these things. {24:49} And behold, I send forth the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry you in the city, until you be clothed with power from on high. {24:50} And he led them out until [they were] over against Bethany: and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. {24:51} And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven. {24:52} And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: {24:53} and were continually in the temple, blessing God.

The Gospel According To John

{N4}1} John Chapter One. {1:1} In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. {1:2} The same was in the beginning with God. {1:3} All things were made through him; and outside him was not anything made that has been made. {1:4} In him was life; and the life was the light of men. {1:5} And the light shines in the darkness; and the darkness apprehended it not. {1:6} There came a man, sent from God, whose name was John. {1:7} The same came for witness, that he might bear witness of the light, that all might believe through him. {1:8} He was not the light, but [came] that he might bear witness of the light. {1:9} There was the true light, [even the light] which lights every man, coming into the world. {1:10} He was in the world, and the world was made through him, and the world knew him not. {1:11} He came unto his own, and they that were his own received him not. {1:12} But as many as received him, to them gave he the right to become children of God, [even] to them that believe on his name: {1:13} who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. {1:14} And the Word became flesh, and lived among us (and we watched his glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth. {1:15} John bears witness of him, and cries, saying, This was he of whom I said, He that comes after me is become before me: for he was before me. {1:16} For of his fullness we all received, and grace for grace. {1:17} For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Yehsus Christ. {1:18} No man has seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has declared [him]. {1:19} And this is the witness of John, when the Jews sent unto him from Jerusalem priests and Levites to ask him, Who are you? {1:20} And he confessed, and denied not; and he confessed, I am not the Christ. {1:21} And they asked him, What then? are you Elijah? And he said, I am not. Are you the prophet? And he answered, No. {1:22} They said again unto him, Who are you? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What say you of yourself? {1:23} He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said Isaiah the prophet. {1:24} And they had been sent from the Pharisees. {1:25} And they asked him, and said unto him, Why then [do] you immerse [in water], if you are not the Christ, neither Elijah, nor the prophet? {1:26} John answered them, saying, I immerse in water: in the midst of you stands one whom you know not, {1:27} [even] he that comes after me, the latchet of whose shoe I am not worthy to unloose. {1:28} These things were done in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was immersing [in water]. {1:29} On the morrow he sees Yehsus coming unto him, and said, Behold, the Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world! {1:30} This is he of whom I said, After me comes a man who is become before me: for he was before me. {1:31} And I knew him not; but that he should be made manifest to Israel, for this cause came I [to] immerse

in water. {1:32} And John bare witness, saying, I have watched the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven; and it abode upon him. {1:33} And I knew him not: but he that sent me to immerse in water, he said unto me, Upon whom so ever you shall see the Spirit descending, and abiding upon him, the same is he that immerses in the Holy Spirit. {1:34} And I have seen, and have borne witness that this is the Son of God. {1:35} Again on the morrow John was standing, and two of his disciples; {1:36} and he looked upon Yehsus as he walked, and said, Behold, the Lamb of God! {1:37} And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Yehsus. {1:38} And Yehsus turned, and watched them following, and said unto them, What seek you? And they said unto him, Rabbi (which is to say, being interpreted, Teacher), where do you abide? {1:39} He said unto them, Come, and you shall see. They came therefore and saw where he abode; and they abode with him that day: it was about the tenth hour. {1:40} One of the two that heard John [speak], and followed him, was Andrew, [the] brother of Simon Petros. {1:41} He finds first his own brother Simon, and said unto him, We have found the Messiah (which is, being interpreted, Christ). {1:42} He brought him unto Yehsus. Yehsus looked upon him, and said, you are Simon the son of John: you shall be called Cephas (which in Aramaic is by interpretation is, a small rock). {1:43} On the morrow he was intent to go forth into Galilee, and he finds Philip: and Yehsus said unto him, Follow me. {1:44} Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Petros. {1:45} Philip finds Nathanael, and said unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, wrote, Yehsus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. {1:46} And Nathanael said unto him, Can any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip said unto him, Come and see. {1:47} Yehsus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile! {1:48} Nathanael said unto him, Where know you me? Yehsus answered and said unto him, Before Philip called you, when you was under the fig tree, I saw you. {1:49} Nathanael answered him, Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are King of Israel. {1:50} Yehsus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto you, I saw you underneath the fig tree, you believe? you shall see greater things than these. {1:51} And he said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, you shall see the heaven opened, and the messengers of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

{N4}2} John Chapter Two. {2:1} And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Yehsus was there: {2:2} and Yehsus also was bidden, and his disciples, to the marriage. {2:3} And when the wine failed, the mother of Yehsus said unto him, They have no wine. {2:4} And Yehsus said unto her, Woman, what have I to do with you? mine hour is not yet come. {2:5} His mother said unto the servants, Whatever he says unto you, do it. {2:6} Now there were six water pots of stone set there after the Jews' manner of purifying, containing two or three firkins apiece. {2:7} Yehsus said unto them, Fill the water pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. {2:8} And he said unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the ruler of the feast. And they bare it. {2:9} And when the ruler of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and knew not where it was (but the servants that had drawn the water knew), the ruler of the feast calls the bridegroom, {2:10} and said unto him, Every man sets on first the good wine; and when [men] have drunk freely, [then] that which is worse: you have kept the good wine until now. {2:11} This beginning of his signs did Yehsus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed on him. {2:12} After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and [his] brethren, and his disciples; and there they abode not many days. {2:13} And the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Yehsus went up to Jerusalem. {2:14} And he found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: {2:15} and he made a scourge of cords, and cast all out of the temple, both the sheep and the oxen; and he poured out the changers' money, and overthrew their tables; {2:16} and to them that sold the doves he said, Take these things from here; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise. {2:17} His disciples remembered that it was written, Zeal for your house shall eat me up. {2:18} The Jews therefore answered and said unto him, What sign show you unto us, seeing that you do

these things? {2:19} Yehsus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. {2:20} The Jews therefore said, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and will you raise it up in three days? {2:21} But he spoke of the temple of his body. {2:22} When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he spoke this; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Yehsus had said. {2:23} Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed on his name, beholding his signs which he did. {2:24} But Yehsus did not trust himself unto them, for that he knew all men, {2:25} and because he needed not that anyone should bear witness concerning man; for he himself knew what was in man.

{N4}3} John Chapter Three. {3:1} Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: {3:2} the same came unto him by night, and said to him, Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, except God be with him. {3:3} Yehsus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except one be born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God. {3:4} Nicodemus said unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter a second time into his mother's womb, and be born? {3:5} Yehsus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God! {3:6} That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. {3:7} Marvel not that I said unto you, you must be born anew. {3:8} The wind blows where it will, and you hear the voice there, but know not where it comes, and where it goes: so is everyone that is born of the Spirit. {3:9} Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? {3:10} Yehsus answered and said unto him, are you the teacher of Israel, and understand not these things? {3:11} Verily, verily, I say unto you, We speak that which we know, and bear witness of that which we have seen; and you receive not our witness. {3:12} If I told you earthly things and you believe not, how shall you believe if I tell you heavenly things? {3:13} And no one has ascended into heaven, but he that descended out of heaven, [even] the Son of man, who is in heaven. {3:14} And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up; {3:15} that anyone who believes may in him have eternal life. {3:16} For the God in this manner, agape loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that anyone who believes on him should not perish, but have eternal life. {3:17} For God sent not the Son into the world to judge the world; but that the world should be saved through him. {3:18} He that believes on him is not judged: he that believes not has been judged already, because he has not believed on the name of the only begotten Son of God. {3:19} And this is the judgment, that the light is come into the world, and men agape loved the darkness rather than the light; for their works were evil. {3:20} For everyone that does evil hates the light, and comes not to the light, lest his works should be reproved. {3:21} But he that does truth comes to the light, that his works may be made manifest, that they have been wrought in God. {3:22} After these things came Yehsus and his disciples into the land of Judea; and there he tarried with them, and immersed [in water]. {3:23} And John also was immersing [in water] in Enon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were immersed [in water]. {3:24} For John was not yet cast into prison. {3:25} There arose therefore a questioning on the part of John's disciples with a Jew about purifying. {3:26} And they came unto John, and said to him, Rabbi, he that was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have borne witness, behold, the same immerses [in water], and all men come to him. {3:27} John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it have been given him from heaven. {3:28} you yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but, that I am sent before him. {3:29} He that has the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, that stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is made full. {3:30} He must increase, but I must decrease. {3:31} He that comes from above is above all: he that is of the earth is of the earth, and of the earth he speak: he that comes from heaven is above all. {3:32} What he has seen and heard, of that he bears witness; and no man receives his witness. {3:33} He

that has received his witness has set his seal to [this], that God is true. {3:34} For he whom God has sent speaks the words of God: for he gives not the Spirit by measure. {3:35} The Father agape loves the Son, and has given all things into his hand. {3:36} He that believes on the Son has eternal life; but he that obeys not the Son shall not see life, but the Anger of God abides on him.

{N4}4} John Chapter Four. {4:1} When therefore the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Yehsus was making and immersing more disciples than John {4:2} (although Yehsus himself immersed not, but his disciples [immersed in water]), {4:3} he left Judea, and departed again into Galilee. {4:4} And he must needs pass through Samaria. {4:5} So he comes to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph: {4:6} and Jacob's well was there. Yehsus therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. {4:7} There comes a woman of Samaria to draw water: Yehsus said unto her, Give me to drink. {4:8} For his disciples were gone away into the city to buy food. {4:9} The Samaritan woman therefore said unto him, How is it that you, being a Jew, ask drink of me, who am a Samaritan woman? (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) {4:10} Yehsus answered and said unto her, If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that said to you, Give me to drink; you would have asked of him, and he would have given you living water. {4:11} The woman said unto him, Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: where then have you that living water? {4:12} are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself, and his sons, and his cattle? {4:13} Yehsus answered and said unto her, Everyone that drinks of this water shall thirst again: {4:14} but anyone who drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up unto eternal life. {4:15} The woman said unto him, Sir, give me this water that I thirst not, neither come all the way here to draw. {4:16} Yehsus said unto her, Go, call your man, and come here. {4:17} The woman answered and said unto him, I have no man. Yehsus said unto her, you said well, I have no man: {4:18} for you have had five men; and he whom you now have is not your man: this have you said truly. {4:19} The woman said unto him, Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. {4:20} Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and you say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. {4:21} Yehsus said unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour comes, when neither in this mountain [only], nor in Jerusalem [only], shall you worship the Father. {4:22} you worship that which you know not: we worship that which we know; for salvation is [written] from the Jews. {4:23} But the hour comes, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth: for such does the Father seek his worshippers to be. {4:24} God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth. {4:25} The woman said unto him, I know that Messiah comes (he that is called Christ): when he is come, he will declare unto us all things. {4:26} Yehsus said unto her, I that speak unto you am [he]. {4:27} And upon this came his disciples; and they marveled that he was speaking with a woman; yet no man said, What seek you? or, Why speak you with her? {4:28} So the woman left her water pot, and went away into the city, and said to the people, {4:29} Come, see a man, who told me all things that [ever] I did: can this be the Christ? {4:30} They went out of the city, and were coming to him. {4:31} In the mean while the disciples prayed him, saying, Rabbi, eat. {4:32} But he said unto them, I have meat to eat that you know not. {4:33} The disciples therefore said one to another, Has any man brought him [anything] to eat? {4:34} Yehsus said unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to accomplish his work. {4:35} Say not you, There are yet four moons, and [then] comes the harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields, that they are white already unto harvest. {4:36} He that reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit unto life eternal; that he that sows and he that reaps may rejoice together. {4:37} For herein is the saying true, One sows, and another reaps. {4:38} I sent you to reap that whereon you have not labored: others have labored, and you are entered into their labor. {4:39} And from that city many of the Samaritans believed on him

because of the word of the woman, who testified, He told me all things that [ever] I did. {4:40} So when the Samaritans came unto him, they beg him to abide with them: and he abode there two days. {4:41} And many more believed because of his word; {4:42} and they said to the woman, Now we believe, not because of your speaking: for we have heard for ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Savior of the world. {4:43} And after the two days he went forth from there into Galilee. {4:44} For Yehsus himself testified, that a prophet has no honor in his own country. {4:45} So when he came into Galilee, the Galileans received him, having seen all the things that he did in Jerusalem at the feast: for they also went unto the feast. {4:46} He came therefore again unto Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. {4:47} When he heard that Yehsus was come out of Judea into Galilee, he went unto him, and beg [him] that he would come down, and heal his son; for he was at the point of death. {4:48} Yehsus therefore said unto him, Except you see signs and wonders, you will in no wise believe. {4:49} The nobleman said unto him, Sir, come down or else my child die. {4:50} Yehsus said unto him, Go your way; your son lives. The man believed the word that Yehsus spoke unto him, and he went his way. {4:51} And as he was now going down, his servants met him, saying, that his son lived. {4:52} So he inquired of them the hour when he began to amend. They said therefore unto him, yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. {4:53} So the father knew that [it was] at that hour in which Yehsus said unto him, Your son lives: and himself believed, and his whole house. {4:54} This is again the second sign that Yehsus did, having come out of Judea into Galilee.

{N4}5} John Chapter Five. {5:1} After these things there was a feast of the Jews; and Yehsus went up to Jerusalem. {5:2} Now there is in Jerusalem by the sheep [gate] a pool, which is called in Hebrew Bethesda, having five porches. {5:3} In these lay a multitude of them that were sick, blind, halt, withered, [waiting for the moving of the water.] {5:4} [for an messenger of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water: anyone who then first after the troubling of the waters stepped in was made whole, with whatever disease he was held.] {5:5} And a certain man was there, who had been thirty and eight years in his infirmity. {5:6} When Yehsus saw him lying, and knew that he had been now a long time [in that case], he said unto him, Would you be made whole? {5:7} The sick man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steps down before me. {5:8} Yehsus said unto him, Arise, take up your bed, and walk. {5:9} And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed and walked. Now it was the Sabbath on that day. {5:10} So the Jews said unto him that was cured, It is the Sabbath, and it is not [Halakah] lawful for you to take up your bed. {5:11} But he answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up your bed, and walk. {5:12} They asked him, Who is the man that said unto you, Take up [your bed], and walk? {5:13} But he that was healed knew not who it was; for Yehsus had conveyed himself away, a multitude being in the place. {5:14} Afterward Yehsus finds him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, you are made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing befall you. {5:15} The man went away, and told the Jews that it was Yehsus who had made him whole. {5:16} And for this cause the Jews persecuted Yehsus, because he did these things on the Sabbath. {5:17} But Yehsus answered them, My Father works even until now, and I work. {5:18} For this cause therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only brake the Sabbath, but also called God his own Father, making himself equal with God. {5:19} Yehsus therefore answered and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he sees the Father doing: for what things so ever he does, these the Son also does in like manner. {5:20} For the Father filio loves the Son, and shows him all things that himself does: and greater works than these will he show him, that you may marvel. {5:21} For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son also gives life to whom he will. {5:22} For neither does the Father judge any man, but he has given all judgment unto the Son; {5:23} that all may honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that

honors not the Son honors not the Father that sent him. {5:24} Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that hears my word, and believes him that sent me, has eternal life, and comes not into judgment, but has passed out of death into life. {5:25} Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour comes, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear shall live. {5:26} For as the Father has life in himself, even so gave he to the Son also to have life in himself: {5:27} and he gave him authority to execute judgment, because he is a son of man. {5:28} Marvel not at this: for the hour comes, in which all that are in the tombs shall hear his voice, {5:29} and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of judgment. {5:30} I can of myself do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is righteous; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. {5:31} If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true. {5:32} It is another that bears witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witness of me is true. {5:33} you have sent unto John, and he has borne witness unto the truth. {5:34} But the witness which I receive is not from man: however I say these things, that you may be saved. {5:35} He was the lamp that burns and shines; and you were willing to rejoice for a season in his light. {5:36} But the witness which I have is greater than [that of] John; for the works which the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father has sent me. {5:37} And the Father that sent me, he has borne witness of me. you have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his form. {5:38} And you have not his word abiding in you: for whom he sent, him you believe not. {5:39} you search the scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and these are they which bear witness of me; {5:40} and you will not come to me, that you may have life. {5:41} I receive not glory from men. {5:42} But I know you, that you have not the agape love of God in yourselves. {5:43} I am come in my Father's name, and you receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him you will receive. {5:44} How can you believe, who receive glory one of another, and the glory that [comes] from the only God you seek not? {5:45} Think not that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuses you, [even] Moses, on whom you have set your hope. {5:46} For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. {5:47} But if you believe not his writings, how shall you believe my words?

{N4}6} John. Chapter Six. {6:1} After these things Yehsus went away to the other side of the sea of Galilee, which is [the sea] of Tiberius. {6:2} And a great multitude followed him, because they watched the signs which he did on them that were sick. {6:3} And Yehsus went up into the mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. {6:4} Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. {6:5} Yehsus therefore lifting up his eyes, and seeing that a great multitude comes unto him, said unto Philip, Where are we to buy bread, that these may eat? {6:6} And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. {6:7} Philip answered him, Two hundred shillings' worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that everyone may take a little. {6:8} One of his disciples, Andrew, [the] brother of Simon Petros, said unto him, {6:9} There is a young man here, who has five barley loaves, and two fishes: but what are these among so many? {6:10} Yehsus said, Make the people sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. {6:11} Yehsus therefore took the loaves; and having given thanks, he distributed to them that were set down; likewise also of the fishes as much as they would. {6:12} And when they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the broken pieces which remain over, that nothing be lost. {6:13} So they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with broken pieces from the five barley loaves, which remained over unto them that had eaten. {6:14} When therefore the people saw the sign which he did, they said, This is of a truth the prophet that comes into the world. {6:15} Yehsus therefore perceiving that they were about to come and take him by force, to make him king, withdrew again into the mountain himself alone. {6:16} And when evening came, his disciples went down unto the sea; {6:17} and they entered into a boat, and were going over the sea unto Capernaum. And it was now dark, and Yehsus had not yet come to them. {6:18} And the sea was rising by reason of a great wind that blew. {6:19}

When therefore they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs, they behold Yehsus walking on the sea, and drawing near unto the boat: and they were afraid. {6:20} But he said unto them, It is I; be not afraid. {6:21} They were willing therefore to receive him into the boat: and immediately the boat was at the land where they were going. {6:22} On the morrow the multitude that stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was no other boat there, save one, and that Yehsus entered not with his disciples into the boat, but [that] his disciples went away alone {6:23} (however there came boats from Tiberius near unto the place where they ate the bread after the Lord had given thanks): {6:24} when the multitude therefore saw that Yehsus was not there, neither his disciples, they themselves got into the boats, and came to Capernaum, seeking Yehsus. {6:25} And when they found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when came you here? {6:26} Yehsus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate of the loaves, and were filled. {6:27} Work not for the food which perishes, but for the food which abides unto eternal life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him the Father, even God, has sealed. {6:28} They said therefore unto him, What must we do, that we may work the works of God? {6:29} Yehsus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that you believe on him whom he has sent. {6:30} They said therefore unto him, What then do you for a sign, that we may see, and believe you? what works you? {6:31} Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, He gave them bread out of heaven to eat. {6:32} Yehsus therefore said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, It was not Moses that gave you the bread out of heaven; but my Father gives you the true bread out of heaven. {6:33} For the bread of God is that which comes down out of heaven, and gives life unto the world. {6:34} They said therefore unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. {6:35} Yehsus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that comes to me shall not hunger, and he that believes on me shall never thirst. {6:36} But I said unto you, that you have seen me, and yet believe not. {6:37} All that which the Father gives me shall come unto me; and him that comes to me I will in no wise cast out. {6:38} For I am come down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. {6:39} And this is the will of him that sent me, that of all that which he has given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. {6:40} For this is the will of my Father, that everyone that beholds the Son, and believes on him, should have eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. {6:41} The Jews therefore murmured concerning him, because he said, I am the bread which came down out of heaven. {6:42} And they said, Is not this Yehsus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how does he now say, I am come down out of heaven? {6:43} Yehsus answered and said unto them, Murmur not among yourselves. {6:44} No man can come to me, except the Father that sent me draw him: and I will raise him up in the last day. {6:45} It is written in the prophets, And they shall all be taught of God. Everyone that has heard from the Father, and has learned, comes unto me. {6:46} Not that any man has seen the Father, save he that is from God, he has seen the Father. {6:47} Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believes has eternal life. {6:48} I am the bread of life. {6:49} Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. {6:50} This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, that a man may eat there, and not die. {6:51} I am the living bread which came down out of heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever: behold and the bread which I will give is my flesh, for the life of the world. {6:52} The Jews therefore strove one with another, saying, How can this man give us his flesh to eat? {6:53} Yehsus therefore said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have not life in yourselves. {6:54} He that eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life: and I will raise him up at the last day. {6:55} For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. {6:56} He that eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. {6:57} As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father; so he that eats me, he also shall live because of me. {6:58} This is the bread which came down out of heaven: not as the fathers ate, and died; he that eats this bread shall live forever. {6:59} These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum. {6:60} Many therefore of his

disciples, when they heard [this], said, This is a hard saying; who can hear it? {6:61} But Yehsus knowing in himself that his disciples murmured at this, said unto them, Does this cause you to stumble? {6:62} [What] then if you should behold the Son of man ascending where he was before? {6:63} It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh profits nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life. {6:64} But there are some of you that believe not. For Yehsus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who it was that should betray him. {6:65} And he said, For this cause have I said unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it be given unto him of the Father. {6:66} Upon this many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. {6:67} Yehsus said therefore unto the twelve, Would you also go away? {6:68} Simon Petros answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? you have the words of eternal life. {6:69} And we have believed and know that you are the Holy One of God. {6:70} Yehsus answered them, Did not I choose you the twelve, and one of you is a devil? {6:71} Now he spoke of Judas [the son] of Simon Iscariot, for he it was that should betray him, [being] one of the twelve.

{N4}7} John Chapter Seven. {7:1} And after these things Yehsus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill him. {7:2} Now the feast of the Jews, the feast of tabernacles, was at hand. {7:3} His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart from here, and go into Judea, that your disciples also may behold your works which you do. {7:4} For no man does anything in secret, and himself seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, manifest yourself to the world. {7:5} For even his brethren did not believe on him. {7:6} Yehsus therefore said unto them, My time is not yet come; but your time is always ready. {7:7} The world cannot hate you; but me it hates, because I testify of it, that its works are evil. {7:8} Go you up unto the feast: I go not up unto this feast; because my time is not yet fulfilled. {7:9} And having said these things unto them, he abode [still] in Galilee. {7:10} But when his brethren were gone up unto the feast, then went he also up, not publicly, but as it were in secret. {7:11} The Jews therefore sought him at the feast, and said, Where is he? {7:12} And there was much murmuring among the multitudes concerning him: some said, He is a good man; others said, Not so, but he leads the multitude astray. {7:13} yet no man spoke openly of him for fear of the Jews. {7:14} But when it was now the midst of the feast Yehsus went up into the temple, and taught. {7:15} The Jews therefore marveled, saying, How knows this man letters, having never learned? {7:16} Yehsus therefore answered them and said, My teaching is not mine, but his that sent me. {7:17} If any man wills to do his will, he shall know of the teaching, whether it is of God, or [whether] I speak from myself. {7:18} He that speaks from himself seeks his own glory: but he that seeks the glory of him that sent him, the same is true, and no [illegal] works outside the law is in him. {7:19} Did not Moses give you the [written] law, and [yet] none of you does law? Why seek you to kill me? {7:20} The multitude answered, you have a demon: who seeks to kill you? {7:21} Yehsus answered and said unto them, I did one work, and you all marvel because there. {7:22} Moses has given you circumcision (not that it is of Moses, but of the fathers); and on the Sabbath you circumcise a man. {7:23} If a man receives circumcision on the Sabbath, that the law of Moses may not be broken; are you angry with me, because I made a man every whit whole on the Sabbath? {7:24} Judge not according to appearance, but judge [legal] works of the law in judgment. {7:25} Some therefore of them of Jerusalem said, Is not this he whom they seek to kill? {7:26} And lo, he speaks openly, and they say nothing unto him. Can it be that the rulers indeed know that this is the Christ? {7:27} However we know this man where he is: but when the Christ comes, no one knows where he is. {7:28} Yehsus therefore cried in the temple, teaching and saying, you both know me, and know where I am; and I am not come of myself, but he that sent me is true, whom you know not. {7:29} I know him; because I am from him, and he sent me. {7:30} They sought therefore to take him: and no man laid his hand on him, because his hour was not yet come. {7:31} But of the multitude many believed on him; and they said, When the Christ shall come, will he do more signs than those which this man has done? {7:32} The Pharisees

heard the multitude murmuring these things concerning him; and the chief priests and the Pharisees sent officers to take him. {7:33} Yehsus therefore said, yet a little while am I with you, and I go unto him that sent me. {7:34} you shall seek me, and shall not find me: and where I am, you cannot come. {7:35} The Jews therefore said among themselves, Where will this man go that we shall not find him? will he go unto the Dispersion among the Greeks, and teach the Greeks? {7:36} What is this word that he said, you shall seek me, and shall not find me; and where I am, you cannot come? {7:37} Now on the last day, the great [day] of the feast, Yehsus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. {7:38} He that believes on me, as the scripture has said, from within him shall flow rivers of living water. {7:39} But this spoke he of the Spirit, which they that believed on him were to receive: for the Spirit was not yet [given]; because Yehsus was not yet glorified. {7:40} [Some] of the multitude therefore, when they heard these words, said, This is of a truth the prophet. {7:41} Others said, This is the Christ. But some said, What, does the Christ come out of Galilee? {7:42} Has not the scripture said that the Christ comes of the seed of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David was? {7:43} So there arose a division in the multitude because of him. {7:44} And some of them would have taken him; but no man laid hands on him. {7:45} The officers therefore came to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why did you not bring him? {7:46} The officers answered, Never a man so spoke. {7:47} The Pharisees therefore answered them, Are you also led astray? {7:48} Has any of the rulers believed on him, or of the Pharisees? {7:49} But this multitude that knows not the [Halakah] law are accursed. {7:50} Nicodemus said unto them (he that came to him before, being one of them), {7:51} Does our [Halakah] law judge a man, except it first hear from himself and know what he does? {7:52} They answered and said unto him, are you also of Galilee? Search, and see that out of Galilee arises no prophet. {7:53} And they went every man unto his own house:

{N4}8} John Chapter Eight.

Translation notes. In all the entire Bible, the sin of Adultery is on the same severity and on the same parallel as the sin of murder. Death and a world of misery is caused directly from “adultery” which is the cause of a multitude of suffering by the innocent caused directly from adultery or fornication. The following record is -not found written in two hundred and sixty seven of the most ancient and the most trusted manuscripts of the Bible. It is believed that this addition to the ancient Bible manuscripts is made by the Catholic Church to promote their false doctrine against Capital Punishment and to make adultery or fornication acceptable as just another small sin. These verses should not be in the Ekklesia Bible translation. We add this record to be deliberated and decided by the entire Ekklesia. The entire Ekklesia must decide this question of the validity of these following verses in the Ekklesia Bible translations.

{8:1} but Jesus went unto the mount of Olives. {8:2} And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them. {8:3} And the scribes and the Pharisees bring a woman taken in adultery; and having set her in the midst, {8:4} they say unto him, Teacher, this woman has been taken in adultery, in the very act. {8:5} Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such: what then say you of her? {8:6} And this they said, trying him, that they might have [where] to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground. {8:7} But when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is outside sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. {8:8} And again he stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground. {8:9} And they, when they heard it, went out one by one, beginning from the eldest, [even] unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman, where she was, in the midst. {8:10} And Jesus lifted up himself, and said unto her, Woman, where are they? did no man condemn you? {8:11} And she said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said, Neither do I condemn you: go your way; from here on sin no more. (End of spurious verses).

John {8:12} Again therefore Yehsus spoke unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life. {8:13} The Pharisees therefore said unto him, you bears witness of yourself; your witness is not true. {8:14} Yehsus answered and said unto them, Even if I bear witness of myself, my witness is true; for I know where I came, and where I go; but you know not where I come, or where I go. {8:15} you judge after the flesh; I judge no man. {8:16} behold and if I judge, my judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me. {8:17} behold and in your law it is written [on your hearts], that the witness of two men is true. {8:18} I am he that bears witness of myself, and the Father that sent me bears witness of me. {8:19} They said therefore unto him, Where is your Father? Yehsus answered, you know neither me, nor my Father: if you knew me, you would know my Father also. {8:20} These words spoke he in the treasury, as he taught in the temple: and no man took him; because his hour was not yet come. {8:21} He said therefore again unto them, I go away, and you shall seek me, and shall die in your sin: where I go, you cannot come. {8:22} The Jews therefore said, Will he kill himself, that he said, Where I go, you cannot come? {8:23} And he said unto them, you are from beneath; I am from above: you are of this world; I am not of this world. {8:24} I said therefore unto you, that you shall die in your sins: for except you believe that I am [he], you shall die in your sins. {8:25} They said therefore unto him, Who are you? Yehsus said unto them, Even that which I have also spoken unto you from the beginning. {8:26} I have many things to speak and to judge concerning you: however he that sent me is true; and the things which I heard from him, these speak I unto the world. {8:27} They perceived not that he spoke to them of the Father. {8:28} Yehsus therefore said, When you have lifted up the Son of man, then shall you know that I am [he], and [that] I do nothing of myself, but as the Father taught me, I speak these things. {8:29} And he that sent me is with me; he has not left me alone; for I do always the things that are pleasing to him. {8:30} As he spoke these things, many believed on him. {8:31} Yehsus therefore said to those Jews that had believed him, If you abide in my word, [then] are you truly my disciples; {8:32} and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. {8:33} They answered unto him, We are Abraham's seed, and have never yet been in bondage to any man: how say you, you shall be made free? {8:34} Yehsus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Everyone that commits sin is the slave to sin. {8:35} And the slave [to sin] abides not in the house forever: the son abides forever. {8:36} If therefore the Son shall make you free, you shall be free indeed. {8:37} I know that you are Abraham's seed: yet you seek to kill me, because my word has not free course in you. {8:38} I speak the things which I have seen with [my] Father: and you also do the things which you heard from [your] father. {8:39} They answered and said unto him, Our father is Abraham. Yehsus said unto them, If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. {8:40} But now you seek to kill me, a man that has told you the truth, which I heard from God: this did not Abraham. {8:41} you do the works of your father. They said unto him, We were not born of fornication; we have one Father, [even] God. {8:42} Yehsus said unto them, If God were your Father, you would agape love me: for I came forth and am come from God; for neither have I come of myself, but he sent me. {8:43} Why do you not understand my speech? [Even] because you cannot hear my word. {8:44} you are of [your] father the devil, and the lusts of your father it is your will to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and stands not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father there. {8:45} But because I say the truth, you believe me not. {8:46} Which of you convicts me of sin? If I say truth, why do you not believe me? {8:47} He that is of God hears the words of God: for this cause you hear [them] not, because you are not of God. {8:48} The Jews answered and said unto him, Say we not well that you are a Samaritan, and have a demon? {8:49} Yehsus answered, I have not a demon; but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. {8:50} But I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeks and judges. {8:51} Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my word, he shall never see death. {8:52} The Jews said unto him, Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, and the prophets; and you say, If a man keep my word, he shall

never taste of death. {8:53} are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? and the prophets died: whom make you yourself? {8:54} Yehsus answered, If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing: it is my Father that glorifies me; of whom you say, that he is your God; {8:55} and you have not known him: but I know him; and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be like unto you, a liar: but I know him, and keep his word. {8:56} Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day; and he saw it, and was glad. {8:57} The Jews therefore said unto him, you are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham? {8:58} Yehsus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was born, I am. {8:59} They took up stones therefore to cast at him: but Yehsus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

{N49} John Chapter Nine. {9:1} And as he passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. {9:2} And his disciples asked him, saying, Rabbi, who sinned, this man, or his parents, that he should be born blind? {9:3} Yehsus answered, Neither did this man sin, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. {9:4} We must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night comes, when no man can work. {9:5} When I am in the world, I am the light of the world. {9:6} When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and anointed his eyes with the clay, {9:7} and said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam (which is by interpretation, Sent). He went away therefore, and washed, and came seeing. {9:8} The neighbors therefore, and they that saw him times past, that he was a beggar, said, Is not this he that sat and begged? {9:9} Others said, It is he: others said, No, but he is like him. He said, I am [he]. {9:10} They said therefore unto him, How then were your eyes opened? {9:11} He answered, The man that is called Yehsus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to Siloam, and wash: so I went away and washed, and I received sight. {9:12} And they said unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not. {9:13} They bring to the Pharisees him that times past was blind. {9:14} Now it was the Sabbath on the day when Yehsus made the clay, and opened his eyes. {9:15} Again therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he received his sight. And he said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and I see. {9:16} Some therefore of the Pharisees said, This man is not from God, because he keeps not the Sabbath. But others said, How can a man that is a sinner do such signs? And there was division among them. {9:17} They say therefore unto the blind man again, What say you of him, in that he opened your eyes? And he said, He is a prophet. {9:18} The Jews therefore did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and had received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight, {9:19} and asked them, saying, Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see? {9:20} His parents answered and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind: {9:21} but how he now sees, we know not; or who opened his eyes, we know not: ask him; he is of age; he shall speak for himself. {9:22} These things said his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man should confess him [to be] Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. {9:23} Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him. {9:24} So they called a second time the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give glory to God: we know that this man is a sinner. {9:25} He therefore answered, Whether he is a sinner, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see. {9:26} They said therefore unto him, What did he to you? How opened he your eyes? {9:27} He answered them, I told you even now, and you did not hear; Therefore would you hear it again? would you also become his disciples? {9:28} And they reviled him, and said, you are his disciple; but we are disciples of Moses. {9:29} We know that God has spoken unto Moses: but as for this man, we know not where he is. {9:30} The man answered and said unto them, Why, herein is the marvel, that you know not where he is, and [yet] he opened mine eyes. {9:31} We know that God hears not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and do his will, him he hears. {9:32} Since the world began it was never heard that any one opened the eyes of a man born blind. {9:33} If this man were not from God, he could do nothing. {9:34} They answered and said unto him, you was altogether born in sins, and do you teach us? And they cast him out. {9:35} Yehsus

heard that they had cast him out; and finding him, he said, Do you believe on the Son of God? {9:36} He answered and said, And who is he, Lord, that I may believe on him? {9:37} Yehsus said unto him, you have both seen him, and he it is that speaks with you. {9:38} And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him. {9:39} And Yehsus said, For judgment came I into this world, that they that see not may see; and that they that see may become blind. {9:40} Those of the Pharisees who were with him heard these things, and said unto him, Are we also blind? {9:41} Yehsus said unto them, If you were blind, you would have no sin: but now you say, We see: your sin remains.

{N4}10} John Chapter Ten. {10:1} Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that enters not by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbs up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. {10:2} But he that enters in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. {10:3} To him the porter opens; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calls his own sheep by name, and leads them out. {10:4} When he has put forth all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. {10:5} And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. {10:6} This parable spoke Yehsus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spoke unto them. {10:7} Yehsus therefore said unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. {10:8} All that came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. {10:9} I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and go out, and shall find pasture. {10:10} The thief comes not, but that he may steal, and kill, and destroy: I came that they may have life, and may have [it] abundantly. {10:11} I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. {10:12} He that is a hireling, and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, behold the wolf coming, and leaves the sheep, and flees, and the wolf snatches them, and scatters [them]: {10:13} [he flees] because he is a hireling, and cares not for the sheep. {10:14} I am the good shepherd; and I know mine own, and mine own know me, {10:15} even as the Father knows me, and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. {10:16} And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice: and they shall become one flock, one shepherd. {10:17} Therefore does the Father agape love me, because I lay down my life, that I may take it again. {10:18} No one takes it away from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment received I from my Father. {10:19} There arose a division again among the Jews because of these words. {10:20} And many of them said, He has a demon, and is mad; why hear you him? {10:21} Others said, These are not the sayings of one possessed with a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind? {10:22} And it was the feast of the dedication at Jerusalem: {10:23} it was winter; and Yehsus was walking in the temple in Solomon's porch. {10:24} The Jews therefore came round about him, and said unto him, How long do you hold us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly. {10:25} Yehsus answered them, I told you, and you believe not: the works that I do in my Father's name, these bear witness of me. {10:26} But you believe not, because you are not of my sheep. {10:27} My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: {10:28} and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, and no one shall snatch them out of my hand. {10:29} My Father, who has given [them] unto me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch [them] out of the Father's hand. {10:30} I and the Father are one. {10:31} The Jews took up stones again to stone him. {10:32} Yehsus answered them, Many good works have I showed you from the Father; for which of those works do you stone me? {10:33} The Jews answered him, For a good work we stone you not, but for blasphemy; and because that you, being a man, make yourself God. {10:34} Yehsus answered them, Is it not written in your law [through Moses], I said, you are gods? {10:35} If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came (and the scripture cannot be broken), {10:36} say you of him, whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, "you blasphemers"; because I said, I am [the] Son of God? {10:37} If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. {10:38} But if I do

them, though you believe not me, believe the works: that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father. {10:39} They sought again to take him: and he went forth out of their hand. {10:40} And he went away again beyond the Jordan into the place where John was at the first immersing; and there he abode. {10:41} And many came unto him; and they said, John indeed did no sign: but all things whatever John spoke of this man were true. {10:42} And many believed on him there.

{N4}11} John Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Now a certain man was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, of the village of Maria and her sister Martha. {11:2} And it was that Maria who anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. {11:3} The sisters therefore sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom you philo love is sick. {11:4} But when Yehsus heard it, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified thereby. {11:5} Now Yehsus agape loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus. {11:6} When therefore he heard that he was sick, he abode at that time two days in the place where he was. {11:7} Then after this he said to the disciples, Let us go into Judea again. {11:8} The disciples say unto him, Rabbi, the Jews were but now seeking to stone you; and go you there again? {11:9} Yehsus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If a man walk in the day, he stumbles not, because he sees the light of this world. {11:10} But if a man walk in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him. {11:11} These things spoke he: and after this he said unto them, Our friend Lazarus is fallen asleep; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep. {11:12} The disciples therefore said unto him, Lord, if he is fallen asleep, he will recover. {11:13} Now Yehsus had spoken of his death: but they thought that he spoke of taking rest in sleep. {11:14} Then Yehsus therefore said unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead. {11:15} And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent you may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him. {11:16} Thomas therefore, who is called Didymus, said unto his fellow-disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him. {11:17} So when Yehsus came, he found that he had been in the tomb four days already. {11:18} Now Bethany was near unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off; {11:19} and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Maria, to console them concerning their brother. {11:20} Martha therefore, when she heard that Yehsus was coming, went and met him: but Maria still sat in the house. {11:21} Martha therefore said unto Yehsus, Lord, if you had been here, my brother had not died. {11:22} And even now I know that, whatever you shall ask of God, God will give you. {11:23} Yehsus said unto her, Your brother shall rise again. {11:24} Martha said unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. {11:25} Yehsus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believes on me, though he die, yet shall he live; {11:26} and anyone who lives and believes on me shall never die. Believe you this? {11:27} She said unto him, behold, Lord: I have believed that you are the Christ, the Son of God, [even] he that comes into the world. {11:28} And when she had said this, she went away, and called Maria her sister secretly, saying, The Teacher is here, and calls you. {11:29} And she, when she heard it, arose quickly, and went unto him. {11:30} (Now Yehsus was not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha met him.) {11:31} The Jews then who were with her in the house, and were consoling her, when they saw Maria, that she rose up quickly and went out, followed her, supposing that she was going unto the tomb to weep there. {11:32} Maria therefore, when she came where Yehsus was, and saw him, fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if you had been here, my brother had not died. {11:33} When Yehsus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews [also] weeping who came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, {11:34} and said, Where have you laid him? They say unto him, Lord, come and see. {11:35} Yehsus wept. {11:36} The Jews therefore said, Behold how he philo loved him! {11:37} But some of them said, Could not this man, who opened the eyes of him that was blind, have caused that this man also should not die? {11:38} Yehsus therefore again groaning in himself comes to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone lay against it. {11:39} Yehsus said, Take you away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, said

unto him, Lord, by this time the body decays; for he has been [dead] four days. {11:40} Yehsus said unto her, Said I not unto you, that, if you believed, you should see the glory of God? {11:41} So they took away the stone. And Yehsus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank you that you heard me. {11:42} And I knew that you hear me always: but because of the multitude that stands around I said it, that they may believe that you did send me. {11:43} And when he had thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. {11:44} He that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes; and his face was bound about with a napkin. Yehsus said unto them, Loose him, and let him go. {11:45} Many therefore of the Jews, who came to Maria and watched that which he did, believed on him. {11:46} But some of them went away to the Pharisees, and told them the things which Yehsus had done. {11:47} The chief priests therefore and the Pharisees gathered a council, and said, What do we? for this man does many signs. {11:48} If we let him thus alone, all men will believe on him: and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation. {11:49} But a certain one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said unto them, you know nothing at all, {11:50} nor do you take account that it is expedient for you that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. {11:51} Now this he said not of himself: but, being high priest that year, he prophesied that Yehsus should die for the nation; {11:52} and not for the nation only, but that he might also gather together into one the children of God that are scattered abroad. {11:53} So from that day forth they took counsel that they might put him to death. {11:54} Yehsus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews, but departed there into the country near to the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim; and there he tarried with the disciples. {11:55} Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand: and many went up to Jerusalem out of the country before the Passover, to purify themselves. {11:56} They sought therefore for Yehsus, and spoke one with another, as they stood in the temple, What think you? That he will not come to the feast? {11:57} Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given commandment, that, if any man knew where he was, he should show it, that they might take him.

{n4}12} John Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Yehsus therefore six days before the Passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Yehsus raised from the dead. {12:2} So they made him a supper there: and Martha served; but Lazarus was one of them that sat at meat with him. {12:3} Maria therefore took a pound of ointment of pure nard, very precious, and anointed the feet of Yehsus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odor of the ointment. {12:4} But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples, that should betray him, said, {12:5} Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred shillings, and given to the poor? {12:6} Now this he said, not because he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and having the bag took away what was put therein. {12:7} Yehsus therefore said, Suffer her to keep it against the day of my burying. {12:8} For the poor you have always with you; but me you have not always. {12:9} The common people therefore of the Jews learned that he was there: and they came, not for Yehsus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom he had raised from the dead. {12:10} But the chief priests took counsel that they might put Lazarus also to death; {12:11} because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Yehsus. {12:12} On the morrow a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Yehsus was coming to Jerusalem, {12:13} took the branches of the palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried out, Hosanna: Blessed [is] he that comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel. {12:14} And Yehsus, having found a young donkey, sat thereon; as it is written, {12:15} Fear not, daughter of Zion: behold, your King comes, sitting on an ass's colt. {12:16} These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Yehsus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him. {12:17} The multitude therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb, and raised him from the dead, bare witness. {12:18} For this cause also the multitude went and met him, for that they heard that he had done this sign. {12:19} The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, Behold how you

prevail nothing: lo, the world is gone after him. {12:20} Now there were certain Greeks among those that went up to worship at the feast: {12:21} these therefore came to Philip, who was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, Sir, we would see Yehsus. {12:22} Philip comes and tells Andrew: Andrew comes, and Philip, and they tell Yehsus. {12:23} And Yehsus answers them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. {12:24} Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a grain of wheat fall into the earth and die, it abides by itself alone; but if it die, it bears much fruit. {12:25} He that loves his life loses it; and he that hates his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. {12:26} If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will the Father honor. {12:27} Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour. But for this cause came I unto this hour. {12:28} Father, glorify your name. There came therefore a voice out of heaven, [saying], I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. {12:29} The multitude therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it had thundered: others said, An messenger has spoken to him. {12:30} Yehsus answered and said, This voice has not come for my sake, but for your sakes. {12:31} Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. {12:32} And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself. {12:33} But this he said, signifying by what manner of death he should die. {12:34} The multitude therefore answered him, We have heard out of the [Halakah] law that the Christ abides forever: and how say you, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man? {12:35} Yehsus therefore said unto them, yet a little while is the light among you. Walk while you have the light, that darkness overtake you not: and he that walks in the darkness knows not where he goes. {12:36} While you have the light, believe on the light, that you may become sons of light. These things spoke Yehsus, and he departed and hid himself from them. {12:37} But though he had done so many signs before them, yet they believed not on him: {12:38} that the word of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke, Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? {12:39} For this cause they could not believe, for that Isaiah said again, {12:40} He has blinded their eyes, and he hardened their heart; Lest they should see with their eyes, and perceive with their heart, And should turn, And I should heal them. {12:41} These things said Isaiah, because he saw his glory; and he spoke of him. {12:42} Nevertheless even of the rulers many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess [it], lest they should be put out of the synagogue: {12:43} for they agape loved the glory [that is] of men more than the glory [that is] of God. {12:44} And Yehsus cried and said, He that believes on me, sees him that sent me. {12:46} I am come a light into the world, that anyone who believes on me may not abide in the darkness. {12:47} And if any man hear my sayings, and keep them not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. {12:48} He that rejects me, and receives not my sayings, has one that judges him: the word that I spoke, the same shall judge him in the last day. {12:49} For I spoke not from myself; but the Father that sent me, he has given me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak. {12:50} And I know that his commandment is life eternal: the things therefore which I speak, even as the Father has said unto me, so I speak.

{N4}13} John Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Now before the feast of the Passover, Yehsus knowing that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto his Father, having agape loved his own that were in the world, he agape loved them unto the end. {13:2} And during supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's [son], to betray him, {13:3} [Yehsus], knowing that the Father had given all the things into his hands, and that he came forth from God, and goes unto God, {13:4} rising from supper, and lays aside his garments; and he took a towel, and girded himself. {13:5} Then he pours water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel by which he was girded. {13:6} So he comes to Simon Petros. He said unto him, Lord, do you wash my feet? {13:7} Yehsus answered and said unto him, What I do you know not now; but you shall understand hereafter. {13:8} Petros said unto him, you shall never wash my feet. Yehsus answered him, If I wash you not, you have no

part with me. {13:9} Simon Petros said unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. {13:10} Yehsus said to him, He that is bathed needs not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and you are clean, but not all. {13:11} For he knew him that should betray him; therefore said he, you are not all clean. {13:12} So when he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, and sat down again, he said unto them, Know you what I have done to you? {13:13} you call me, Teacher, and, Lord: and you say well; for so I am. {13:14} If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. {13:15} For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. {13:16} Verily, verily, I say unto you, a slave is not greater than his lord; neither one that is sent greater than he that sent him. {13:17} If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. {13:18} I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled: He that eats my bread lifted up his heel against me. {13:19} From here on I tell you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, you may believe that I am [he]. {13:20} Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that receives whom so ever I send receives me; and he that receives me receives him that sent me. {13:21} When Yehsus had thus said, he was troubled in the spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me. {13:22} The disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spoke. {13:23} There was at the table reclining in Yehsus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Yehsus agape loved. {13:24} Simon Petros therefore beckons to him, and said unto him, Tell [us] who it is of whom he speak. {13:25} He leaning back, as he was, on Yehsus' breast said unto him, Lord, who is it? {13:26} Yehsus therefore answered, He it is, for whom I shall dip the sop, and give it him. So when he had dipped the sop, he takes and gives it to Judas, [the son] of Simon Iscariot. {13:27} And after the sop, then entered Satan into him. Yehsus therefore said unto him, What you do, do quickly. {13:28} Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spoke this unto him. {13:29} For some thought, because Judas had the bag, that Yehsus said unto him, Buy what things we have need of for the feast; or, that he should give something to the poor. {13:30} He then having received the sop went out immediately: and it was night. {13:31} When therefore he was gone out, Yehsus said, Now is the Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in him; {13:32} and God shall glorify him in himself, and immediately shall he glorify him. {13:33} Little children, yet a little while I am with you. you shall seek me: and as I said unto the Jews, Where I go, you cannot come; so now I say unto you. {13:34} A new commandment I give unto you, that you agape love one another; even as I have agape loved you, that you also agape love one another. {13:35} By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have agape love one to another. {13:36} Simon Petros said unto him, Lord, Where are you going? Yehsus answered, Where I go, you Cannot follow now; but you shall follow afterwards. {13:37} Petros said unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow you even now? I will lay down my life for you. {13:38} Yehsus answered, Will you lay down your life for me? Verily, verily, I say unto you, The cock shall not crow, till you have denied me thrice.

{N4}14} John Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Let not your heart be troubled: believe in God, believe also in me. {14:2} In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. {14:3} And if I go and prepare a place for you, I come again, and will receive you unto myself; that where I am, [there] you may be also. {14:4} And where I go, you know the way. {14:5} Thomas said unto him, Lord, we know not where you go; how know we the way? {14:6} Yehsus said unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one comes unto the Father, but by me. {14:7} If you had known me, you would have known my Father also: from here on you know him, and have seen him. {14:8} Philip said unto him, Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us. {14:9} Yehsus said unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and do you not know me, Philip? he that has seen me has seen the Father; how say you, Show us the Father? {14:10} Believe you not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I say unto you I speak not from myself: but the Father abiding in me does his works. {14:11} Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me

for the very works' sake. {14:12} Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believes on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater [works] than these shall he do; because I go unto the Father. {14:13} And whatever you shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. {14:14} If you shall ask anything in my name, that will I do. {14:15} If you agape love me, you will keep my commandments. {14:16} And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may be with you forever, {14:17} [even] the Spirit of truth: whom the world cannot receive; for it beholds him not, neither knows him: you know him; for he abides with you, and shall be in you. {14:18} I will not leave you desolate: I come unto you. {14:19} yet a little while, and the world beholds me no more; but you behold me: because I live, you shall live also. {14:20} In that day you shall know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. {14:21} He that has my commandments, and keeps them, he it is that agape loves me: and he that agape loves me shall be agape loved of my Father, and I will agape love him, and will manifest myself unto him. {14:22} Judas (not Iscariot) said unto him, Lord, what is come to pass that you will manifest yourself unto us, and not unto the world? {14:23} Yehsus answered and said unto him, If a man agape love me, he will keep my word: and my Father will agape love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. {14:24} He that agape loves me not keeps not my words: and the word which you hear is not mine, but the Father's who sent me. {14:25} These things have I spoken unto you, while [yet] abiding with you. {14:26} But the Comforter, [even] the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said unto you. {14:27} Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you: not as the world gives, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful. {14:28} you heard how I said to you, I go away, and I come unto you. If you agape loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I go unto the Father: for the Father is greater than I. {14:29} And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, you may believe. {14:30} I will no more speak much with you, for the prince of the world comes: and he has nothing in me; {14:31} but that the world may know that I agape love the Father, and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go from here.

{N4}15} John Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. {15:2} Every branch in me that bears not fruit, he takes it away: and every [branch] that bears fruit, he cleans it, that it may bear more fruit. {15:3} Already you are clean because of the word which I have spoken unto you. {15:4} Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; so neither can you, except you abide in me. {15:5} I am the vine, you are the branches: He that abides in me, and I in him, the same bears much fruit: for apart from me you can do nothing. {15:6} If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. {15:7} If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done unto you. {15:8} Herein is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit; and [so] shall you be my disciples. {15:9} Even as the Father has agape loved me, I also have agape loved you: abide you in my agape love. {15:10} If you keep my commandments, you shall abide in my agape love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his agape love. {15:11} These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy may be in you, and [that] your joy may be made full. {15:12} This is my commandment, that you agape love one another, even as I have agape loved you. {15:13} No man has agape love Greater than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. {15:14} you are my friends, if you do the things which I command you. {15:15} No longer do I call you slaves; for the slave knows not what his lord does: but I have called you friends; for all things that I heard from my Father, I have made known unto you. {15:16} you did not choose me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that you should go and bear fruit, and [that] your fruit should abide: that whatever you shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. {15:17} These things I command you, that you may agape love one another. {15:18} If the world hates you, you know that it has hated me before [it hated] you. {15:19} If you were of the world,

the world would philo love its own: but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. {15:20} Remember the word that I said unto you, a slave is not greater than his lord. If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. {15:21} But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. {15:22} If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no excuse for their sin. {15:23} He that hates me hates my Father also. {15:24} If I had not done among them the works which none other did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. {15:25} But [this comes to pass], that the word may be fulfilled that is written in His law, They hated me outside a cause. {15:26} But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, [even] the Spirit of truth, which proceeds from the Father, he shall bear witness of me: {15:27} and you also bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

{N4}16} John Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} These things have I spoken unto you, that you should not be caused to stumble. {16:2} They shall put you out of the synagogues: behold, the hour comes, that anyone who kills you shall think that he offers service unto God. {16:3} And these things will they do, because they have not known the Father, nor me. {16:4} But these things have I spoken unto you, that when their hour is come, you may remember them, how that I told you. And these things I said not unto you from the beginning, because I was with you. {16:5} But now I go unto him that sent me; and none of you asks me, Where are you going? {16:6} But because I have spoken these things unto you, sorrow has filled your heart. {16:7} Nevertheless I tell you the truth: It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I go, I will send him unto you. {16:8} And he, when he is come, will convict the world in respect of sin, and of good works, and of judgment: {16:9} of sin, because they believe not on me; {16:10} of good works, because I go to the Father, and you behold me no more; {16:11} of judgment, because the prince of this world has been judged. {16:12} I have yet many things to say unto you, but you cannot bear them now. {16:13} However when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he shall guide you into all the truth: for he shall not speak from himself; but what things so ever he shall hear, [these] shall he speak: and he shall declare unto you the things that are to come. {16:14} He shall glorify me: for he shall take of mine, and shall declare [it] unto you. {16:15} All things whatever the Father has are mine: therefore said I, that he takes of mine, and shall declare [it] unto you. {16:16} A little while, and you behold me no more; and again a little while, and you shall see me. {16:17} [Some] of his disciples therefore said one to another, What is this that he said unto us, A little while, and you behold me not; and again a little while, and you shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father? {16:18} They said therefore, What is this that he said, A little while? We know not what he said. {16:19} Yehsus perceived that they were desirous to ask him, and he said unto them, Do you inquire among yourselves concerning this, that I said, A little while, and you behold me not, and again a little while, and you shall see me? {16:20} Verily, verily, I say unto you, that you shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: you shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. {16:21} A woman when she is in travail has sorrow, because her hour is come: but when she is delivered of the child, she remembers no more the anguish, for the joy that a man is born into the world. {16:22} And you therefore now have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no one takes away from you. {16:23} And in that day you shall ask me no question. Verily, verily, I say unto you, if you shall ask anything of the Father, he will give it you in my name. {16:24} Until now, you have asked nothing in my name: ask, and you shall receive, that your joy may be made full. {16:25} These things have I spoken unto you in dark sayings: the hour comes, when I shall no more speak unto you in dark sayings, but shall tell you plainly of the Father. {16:26} In that day you shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you; {16:27} for the Father himself philo loves you, because you have philo loved me, and have believed that I came forth from the Father. {16:28} I came out from the Father, and am come into

the world: again, I leave the world, and go unto the Father. {16:29} His disciples say, Lo, now speak you plainly, and speak no dark saying. {16:30} Now know we that you know all things, and needs not that any man should ask you: by this we believe that you came forth from God. {16:31} Yehsus answered them, Do you now believe? {16:32} Behold, the hour comes, behold, is come, that you shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and [yet] I am not alone, because the Father is with me. {16:33} These things have I spoken unto you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome [sin and tribulation] of the world.

(N4)17} John Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} These things spoke Yehsus; and lifting up his eyes to heaven, he said, Father, the hour is come; glorify your Son, that the son may glorify you: {17:2} even as you gave him authority over all flesh, that to all whom you have given him, he should give eternal life. {17:3} And this is life eternal, that they should know you, the only true God, and [that they know] him whom you did send, [even] Yehsus Christ. {17:4} I glorified you on the earth, having accomplished the work which you have given me to do. {17:5} And now, Father, glorify you me with your own self with the glory which I had with you before the world was. {17:6} I manifested your name unto the men whom you gave me out of the world: your they were, and you gave them to me; and they have kept your word. {17:7} Now they know that all things whatever you have given me are from you: {17:8} for the words which you gave me I have given unto them; and they received [them], and knew of a truth that I came forth from you, and they believed that you did send me. {17:9} I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for those whom you have given me; for they are yours: {17:10} and all things that are mine are yours, and yours are mine: and I am glorified in them. {17:11} And I am no more in the world, and these are in the world, and I come to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we [are]. {17:12} While I was with them, I kept them in your name which you have given me: and I guarded them, and not one of them perished, but the son of eternal damnation; that the scripture might be fulfilled. {17:13} But now I come to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy made full in themselves. {17:14} I have given them your word; and the world hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. {17:15} I pray not that you should take them from the world, but that you should keep them from the evil [one]. {17:16} They are not of the world even as I am not of the world. {17:17} Sanctify them in the truth: your word is truth. {17:18} As you did send me into the world, even so sent I them into the world. {17:19} And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth. {17:20} Neither for these only do I pray, but for them also that believe on me through their word; {17:21} that they may all be one; even as you, Father, [are] in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us: that the world may believe that you did send me. {17:22} And the glory which you have given me I have given unto them; that they may be one, even as we [are] one; {17:23} I in them, and you in me, that they may be perfected into one; that the world may know that you did send me, and agape loves them, even as you agape love me. {17:24} Father, I desire that they also whom you have given me be with me where I am, that they may behold my glory, which you have given me: for you agape loved me before the foundation of the world. {17:25} O righteous Father, the world knew you not, but I knew you; and these knew that you did send me; {17:26} and I made known unto them your name, and will make it known; that the agape love where with you agape loved me may be in them, and I in them.

{n4)18} John Chapter Eighteen {18:1} When Yehsus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Kidron, where was a garden, into which he entered, himself and his disciples. {18:2} Now Judas also, who betrayed him, knew the place: for Yehsus oft-times resorted there with his disciples. {18:3} Judas then, having received the band [of soldiers], and officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, comes there with lanterns and torches and

weapons. {18:4} Yehsus therefore, knowing all the things that were coming upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek you? {18:5} They answered him, Yehsus of Nazareth. Yehsus said unto them, I am [he]. And Judas also, who betrayed him, was standing with them. {18:6} When therefore he said unto them, I am [he], they went backward, and fell to the ground. {18:7} Again therefore he asked them, Whom seek you? And they said, Yehsus of Nazareth. {18:8} Yehsus answered, I told you that I am [he]; if therefore you seek me, let these go their way: {18:9} that the word might be fulfilled which he spoke, Of those whom you have given me I lost not one. {18:10} Simon Petros therefore having a sword drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. Now the slave's name was Malchus. {18:11} Yehsus therefore said unto Petros, Put up the sword into the sheath: the cup which the Father has given me, shall I not drink it? {18:12} So the band and the chief captain, and the officers of the Jews, seized Yehsus and bound him, {18:13} and led him to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. {18:14} Now Caiaphas was he that gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people. {18:15} And Simon Petros followed Yehsus, and [so did] another disciple. Now that disciple was known unto the high priest, and entered in with Yehsus into the court of the high priest; {18:16} but Petros was standing at the door outside. So the other disciple, who was known unto the high priest, went out and spoke unto her that kept the door, and brought in Petros. {18:17} The maid therefore that kept the door said unto Petros, are you also [one] of this man's disciples? He said, I am not. {18:18} Now the servants and the officers were standing [there], having made a fire of coals; for it was cold; and they were warming themselves: and Petros also was with them, standing and warming himself. {18:19} The high priest therefore asked Yehsus of his disciples, and of his teaching. {18:20} Yehsus answered him, I have spoken openly to the world; I ever taught in synagogues, and in the temple, where all the Jews come together; and in secret spoke I nothing. {18:21} Why ask you me? Ask them that have heard [me], what I spoke unto them: behold, these know the things which I said. {18:22} And when he had said this, one of the officers standing by struck Yehsus with his hand, saying, Answer you the high priest in this manner? {18:23} Yehsus answered him, If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well, why smite you me? {18:24} Annas therefore sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest. {18:25} Now Simon Petros was standing and warming himself. They said therefore unto him, are you also [one] of his disciples? He denied, and said, I am not. {18:26} One of the servants of the high priest, being a kinsman of him whose ear Petros cut off, said, Did not I see you in the garden with him? {18:27} Petros therefore denied again: and immediately the cock crew. {18:28} They lead Yehsus therefore from Caiaphas into the Praetorium: and it was early; and they themselves entered not into the Praetorium, that they might not be defiled, but might eat the Passover. {18:29} Pilate therefore went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring you against this man? {18:30} They answered and said unto him, If this man were not an evildoer, we should not have delivered him up unto you. {18:31} Pilate therefore said unto them, Take him yourselves, and judge him according to your [oral Halakah] law. The Jews said unto him, It is not [Roman] lawful for us to put any man to death: {18:32} that the word of Yehsus might be fulfilled, which he spoke, signifying by what manner of death he should die. {18:33} Pilate therefore entered again into the Praetorium, and called Yehsus, and said unto him, are you the King of the Jews? {18:34} Yehsus answered, Say you this of yourself, or did others tell it you concerning me? {18:35} Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? your own nation and the chief priests delivered you unto me: what have you done? {18:36} Yehsus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from here. {18:37} Pilate therefore said unto him, are you a king then? Yehsus answered, you say that I am a king. To this end have I been born, and to this end am I come into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Everyone that is of the truth hears my voice. {18:38} Pilate said unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and said unto them, I find no crime in him. {18:39} But you have a custom, that I should release unto

you one at the Passover: will you therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews? {18:40} They cried out therefore again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.)

{N4}19} John Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} Then Pilate therefore took Yehsus, and scourged him. {19:2} And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and arrayed him in a purple garment; {19:3} and they came unto him, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they struck him with their hands. {19:4} And Pilate went out again, and said unto them, Behold, I bring him out to you, that you may know that I find no crime in him. {19:5} Yehsus therefore came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple garment. And [Pilate] said unto them, Behold, the man! {19:6} When therefore the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify [him], crucify [him]! Pilate said unto them, Take him yourselves, and crucify him: for I find no crime in him. {19:7} The Jews answered him, We have an [unwritten Halakah] law, and by that [oral] law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. {19:8} When Pilate therefore heard this saying, he was the more afraid; {19:9} and he entered into the Praetorium again, and said unto Yehsus, From where are you? But Yehsus gave him no answer. {19:10} Pilate therefore said unto him, Speak you not unto me? Know you not that I have power to release you, and have power to crucify you? {19:11} Yehsus answered him, you would have no power against me, except it were given you from above: therefore he that delivered me unto you has greater sin. {19:12} Upon this Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend: everyone that makes himself a king speaks against Caesar. {19:13} When Pilate therefore heard these words, he brought Yehsus out, and sat down on the judgment-seat at a place called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. {19:14} Now it was the Preparation [to kill] the Passover: [the hour to kill] was about the sixth hour [of the day]. And he said unto the Jews, Behold, your King! {19:15} They therefore cried out, Away with [him], away with [him], crucify him! Pilate said unto them, shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar. {19:16} Then therefore he delivered him unto them to be crucified. {19:17} They took Yehsus therefore: and he went out, bearing the cross for himself, unto the place called The place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha: {19:18} where they crucified him, and with him two others, on either side one, and Yehsus in the midst. {19:19} And Pilate wrote a title also, and put it on the cross. And there was written, YEHSUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. {19:20} This title therefore read many of the Jews, for the place where Yehsus was crucified was near to the city; and it was written in Hebrew, [and] in Latin, [and] in Greek. {19:21} The chief priests of the Jews therefore said to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews. {19:22} Pilate answered, What I have written I have written. {19:23} The soldiers therefore, when they had crucified Yehsus, took his garments and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also the coat: now the coat was outside seam, woven from the top throughout. {19:24} They said therefore one to another, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which said, They parted my garments among them, And upon my vesture did they cast lots. {19:25} These things therefore the soldiers did. But there were standing by the cross of Yehsus his mother, and his mother's sister, Maria the [wife] of Clopas, and Maria Magdalene. {19:26} When Yehsus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by whom he agape loved, he said unto his mother, Woman, behold your son! {19:27} Then said he to the disciple, Behold, your mother! And from that hour the disciple took her unto his own [home]. {19:28} After this Yehsus, knowing that all things are now finished, that the scripture might be accomplished, said, I thirst. {19:29} There was set there a vessel full of vinegar: so they put a sponge full of the vinegar upon hyssop, and brought it to his mouth. {19:30} When Yehsus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up his spirit. {19:31} The Jews therefore, because it was the Preparation [of the Passover], that the bodies should not remain on the cross upon the [Passover] Sabbath [for the day of that Sabbath was a high [day]], asked of Pilate that their legs might be broken, and [that]

they might be taken away. {19:32} The soldiers therefore came, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other that was crucified with him: {19:33} but when they came to Yehsus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: {19:34} however one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and immediately there came out blood and water. {19:35} And he that has seen has borne witness, and his witness is true: and he knows that he said true, that you also may believe. {19:36} For these things came to pass, that the scripture might be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. {19:37} And again another scripture said, They shall look on him whom they pierced. {19:38} And after these things Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Yehsus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked of Pilate that he might take away the body of Yehsus: and Pilate gave [him] leave. He came therefore, and took away his body. {19:39} And there came also Nicodemus, he who at the first came to him by night, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds. {19:40} So they took the body of Yehsus, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as the custom of the Jews is to bury. {19:41} Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new tomb wherein was never man yet laid. {19:42} There then because of the Jews' Preparation (for it was the beginning of night to eat the Passover for the tomb was near at hand) they laid Yehsus.

The Beginning of the New Testament and change from the lunar calendar to only the solar Calendar.

The resurrection moment of Yehsus and he is anointed Christ at the resurrection and the Kingdom of Christ is confirmed by the Father (Hebrews 1:5-9) at the resurrection, on the night of the day "Mia" or Day One. The resurrection moment is the awesome time parallel to the exact moment of the creation of the earth and the universe in Genesis 1:1-2. The Resurrection moment is the same exact time parallel to the moment to begin to celebrate the all night Pentecost.

Note John will record that Christ will ascend up to the Father (see verse 17). The Hebrew writer explains what happened at the resurrection moment after Christ ascends up to the Father (John 20:11-19). At the resurrection moment. The in the book of (Hebrews chapter one): verse five start the Revelation of what happens when God resurrects the son Yehsus following in the record of John when Christ resurrect he ascends up to the Father to be exulted by the Father as "Ho Theos" or The Almighty God. Hebrew one and verse five begin the Revelation of when The kingdom of Christ is established by the Father and at the resurrection moment the Father exults and anoints the son as "The Christ" "with the oil of gladness" as "The Almighty God." God the Father declares His son to be Ho Theos at the resurrection moment. All is established at the Resurrection moment on the beginning night of the day Mia (Day One of the Sabbaton or at the resurrection moment is the in the artificial civil Roman Traditional day, a time parallel to "Saturday night at dusk of the evening"). (Read the Ekklesia Bible Hebrews. 1:5-9).

(N4)20} John Chapter Twenty. {20:1} Now early [evening], yet it was dark on the day Mia [Day One] of the solar sevens., comes Maria Magdalene, unto the tomb, and sees the stone taken away from the tomb. {20:2} She runs therefore, and comes to Simon Petros, and to the other disciple whom Yehsus philo loved, and said unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we know not where they have laid him. {20:3} Petros therefore went forth, and the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. {20:4} And they ran both together: and the other disciple outran Petros, and came first to the tomb; {20:5} and stooping and looking in, he sees the linen cloths lying; yet entered he not in. {20:6} Simon Petros therefore also comes, following him, and entered into the tomb; and he sees the linen cloths lying, {20:7} and the napkin, that was upon his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but rolled up in a place by itself. {20:8} Then entered in therefore the other disciple also, who came first to the tomb, and he saw,

and believed. {20:9} For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. {20:10} So the disciples went away again unto their own home. {20:11} But Maria was standing outside at the tomb weeping: so, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb; {20:12} and she sees two messengers in white sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Yehsus had lain. {20:13} And they say unto her, Woman, why weep you? She said unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him. {20:14} When she had thus said, she turned herself back, and sees Yehsus standing, and [because it was dark] knew not that it was Yehsus. {20:15} Yehsus said unto her, Woman, why weep you? whom seek you? She, supposing him to be the gardener, said unto him, Sir, if you have taken him from here, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away. {20:16} Yehsus said unto her, Maria. She turns herself, and said unto him in Hebrew, Rabboni; which is to say, Teacher. {20:17} Yehsus said to her, Touch me not; because I am not yet ascended unto the Father: but go unto my brethren, and say to them, I ascend unto my Father and your Father, and my God and your God. {20:18} Maria Magdalene comes and tells the disciples, I have seen the Lord; and [that] he had said these things unto her.

{20:19} When therefore it was [eight days later on the same] evening, on the next [resurrection] day, the day one of the Sabbaton, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Yehsus came and stood in the midst, and said unto them, Peace [be] unto you. {20:20} And when he had said this, he showed unto them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore were glad, when they saw the Lord. {20:21} Yehsus therefore said to them again, Peace [be] unto you: as the Father has sent me, even so send I you. {20:22} And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said unto them, Receive you the Holy Spirit: {20:23} whose so ever sins you forgive, they are forgiven unto them; whose so ever [sins] you retain, they are retained. {20:24} But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Yehsus came. {20:25} The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.

{20:26} And after eight days again [on a solar cycle of the resurrection moment] his disciples were within, and Thomas with them. Yehsus comes, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace [be] unto you. {20:27} Then said he to Thomas, Reach here your finger, and see my hands; and reach [here] your hand, and put it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. {20:28} Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. {20:29} Yehsus said unto him, because you have seen me, you have believed: blessed [are] they that have not seen, and [yet] have believed. {20:30} Many other signs therefore did Yehsus in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book: {20:31} but these are written, that you may believe that Yehsus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in his name.

{N4)21} John Chapter Twenty-One. {21:1} After these things Yehsus manifested himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and he manifested [himself] on this wise. {21:2} There was together Simon Petros, and Thomas called Didymus [the Twin], and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the [sons] of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples. {21:3} Simon Petros said unto them, I [leave Jerusalem to go some fifty miles to Tiberias and] go a fishing. They say unto him, We also come with you. They went forth, and entered into the boat; and that night they caught nothing. {21:4} But when day was now breaking, Yehsus stood on the beach: yet the disciples knew not that it was Yehsus. {21:5} Yehsus therefore said unto them, Children, have you anything to eat? They answered him, No. {21:6} And he said unto them, Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes. {21:7} That disciple therefore whom Yehsus agape loved said unto Petros, It is the Lord. So when Simon Petros heard that it was the Lord, he girt his coat about him

(for he was naked), and cast himself into the sea. {21:8} But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from the land, but about two hundred cubits off), dragging the net [full] of fishes. {21:9} So when they got out upon the land, they see a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread. {21:10} Yehsus said unto them, Bring of the fish which you have now taken. {21:11} Simon Petros therefore went up, and drew the net to land, full of great fishes, a hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, the net was not broken. {21:12} Yehsus said unto them, "Come to [my] Ariston" [my prepared morning meal]. And none of the disciples dare inquire of him, Who are you? knowing that it was the Lord. {21:13} Yehsus comes, and takes the bread, and gives them, and the fish likewise. {21:14} This is now the third time that Yehsus was manifested to the disciples, after that he was risen from the dead. {21:15} So when they had eaten [Ariston or the morning meal], Yehsus said to Simon Petros, Simon, [son] of Jonah, [Do] you agape love me more than these [fish]? He said unto him, behold, Lord; you know that I philo love you. He said unto him, Feed my lambs. {21:16} He said to him again a second time, Simon, [son] of John, [Do] you agape love me? He [Petros] said unto him, behold, Lord; you know that I philo love you. He said unto him, Tend my sheep. {21:17} He said unto him the third time, Simon, [son] of Jonah, [do you] "philo love me?" Petros was grieved because he said unto him the third time, "[Do] you philo Love you me?" And he [Petros] said unto him, Lord, you know all things; you know that I philo love you. Yehsus said unto him, Feed my sheep. {21:18} Verily, verily, I say unto you, When you was young, you gird yourself, and walk where you would: but when you shall be old, you shall stretch forth your hands, and another shall gird you, and carry you where you would not. {21:19} Now this he spoke, signifying by what manner of death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he said unto him, "Follow me!" {21:20} Petros, turning about, sees the disciple whom Yehsus agape loved following; who also leaned back on his breast at the supper, and said, Lord, who is he that betrays you? {21:21} Petros therefore seeing him said to Yehsus, Lord, and what shall this man do? {21:22} Yehsus said unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what [is that] to you? "Follow you me!" {21:23} This saying therefore went forth among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Yehsus said not unto him, that he should not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what [is that] to you? {21:24} This is the disciple that bears witness of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his witness is true. {21:25} And there are also many other things which Yehsus did, the which if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself would not contain the books that should be written.

The Acts Of The Apostles.

{N5}1} Acts Chapter One.

{1:1} The former treatise I made, O Theophilus, concerning all that Yehsus began both to do and to teach, {1:2} until the day in which he was received up, after that he had given commandment through the Holy Spirit unto the apostles whom he had chosen: {1:3} To whom he also showed himself alive after his passion by many proofs, appearing unto them by the space of forty days, and speaking the things concerning the kingdom of God: {1:4} and, being assembled together with them, he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, [he said], you heard from me: {1:5} For John indeed immersed with water; but you shall be immersed in the Holy Spirit not many days from here. {1:6} They therefore, when they were come together, asked him, saying, Lord, do you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel? {1:7} And he said unto them, It is not for you to know times or seasons, which the Father has set within His own authority. {1:8} But you shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and you shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and unto the outermost part of the earth. {1:9} And when he had said these things, as they were looking, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. {1:10} And while they were looking steadfastly into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; {1:11} who also said, you men of Galilee, why stand you looking into heaven? this Yehsus, who

was received up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as you watched him going into heaven. {1:12} Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near unto Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey off. {1:13} And when they were come in, they went up into the upper chamber, where they were abiding; both Petros and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bareholomew and Matthew, James [the son] of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas [the son] of James. {1:14} These all with one accord continued steadfastly in prayer, with the women, and Maria the mother of Yehsus, and with his brethren. {1:15} And in these days Petros stood up in the midst of the brethren, and said (and there was a multitude of persons [gathered] together, about a hundred and twenty), {1:16} Brethren, it was needful that the Scripture should be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who was guide to them that took Yehsus. {1:17} For he was numbered among us, and received his portion in this ministry. {1:18} (Now this man obtained a field with the reward of his work against law; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. {1:19} And it became known to all the dwellers at Jerusalem; so much that in their language that field was called Akeldama, that is, The field of blood.) {1:20} For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be made desolate, And let no man dwell therein: and, His office let another take. {1:21} Of the men therefore that have companied with us all the time that the Lord Yehsus went in and went out among us, {1:22} beginning from the immersion of John, unto the day that he was received up from us, of these must one become a witness with us of his resurrection. {1:23} And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was surnamed Justus, and Mathias. {1:24} And they prayed, and said, you, Lord, who know the hearts of all men, show of these two the one whom you have chosen, {1:25} to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas fell away, that he might go to his own place. {1:26} And they gave lots for them; and the lot fell upon Mathias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

{N5}2} Acts Chapter Two. {2:1} And [at dusk] when the day [Mia] One, the night of Pentecost was being filled up to the full, they were all together in one place. {2:2} And suddenly there came from heaven a sound as of the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. {2:3} And there appeared unto them tongues parting asunder, like as of fire; and it sat upon each one of them. {2:4} And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them utterance. {2:5} Now there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. {2:6} And when this [astronomical miracle] was told abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speaking in his own language. {2:7} And they were all amazed and marveled, saying, Behold, are not all these that speak Galileans? {2:8} And how hear we, every man in our own dialect [of our language] wherein we were born? {2:9} Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, in Judea and Cappadocia, in Pontus and Asia, {2:10} in Phrygia and Pamphylia, in Egypt and the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and aliens from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, {2:11} Cretans and Arabians, we hear them speaking in our languages the mighty works of God. {2:12} And they were all amazed, and were perplexed, saying one to another, What means this? {2:13} But others mocking said, They are filled with new wine. {2:14} But Petros, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and spoke forth unto them, [saying], you men of Judea, and all you that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and give ear unto my words. {2:15} For these are not drunk, as you suppose; seeing it is [but] the third hour of the [night of Pentecost] day. {2:16} but this is that which has been spoken through the prophet Joel: {2:17} And it shall be in the last days, said God, I will pour forth of my Spirit upon all flesh: And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, And your young men shall see visions, And your old men shall dream dreams: {2:18} behold and on my servants and on my handmaidens in those days Will I pour forth of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. {2:19} And I will show wonders in the heaven above, And signs on the earth beneath; Blood, and fire, and

vapor of smoke: {2:20} The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the day of the Lord come, That great and notable [day]. {2:21} And it shall be, that anyone who shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. {2:22} you men of Israel, hear these words: Yehsus of Nazareth, a man approved of God unto you by mighty works and wonders and signs which God did by him in the midst of you, even as you yourselves know; {2:23} him, being delivered up by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, you by the hand of lawless men did crucify and slay: {2:24} whom God raised up, having loosed the pangs of death: because it was not possible that he should be held of it. {2:25} For David said concerning him, I watched the Lord always before my face; For he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved: {2:26} Therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; Furthermore my flesh also shall dwell in hope: {2:27} Because you will not leave my soul in Hell, Neither will you give your Holy One to see corruption. {2:28} you made known unto me the ways of life; you shall make me full of gladness with your countenance. {2:29} Brethren, I may say unto you freely of the patriarch David, that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us unto this day. {2:30} Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins he would set [one] upon his throne; {2:31} he foreseeing [this] spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he left unto Hell, nor did his flesh see corruption. {2:32} This Yehsus did God raise up, where we all are witnesses. {2:33} Being therefore by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured forth this, which you see and hear. {2:34} For David ascended not into the heavens: but he said himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit you on my right hand, {2:35} Till I make your enemies the footstool of your feet. {2:36} Let all the house of Israel therefore know assuredly, that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Yehsus whom you crucified. {2:37} Now when they heard [this,] they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Petros and the rest of the apostles, Brethren, what shall we do? {2:38} And Petros [said] unto them, Repent you, and be immersed [in water] everyone of you in the name of Yehsus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. {2:39} For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, [even] as many as the Lord our God shall call unto him. {2:40} And with many other words he testified, and exhorted them, saying, Save yourselves from this unsaved generation. {2:41} They then that received his word were immersed [in water]: and there were added [unto them] in that day about three thousand souls. {2:42} And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and the prayers. {2:43} And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. {2:44} And all that believed were together, and had all things common; {2:45} and they sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all, according as any man had need. {2:46} And day by day, continuing steadfastly with one accord in the temple, and [the Passover] breaking bread in the home, they took their [spiritual] meat with gladness and singleness of heart, {2:47} praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to them day by day those that were saved.

{N5}3} Acts Chapter Three. {3:1} Now Petros and John were going up into the temple at the hour of prayer, [being] the ninth [hour of the afternoon]. {3:2} And a certain man that was lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the door of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask benevolence of them that entered into the temple; {3:3} who seeing Petros and John about to go into the temple, asked to receive an genuine benevolence. {3:4} And Petros, fastening his eyes upon him, with John, said, Look on us. {3:5} And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something from them. {3:6} But Petros said, Silver and gold have I none; but what I have, that give I you. In the name of Yehsus Christ of Nazareth, walk. {3:7} And he took him by the right hand, and raised him up: and immediately his feet and his ankle-bones received strength. {3:8} And leaping up, he stood, and began to walk; and he entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. {3:9} And all the people saw him

walking and praising God: {3:10} and they took knowledge of him, that it was he that sat for genuine benevolence at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him. {3:11} And as he held Petros and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering. {3:12} And when Petros saw it, he answered unto the people, you men of Israel, why marvel you at this man? or why fasten you your eyes on us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made him to walk? {3:13} The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his Servant Yehsus; whom you delivered up, and denied before the face of Pilate, when he had determined to release him. {3:14} But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted unto you, {3:15} and killed the Prince of life; whom God raised from the dead; where we are witnesses. {3:16} And by faith in his name has his name made this man strong, whom you behold and know: behold, the faith which is through him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. {3:17} And now, brethren, I know that in ignorance you did it, as did also your rulers. {3:18} But the things which God foreshowed by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ should suffer, he thus fulfilled. {3:19} Repent you therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that so there may come seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord; {3:20} and that he may send the Christ who has been appointed for you, [even] Yehsus: {3:21} whom the heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, where God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets that have been from of old. {3:22} Moses indeed said, A prophet shall the Lord God raise up unto you from among your brethren, like unto me. To him shall you hear in all things whatever he shall speak unto you. {3:23} And it shall be, that every soul that shall not hear to that prophet, shall be utterly destroyed from among the people. {3:24} behold and all the prophets from Samuel and them that followed after, as many as have spoken, they also told of these days. {3:25} you are the sons of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with your fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in your seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. {3:26} Unto you first God, having raised up his Servant, sent him to bless you, in turning away everyone of you from your works against law.

{N5}4} Acts Chapter Four. {4:1} And as they spoke unto the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, {4:2} being sore troubled because they taught the people, and proclaimed in Yehsus the resurrection from the dead. {4:3} And they laid hands on them, and put them in ward unto the morrow: for it was now eventide. {4:4} But many of them that heard the word believed; and the number of the men came to be about five thousand. {4:5} And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers and elders and scribes were gathered together in Jerusalem; {4:6} and Annas the high priest [was there], and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest. {4:7} And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, By what power, or in what name, have you done this? {4:8} Then Petros, filled with the Holy Spirit, said unto them, you rulers of the people, and elders, {4:9} if we this day are examined concerning a good deed done to an impotent man, by what means this man is made whole; {4:10} be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that in the name of Yehsus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, [even] in him does this man stand here before you whole. {4:11} He is the stone which was set at nothing of you the builders, which was made the head of the corner. {4:12} And in none other is there salvation: for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, wherein we must be saved. {4:13} Now when they watched the boldness of Petros and John, and had perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Yehsus. {4:14} And seeing the man that was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. {4:15} But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, {4:16} saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle has been wrought through them, is manifest to all that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it. {4:17} But that it spread no further among

the people, let us threaten them, that they speak from here on to no man in this name. {4:18} And they called them, and charged them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Yehsus. {4:19} But Petros and John answered and said unto them, Whether it is right in the sight of God to hear unto you rather than unto God, judge you: {4:20} for we cannot but speak the things which we saw and heard. {4:21} And they, when they had further threatened them, let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people; for all men glorified God for that which was done. {4:22} For the man was more than forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was wrought. {4:23} And being let go, they came to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said unto them. {4:24} And they, when they heard it, lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, O Lord, you that did make the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that in them is: {4:25} who by the Holy Spirit, [by] the mouth of our father David your servant, did say, Why did the Nations rage, And the peoples imagine vain things? {4:26} The kings of the earth set themselves in array, And the rulers were gathered together, Against the Lord, and against his Anointed: {4:27} for of a truth in this city against your holy Servant Yehsus, whom you did anoint, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Nations and the peoples of Israel, were gathered together, {4:28} to do whatever your hand and your council foreordained to come to pass. {4:29} And now, Lord, look upon their threatenings: and grant unto your servants to speak your word with all boldness, {4:30} while your stretch forth your hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of your holy Servant Yehsus. {4:31} And when they had prayed, the place was shaken wherein they were gathered together; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness. {4:32} And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and soul: and not one [of them] said that anything of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. {4:33} And with great power gave the apostles their witness of the resurrection of the Lord Yehsus: and great grace was upon them all. {4:34} For neither was there among them any that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold, {4:35} and laid them at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto each, according as anyone had need. {4:36} And Joseph, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas (which is, being interpreted, Son of exhortation), a Levite, a man of Cyprus by race, {4:37} having a field, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

{N5}5} Acts Chapter Five. --{5:1} But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, {5:2} and kept back [part] of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet. {5:3} But Petros said, Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to keep back [part] of the price of the land? {5:4} While it remained, did it not remain your own? and after it was sold, was it not in your power? How is it that you have conceived this thing in your heart? you has not lied unto men, but unto God. {5:5} And Ananias hearing these words fell down and gave up the ghost: and great fear came upon all that heard it. {5:6} And the young men arose and wrapped him round, and they carried him out and buried him. {5:7} And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. {5:8} And Petros answered unto her, Tell me whether you sold the land for so much. And she said, behold, for so much. {5:9} But Petros [said] unto her, How is it that you have agreed together to try the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them that have buried your husband are at the door, and they shall carry you out. {5:10} And she fell down immediately at his feet, and gave up the ghost: and the young men came in and found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her by her husband. {5:11} And great fear came upon the whole Ekklesia, and upon all that heard these things. {5:12} And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. {5:13} But of the rest durst no man join himself to them: however the people magnified them; {5:14} and believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of

men and women; {5:15} so much that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that, as Petros came by, at the least his shadow might overshadow some one of them. {5:16} And there also came together the multitudes from the cities round about Jerusalem, bring sick folk, and them that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one. {5:17} But the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with jealousy, {5:18} and laid hands on the apostles, and put them in public ward. {5:19} But an messenger of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them out, and said, {5:20} Go you, and stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this Life. {5:21} And when they heard [this], they entered into the temple about daybreak, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison-house to have them brought. {5:22} But the officers that came found them not in the prison; and they returned, and told, {5:23} saying, The prison-house we found shut in all safety, and the keepers standing at the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within. {5:24} Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were much perplexed concerning them whereunto this would grow. {5:25} And there came one and told them, Behold, the men whom you put in the prison are in the temple standing and teaching the people. {5:26} Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them, [but] outside violence; for they feared the people, lest they should be stoned. {5:27} And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest asked them, {5:28} saying, We strictly charged you not to teach in this name: and behold, you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us. {5:29} But Petros and the apostles answered and said, We must obey God rather than men. {5:30} The God of our fathers raised up Yehsus, whom you slew, hanging him on a tree. {5:31} Him did God exalt with his right hand [to be] a Prince and a Savior, to give repentance to Israel, and remission of sins. {5:32} And we are witnesses of these things; and [so is] the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to them that obey him. {5:33} But they, when they heard this, were cut to the heart, and intent to slay them. {5:34} But there stood up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the [Halakah] law, had in honor of all the people, and commanded to put the men forth a little while. {5:35} And he said unto them, you men of Israel, take heed to yourselves as touching these men, what you are about to do. {5:36} For before these days rose up Theudas, giving himself out to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was slain; and all, as many as obeyed him, were dispersed, and came to nothing. {5:37} After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the enrolment, and drew away [some of the] people after him: he also perished; and all, as many as obeyed him, were scattered abroad. {5:38} And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this council or this work be of men, it will be overthrown: {5:39} but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them; lest haply you be found even to be fighting against God. {5:40} And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles unto them, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Yehsus, and let them go. {5:41} They therefore departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the Name. {5:42} And every day, in the temple and at home, they ceased not to teach and to preach Yehsus [as] the Christ.

{N5}6} Acts Chapter Six. {6:1} Now in these days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a murmuring of the Grecian Jews against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration. {6:2} And the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not fit that we should forsake the word of God, and serve tables. {6:3} Look you out therefore, brethren, from among you seven men of good report, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. {6:4} But we will continue steadfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word. {6:5} And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus a proselyte of Antioch; {6:6}

whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands upon them. {6:7} And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem exceedingly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. ----{6:8} And Stephen, full of grace and power, wrought great wonders and signs among the people. {6:9} But there arose certain of them that were of the synagogue called [the synagogue] of the Libertines, and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and Asia, disputing with Stephen. {6:10} And they were not able to withstand the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke. {6:11} Then they suborned men, who said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and [against] God. {6:12} And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and seized him, and brought him into the council, {6:13} and set up false witnesses, who said, This man ceases not to speak words against this holy place, and the [Halakah] law: {6:14} for we have heard him say, that this Yehsus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered unto us. {6:15} And all that sat in the council, fastening their eyes on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an messenger.

{N5}7} Acts Chapter Seven. {7:1} And the high priest said, Are these things so? {7:2} And he said, Brethren and fathers, hear: The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, {7:3} and said unto him, Get you out of your land, and from your kindred, and come into the land which I shall show you. {7:4} Then came he out of the land of the Chaldeans, and lived in Haran: and from there, when his father was dead, [God] removed him into this land, wherein you now dwell: {7:5} and he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on: and he promised that he would give it to him in possession, and to his seed after him, when [as yet] he had no child. {7:6} And God spoke on this wise, that his seed should sojourn in a strange land, and that they should bring them into bondage, and treat them ill, four hundred years. {7:7} And the nation to which they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and serve me in this place. {7:8} And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so [Abraham] begot Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac [begot] Jacob, and Jacob the twelve patriarchs. {7:9} And the patriarchs, moved with jealousy against Joseph, sold him into Egypt: and God was with him, {7:10} and delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house. {7:11} Now there came a famine over all Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance. {7:12} But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent forth our fathers the first time. {7:13} And at the second time Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's race became manifest unto Pharaoh. {7:14} And Joseph sent, and called to him Jacob his father, and all his kindred, seventy five souls. {7:15} And Jacob went down into Egypt; and he died, himself and our fathers; {7:16} and they were carried over unto Shechem, and laid in the tomb that Abraham bought for a price in silver of the sons of Hamor in Shechem. {7:17} But as the time of the promise drew near which God's promise unto Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt, {7:18} till there arose another king over Egypt, who knew not Joseph. {7:19} The same dealt craftily with our race, and ill-treated our fathers, that they should cast out their babes to the end they might not live. {7:20} At which season Moses was born, and was exceeding fair; and he was nourished three moons in his father's house. {7:21} and when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for her own son. {7:22} And Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians; and he was mighty in his words and works. {7:23} But when he was well-near forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel. {7:24} And seeing one [of them] suffer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him that was oppressed, smiting the Egyptian: {7:25} and he supposed that his brethren understood that God by his hand was giving them deliverance; but they understood not. {7:26} And the day following he appeared unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying, Sirs, you are brethren; why do you wrong one to another? {7:27} But he that did his neighbor wrong thrust him away, saying, Who

made you a ruler and a judge over us? {7:28} Would you kill me, as you killed the Egyptian yesterday? {7:29} And Moses fled at this saying, and became a alien in the land of Midian, where he begot two sons. {7:30} And when forty years were fulfilled, an messenger appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai, in a flame of fire in a bush. {7:31} And when Moses saw it, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold, there came a voice of the Lord, {7:32} I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob. And Moses trembled, and durst not behold. {7:33} And the Lord said unto him, Loose the shoes from your feet: for the place where you stand is holy ground. {7:34} I have surely seen the affliction of my people that is in Egypt, and have heard their groaning, and I am come down to deliver them: and now come, I will send you into Egypt. {7:35} This Moses whom they refused, saying, Who made you a ruler and a judge? him has God sent [to be] both a ruler and a deliverer with the hand of the messenger that appeared to him in the bush. {7:36} This man led them forth, having wrought wonders and signs in Egypt, and in the Red Sea, and in the wilderness forty years. {7:37} This is that Moses, who said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall God raise up unto you from among your brethren, like unto me. {7:38} This is he that was in the Ekklesia in the wilderness with the messenger that spoke to him in the Mount Sinai, and with our fathers: who received living oracles to give unto us: {7:39} to whom our fathers would not be obedient, but thrust him from them, and turned back in their hearts unto Egypt, {7:40} saying unto Aaron, Make us gods that shall go before us: for as for this Moses, who led us forth out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become of him. {7:41} And they made a calf in those days, and brought a sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their hands. {7:42} But God turned, and gave them up to serve the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, Did you offer unto me slain beasts and sacrifices Forty years in the wilderness, O house of Israel? {7:43} And you took up the tabernacle of Moloch, And the star of the god Rephan, The figures which you made to worship them: And I will carry you away beyond Babylon. {7:44} Our fathers had the tabernacle of the testimony in the wilderness, even as he appointed who spoke unto Moses, that he should make it according to the figure that he had seen. {7:45} Which also our fathers, in their turn, brought in with Joshua when they entered on the possession of the nations, that God thrust out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David; {7:46} who found favor in the sight of God, and asked to find a habitation for the God of Jacob. {7:47} But Solomon built him a house. {7:48} However the Most High dwells not in [houses] made with hands; as said the prophet, {7:49} The heaven is my throne, And the earth the footstool of my feet: What manner of house will you build me? said the Lord: Or what is the place of my rest? {7:50} Did not my hand make all these things? {7:51} you stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, you do always resist the Holy Spirit: as your fathers did, so do you. {7:52} Which of the prophets did not your father's persecute? and they killed them that showed before of the coming of the Righteous One; of whom you have now become betrayers and murderers; {7:53} you who received the law [through Moses] as it was ordained by messengers, and kept it not. {7:54} Now when they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. {7:55} But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Yehsus standing on the right hand of God, {7:56} and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God. {7:57} But they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and rushed upon him with one accord; {7:58} and they cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. {7:59} And they stoned Stephen, calling upon [the Lord], and saying, Lord Yehsus, receive my spirit. {7:60} And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

{N5}8} Acts Chapter Eight. {8:1} And Saul was consenting unto his death. And there arose on that day a great persecution against the Ekklesia which was in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. {8:2} And

devout men buried Stephen, and made great lamentation over him. {8:3} But Saul laid waste the Ekklesia, entering into every house, and dragging men and women committed them to prison. {8:4} They therefore that were scattered abroad, went about preaching the word. {8:5} And Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and proclaimed unto them the Christ. {8:6} And the multitudes gave heed with one accord unto the things that were spoken by Philip, when they heard, and saw the signs which he did. {8:7} For [from] many of those that had unclean spirits, they came out, crying with a loud voice: and many that were palsied, and that were lame, were healed. {8:8} And there was much joy in that city. {8:9} But there was a certain man, Simon by name, who before time in the city used sorcery, and amazed the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one: {8:10} to whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is that power of God which is called Great. {8:11} And they gave heed to him, because that of long time he had amazed them with his sorceries. {8:12} But when they believed Philip preaching good tidings concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Yehsus Christ, they were immersed, both men and women [in water]. {8:13} And Simon also himself believed: and being immersed [in water], he continued with Philip; and beholding signs and great miracles wrought, he was amazed.

{8:14} Now when the apostles that were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Petros and John: {8:15} who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit: {8:16} for as yet it was fallen upon none of them: only they had been immersed into the name of the Lord Yehsus. {8:17} Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. {8:18} Now when Simon saw that through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money, {8:19} saying, Give me also this power, that on whom so ever I lay my hands, he may receive the Holy Spirit. {8:20} But Petros said unto him, Your silver perish with you, because you have thought to obtain the gift of God with money. {8:21} you have neither part nor lot in this matter: for your heart is not right before God. {8:22} Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray the Lord, if perhaps the thought of your heart shall be forgiven you. {8:23} For I see that you are in the gall of bitterness and in the bond of work against law. {8:24} And Simon answered and said, Pray you for me to the Lord, that none of the things which you have spoken come upon me. {8:25} They therefore, when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the good news to many villages of the Samaritans. {8:26} But an messenger of the Lord spoke unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goes down from Jerusalem unto Gaza: the same is desert. {8:27} And he arose and went: and behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was over all her treasure, who had come to Jerusalem to worship; {8:28} and he was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading the prophet Isaiah. {8:29} And the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join yourself to this chariot. {8:30} And Philip ran to him, and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and said, Understand you what you read? {8:31} And he said, How can I, except someone shall guide me? And he beg Philip to come up and sit with him. {8:32} Now the passage of the Scripture which he was reading was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; And as a lamb before his Shearer is dumb, So he opens not his mouth: {8:33} In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: His generation who shall declare? For his life is taken from the earth. {8:34} And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray you, of whom speaks the prophet this? of himself, or of some other? {8:35} And Philip opened his mouth, and beginning from this Scripture, preached unto him Yehsus. {8:36} And as they went on the way, they came unto a certain water; and the eunuch said, Behold, [here is] water; what does hinder me to be immersed [in water]? {8:37} [And Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, you may. And he answered and said, I believe that Yehsus Christ is the Son of God.] {8:38} And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they both went down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch, and he immersed him [in water]. {8:39} And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip; and the eunuch saw him no more, for he went on his way

rejoicing. {8:40} But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached the good news to all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

{N5}9} Acts Chapter Nine. {9:1} But Saul, yet breathing threatening and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, {9:2} and asked of him letters to Damascus unto the synagogues, that if he found any that were of "The Way," whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. {9:3} And as he journeyed, it came to pass that he drew near unto Damascus: and suddenly there shone round about him a light out of heaven: {9:4} and he fell upon the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecute you me? {9:5} And he [Saul] said, Who are you, Lord? And he [said in Hebrew], "I am Yehsus whom you persecute": {9:6} but rise, and enter into the city, and it shall be told you what you must do. {9:7} And the men that journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing the voice, but beholding no man. {9:8} And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw nothing; and they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. {9:9} And he was three days outside sight, and did neither eat nor drink. {9:10} Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and the Lord said unto him in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I [am here], Lord. {9:11} And the Lord [said] unto him, Arise, and go to the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one named Saul, a man of Tarsus: for behold, he prays; {9:12} and he has seen a man named Ananias coming in, and laying his hands on him, that he might receive his sight. {9:13} But Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard from many of this man, how much evil he did to your Holy People at Jerusalem: {9:14} and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all that call upon your name. {9:15} But the Lord said unto him, Go your way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Nations and kings, and the children of Israel: {9:16} for I will show him how many things he must suffer for my name's sake. {9:17} And Ananias departed, and entered into the house; and laying his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, [even] Yehsus, who appeared unto you in the way which you came, has sent me, that you may receive your sight, and be filled with the Holy Spirit. {9:18} And immediately there fell from his eyes as it were scales, and he received his sight; and he arose and was immersed [in water]; {9:19} and he took food and was strengthened. And he was certain days with the disciples that were at Damascus. {9:20} And immediately in the synagogues he proclaimed Yehsus, that he is the Son of God. {9:21} And all that heard him were amazed, and said, Is not this he that in Jerusalem made havoc of them that called on this name? and he had come here for this intent, that he might bring them bound before the chief priests. {9:22} But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews that lived at Damascus, proving that this is the Christ. {9:23} And when many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel together to kill him: {9:24} but their plot became known to Saul. And they watched the gates also day and night that they might kill him: {9:25} but his disciples took him by night, and let him down through the wall, lowering him in a basket. {9:26} And when he was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: and they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. {9:27} But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Yehsus. {9:28} And he was with them going in and going out at Jerusalem, {9:29} preaching boldly in the name of the Lord: and he spoke and disputed against the Grecian Jews; but they were seeking to kill him. {9:30} And when the brethren knew it, they brought him down to Caesarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus. {9:31} So the Ekklesias throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace, being edified; and, walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, was multiplied. {9:32} And it came to pass, as Petros went throughout all parts, he came down also to the Holy People that lived at Lydda. {9:33} And there he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had kept his bed eight years; for he was palsied. {9:34} And Petros said unto him, Aeneas, Yehsus Christ heals you: arise and make your bed. And immediately he arose. {9:35} And all that lived at Lydda and in Sharon saw him, and they

turned to the Lord. {9:36} Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and benevolence for those in need which she did. {9:37} And it came to pass in those days, that she fell sick, and died: and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper chamber. {9:38} And as Lydda was near unto Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Petros was there, sent two men unto him, entreating him, Delay not to come on unto us. {9:39} And Petros arose and went with them. And when he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and showing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them. {9:40} But Petros put them all forth, and kneeled down and prayed; and turning to the body, he said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes; and when she saw Petros, she sat up. {9:41} And he gave her his hand, and raised her up; and calling the Holy People and widows, he presented her alive. {9:42} And it became known throughout all Joppa: and many believed on the Lord. {9:43} And it came to pass, that he abode many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.

{N5}10} Acts Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now [there was] a certain man in Caesarea, Cornelius by name, a centurion of the band called the Italian [band], {10:2} a devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, who gave much genuine benevolence to the people, and prayed to God always. {10:3} He saw in a vision openly, as it were about the ninth hour of the day, an messenger of God coming in unto him, and saying to him, Cornelius. {10:4} And he, fastening his eyes upon him, and being affrighted, said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Your prayers and your genuine benevolence are gone up for a memorial before God. {10:5} And now send men to Joppa, and get one Simon, who is surnamed Petros: {10:6} he lodges with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side. {10:7} And when the messenger that spoke unto him was departed, he called two of his household-servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually; {10:8} and having rehearsed all things unto them, he sent them to Joppa. {10:9} Now on the morrow, as they were on their journey, and drew near unto the city, Petros went up upon the housetop to pray, about the sixth hour: {10:10} and he became hungry, and desired to eat: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance; {10:11} and he beholds the heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending, as it were a great sheet, let down by four corners upon the earth: {10:12} wherein were all manner of four footed beasts and creeping things of the earth and birds of the heaven. {10:13} And there came a voice to him, Rise, Petros; kill and eat. {10:14} But Petros said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common and unclean. {10:15} And a voice [came] unto him again the second time, What God has cleansed, make not you common. {10:16} And this was done thrice: and immediately the vessel was received up into heaven. {10:17} Now while Petros was much perplexed in himself what the vision which he had seen might mean, behold, the men that were sent by Cornelius, having made inquiry for Simon's house, stood before the gate, {10:18} and called and asked whether Simon, who was surnamed Petros, were lodging there. {10:19} And while Petros thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek you. {10:20} But arise, and get you down, and go with them, nothing doubting: for I have sent them. {10:21} And Petros went down to the men, and said, Behold, I am he whom you seek: what is the cause Therefore you are come? {10:22} And they said, Cornelius a centurion, a righteous man and one that fears God, and well reported of by all the nation of the Jews, was warned [of God] by a holy messenger to send for you into his house, and to hear words from you. {10:23} So he called them in and lodged them. And on the morrow he arose and went forth with them, and certain of the brethren from Joppa accompanied him. {10:24} And on the morrow they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius was waiting for them, having called together his kinsmen and his near friends. {10:25} And when it came to pass that Petros entered, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped him. {10:26} But Petros raised him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man. {10:27} And as he talked with him, he went in, and finds many come together: {10:28} and he said unto them, you yourselves know how it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to join himself or come unto

one of another nation; and [yet] unto me has God showed that I should not call any man common or unclean: {10:29} Therefore also I came outside gainsaying, when I was sent for. I ask therefore with what intent you sent for me. {10:30} And Cornelius said, on the fourth day (of the solar sevens), until this hour, I was keeping the ninth hour of prayer in my house; and behold, a man stood before me in bright apparel, {10:31} and said, Cornelius, your prayer is heard, and your genuine benevolence are had in remembrance in the sight of God. {10:32} Send therefore to Joppa, and call unto you Simon, who is surnamed Petros; he lodges in the house of Simon a tanner, by the sea side. {10:33} Immediately therefore I sent to you; and you have well done that you are come. Now therefore we are all here present in the sight of God, to hear all things that have been commanded you of the Lord. {10:34} And Petros opened his mouth and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: {10:35} but in every nation he that fears him, and works good works, is acceptable to him. {10:36} The word which he sent unto the children of Israel, preaching good tidings of peace by Yehsus Christ (He is Lord of all.) -- {10:37} that saying you yourselves know, which was published throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee, after the immersion which John preached; {10:38} [even] Yehsus of Nazareth, how God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. {10:39} And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the country of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom also they slew, hanging him on a tree. {10:40} Him God raised up the third day, and gave him to be made manifest, {10:41} not to all the people, but unto witnesses that were chosen before of God, [even] to us, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. {10:42} And he charged us to preach unto the people, and to testify that this is he who is ordained of God [to be] the Judge of the living and the dead. {10:43} To him bear all the prophets witness, that through his name everyone that believes on him shall receive remission of sins. {10:44} While Petros yet spoke these words, the Holy Spirit fell on all them that heard the word. {10:45} And they of the circumcision that believed were amazed, as many as came with Petros, because that on the Nations also was poured out the gift of the Holy Spirit. {10:46} For they heard them speak with [unlearned] foreign languages, and magnify God. Then answered Petros, {10:47} Can any man forbid the water, that these should not be immersed [in water], who have received the Holy Spirit as well as we? {10:48} And he commanded them to be immersed [in water] into the name of Yehsus Christ. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

{N5}11} Acts Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Now the apostles and the brethren that were in Judea heard that the Nations also had received the word of God. {11:2} And when Petros was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him, {11:3} saying, you went in to men uncircumcised, and did eat with them. {11:4} But Petros began, and expounded [the matter] unto them in order, saying, {11:5} I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, a certain vessel descending, as it were a great sheet let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even unto me: {11:6} upon which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw the four footed beasts of the earth and wild beasts and creeping things and birds of the heaven. {11:7} And I heard also a voice saying unto me, Rise, Petros; kill and eat. {11:8} But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean has ever entered into my mouth. {11:9} But a voice answered the second time out of heaven, What God has cleansed, make not you common. {11:10} And this was done thrice: and all were drawn up again into heaven. {11:11} And behold, immediately three men stood before the house in which we were, having been sent from Caesarea unto me. {11:12} And the Spirit bade me go with them, making no distinction. And these six brethren also accompanied me; and we entered into the man's house: {11:13} and he told us how he had seen the messenger standing in his house, and saying, Send to Joppa, and get Simon, whose surname is Petros; {11:14} who shall speak unto you words, whereby you shall be saved, you and all your house. {11:15} And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them, even as on us at the beginning. {11:16} And I remembered the word of the

Lord, how he said, John indeed immersed with water; but you shall be immersed in the Holy Spirit. {11:17} If then God gave unto them the like gift as [he did] also unto us, when we believed on the Lord Yehsus Christ, who was I, that I could withstand God? {11:18} And when they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then to the Nations also has God granted repentance unto life. {11:19} They therefore that were scattered abroad upon the tribulation that arose about Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, and Cyprus, and Antioch, speaking the word to none save only to Jews. {11:20} But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they were come to Antioch, spoke unto the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Yehsus. {11:21} And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number that believed turned unto the Lord. {11:22} And the report concerning them came to the ears of the Ekklesia which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas as far as Antioch: {11:23} who, when he was come, and had seen the grace of God, was glad; and he exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord: {11:24} for he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. {11:25} And he went forth to Tarsus to seek for Saul; {11:26} and when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that even for a whole year they were gathered together with the Ekklesia, and taught much people, and that the disciples were branded as 'Christians' first in Antioch. {11:27} Now in these days there came down prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. {11:28} And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be a great famine over all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius. {11:29} And the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren that lived in Judea: {11:30} which also they did, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

{N5}12} Acts Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Now about that time Herod the king put forth his hands to afflict certain of the Ekklesia. {12:2} And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. {12:3} And when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to seize Petros also. And [those] were the days of unleavened bread. {12:4} And when he had taken him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to guard him; intending after the Passover to bring him forth to the people. {12:5} Petros therefore was kept in the prison: but prayer was made earnestly of the Ekklesia unto God for him. {12:6} And when Herod was about to bring him forth, the same night Petros was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and guards before the door kept the prison. {12:7} And behold, an messenger of the Lord stood by him, and a light shined in the cell: and he smote Petros on the side, and awoke him, saying, Rise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. {12:8} And the messenger said unto him, Gird yourself, and bind on your sandals. And he did so. And he said unto him, Cast your garment about you, and follow me. {12:9} And he went out, and followed; and he knew not that it was true which was done by the messenger, but thought he saw a vision. {12:10} And when they were past the first and the second guard, they came unto the iron gate that leads into the city; which opened to them of its own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and immediately the messenger departed from him. {12:11} And when Petros was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a truth, that the Lord has sent forth his messenger and delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews. {12:12} And when he had considered [the thing], he came to the house of Maria the mother of John whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together and were praying. {12:13} And when he knocked at the door of the gate, a maid came to answer, named Rhoda. {12:14} And when she knew Petros's voice, she opened not the gate for joy, but ran in, and told that Petros stood before the gate. {12:15} And they said unto her, you are mad. But she confidently affirmed that it was even so. And they said, It is his messenger. {12:16} But Petros continued knocking: and when they had opened, they saw him, and were amazed. {12:17} But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him forth out of the

prison. And he said, Tell these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went to another place. {12:18} Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, what was become of Petros. {12:19} And when Herod had sought for him, and found him not, he examined the guards, and commanded that they should be put to death. And he went down from Judea to Caesarea, and tarried there. {12:20} Now he was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon: and they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus the king's chamberlain their friend, they asked for peace, because their country was fed from the king's country. {12:21} And upon a set day Herod arrayed himself in royal apparel, and sat on the throne, and made an oration unto them. {12:22} And the people shouted, [saying], The voice of a god, and not of a man. {12:23} And immediately an messenger of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost. {12:24} But the word of God grew and multiplied. {12:25} And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministration, taking with them John whose surname was Mark.

{N5}13} Acts Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Now there were at Antioch, in the Ekklesia that was [there], prophets and teachers, Barnabas, and Symeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen the foster-brother of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. {13:2} And as they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. {13:3} Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. {13:4} So they, being sent forth by the Holy Spirit, went down to Seleucia; and from there they sailed to Cyprus. {13:5} And when they were at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews: and they had also John as their attendant. {13:6} And when they had gone through the whole island unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Bar-Yehsus; {13:7} who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of understanding. The same called unto him Barnabas and Saul, and sought to hear the word of God. {13:8} But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking to turn aside the proconsul from the faith. {13:9} But Saul, who is also [called] Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, fastened his eyes on him, {13:10} and said, O full of all guile and all villainy, you son of the devil, you enemy of all good works, will you not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? {13:11} And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand. {13:12} Then the proconsul, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord. {13:13} Now Paul and his company set sail from Paphos, and came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departed from them and returned to Jerusalem. {13:14} But they, passing through from Perga, came to Antioch of Pisidia; and they went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and sat down. {13:15} And after the reading of the [written] law [through Moses] and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, Brethren, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, say on. {13:16} And Paul stood up, and beckoning with the hand said, Men of Israel, and you that fear God, hear: {13:17} The God of this people Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they sojourned in the land of Egypt, and with a high arm led he them forth out of it. {13:18} And for about the time of forty years as a nursing-father bare he them in the wilderness. {13:19} And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave [them] their land for an inheritance, for about four hundred and fifty years: {13:20} and after these things he gave [them] judges until Samuel the prophet. {13:21} And afterward they asked for a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for the space of forty years. {13:22} And when he had removed him, he raised up David to be their king; to whom also he bare witness and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My heart, who shall do all My will. {13:23} Of this man's seed has God according to promise brought unto Israel a Savior, Yehsus; {13:24} when John had first preached before his coming the [water] immersion of repentance to all the people of Israel. {13:25} And as

John was fulfilling his course, he said, What suppose you that I am? I am not [he]. But behold, there comes one after me the shoes of whose feet I am not worthy to unloose. {13:26} Brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and those among you that fear God, to us is the word of this salvation sent forth. {13:27} For they that dwell in Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor the voices of the prophets which are read every Sabbath, fulfilled [them] by condemning [him]. {13:28} And though they found no cause of death [in him], yet asked they of Pilate that he should be slain. {13:29} And when they had fulfilled all things that were written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a tomb. {13:30} But God raised him from the dead: {13:31} and he was seen for many days of them that came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses unto the people. {13:32} And we bring you good tidings of the promise made unto the fathers, {13:33} that God has fulfilled the same unto our children, in that he raised up Yehsus; as also it is written in the second psalm, you are my Son, this day have I begotten you. {13:34} And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he has spoken on this wise, I will give you the holy and sure [blessings] of David. {13:35} Because he said also in another [psalm], you will not give Your Holy One to see corruption. {13:36} For David, after he had in his own generation served the counsel of God, fell asleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: {13:37} but he whom God raised up saw no corruption. {13:38} Be it known unto you therefore, brethren, that through this man is proclaimed unto you remission of sins: {13:39} and by him everyone that believes is justified from all things, from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses. {13:40} Beware therefore, lest that come upon [you] which is spoken in the prophets: {13:41} Behold, you despisers, and wonder, and perish; For I work a work in your days, A work which you shall in no wise believe, if one declare it unto you.

{13:42} And as they went out, they beg that these words might be spoken to them the [evening] between the solar sevens ["The Sabbaton Between" "the exact resurrection moment of the Christ"]. {13:43} Now when the synagogue broke up, many of the Jews and of the devout proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas; who, speaking to them, urged them to continue in the grace of God.

{13:44} And the [between Sabbaton] of the oncoming solar sevens, almost the whole city was gathered together to hear the word of God. {13:45} But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with jealousy, and contradicted the things which were spoken by Paul, and blasphemed. {13:46} And Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first be spoken to you. Seeing you thrust it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, lo, we turn to the Nations. {13:47} For so has the Lord commanded us, [saying], I have set you for a light of the Nations, That you should be for salvation unto the entire earth. {13:48} And as the Nations heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of God: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed. {13:49} And the word of the Lord was spread abroad throughout all the region. {13:50} But the Jews urged on the devout women of honorable estate, and the chief men of the city, and stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and cast them out of their borders. {13:51} But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium. {13:52} And the disciples were filled with joy with the Holy Spirit.

{N5}14} Acts Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And it came to pass in Iconium that they entered together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke that a great multitude both of Jews and of Greeks believed. {14:2} But the Jews that were disobedient stirred up the souls of the Nations, and made them evil affected against the brethren. {14:3} Long time therefore they tarried [there] speaking boldly in the Lord, who bare witness unto the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands. {14:4} But the multitude of the city was divided; and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles. {14:5} And when there was made an onset both of the Nations and of the Jews with their rulers, to treat them shamefully and to stone them, {14:6}

they became aware of it, and fled unto the cities of Lycaonia, Lystra and Derbe, and the region round about: {14:7} and there they preached the good news. {14:8} And at Lystra there sat a certain man, impotent in his feet, a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked. {14:9} The same heard Paul speaking, who, fastening eyes upon him, and seeing that he had faith to be made whole, {14:10} said with a loud voice, Stand upright on your feet. And he leaped up and walked. {14:11} And when the multitude saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voice, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men. {14:12} And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercury, because he was the chief speaker. {14:13} And the priest of Jupiter whose [temple] was before the city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the multitudes. {14:14} But when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of it, they rent their garments, and sprang forth among the multitude, crying out {14:15} and saying, Sirs, why do you these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and bring you good tidings, that you should turn from these vain things unto a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that in them is: {14:16} who in the generations gone by suffered all the nations to walk in their own ways. {14:17} And yet He left not himself outside witness, in that he did good and gave you from heaven rains and fruitful seasons, filling your hearts with food and gladness. {14:18} And with these sayings scarce restrained they the multitudes from doing sacrifice unto them. {14:19} But there came Jews there from Antioch and Iconium: and having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul, and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. {14:20} But as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and entered into the city: and on the morrow he went forth with Barnabas to Derbe. {14:21} And when they had preached the good news to that city, and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, and to Iconium, and to Antioch, {14:22} confirming the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that through many tribulations we must enter into the kingdom of God. {14:23} And when they had appointed for them elders in every Ekklesia, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they had believed. {14:24} And they passed through Pisidia, and came to Pamphylia. {14:25} And when they had spoken the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia; {14:26} and there they sailed to Antioch, from where they had been committed to the grace of God for the work which they had fulfilled. {14:27} And when they were come, and had gathered the Ekklesia together, they rehearsed all things that God had done with them, and that he had opened a door of faith unto the Nations. {14:28} And they tarried no little time with the disciples.

{N5}15} Acts Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And certain men came down from Judea and taught the brethren, [saying], Except you be circumcised after the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved. {15:2} And when Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and questioning with them, [the brethren] appointed that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this dispute [of Nations keeping the written law through Moses]. {15:3} They therefore, being brought on their way by the Ekklesia, passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Nations: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren. {15:4} And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the Ekklesia and the apostles and the elders, and they rehearsed all things that God had done with them. {15:5} But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees who believed, saying, It is needful to circumcise them, and to charge them to keep the law of Moses. {15:6} And the apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider of this word [teaching]. {15:7} And when there had been much questioning, Petros rose up, and said unto them, Brethren, you know that a good while ago God made choice among you, that by my mouth the Nations should hear the word of the good news, and believe. {15:8} And God, who knows the heart, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Spirit, even as he did unto us; {15:9} and he made no distinction between us and them, cleansing their hearts by faith. {15:10} Now therefore why make you trial of God, that you should put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor

we were able to bear? {15:11} But we believe that we shall be saved through the grace of the Lord Yehsus, in like manner as they [were saved]. {15:12} And all the multitude kept silence; and they heard unto Barnabas and Paul rehearsing what signs and wonders God had wrought among the Nations through them. {15:13} And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Brethren, hear unto me: {15:14} Symeon has rehearsed how first God visited the Nations, to take out of them a people for his name. {15:15} And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written, {15:16} After these things I will return, And I will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen; And I will build again the ruins there, And I will set it up: {15:17} That the residue of men may seek after the Lord, And all the Nations, upon whom my name is called, {15:18} said the Lord, who make these things known from of old. {15:19} Therefore my judgment is, that we trouble not them that from among the Nations turn to God; {15:20} but that we write unto them, that they abstain from the pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from what is strangled, and from blood. {15:21} For Moses from generations of old has in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every Sabbath. {15:22} Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole Ekklesia, to choose men out of their company, and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; [namely], Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren: {15:23} and they wrote [thus] by them, The apostles and the elders, brethren, unto the brethren who are of the Nations in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greeting: {15:24} Forasmuch as we have heard that certain who went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls; to whom we gave no commandment; {15:25} it seemed good unto us, having come to one accord, to choose out men and send them unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, {15:26} men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Yehsus Christ. {15:27} We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who themselves also shall tell you the same things by word of mouth. {15:28} For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things: {15:29} that you abstain from things sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication; from which if you keep yourselves, it shall be well with you. Fare you well. {15:30} So they, when they were dismissed, came down to Antioch; and having gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle. {15:31} And when they had read it, they rejoiced for the consolation. {15:32} And Judas and Silas, being themselves also prophets, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed them. {15:33} And after they had spent some time [there], they were dismissed in peace from the brethren unto those that had sent them forth. {15:34} [But it seemed good unto Silas to abide there.] {15:35} But Paul and Barnabas tarried in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also. {15:36} And after some days Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us return now and visit the brethren in every city wherein we proclaimed the word of the Lord, [and see] how they fare. {15:37} And Barnabas was intent to take with them John also, who was called Mark. {15:38} But Paul thought not good to take with them him who withdrew from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work. {15:39} And there arose a sharp contention, so that they parted asunder one from the other, and Barnabas took Mark with him, and sailed away unto Cyprus; {15:40} but Paul choose Silas, and went forth, being commended by the brethren to the grace of the Lord. {15:41} And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the Ekklesias.

{N5}16} Acts Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And he came also to Derbe and to Lystra: and behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewess that believed; but his father was a Greek. {16:2} The same was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium. {16:3} Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and he took and circumcised him because of the Jews that were in those parts: for they all knew that his father was a Greek. {16:4} And as they went on their way through the cities, they delivered them the decrees to keep which had been ordained of the apostles and elders that were at Jerusalem. {16:5} So the Ekklesias were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily. {16:6} And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden of the Holy Spirit to speak the

word in Asia; {16:7} and when they were come over against Mysia, they determined to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Yehsus suffered them not; {16:8} and passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas. {16:9} And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: There was a man of Macedonia standing, asking him, and saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us. {16:10} And when he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go forth into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the good news to them. {16:11} Setting sail therefore from Troas, we made a straight course to Samothrace, and the day following to Neapolis; {16:12} and from there to Philippi, which is a city of Macedonia, the first of the district, a [Roman] colony: and we were in this city tarrying certain days. {16:13} And on the Sabbath day we went forth outside the gate by a river side, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down, and spoke unto the women that were come together. {16:14} And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple of the city of Thyatira, one that worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened to give heed unto the things which were spoken by Paul. {16:15} And when she was immersed [in water], and her household, she beg us, saying, If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide [there]. And she constrained us. {16:16} And it came to pass, as we were going to the place of prayer, that a certain maid having a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. {16:17} The same following after Paul and us cried out, saying, These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim unto you "The Way" of salvation. {16:18} And this she did for many days. But Paul, being sore troubled, turned and said to the spirit, I charge you in the name of Yehsus Christ to come out of her. And it came out that very hour. {16:19} But when her masters saw that the hope of their gain was gone, they laid hold on Paul and Silas, and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers, {16:20} and when they had brought them unto the magistrates, they said, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city, {16:21} and set forth customs which it is not lawful for us to receive, or to observe, being Romans. {16:22} And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent their garments off them, and commanded to beat them with rods. {16:23} And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely: {16:24} who, having received such a charge, cast them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks. {16:25} But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns unto God, and the prisoners were listening to them; {16:26} and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison-house were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed. {16:27} And the jailor, being roused out of sleep and seeing the prison doors open, drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. {16:28} But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do yourself no harm: for we are all here. {16:29} And he called for lights and sprang in, and, trembling for fear, fell down before Paul and Silas, {16:30} and brought them out and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? {16:31} And they said, Believe on the Lord Yehsus, and you shall be saved, you and your house. {16:32} And they spoke the word of the Lord unto him, with all that were in his house. {16:33} And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was immersed [in water], he and all his, immediately. {16:34} And he brought them up into his house, and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, with all his house, having believed in God. {16:35} But when it was day, the magistrates sent the sergeants, saying, Let those men go. {16:36} And the jailor reported the words to Paul, [saying], The magistrates have sent to let you go: now therefore come forth, and go in peace. {16:37} But Paul said unto them, They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men that are Romans, and have cast us into prison; and do they now cast us out in secret? No verily; but let them come themselves and bring us out. {16:38} And the sergeants reported these words unto the magistrates: and they feared when they heard that they were Romans; {16:39} and they came and beg them; and when they had brought them out, they asked them to go away from the city. {16:40} And they went out of the prison, and entered into [the house] of Lydia: and when they had seen the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.

{N5}17} Acts Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews: {17:2} and Paul, as his custom was, went in unto them, and for three Sabbath days reasoned with them from the Scriptures, {17:3} opening and alleging that it behooved the Christ to suffer, and to rise again from the dead; and that this Yehsus, whom, [said he,] I proclaim unto you, is the Christ. {17:4} And some of them were persuaded, and consorted with Paul and Silas, and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few. {17:5} But the Jews, being moved with jealousy, took unto them certain vile fellows of the rabble, and gathering a crowd, set the city on an uproar; and assaulting the house of Jason, they sought to bring them forth to the people. {17:6} And when they found them not, they dragged Jason and certain brethren before the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come here also; {17:7} whom Jason has received: and these all act contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, [one] Yehsus. {17:8} And they troubled the multitude and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things. {17:9} And when they had taken security from Jason and the rest, they let them go. {17:10} And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who when they were come there went into the synagogue of the Jews. {17:11} Now these were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of the mind, examining the Scriptures daily, whether these things were so. {17:12} Many of them therefore believed; also of the Greek women of honorable estate, and of men, not a few. {17:13} But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was proclaimed of Paul at Berea also, they came there likewise, stirring up and troubling the multitudes. {17:14} And then immediately the brethren sent forth Paul to go as far as to the sea: and Silas and Timothy abode there still. {17:15} But they that conducted Paul brought him as far as Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timothy that they should come to him with all speed, they departed. {17:16} Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he watched the city full of idols. {17:17} So he reasoned in the synagogue with Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with them that met him. {17:18} And certain also of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers encountered him. And some said, What would this babbler say? others, He seems to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached Yehsus and the resurrection. {17:19} And they took hold of him, and brought him unto the Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new teaching is, which is spoken by you? {17:20} For you bring certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean. {17:21} (Now all the Athenians and the strangers sojourning there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell or to hear some new thing.) {17:22} And Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus, and said, you men of Athens, in all things, I perceive that you are very religious. {17:23} For as I passed along, and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. What therefore you worship in ignorance, this I set forth unto you. {17:24} The God that made the world and all things therein, he, being Lord of heaven and earth, dwells not in temples made with hands; {17:25} neither is he served by men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing he himself gives to all life, and breath, and all things; {17:26} and he made of one every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, having determined [their] appointed seasons, and the bounds of their habitation; {17:27} that they should seek God, if haply they might feel after him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us: {17:28} for in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain even of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring. {17:29} Being then the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by any device of man. {17:30} The times of ignorance therefore God overlooked; but now he commands men that they should all everywhere repent: {17:31} inasmuch as he has appointed a day in which he will judge the world in good works by the man whom he has ordained; where he has given assurance unto all men, in that he has raised him from the dead. {17:32} Now when they heard of the

resurrection of the dead, some mocked; but others said, We will hear you concerning this yet again. {17:33} Thus Paul went out from among them. {17:34} But certain men clave unto him, and believed: among whom also was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

{N5}18} Acts Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} After these things he departed from Athens, and came to Corinth. {18:2} And he found a certain Jew named Aquila, a man of Pontus by race, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to depart from Rome: and he came unto them; {18:3} and because he was of the same trade, he abode with them, and they wrought, for by their trade they were tentmakers. {18:4} And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and persuaded Jews and Greeks. {18:5} But when Silas and Timothy came down from Macedonia, Paul was constrained by the word, testifying to the Jews that Yehsus was the Christ. {18:6} And when they opposed themselves and blasphemed, he shook out his raiment and said unto them, Your blood [be] upon your own heads; I am clean: from here on I will go unto the Nations. {18:7} And he departed there, and went into the house of a certain man named Titus Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue. {18:8} And Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed in the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were immersed [in water]. {18:9} And the Lord said unto Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak and hold not your peace: {18:10} for I am with you, and no man shall set on you to harm you: for I have much people in this city. {18:11} And he lived [there] a year and six moons, teaching the word of God among them. {18:12} But when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia, the Jews with one accord rose up against Paul and brought him before the judgment-seat, {18:13} saying, This man persuades men to worship God contrary to the [Halakah] law. {18:14} But when Paul was about to open his mouth, Gallio said unto the Jews, If indeed it were a matter of wrong or of wicked villainy, O you Jews, reason would that I should bear with you: {18:15} but if they are questions about words and names and your own law [the Halakah], look to it yourselves; I am not intent to be a judge of these matters. {18:16} And he drove them from the judgment-seat. {18:17} And they all laid hold on Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue, and beat him before the judgment-seat. And Gallio cared for none of these things. {18:18} And Paul, having tarried after this yet many days, took his leave of the brethren, and sailed there for Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila: having shorn his head in Cenchreae; for he had a vow. {18:19} And they came to Ephesus, and he left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews. {18:20} And when they asked him to abide a longer time, he consented not; {18:21} but taking his leave of them, and saying, I will return again unto you if God will, he set sail from Ephesus. {18:22} And when he had landed at Caesarea, he went up and saluted the Ekklesia, and went down to Antioch. {18:23} And having spent some time [there], he departed, and went through the region of Galatia, and Phrygia, in order, establishing all the disciples. {18:24} Now a certain Jew named Apollos, an Alexandrian by race, an eloquent man, came to Ephesus; and he was mighty in the scriptures. {18:25} This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things concerning Yehsus, knowing only the immersion of John: {18:26} and he began to speak boldly in the synagogue. But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him "The Way of God" more accurately. {18:27} And when he was intent to pass over into Achaia, the brethren encouraged him, and wrote to the disciples to receive him: and when he was come, he helped them much that had believed through grace; {18:28} for he powerfully confuted the Jews, [and that] publicly, showing by the scriptures that Yehsus was the Christ.

{N5}19} Acts Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper country came to Ephesus, and found

certain disciples: {19:2} and he said unto them, Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed? And they [said] unto him, No, we did not so much as hear whether the Holy Spirit was [given]. {19:3} And he said, Into what then were you immersed [in water]? And they said, Into John's immersion [in water]. {19:4} And Paul said, John immersed [in water] with the immersion of repentance, saying unto the people that they should believe on him that should come after him, that is, on [the immersion in water of] Yehsus. {19:5} And when they heard this, they were immersed [in water] into the name of the Lord Yehsus. {19:6} And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spoke with languages, and prophesied. {19:7} And they were in all about twelve men. {19:8} And he entered into the synagogue, and spoke boldly for the space of three moons, reasoning and persuading [as to] the things concerning the kingdom of God. {19:9} But when some were hardened and disobedient, speaking evil of "The Way" before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus. {19:10} And this continued for the space of two years; so that all they that lived in Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks. {19:11} And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: {19:12} so much that unto the sick were carried away from his body handkerchiefs or aprons, and the evil spirits went out. {19:13} But certain also of the strolling Jews, exorcists, took upon them to name over them that had the evil spirits the name of the Lord Yehsus, saying, I adjure you by Yehsus whom Paul preaches. {19:14} And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, a chief priest, who did this. {19:15} And the evil spirit answered and said unto them, Yehsus I know, and Paul I know, but who are you? {19:16} And the man in whom [was possessed with] the evil spirit leaped on them, and mastered both of them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. {19:17} And this became known to all, both Jews and Greeks, that lived at Ephesus; and fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Yehsus was magnified. {19:18} Many also of them that had believed came, confessing, and declaring their deeds. {19:19} And not a few of them that practiced magical arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all; and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. {19:20} So mightily grew the word of the Lord and prevailed. {19:21} Now after these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome. {19:22} And having sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him, Timothy and Erastus, he himself stayed in Asia for a while. {19:23} And about that time there arose no small stir concerning "The Way." {19:24} For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Diana, brought no little business unto the craftsmen; {19:25} whom he gathered with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, you know that by this business we have our wealth. {19:26} And you see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul has persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they are no gods, that are made with hands: {19:27} and not only is there danger that this our trade come into disrepute; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana be made of no account, and that she should even be deposed from her magnificence whom all Asia and the world worships. {19:28} And when they heard this they were filled with Anger, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesus. {19:29} And the city was filled with the confusion: and they rushed with one accord into the theatre, having seized Gaius and

Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel. { 19:30 } And when Paul was intent to enter in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not. { 19:31 } And certain also of the Asiarchs, being his friends, sent unto him and beg him not to adventure himself into the theatre. { 19:32 } Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for [the called out of the] Ekklesia [of Diana] was in confusion; and the most part knew not why they were come together. { 19:33 } And they brought Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made a defense unto the people. { 19:34 } But when they perceived that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians. { 19:35 } And when the town clerk had quieted the multitude, he said, you men of Ephesus, what man is there who knows not that the city of the Ephesians is temple-keeper of the great Diana, and of the [image] which fell down from Jupiter? { 19:36 } Seeing then that these things cannot be gainsaying, you ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rash. { 19:37 } For you have brought [here] these men, who are neither robbers of Ekklesias nor blasphemers of our goddess. { 19:38 } If therefore Demetrius, and the craftsmen that are with him, have a matter against any man, the lawful courts [of the Ekklesia] are open, and there are Ekklesia debaters: let them accuse one another. { 19:39 } But if you seek anything about other matters, it shall be established in the lawful [court of] the Ekklesia. { 19:40 } For indeed we are in danger to be accused concerning this day's riot, there being no cause [for it]: and as touching it we shall not be able to give account of this concourse. { 19:41 } And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the Ekklesia [of Diana].

{N5}20} Acts Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And after the uproar *ceased*, Paul having sent for the disciples and exhorted them, took leave of them, and departed to go into Macedonia. {20:2} And when he had gone through those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece. {20:3} And when he had spent three moons [there,] and a plot was laid against him by Jews as he was about to set sail for Syria, he determined to return through Macedonia. {20:4} And there accompanied him as far as Asia, Sopater of Berea, [the son] of Pyrrhus; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus. {20:5} But these had gone before, and were waiting for us at Troas. {20:6} And we sailed away from Philippi after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days, where we tarried seven solar days. {20:7} And upon (day Mia or day one) the One of the solar seven days, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul discoursed with them, intending to depart in the morning air; and prolonged his speech until midnight [of the day One]. {20:8} And there were many lights in the upper chamber where we were gathered together. {20:9} And there sat in the window a certain young man named Eutychus, borne down with deep sleep; and as Paul discoursed yet longer, being borne down by his sleep he fell down from the third story, and was taken up dead. {20:10} And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Make you no ado; for his life is in him. {20:11} And when he was gone up, and had broken the bread, and eaten, and had talked with them a long while, even till break of day [light of day one], so he departed. {20:12} And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted. {20:13} But we going before to the ship set sail for Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so had he appointed, intending himself to go by land. {20:14} And when he met us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene. {20:15} And sailing from there, we came the following day over against Chios; and the next day we touched at Samos; and the day after we came to Miletus. {20:16} For Paul had determined to sail past Ephesus, that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost. {20:17} And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called to him the elders of the Ekklesia. {20:18} And when they were come to him, he said unto them, you yourselves know, from the first day that I set foot in Asia, after what manner I was with you all the time, {20:19} serving the Lord with all lowliness of mind, and with tears, and with trials which befell me by the plots of the Jews; {20:20} how I shrank not from declaring unto you anything that was profitable, and teaching you publicly, and from house to house, {20:21} testifying both to Jews and to Greeks repentance into God, and faith into our Lord Yehsus Christ. {20:22} And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there: {20:23} save that the Holy Spirit testifies unto me in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me. {20:24} But I hold not my life of any account as dear unto myself, so that I may accomplish my course, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Yehsus, to testify the good news of the grace of God. {20:25} And now, behold, I know that you all, among whom I went about preaching the kingdom, shall see my face no more. {20:26} Therefore I testify unto you this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. {20:27} For I shrank not from declaring unto you the whole counsel of God. {20:28} Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to feed the Ekklesia of the Lord which he purchased with his own blood. {20:29} I know that after my departing

grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock; {20:30} and from among your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. {20:31} Therefore watch you, remembering that by the space of three years I ceased not to admonish everyone night and day with tears. {20:32} And now I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build [you] up, and to give [you] the inheritance among all them that are sanctified. {20:33} I coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. {20:34} you yourselves know that these hands ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. {20:35} In all things I gave you an example, that so laboring you ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Yehsus, that he himself said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. {20:36} And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down and prayed with them all. {20:37} And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck and kissed him, {20:38} sorrowing most of all for the word which he had spoken, that they should behold his face no more. And they brought him on his way unto the ship.

{N5}21} Acts Chapter Twenty-One. {21:1} And when it came to pass that were parted from them and had set sail, we came with a straight course unto Cos, and the next day unto Rhodes, and from there unto Patara: {21:2} and having found a ship crossing over unto Phoenicia, we went aboard, and set sail. {21:3} And when we had come in sight of Cyprus, leaving it on the left hand, we sailed unto Syria, and landed at Tyre; for there the ship was to unlade her burden. {21:4} And having found the disciples, we tarried there seven days: and these said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not set foot in Jerusalem. {21:5} And when it came to pass that we had accomplished the days, we departed and went on our journey; and they all, with wives and children, brought us on our way till we were out of the city: and kneeling down on the beach, we prayed, and bade each other farewell; {21:6} and we went on board the ship, but they returned home again. {21:7} And when we had finished the voyage from Tyre, we arrived at Ptolemais; and we saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day. {21:8} And on the morrow we departed, and came unto Caesarea: and entering into the house of Philip the preacher of the good news, who was one of the seven, we abode with him. {21:9} Now this man had four virgin daughters, who prophesied. {21:10} And as we tarried there some days, there came down from Judea a certain prophet, named Agabus. {21:11} And coming to us, and taking Paul's girdle, he bound his own feet and hands, and said, Thus said the Holy Spirit, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owns this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Nations. {21:12} And when we heard these things, both we and they of that place beg him not to go up to Jerusalem. {21:13} Then Paul answered, What do you, weeping and breaking my heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Yehsus. {21:14} And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done. {21:15} And after these days we took up our baggage and went up to Jerusalem. {21:16} And there went with us also [certain] of the disciples from Caesarea, bringing [with them] one Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with whom we should lodge. {21:17} And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly. {21:18} And the day following Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present. {21:19} And when he had saluted them, he rehearsed one by one the things which God had wrought among the Nations through his ministry. {21:20} And they, when they heard it, glorified God; and they said unto him, you see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of them that have believed; and they are all zealous for the law [of the Halakah]: {21:21} and they have been informed concerning you, that you teach all the Jews who are among the Nations to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children neither to walk after the customs. {21:22} What is it therefore? They will certainly hear that you are come. {21:23} Do therefore this that we say to you: We have four men that have a vow on them;

{21:24} these take, and purify yourself with them, and be at charges for them, that they may shave their heads: and all shall know that there is no truth in the things where they have been informed concerning you; but that you yourself also walk orderly, keeping the law [through Moses]. {21:25} But as touching the Nations that have believed, we wrote, giving judgment that they should keep themselves from things sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what is strangled, and from fornication. {21:26} Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them went into the temple, declaring the fulfillment of the days of purification, until the offering was offered for everyone of them. {21:27} And when the seven days were almost completed, the Jews from Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the multitude and laid hands on him, {21:28} crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the man that teaches all men everywhere against the people, and the law and this place; and furthermore he brought Greeks also into the temple, and has defiled this holy place. {21:29} For they had before seen with him in the city Trophimus the Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple. {21:30} And all the city was moved, and the people ran together; and they laid hold on Paul, and dragged him out of the temple: and immediately the doors were shut. {21:31} And as they were seeking to kill him, tidings came up to the chief captain of the band, that all Jerusalem was in confusion. {21:32} And immediately he took soldiers and centurions, and ran down upon them: and they, when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, left off beating Paul. {21:33} Then the chief captain came near, and laid hold on him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains; and inquired who he was, and what he had done. {21:34} And some shouted one thing, some another, among the crowd: and when he could not know the certainty for the uproar, he commanded him to be brought into the castle. {21:35} And when he came upon the stairs, so it was that he was borne of the soldiers for the violence of the crowd; {21:36} for the multitude of the people followed after, crying out, Away with him. {21:37} And as Paul was about to be brought into the castle, he said unto the chief captain, May I say something unto you? And he said, Do you know Greek? {21:38} are you not then the Egyptian, who before these days stirred up to sedition and led out into the wilderness the four thousand men of the Assassins? {21:39} But Paul said, I am a Jew, of Tarsus in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and I ask you, give me leave to speak unto the people. {21:40} And when he had given him leave, Paul, standing on the stairs, beckoned with the hand unto the people; and when there was made a great silence, he spoke unto them in the Hebrew language, saying,

{N5}22} Acts Chapter Twenty-Two. {22:1} Brethren and fathers, hear you the defense which I now make unto you. {22:2} And when they heard that he spoke unto them in the Hebrew language, they were the more quiet: and he said, {22:3} I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city, at the feet of Gamaliel, instructed according to the strict manner of the [Pharisee Halakah the unwritten oral] law [through Moses] of our fathers, being zealous for God, even as you all are this day: {22:4} and I persecuted [through the Pharisee oral law the Halakah] [or The Walk] unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women. {22:5} As also the high priest does bear me witness, and all the estate of the elders: from whom also I received letters unto the brethren, and journeyed to Damascus to bring them also that were there unto Jerusalem in bonds to be punished. {22:6} And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and drew near unto Damascus, about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me. {22:7} And I fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecute you me? {22:8} And I answered, Who are you, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Yehsus of Nazareth, whom you persecute. {22:9} And they that were with me watched indeed the light, but they heard not the voice of him that spoke to me. {22:10} And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told you of all things which are appointed for you to do. {22:11} And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me I came into Damascus. {22:12} And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law [through Moses], well reported of by all the Jews

that lived there, {22:13} came unto me, and standing by me said unto me, Brother Saul, receive your sight. And in that very hour I looked up on him. {22:14} And he said, The God of our fathers has appointed you to know his will, and to see the Righteous One, and to hear a voice from his mouth. {22:15} For you shall be a witness for him unto all men of what you have seen and heard. {22:16} And now why tarry you? arise, and be immersed [in water], and wash away your sins, calling on his name. {22:17} And it came to pass, that, when I had returned to Jerusalem, and while I prayed in the temple, I fell into a trance, {22:18} and saw him saying unto me, Make haste, and get you quickly out of Jerusalem; because they will not receive of you testimony concerning me. {22:19} And I said, Lord, they themselves know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed on you: {22:20} and when the blood of Stephen your witness was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting, and keeping the garments of them that slew him. {22:21} And he said unto me, Depart: for I will send you forth far from here unto the Nations. {22:22} And they gave him audience unto this word; and they lifted up their voice, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth: for it is not fit that he should live. {22:23} And as they cried out, and threw off their garments, and cast dust into the air, {22:24} the chief captain commanded him be brought into the castle, bidding that he should be examined by scourging, that he might know for what cause they so shouted against him. {22:25} And when they had tied him up with the thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and un-condemned? {22:26} And when the centurion heard it, he went to the chief captain and told him, saying, What are you about to do? for this man is a Roman. {22:27} And the chief captain came and said unto him, Tell me, are you a Roman? And he said, behold. {22:28} And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this citizenship. And Paul said, But I am [a Roman] born. {22:29} They then that were about to examine him immediately departed from him: and the chief captain also was afraid when he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him. {22:30} But on the morrow, desiring to know the certainty Therefore he was accused of the Jews, he loosed him, and commanded the chief priests and all the council to come together, and brought Paul down and set him before them.

{N5}23} Acts Chapter Twenty-Three. {23:1} And Paul, looking steadfastly on the council, said, Brethren, I have lived before God in all good conscience until this day. {23:2} And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him to smite him on the mouth. {23:3} Then said Paul unto him, God shall smite you, you whiten wall: and sith you judge me according to the [Halakah] law and command me to be smitten contrary to the [Halakah] law? {23:4} And they that stood by said, you Revile God's high priest? {23:5} And Paul said, I knew not, brethren, that he was high priest: for it is written, you shall not speak evil of a ruler of your people. {23:6} But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Brethren, I am a Pharisee, a son of Pharisees: touching the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question. {23:7} And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and Sadducees; and the assembly was divided. {23:8} For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither messenger, nor spirit; but the Pharisees confess both. {23:9} And there arose a great clamor: and some of the scribes of the Pharisees part stood up, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: and what if a spirit has spoken to him, or an messenger? {23:10} And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should be torn in pieces by them, commanded the soldiers to go down and take him by force from among them, and bring him into the castle. {23:11} And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer: for as you have testified concerning me at Jerusalem, so must you bear witness also at Rome. {23:12} And when it was day, the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul. {23:13} And they were more than forty that made this conspiracy. {23:14} And they came to the chief priests and the elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, to taste nothing until we have killed Paul. {23:15} Now therefore do you with the council signify to the

chief captain that he bring him down unto you, as though you would judge of his case more exactly: and we, before he comes near, are ready to slay him. {23:16} But Paul's sister's son heard of their lying in wait, and he came and entered into the castle and told Paul. {23:17} And Paul called unto him one of the centurions, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain; for he has something to tell him. {23:18} So he took him, and brought him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me unto him, and asked me to bring this young man unto you, who has something to say to you. {23:19} And the chief captain took him by the hand, and going aside asked him privately, What is it that you have to tell me? {23:20} And he said, The Jews have agreed to ask you to bring down Paul tomorrow unto the council, as though you would inquire somewhat more exactly concerning him. {23:21} Do not you therefore yield unto them: for there lie in wait for him of them more than forty men, who have bound themselves under woe, neither to eat nor to drink till they have slain him: and now are they ready, looking for the promise from you. {23:22} So the chief captain let the young man go, charging him, Tell no man that you have signified these things to me. {23:23} And he called unto him two of the centurions, and said, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go as far as Caesarea, and horsemen seventy, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night: {23:24} and [he bade them] provide beasts, that they might set Paul thereon, and bring him safe unto Felix the governor. {23:25} And he wrote a letter after this form: {23:26} Claudius Lysias unto the most excellent governor Felix, greeting. {23:27} This man was seized by the Jews, and was about to be slain of them, when I came upon them with the soldiers and rescued him, having learned that he was a Roman. {23:28} And desiring to know the cause Therefore they accused him, I brought him down unto their council: {23:29} whom I found to be accused about questions of their [unwritten Halakah] law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death or of bonds. {23:30} And when it was shown to me that there would be a plot against the man, I sent him to you immediately, charging his accusers also to speak against him before you. {23:31} So the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul and brought him by night to Antipatris. {23:32} But on the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle: {23:33} and they, when they came to Caesarea and delivered the letter to the governor, presented Paul also before him. {23:34} And when he had read it, he asked of what province he was; and when he understood that he was of Cilicia, {23:35} I will hear you fully, said he, when your accusers also are come: and he commanded him to be kept in Herod's palace.

{N5}24} Acts Chapter Twenty-Four. {24:1} And after five days the high priest Ananias came down with certain elders, and [with] an orator, one Tertullus; and they informed the governor against Paul. {24:2} And when he was called, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that by you we enjoy much peace, and that by the providence evils are corrected for this nation, {24:3} we accept it in all ways and in all places, most excellent Felix, with all thankfulness. {24:4} But, that I be not further tedious unto you, I entreat you to hear us of your clemency a few words. {24:5} For we have found this man a pestilent fellow, and a mover of insurrections among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes: {24:6} who furthermore determined to profane the temple: on whom also we laid hold: [and we would have judged him according to our [Halakah] law] {24:7} [But the chief captain Lysias came, and with great violence took him away out of our hands,] {24:8} [commanding his accusers to come before you.] from whom you will be able, by examining him yourself, to take knowledge of all these things where we accuse him. {24:9} And the Jews also joined in the charge, affirming that these things were so. {24:10} And when the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, Paul answered, Forasmuch as I know that you have been of many years a judge unto this nation, I cheerfully make my defense: {24:11} Seeing that you Can take knowledge that it is not more than twelve days since I went up to worship at Jerusalem: {24:12} and neither in the temple did they find me disputing with any man or stirring up a crowd, nor in the synagogues, nor in the city. {24:13} Neither can they prove to you the things where they now accuse me. {24:14} But this I

confess unto you, that after "The Way" which they call a sect, so serve I the God of our fathers, believing all things which are according to the law [through Moses], and which are written in the prophets; {24:15} having hope toward God, which these also themselves look for, that there shall be a resurrection both of the just and unjust. {24:16} Herein I also exercise myself to have a conscience void of offence toward God and men always. {24:17} Now after some years I came to bring genuine benevolence to my nation, and offerings: {24:18} amidst which they found me purified in the temple, with no crowd, nor yet with tumult: but [there were] certain Jews from Asia-- {24:19} who ought to have been here before you, and to make accusation, if they had anything against me. {24:20} Or else let these men themselves say what wrong-doing they found when I stood before the council, {24:21} except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question before you this day. {24:22} But Felix, having more exact knowledge concerning "The Way" deferred them, saying, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will determine your matter. {24:23} And he gave order to the centurion that he should be kept in charge, and should have indulgence; and not to forbid any of his friends to minister unto him. {24:24} But after certain days, Felix came with Drusilla, his wife, who was a Jewess, and sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ Yehsus. {24:25} And as he reasoned of good works, and self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was terrified, and answered, Go your way for this time; and when I have a convenient season, I will call you unto me. {24:26} He hoped with that money would be given him of Paul: Therefore also he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him. {24:27} But when two years were fulfilled, Felix was succeeded by Porcius Festus; and desiring to gain favor with the Jews, Felix left Paul in bonds.

{N5}25} Acts Twenty-Five. {25:1} Festus therefore, having come into the province, after three days went up to Jerusalem from Caesarea. {25:2} And the chief priests and the principal men of the Jews informed him against Paul; and they beg him, {25:3} asking a favor against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem; laying a plot to kill him on the way. {25:4} However Festus answered, that Paul was kept in charge at Caesarea, and that he himself was about to depart [there] shortly. {25:5} Let them therefore, said he, that are of power among you go down with me, and if there is anything amiss in the man, let them accuse him. {25:6} And when he had tarried among them not more than eight or ten days, he went down unto Caesarea; and on the morrow he sat on the judgment-seat, and commanded Paul to be brought. {25:7} And when he was come, the Jews that had come down from Jerusalem stood round about him, bringing against him many and grievous charges which they could not prove; {25:8} while Paul said in his defense, Neither against the [Halakah] law of the Jews, nor against the temple, nor against Caesar, have I sinned at all. {25:9} But Festus, desiring to gain favor with the Jews, answered Paul and said, Will you go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me? {25:10} But Paul said, I am standing before Caesar's judgment-seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews have I done no wrong, as you also very well know. {25:11} If then I am a wrong-doer, and have committed anything worthy of death, I refuse not to die; but if none of those things is [true] where these accuse me, no man can give me up unto them. I appeal unto Caesar. {25:12} Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, you have appealed unto Caesar: unto Caesar shall you go. {25:13} Now when certain days were passed, Agrippa the King and Bernice arrived at Caesarea, and saluted Festus. {25:14} And as they tarried there many days, Festus laid Paul's case before the King, saying, There is a certain man left a prisoner by Felix; {25:15} about whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed [me], asking for sentence against him. {25:16} To whom I answered, that it is not the custom of the Romans to give up any man, before that the accused have the accusers face to face, and have had opportunity to make his defense concerning the matter laid against him. {25:17} When therefore they were come together here, I made no delay, but on the next day sat on the judgment-seat, and commanded the man to be brought. {25:18} Concerning whom, when the

accusers stood up, they brought no charge of such evil things as I supposed; {25:19} but had certain questions against him of their own religion, and of one Yehsus, who was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive. {25:20} And I, being perplexed how to inquire concerning these things, asked whether he would go to Jerusalem and there be judged of these matters. {25:21} But when Paul had appealed to be kept for the decision of the emperor, I commanded him to be kept till I should send him to Caesar. {25:22} And Agrippa [said] unto Festus, I also could wish to hear the man myself. To-morrow, said he, you shall hear him. {25:23} So on the morrow, when Agrippa was come, and Bernice, with great pomp, and they were entered into the place of hearing with the chief captains and principal men of the city, at the command of Festus Paul was brought in. {25:24} And Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men who are here present with us, you behold this man, about whom all the multitude of the Jews made suit to me, both at Jerusalem and here, crying that he ought not to live any longer. {25:25} But I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death: and as he himself appealed to the emperor I determined to send him. {25:26} Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord. Therefore I have brought him forth before you, and specially before you, king Agrippa, that, after examination had, I may have somewhat to write. {25:27} For it seems to me unreasonable, in sending a prisoner, not with to verify the charges against him.

{N5}26} Acts Chapter Twenty-Six. {26:1} And Agrippa said unto Paul, you are permitted to speak for yourself. Then Paul stretched forth his hand, and made his defense: {26:2} I think myself happy, king Agrippa, that I am to make my defense before you this day touching all the things where I am accused by the Jews: {26:3} especially because you are expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews: Therefore I ask you to hear me patiently. {26:4} My manner of life then from my youth up, which was from the beginning among mine own nation and at Jerusalem, know all the Jews; {26:5} having knowledge of me from the first, if they be willing to testify, that after the strictest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee. {26:6} And now I stand [here] to be judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers; {26:7} unto which [promise] our twelve tribes, earnestly serving [God] night and day, hope to attain. And concerning this hope I am accused by the Jews, O king! {26:8} Why is it judged incredible with you, if God does raise the dead? {26:9} I verily thought with myself that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Yehsus of Nazareth. {26:10} And this I also did in Jerusalem: and I both shut up many of the Holy People in prisons, having received authority from the chief priests, and when they were put to death I gave my vote against them. {26:11} And punishing them oftentimes in all the synagogues, I strove to make them blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even unto foreign cities. {26:12} Whereupon as I journeyed to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests, {26:13} at midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them that journeyed with me. {26:14} And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice saying unto me in the Hebrew language, Saul, Saul, why persecute you me? it is hard for you to kick against the goad. {26:15} And I said, Who are you, Lord? And the Lord said [in Hebrew], I am Yehsus whom you persecute. {26:16} But arise, and stand upon your feet: for to this end have I appeared unto you, to appoint you a minister and a witness both of the things wherein you have seen me, and of the things wherein I will appear unto you; {26:17} delivering you from the people, and from the Nations, unto whom I send you, {26:18} to open their eyes, that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive remission of sins and an inheritance among them that are sanctified by faith in me. {26:19} Therefore, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision: {26:20} but declared both to them of Damascus first and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the country of Judea, and also to the Nations, that they should repent and turn to God, doing works worthy of repentance. {26:21} For this cause the Jews seized me in the temple, and determined to kill me. {26:22} Having therefore obtained the help that is from God, I stand unto this day testifying both to small

and great, saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses did say should come; {26:23} how that the Christ must suffer, [and] how that he first by the resurrection of the dead should proclaim light both to the people and to the Nations. {26:24} And as he thus made his defense, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, you are mad; your much learning is turning you mad. {26:25} But Paul said, I am not mad, most excellent Festus; but speak forth words of truth and soberness. {26:26} For the king knows of these things, unto whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things is hidden from him; for this has not been done in a corner. {26:27} King Agrippa, believe you the prophets? I know that you believe. {26:28} And Agrippa [said] unto Paul, With but little persuasion you would fain make me a Christian. {26:29} And Paul [said], I would to God, that whether with little or with much, not you only, but also all that hear me this day, might become such as I am, except these bonds. {26:30} And the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them: {26:31} and when they had withdrawn, they spoke one to another, saying, This man does nothing worthy of death or of bonds. {26:32} And Agrippa said unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Caesar.

{N5}27} Acts Chapter Twenty-Seven. {27:1} And when it was determined that we should sail for Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners to a centurion named Julius, of the Augustan band. {27:2} And embarking in a ship of Adramyttium, which was about to sail unto the places on the coast of Asia, we put to sea, Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us. {27:3} And the next day we touched at Sidon: and Julius treated Paul kindly, and gave him leave to go unto his friends and refresh himself. {27:4} And putting to sea from there, we sailed under the lee of Cyprus, because the winds were contrary. {27:5} And when we had sailed across the sea which is off Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, [a city] of Lycia. {27:6} And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing for Italy; and he put us therein. {27:7} And when we had sailed slowly many days, and were come with difficulty over against Cnidus, the wind not further suffering us, we sailed under the lee of Crete, over against Salmone; {27:8} and with difficulty coasting along it we came unto a certain place called Fair Havens; near whereunto was the city of Lasea. {27:9} And when much time was spent, and the voyage was now dangerous, because the Fast was now already gone by, Paul admonished them, {27:10} and said unto them, Sirs, I perceive that the voyage will be with injury and much loss, not only the lading of the ship, but also of our lives. {27:11} But the centurion gave more heed to the master and to the owner of the ship, than to those things which were spoken by Paul. {27:12} And because the haven was not commodious to winter in, the majority advised to put to sea from there, if by any means they could reach Phoenix, and winter [there; which is] a haven of Crete, looking north-east and south-east. {27:13} And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained their purpose, they weighed anchor and sailed along Crete, close in shore. {27:14} But after no long time there beat down from it a tempestuous wind, which is called Euraquilo: {27:15} and when the ship was caught, and could not face the wind, we gave way [to it,] and were driven. {27:16} And running under the lee of a small island called Cauda, we were able, with difficulty, to secure the boat: {27:17} and when they had hoisted it up, they used helps, under-girding the ship; and, fearing lest they should be cast upon the Syrtis, they lowered the gear, and so were driven. {27:18} And as we labored exceedingly with the storm, the next day they began to throw the [the freight] overboard; {27:19} and the third day they cast out with their own hands the tackling of the ship. {27:20} And when neither sun nor stars shone upon [us] for many days, and no small tempest lay on [us,] all hope that we should be saved was now taken away. {27:21} And when they had been long without food, then Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, you should have listened unto me, and not have set sail from Crete, and have gotten this injury and loss. {27:22} And now I exhort you to be of good cheer; for there shall be no loss of life among you, but [only] of the ship. {27:23} For there stood by me this night an messenger of the God whose I am, whom also I serve, {27:24} saying, Fear not, Paul; you must stand before Caesar: and lo, God has granted you all them that sail with you. {27:25} Therefore,

sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even so as it has been spoken unto me. {27:26} But we must be cast upon a certain island. {27:27} But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven to and fro in the [sea of] Adria, about midnight the sailors surmised that they were drawing near to some country: {27:28} and they sounded, and found twenty fathoms; and after a little space, they sounded again, and found fifteen fathoms. {27:29} And fearing lest haply we should be cast ashore on rocky ground, they let go four anchors from the stern, and wished for the day. {27:30} And as the sailors were seeking to flee out of the ship, and had lowered the boat into the sea, under color as though they would lay out anchors from the foreship, {27:31} Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, you cannot be saved. {27:32} Then the soldiers cut away the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off. {27:33} And while the day was coming on, Paul beg them all to take some food, saying, This day is the fourteenth day that you wait and continue fasting, having taken nothing. {27:34} Therefore I ask you to take some food: for this is for your safety: for there shall not a hair perish from the head of any of you. {27:35} And when he had said this, and had taken bread, he gave thanks to God in the presence of all; and he brake it, and began to eat. {27:36} Then were they all of good cheer, and themselves also took food. {27:37} And we were in all in the ship two hundred seventy six souls. {27:38} And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, throwing out the wheat into the sea. {27:39} And when it was day, they knew not the land: but they perceived a certain bay with a beach, and they took counsel whether they could drive the ship upon it. {27:40} And casting off the anchors, they left them in the sea, at the same time loosing the bands of the rudders; and hoisting up the foresail to the wind, they made for the beach. {27:41} But lighting upon a place where two seas met, they ran the vessel aground; and the foreship struck and remained un-moveable, but the stern began to break up by the violence [of the waves]. {27:42} And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any [of them] should swim out, and escape. {27:43} But the centurion, desiring to save Paul, stayed them from their purpose; and commanded that they who could swim should cast themselves overboard, and get first to the land; {27:44} and the rest, some on planks, and some on [other] things from the ship. And so it came to pass, that they all escaped safe to the land.

{N5}28} Acts Chapter Twenty-Eight. {28:1} And when we were escaped, then we knew that the island was called Melita. {28:2} And the barbarians showed us common kindness; for they kindled a fire, and received us all, because of the present rain, and because of the cold. {28:3} But when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and laid them on the fire, a viper came out by reason of the heat, and fastened on his hand. {28:4} And when the barbarians saw the [venomous] creature hanging from his hand, they said one to another, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he has escaped from the sea, yet Justice has not suffered to live. {28:5} However he shook off the creature into the fire, and took no harm. {28:6} But they expected that he would have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but when they were long in expectation and watched nothing amiss came to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god. {28:7} Now in the neighborhood of that place were lands belonging to the chief man of the island, named Publius, who received us, and entertained us three days courteously. {28:8} And it was so, that the father of Publius lay sick of fever and dysentery: unto whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laying his hands on him healed him. {28:9} And when this was done, the rest also that had diseases in the island came, and were cured: {28:10} who also honored us with many honors; and when we sailed, they put on board such things as we needed. {28:11} And after three moons we set sail in a ship of Alexandria which had wintered in the island, whose sign was The Twin Brothers. {28:12} And touching at Syracuse, we tarried there three days. {28:13} And from there we made a circuit, and arrived at Rhegium: and after one day a south wind sprang up, and on the second day we came to Puteoli; {28:14} where we found brethren, and were entreated to tarry with them seven days: and so we came to Rome. {28:15} And from there the brethren, when they heard of us, came to meet us as far as The Market of Appius and The Three Taverns; whom

when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage. {28:16} And when we entered into Rome, Paul was suffered to abide by himself with the soldier that guarded him. {28:17} And it came to pass, that after three days he called together those that were the chief of the Jews: and when they were come together, he said unto them, I, brethren, though I had done nothing against the people, or the customs of our fathers, yet was delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans: {28:18} who, when they had examined me, desired to set me at liberty, because there was no cause of death in me. {28:19} But when the Jews spoke against it, I was constrained to appeal unto Caesar; not that I had anything where to accuse my nation. {28:20} For this cause therefore did I entreat you to see and to speak with [me]: for because of the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain. {28:21} And they said unto him, We neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor did any of the brethren come here and report or speak any harm of you. {28:22} But we desire to hear of you what you think: for as concerning this sect, it is known to us that everywhere it is spoken against. {28:23} And when they had appointed him a day, they came to him into his lodging in great number; to whom he expounded [the matter,] testifying the kingdom of God, and persuading them concerning Yehsus, both from the [written] law of Moses and from the prophets, from morning till evening. {28:24} And some believed the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved. {28:25} And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spoke the Holy Spirit through Isaiah the prophet unto your fathers, {28:26} saying, Go you unto this people, and say, By hearing you shall hear, and shall in no wise understand; And seeing you shall see, and shall in no wise perceive: {28:27} For this people's heart is waxed gross, And their ears are dull of hearing, And their eyes they have closed; Lest, haply they should perceive with their eyes, And hear with their ears, And understand with their heart, And should turn again, And I should heal them. {28:28} Be it known therefore unto you, that this salvation of God is sent unto the Nations: they will also hear. {28:29} [And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, having much disputing among themselves.] {28:30} And he abode two whole years in his own hired dwelling, and received all that went in unto him, {28:31} preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching the things concerning the Lord Yehsus Christ with all boldness, none forbidding him.

The Epistle Of The Apostle Paul to The Romans

{N6}1} Romans Chapter One. {1:1} Paul, a slave of Yehsus Christ, called [to be] an apostle, separated unto the good news of God, {1:2} which he promised before through his prophets in the holy scriptures, {1:3} concerning his Son, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, {1:4} who was declared [to be] the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead; [even] Yehsus Christ our Lord, {1:5} through whom we received grace and apostleship, unto obedience of faith among all the nations, for his name's sake; {1:6} among whom are you also called [to be] Yehsus Christ's: {1:7} To all that are in Rome, agape beloved of God, called [to be] Holy People: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:8} First, I thank my God through Yehsus Christ for you all, that your faith is proclaimed throughout the entire world. {1:9} For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the good news of his Son, how unceasingly I make mention of you, always in my prayers {1:10} making request, if by any means now at length I may be prospered by the will of God to come unto you. {1:11} For I long to see you, that I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end you may be established; {1:12} that is, that I with you may be comforted in you, each of us by the other's faith, both yours and mine. {1:13} And I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you (and was hindered here), that I might have some fruit in you also, even as in the rest of the Nations. {1:14} I am debtor both to Greeks and to Barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. {1:15} So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the good news to you also that are in Rome. {1:16} For I am not ashamed of the good news: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. {1:17} For therein is revealed a good works of God from

faith unto faith: as it is written, But the righteous shall live by faith. {1:18} For the Anger of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and [illegal] works against law of men, who hinder the truth in [their] works against law; {1:19} because that which is known of God is manifest in them; for God manifested it unto them. {1:20} For the invisible things of him since the creation of the world are clearly seen, being perceived through the things that are made, [even] his everlasting power and divinity; that they may be outside excuse: {1:21} because that, knowing God, they glorified him not as God, neither gave thanks; but became vain in their reasoning, and their senseless heart was darkened. {1:22} Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, {1:23} and changed the glory of the incorruptible God for the likeness of an image of corruptible man, and of birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things. {1:24} Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts unto uncleanness, that their bodies should be dishonored among themselves: {1:25} for that they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. {1:26} For this cause God gave them up unto vile passions: for their women changed the natural use into that which is against nature: {1:27} and likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another, men with men working God disgust, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was due. {1:28} And even as they refused to have God in [their] knowledge, God gave them up unto a reprobate mind, to do those things which are deviant; {1:29} being filled with all [illegal] works against [written] law, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malignity; whisperers, {1:30} backbiters, hateful to God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, {1:31} outside understanding, covenant-breakers, outside natural affection, unmerciful: {1:32} who, knowing the ordinance of God, that they that practice such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but [death] also they that consent with them [in] that practice.

{N6}2} Romans Chapter Two. {2:1} Therefore you are outside excuse, O man, anyone who you are that judges: for wherein you judges another, you condemn yourself; for you that judge do practice the same things. {2:2} And we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against them that practice such things. {2:3} And reckons you this, O man, who judge them that practice such things, and do the same, that you shall escape the judgment of God? {2:4} Or despise you the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? {2:5} but after your hardness and impenitent heart treasures up for yourself Anger in the day of Anger and revelation of the righteous judgment of God; {2:6} who will render to every man according to his works: {2:7} to them that by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and incorruption, eternal life: {2:8} but unto them that are factious, and obey not the truth, but [you who] obey [illegal] works against the law, [shall be] Anger and indignation, {2:9} tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that works evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Greek; {2:10} but glory and honor and peace to every man that works good, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek: {2:11} for there is no respect of persons with God. {2:12} For as many as have sinned outside [the written] law [through Moses] shall also perish outside the [written] law [through Moses]: and as many as have sinned under the [written] law [through Moses] shall be judged by the [written] law [through Moses]; {2:13} for not the hearers of the law [through Moses] are just before God, but the doers of the law [through Moses] shall be justified: {2:14} (for when Nations that have not the law [through Moses] do by nature the things of the law [through Moses], these, not having the law [through Moses], are the law [through Moses] unto themselves; {2:15} in that they show the work of the [written] law [through Moses] written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness with, and their thoughts one with another accusing or else excusing [them]); {2:16} in the day when God shall judge the secrets of men, according to my good news, by Yehsus Christ. {2:17} But if you bear the name of a Jew, and rests upon the law [through Moses], and glories in God, {2:18} and know his will, and

approves the things that are excellent, being instructed out of the [written] law [through Moses], {2:19} and are confident that you yourself are a guide of the blind, a light of them that are in darkness, {2:20} a corrector of the foolish, a teacher of babes, having in the [written] law [through Moses] the form of knowledge and of the truth; {2:21} you therefore that teach another, teach you not yourself? you that preach a man should not steal, do you steal? {2:22} you that say a man should not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? you that abhor idols, do you rob temples? {2:23} you who glories in the [written] law [through Moses], through your transgression of the [written] law of the law [written through Moses] you dishonor God? {2:24} For the name of God is blasphemed among the Nations because of you, even as it is written. {2:25} For circumcision indeed profited, if you be a doer of the [written] law [through Moses]: but if you be a transgressor of the [written] law [through Moses], your circumcision is become un-circumcision. {2:26} If therefore the uncircumcision keep the ordinances of the [written] law [through Moses], shall not his uncircumcision be reckoned for circumcision? {2:27} and shall not the uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfill the [written] law [through Moses], judge you, who with the letter and circumcision are a transgressor of the [written] law [through Moses]? {2:28} For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: {2:29} but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

{N6}3} Romans. Chapter Three. {3:1} What advantage then has the Jew? or what is the profit of circumcision? {3:2} Much every way: first of all, that they were entrusted with the [written] oracles of God. {3:3} For what if some were outside faith? shall their want of faith make of none effect the faithfulness' of God? {3:4} God forbid: behold, let God be found true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That you might be justified in your words, And might prevail when you come into judgment. {3:5} But if our good works commends the good works of God, what shall we say? Is God unrighteous who visits with Anger? (I speak after the manner of men.) {3:6} God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world? {3:7} But if the truth of God through my lie abounded unto his glory, why am I also still judged as a sinner? {3:8} and why not (as we are slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say), Let us do evil, that good may come? whose condemnation is just. {3:9} What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise: for we before laid to the charge both of Jews and Greeks, that they are all under sin; {3:10} as it is written, There is none [corrupt or filthy that are] righteous, no, not one; {3:11} There is none [corrupt or filthy] that understands, There is none [corrupt or filthy] that seeks after God; {3:12} They that are [corrupt or filthy] have all turned aside, they are together become unprofitable; There is none [corrupt or filthy] that does good, no, not, so much as one: {3:13} Their throat is an open sepulcher; With their tongues they have used deceit: The poison of asps is under their lips: {3:14} [the corrupt or filthy] Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness: {3:15} Their feet are swift to shed blood; {3:16} Destruction and misery are in their ways; {3:17} And the way of peace [the corrupt or filthy] have they not known: {3:18} There is no fear of God before their eyes. {3:19} Now we know that what things so ever the [written] law [through Moses] said, it speaks to them that are under the [written] law [through Moses]; that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may be brought under the judgment of God: {3:20} because by the works of the [written] law [through Moses] shall no flesh be justified in his sight; for through the [written] law [through Moses comes] the knowledge of sin. {3:21} But now apart from the [written] law [through Moses] a good works of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the [written] law [through Moses] and the prophets; {3:22} even the good works of God through [the] faith of Yehsus Christ unto all them that believe; for there is no distinction [in the written law through Christ]; {3:23} for all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God; {3:24} [of past sins] being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Yehsus: {3:25} whom God set forth [to be] a propitiation, through faith, in his blood, to show his good works because of the passing over of the sins done times past, in the forbearance of God; {3:26} for the

showing, [I say], of his good works at this present time: that he might himself be just, and the justifier of him that has faith in Yehsus. {3:27} Where then is the boasting? Is [boasting] excluded? By what manner of [written] law? of works [of the written law through Moses]? No: but [the boasting is] by the law of faith. {3:28} We reckon therefore that a man is justified by [the law of] faith apart from the works of the [written] law [through Moses]. {3:29} Or is God [the God] of Jews only? is he not [the God] of the Nations also? behold, of Nations also: {3:30} if so be that God is one, and he shall justify the circumcision by [the written] law [through Moses] and the uncircumcision through [the law of] faith. {3:31} Do we then make the [written] law [through Moses] of none effect through [the law of] faith? God forbid: No, we establish the [written] law [through Moses].

{N6}4} Romans Chapter Four. {4:1} What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather, has found according to the flesh? {4:2} For if Abraham was justified by works, he has where to glory; but not toward God. {4:3} For what said the scripture? And Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned unto him for good works. {4:4} Now to him that works [through the written law of Moses], the reward is not reckoned as of grace, but as of debt. {4:5} But to him that worked not [in past tense], but [present tense] believes on him that justifies the ungodly, his faith is reckoned for good works. {4:6} Even as David also pronounce blessing upon the man, unto whom God reckons good works apart from works [through Moses], {4:7} [saying], Blessed are they whose [illegal] works against law are forgiven, And whose sins are covered. {4:8} Blessed is the man to whom, the Lord will not reckon sin. {4:9} Is this blessing then pronounced upon the circumcision, or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say, To Abraham his faith was reckoned for good works. {4:10} How then was it reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision: {4:11} and he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the good works of the faith which he had while he was in uncircumcision; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be in uncircumcision, that good works might be reckoned unto them; {4:12} and the father of circumcision to them who not only are of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham which he had in uncircumcision. {4:13} For not through the [written] law [through Moses] was the promise to Abraham or to his seed that he should be heir of the world, but through the good works [works] of the law of] faith. {4:14} For if they that are of the [written] law [through Moses] are heirs, [works of] faith is made void, and the promise is made of none effect: {4:15} for the [written] law [through Moses] works Anger; but where there is no law [from God], neither is there transgression of the law. {4:16} For this cause [it is the law] of faith, that [it may be] according to grace; to the end that the promise may be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the [written] law [through Moses], but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all {4:17} (as it is written, A father of many nations have I made you) before him whom he believed, [even] God, who gives life to the dead, and calls the things that are not, as though they were. {4:18} Who in hope believed against hope, to the end that he might become a father of many nations, according to that which had been spoken, So shall your seed be. {4:19} And outside being weakened in faith he considered his own body now as good as dead (he being about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb; {4:20} yet, looking unto the promise of God, he wavered not through unbelief, but waxed strong through faith, giving glory to God, {4:21} and being fully assured that what he had promised, he was able also to perform. {4:22} Therefore also it was reckoned unto him for good works. {4:23} Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was reckoned unto him; {4:24} but for our sake also, unto whom it shall be reckoned, who believe on him that raised Yehsus our Lord from the dead, {4:25} who was delivered up for our trespasses, and [he] was raised for our justification [to Passover or to make sinless] .

{N6}5} Romans Chapter Five. {5:1} Being therefore justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Yehsus Christ; {5:2} through whom also we have had our access by faith into this grace wherein we stand; and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. {5:3} And not only so, but we also rejoice in our tribulations: knowing that tribulation works steadfastness; {5:4} and steadfastness, approvedness; and approvedness, hope: {5:5} and hope puts not to shame; because the agape love of God has been shed abroad in our hearts through the Holy Spirit which was given unto us. {5:6} For while we were yet weak, in due season Christ died for the ungodly. {5:7} For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: for perhaps for the good man someone would even dare to die. {5:8} But God reveals his own agape love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. {5:9} Much more then, being now justified by his blood, shall we be saved from the Anger [of God] through him. {5:10} For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, shall we be saved by his life; {5:11} and not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Yehsus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation. {5:12} Therefore, as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin; and so death passed unto all men, for that all sinned:-- {5:13} for until the [written] law [from God] sin was in the world; but sin is not imputed when there is no law. {5:14} Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the likeness of Adam's transgression of the law, who is a figure of him that was to come. {5:15} But not as the trespass, so also [is] the free gift. For if by the trespass of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God, and the gift by the grace of the one man, Yehsus Christ, abound unto the many. {5:16} And not as through one that sinned, [so] is the gift: for the judgment [came] of one unto condemnation, but the free gift [came] of many trespasses unto justification. {5:17} For if, by the trespass of the one, death reigned through the one; much more shall they that receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of good works reign in life through the one, [even] Yehsus Christ. {5:18} So then as through one trespass [the judgment came] unto all men to condemnation; even so through one act of good works [the free gift came] unto all men to justification of life. {5:19} For as through [Adam] the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the one shall the many be made righteous. {5:20} And the [written] law [through Moses] came in besides, that the trespass might abound; but where sin abounded, grace did abound more exceedingly: {5:21} that, as sin reigned in death, even so might grace reign through good works unto eternal life through Yehsus Christ our Lord.

{n6}6} Romans Chapter Six. {6:1} What shall we say then? shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? {6:2} God forbid. We who died to sin, how shall we any longer live therein? {6:3} Or are you ignorant that all we who were immersed [in water] into Christ Yehsus were immersed into his death? {6:4} We were buried [in water] therefore with him through immersion [in water] unto death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might [be spiritually resurrected to] walk in newness of life. {6:5} For if we have become united with [him] in the likeness of his death, we shall be also [in the likeness] of his resurrection; {6:6} knowing this, that our old man was crucified with [him], that the body of sin might be done away, that so we [through the resurrection] should no longer be in bondage to sin; {6:7} for he that has died [from sin] is justified from sin. {6:8} But if we died [from sin] with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him; {6:9} knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dies no more; death no more has dominion over him. {6:10} For the death that he died, he died unto sin once: but the life that he lives, he lives unto God. {6:11} Even so reckon you also yourselves to be dead unto sin, but alive unto God in Christ Yehsus. {6:12} Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that you should obey the lusts there: {6:13} neither present your members unto sin [as] instruments of [illegal] works against the law; but present yourselves unto God, as alive from the dead, and your members [as] instruments of good works unto God. {6:14} For sin shall not have dominion over you: for you are not under [written] law [through

Moses], but under grace. {6:15} What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the [written] law [through Moses], but under grace? God forbid. {6:16} Know you not, that to whom you present yourselves [as] servants unto obedience, his servants you are whom you obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto [legal] works of the law [through Moses]? {6:17} But thanks be to God, that, whereas you were servants of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching whereunto you were delivered; {6:18} and being made free from sin, you became servants of good works (which is legal works of the law). {6:19} I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as you presented your members [as] servants to uncleanness and to work against law unto works of lawlessness, even so now present your members [as] servants to lawful works unto sanctification. {6:20} For when you were servants of sin, you were free in regard [to legal works] of the [written] law [through Moses]. {6:21} What fruit then had you at that time in the things where you are now ashamed? for the end of those things [illegal or lawless works] is death. {6:22} But now being made free from sin and become servants to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end eternal life. {6:23} For the wages of sin is death; but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Yehsus our Lord.

{N6}7} Romans Chapter Seven. {7:1} Or are you ignorant, brethren (for I speak to men who know the [written] law [through Moses]), that the [written] law [through Moses] has dominion over a man for so long time as he lives? {7:2} For the woman that has a husband is bound by [written] law [through Moses] to the husband while he lives; but if the husband dies, she is discharged from the law of the husband. {7:3} So then if, while the husband lives, she be joined to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if the husband dies, she is free from the [written] law [through Moses], so that she is no adulteress, though she be [sexually] joined to another man. {7:4} Therefore, my brethren, you also were made dead to the [written] law [through Moses] through the body of Christ; that you should be joined to another [law of Faith], [even] to him who was raised from the dead, that we might bring forth fruit unto God. {7:5} For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions, which were through the [written] law [of Moses], wrought in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. {7:6} But now we have been discharged from the [written] law [through Moses], having died to that wherein we were held; so that we serve in newness of the spirit, and not in oldness of the [written] letter. {7:7} What shall we say then? Is the [written] law [through Moses] sin? God forbid. However, I had not known sin, except through the [written] law [through Moses]: for I had not known coveting, except the [written] law [through Moses] had said, you shall not covet: {7:8} but sin, finding occasion, wrought in me through the commandment all manner of coveting: for apart from the [written] law [through Moses] sin [is] dead. {7:9} And I was [physically] alive [but] apart from the [written] law [through Moses] once [by my Pharisee oral] law [of the Halakah]: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died; {7:10} and the commandment, which [was] unto life, this I found [to be] unto death: {7:11} for [my] sin, finding occasion, through the commandment [in my Pharisee oral law had] deceived me, and through [Learning truth] it slew me. {7:12} So that [it is] the [written] law [through Moses that] is holy, and the commandment holy, and righteous, and good. {7:13} Did then that which is good become death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might be shown to be sin, by working death to me through that which is good; --that through the commandment sin might become exceeding sinful. {7:14} For we know that the [written] law [through Moses] is spiritual: but [through my old oral law of the Pharisee] I am carnal, sold under sin. {7:15} For that which I do I know not: for not what I would, that do I practice; but what I hate, that I do. {7:16} But if what I would not, that I do, I consent unto the [written] law [through Moses] that it is good. {7:17} So now [in my old oral law of the Pharisee] it is no more I that do it, but sin which dwells in me. {7:18} For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells no good thing: for to will is present with me, but to do that which is good [is] not [normal]. {7:19} For the good which I would, I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I practice. {7:20} But if what I would not, that I do, it is no more I that do it, but sin which dwells

in me. {7:21} I find then the [written] law [through Moses], that, to me who would do good, evil is present. {7:22} For I delight in the [written] law of God [through Moses] after the inward man: {7:23} but I see a different [natural] law in my members, warring against the [old Pharisee unwritten] law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity under the [written] law of sin [through Moses] which [natural law] is in my members. {7:24} Wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me out of the body of this death? {7:25} I thank God through Yehsus Christ our Lord. So then I of myself with the mind, indeed, serve the law of God [through faith]; but with the flesh the [written] law of sin [through Moses].

{N6}8} Romans Chapter Eight. {8:1} There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Yehsus. For the law of [Faith] in the Spirit of life in Christ Yehsus made me free from the [written] law [through Moses] of sin and of death. {8:2} For what the law [through Moses] could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, [8:4] God, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: {8:5} that the ordinances of the law [of faith] might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. {8:4} For they that are after the flesh mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. {8:6} For the mind of the flesh is death; but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace: {8:7} because the mind of the flesh is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law [of faith] of God, neither indeed can it be: {8:8} and they that are in the flesh cannot please God. {8:9} But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if any man has not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. {8:10} And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the spirit is life because of righteous works. {8:11} But if the Spirit of him that raised up Yehsus from the dead dwells in you, he that raised up Christ Yehsus from the dead shall give life also to your mortal bodies through his Spirit that dwells in you. {8:12} So then, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh: {8:13} for if you live after the flesh, you must die; but if [you live] by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you shall live. {8:14} For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. {8:15} For you received not the spirit of bondage again unto fear; but you received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. {8:16} The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit, that we are children of God: {8:17} and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with [him], that we may be also glorified with [him]. {8:18} For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed to us-ward. {8:19} For the earnest expectation of the creation waits for the revealing of the sons of God. {8:20} For the creation was subjected to vanity, not of its own will, but by reason of him who subjected it, in hope {8:21} that the creation itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the liberty of the glory of the children of God. {8:22} For we know that the whole creation groans and travails in pain together until now. {8:23} And not only so, but ourselves also, who have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for [our] adoption, [to wit], the redemption of our body. {8:23} For in hope we were saved: but hope that is seen is not hope: for who hopes for that which he sees? {8:25} But if we hope for that which we see not, [then] do we with patience wait for it. {8:26} And in like manner the Spirit also helps our infirmity: for we know not how to pray as we ought; but the Spirit himself makes intercession for [us] with groanings which cannot be uttered; {8:27} and he that searches the hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because he makes intercession for the Holy People according to [the will of] God. {8:28} And we know that to them that agape love God all things work together for good, [even] to them that are called according to [his] purpose. {8:29} For [those] whom he knew before, he also foreordained [to be] conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the first reborn among many brethren: {8:30} and [those] whom he foreordained, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and [those] whom he justified, them he also glorified. {8:31} What then shall we say to these things? If God [is] for us, who [is] against us? {8:32} He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all,

how shall he not also with him freely give us all things? {8:33} Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifies; {8:34} who is he that condemns? It is Christ Yehsus that died, behold rather, that was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. {8:35} Who shall separate us from the agape love of Christ? shall tribulation, or anguish, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? {8:37} Even as it is written, For your sake we are killed all the daylong; We were accounted as sheep for the slaughter. {8:36} No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that agape loved us. {8:38} For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor messengers, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, {8:39} nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the agape love of God, which is in Christ Yehsus our Lord.

{N6}9} Romans Chapter Nine. {9:1} I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience bearing witness with me in the Holy Spirit, {9:2} that I have great sorrow and unceasing pain in my heart. {9:3} For I could wish that I myself were anathema from Christ for my brethren's sake, my kinsmen according to the flesh: {9:4} who are Israelites; whose is the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the [written] law [through Moses], and the service [of God], and the promises; {9:5} whose are the fathers, and of whom is Christ as concerning the flesh, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen. {9:6} But [it is] not as though the word of God has come to nothing. For they are not all Israel, that are of Israel: {9:7} neither, because they are Abraham's seed, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall your seed be called. {9:8} That is, it is not the children of the flesh that are children of God; but the children of the promise are reckoned for a seed. {9:9} For this is a word of promise, According to this season will I come, and Sarah shall have a son. {9:10} And not only so; but Rebecca also having conceived by one, [even] by our father Isaac-- {9:11} for [the children] being not yet born, neither having done anything good or bad, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, [the elections stands] not of works, but of him that calls, {9:12} it was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger. {9:13} Even as it is written, Jacob I agape loved, but Esau I hated. {9:14} What shall we say then? Is there not [illegal] works against [the written law] with God? God forbid. {9:15} For he said to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion. {9:16} So then it is not of him that wills, nor of him that runs, but of God that has mercy. {9:17} For the scripture said unto Pharaoh, For this very purpose did I raise you up, that I might show in you my power, and that my name might be published abroad in all the earth. {9:18} So then he has mercy on whom he will, and whom he will be harden. {9:19} you will say then unto me, Why does he still find fault? For who withstands his will? {9:20} No but, O man, who are you that replies against God? shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why did you make me thus? {9:21} Or has not the potter a right over the clay, from the same lump to make one part a vessel unto honor, and another unto dishonor? {9:22} What if God, willing to show his Anger, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering vessels of Anger fitted unto destruction: {9:23} and that he might make known the riches of his glory upon vessels of mercy, which he before prepared unto glory, {9:24} [even] us, whom he also called, not from the Jews only, but also from the Nations? {9:25} As he said also in Hosea, I will call that my people, which was not my people; And her [to be] agape beloved, that was not agape beloved. {9:26} And it shall be, [that] in the place where it was said unto them, you are not my people, There shall they be called sons of the living God. {9:27} And Isaiah cries concerning Israel, If the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that shall be saved: {9:28} for the Lord will execute [his] word upon the earth, finishing it and cutting it short. {9:29} And, as Isaiah has said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, We had become as Sodom, and had been made like unto Gomorrah. {9:30} What shall we say then? That the Nations, who followed not after good works, attained to good works [of Christ], even the good works which is [a law] of faith: {9:31} but Israel, following after a [Halakah the

oral] Law of [the mind] in good works, did not arrive at law [of faith] {9:32} Therefore, Because [they sought it] not by faith, but as it were by works [of the law of the mind the Halakah], they stumbled at the stone of stumbling; {9:33} even as it is written, Behold, I lay in Zion a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence: And he that believes on him shall not be put to shame.

{N6}10} Romans Chapter Ten. {10:1} Brethren, my heart's desire and my supplication to God is for them, that they may be saved. {10:2} For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. {10:3} For being ignorant of God's righteous works, and seeking to establish their own, they did not subject themselves to the righteous works of God. {10:4} For Christ is the end of the [written] law [through Moses] unto righteous works to everyone that believes. {10:5} For Moses writes that the man that does righteous works which is of the law shall live thereby. {10:6} But the righteous works which is [by law] of faith said thus, Say not in your heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down:) {10:7} or, Who shall descend into the abyss? (That is, to bring Christ up from the dead.) {10:8} But what said it? The word is near you, in your mouth, and in your heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach {10:9} because if you shall confess with your mouth Yehsus [is] Lord, and shall believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you shall be saved: {10:10} for with the heart man believes unto righteous works; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. {10:11} For the scripture said, Anyone who believes on him shall not be put to shame. {10:12} For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek: for the same [Lord] is Lord of all, and is rich unto all that call upon him: {10:13} for, Anyone who shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. {10:14} How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear outside a preacher? {10:15} and how shall they preach, except they be sent? even as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that bring glad tidings of good things! {10:16} But they did not all hear to the glad tidings. For Isaiah said, Lord, who has believed our report? {10:17} So belief [comes] of hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ. {10:18} But I say, Did they not hear? behold, verily, Their sound went out into all the earth, And their words unto the ends of the world. {10:19} But I say, Did Israel not know? First Moses said, I will provoke you to jealousy with that which is no nation, With a nation void of understanding will I anger you. {10:20} And Isaiah is very bold, and said, I was found of them that sought me not; I became manifest unto them that asked not of me. {10:21} But as to Israel he said, All the daylong did I spread out my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

{N6}11} Romans Chapter Eleven. {11:1} I say then, Did God cast off his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. {11:2} God did not cast off his people which he knew before. Or know you not what the scripture said of Elijah? how he pleads with God against Israel: {11:3} Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have dug down your altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life. {11:4} But what said the answer of God unto him? I have left for myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to Baal. {11:5} Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace. {11:6} But if it is by grace, it is no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. {11:7} What then? that which Israel seeks for, that he obtained not; but the election obtained it, and the rest were hardened: {11:8} according as it is written, God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear, unto this very day. {11:9} And David said, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, And a stumbling block, and a recompense unto them: {11:10} Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, And bow you down their back always. {11:11} I say then, Did they stumble that they might fall? God forbid: but by their fall salvation [is come] unto the Nations, to provoke them to jealousy. {11:12} Now if their fall, is the riches of the world, and their loss [becomes] the riches of the Nations; how much more their fullness? {11:13} But I speak to you that are Nations. Inasmuch then as I am an

apostle of Nations, I glorify my ministry; {11:14} if by any means I may provoke to jealousy [them that are] my flesh, and may save some of them. {11:15} For if the casting away of them [is] the reconciling of the world, what [shall] the receiving [of them be], but life from the dead? {11:16} And if the first fruit is holy, so is the lump: and if the root is holy, so are the branches. {11:17} But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive, was grafted in among them, and did become partaker with them of the root of the fatness of the olive tree; {11:18} glory not over the branches: but if you boast, it is not you that bears the root, but the root you. {11:19} you will say then, Branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in. {11:20} Well; by their unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by your faith. Be not high minded, but fear: {11:21} for if God spared not the natural branches, neither will he spare you. {11:22} Behold then the goodness and severity of God: toward them that fell, severity; but toward you, God's goodness, if you continue in his goodness: otherwise you also shall be cut off. {11:23} And they also, if they continue not in their unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again. {11:24} For if you was cut out of that which is by nature a wild olive tree, and was grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree; how much more shall these, which are the natural [branches], be grafted into their own olive tree? {11:25} For I would not, brethren, have you ignorant of this mystery, lest you be wise in your own conceits, that a hardening in part has befallen Israel, until the fullness of the Nations be come in; {11:26} and so all Israel shall be saved: even as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer; He shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: {11:27} And this is my covenant unto them, When I shall take away their sins. {11:28} As touching the good news, they are enemies for your sake: but as touching the election, they are agape beloved for the fathers' sake. {11:29} For the gifts and the calling of God are not because someone has repented [before the gift]. {11:30} For as you in time past were disobedient to God, but now have obtained mercy by their disobedience, {11:31} even so have these also now been disobedient, that by the mercy shown to you they also may now obtain mercy. {11:32} For God has shut up all unto disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. {11:33} O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and the knowledge of God! how unreachable are his judgments, and his ways past tracing out! {11:34} For who has known the mind of the Lord? or who has been his counselor? {11:35} or who has first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? {11:36} For of him, and through him, and unto him, are all things. To him [be] the glory forever. Amen.

{N6}12} Romans Chapter Twelve. {12:1} I ask you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, [which is] your spiritual service. {12:2} And be not fashioned according to this world: but be you transformed by the renewing of your mind, and you may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God. {12:3} For I say, through the grace that was given me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think as to think soberly, according as God has dealt to each man a measure of faith. {12:4} For even as we have many members in one body, and all the members have not the same office: {12:5} so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and severally members one of another. {12:6} And having gifts differing according to the grace that was given to us, whether prophecy, [let us prophesy] according to the proportion of our faith; {12:7} or ministry, [let us give ourselves] to our ministry; or he that teaches, to his teaching; {12:8} or he that exhorts, to his exhorting: he that gives, [let him do it] with liberality; he that rules, with diligence; he that shows mercy, with cheerfulness'. {12:9} Let agape love be outside hypocrisy. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. {12:10} In philo love of the brethren be tenderly affectionate one to another; in honor preferring one another; {12:11} in diligence not slothful; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; {12:12} rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing steadfastly in prayer; {12:13} communicating to the necessities of the Holy People; given to hospitality. {12:14} Bless them that persecute you; bless, and curse not. {12:15} Rejoice with them that rejoice; weep with them that weep. {12:16} Be of

the same mind one toward another. Set not your mind on high things, but condescend to things that are lowly. Be not wise in your own conceits. {12:17} Render to no man evil for evil. Take thought for things honorable in the sight of all men. {12:18} If it be possible, as much as in you lies, be at peace with all men. {12:19} Avenge not yourselves, agape beloved, but give place unto the Anger [of God]: for it is written, Vengeance belongs unto me; I will recompense, said the Lord. {12:20} But if your enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him to drink: for in so doing you shall heap coals of fire upon his head. {12:21} Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

{N6}13} Romans Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Let every soul be in subjection to the higher powers: for there is no power but of God; and the [powers] that be are ordained of God. {13:2} Therefore he that resists the power, withstands the ordinance of God: and they that withstand shall receive to themselves judgment. {13:3} For rulers are not a terror to the good work, but to the evil. And would you have no fear of the power? do that which is good, and you shall have praise from the same: {13:4} for he is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do that which is evil, be afraid; for he bears not the sword in vain: for he is a minister of God, an avenger for Anger to him that does evil. {13:5} Therefore [you] must needs be in subjection, not only because of the Anger, but also for conscience' sake. {13:6} For this cause you pay tribute also; for they are ministers of God's service, attending continually upon this very thing. {13:7} Render to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute [is due]; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor. {13:8} Owe no man anything, save to agape love one another: for he that agape loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law [through Moses]. {13:9} For this, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and if there be any other commandment, it is summed up in this word, namely, you shall agape love your neighbor as yourself. {13:10} Agape Love works no ill to his neighbor: Agape love therefore is the fulfillment of the law [through faith]. {13:11} And this, knowing the season, that already it is time for you to awake out of sleep: for now is salvation nearer to us than when we [first] believed. {13:12} The night is far spent, and the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. {13:13} Let us walk becomingly, as in the day; not in reveling and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and jealousy. {13:14} But put you on the Lord Yehsus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to [fulfill] the lusts [there].

{n6}14} Romans Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} But him that is weak in faith receive you, [him, yet] not for decision of scruples. {14:2} One man has faith to eat all things: but he that is weak eats herbs. {14:3} Let not him that eats set at nothing him that eats not; and let not him that eats not judge him that eats: for God has received him. {14:4} Who are you that judges the servant of another? to his own lord he stands or falls. behold, he shall be made to stand; for the Lord has power to make him stand. {14:5} One man esteems [holy] one day above another: another esteems every day [alike]. Let each man be fully assured in his own mind. {14:6} He that regards [holy] the day, regards it unto the Lord: and he that eats, eats unto the Lord, for he gives God thanks; and he that eats not, unto the Lord he eats not, and gives God thanks. {14:7} For none of us lives to himself, and none dies to himself. {14:8} For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; or whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. {14:9} For to this end Christ died and lived [again], that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. {14:10} But you, why do you judge your brother? or you again, why do you set at nothing your brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment-seat of God. {14:11} For it is written, As I live, said the Lord, to me every knee shall bow, And every tongue shall confess to God. {14:12} So then each one of us shall give account of himself to God. {14:13} Let us not therefore judge one another anymore: but judge you this rather, that no man put a stumbling block in his brother's way, or an occasion of falling. {14:14} I know, and am persuaded in the Lord

Yehsus, that nothing is unclean of itself: save that to him who accounts anything to be unclean, to him it is unclean. {14:15} For if because of meat your brother is grieved, you walk no longer in agape love. Destroy not with your meat him for whom Christ died. {14:16} Let not then your good be evil spoken of: {14:17} for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but [works of] good works and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. {14:18} For he that herein serves Christ is well-pleasing to God, and approved of men. {14:19} So then let us follow after things which make for peace, and things whereby we may edify one another. {14:20} Overthrow not for meat's sake the work of God. All things indeed are clean; however it is evil for that man who eats with offence. {14:21} It is good not to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor [to do anything] whereby your brother stumbles. {14:22} The faith which you have, have you to yourself before God. Happy is he that judge not himself in that which he approves. {14:23} But he that doubts is condemned if he eat, because [he eats] not of faith; and whatever is not of [the law of] faith is sin.

{N6}15} Romans Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Now we that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. {15:2} Let each one of us please his neighbor for that which is good, unto edifying. {15:3} For Christ also pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached you fell upon me. {15:4} For whatever things were written times past were written for our learning, that through patience and through comfort of the scriptures we might have hope. {15:5} Now the God of patience and of comfort grant you to be of the same mind one with another according to Christ Yehsus: {15:6} that with one accord you may with one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Yehsus Christ. {15:7} Therefore receive you one another, even as Christ also received you, to the glory of God. {15:8} For I say that Christ has been made a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, that he might confirm the promises [given] unto the fathers, {15:9} and that the Nations might glorify God for his mercy; as it is written, Therefore will I give praise unto you among the Nations, And sing unto your name. {15:10} And again he said, Rejoice, you Nations, with his people. {15:11} And again, Praise the Lord, all you Nations; And let all the peoples praise him. {15:12} And again, Isaiah said, There shall be the root of Jesse, And he that arises to rule over the Nations; On him shall the Nations hope. {15:13} Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, in the power of the Holy Spirit. {15:14} And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another. {15:15} But I write the more boldly unto you in some measure, as putting you again in remembrance, because of the grace that was given me of God, {15:16} that I should be a minister of Christ Yehsus unto the Nations, ministering the good news of God, that the offering up of the Nations might be made acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. {15:17} I have therefore my glorifying in Christ Yehsus in things pertaining to God. {15:18} For I will not dare to speak of any things save those which Christ wrought through me, for the obedience of the Nations, by word and deed, {15:19} in the power of signs and wonders, in the power of the Holy Spirit; so that from Jerusalem, and round about even unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the good news of Christ; {15:20} behold, making it my aim so to preach the good news, not where Christ was [already] named, that I might not build upon another man's foundation; {15:21} but, as it is written, They shall see, to whom no tidings of him came, And they who have not heard shall understand. {15:22} Therefore also I was hindered these many times from coming to you: {15:23} but now, having no more any place in these regions, and having these many years a longing to come unto you, {15:24} when so ever I go unto Spain (for I hope to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way there by you, if first in some measure I shall have been satisfied with your company)-- {15:25} but now, I [say], I go unto Jerusalem, ministering unto the Holy People. {15:26} For it has been the good pleasure of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the Holy People that are at Jerusalem. {15:27} behold, it has been their good pleasure; and their debtors they are. For if the Nations have been made partakers of their spiritual things, they owe it [to them] also to

minister unto them in carnal things. {15:28} When therefore I have accomplished this, and have sealed to them this fruit, I will go on by you unto Spain. {15:29} And I know that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fullness of the blessing of Christ. {15:30} Now I ask you, brethren, by our Lord Yehsus Christ, and by the agape love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in your prayers to God for me; {15:31} that I may be delivered from them that are disobedient in Judea, and [that] my ministration which [I have] for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the Holy People; {15:32} that I may come unto you in joy through the will of God, and together with you find rest. {15:33} Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

{N6}16} Romans Sixteen. {16:1} I commend unto you Phoebe our sister, who is a servant of the Ekklesia that is at Cenchreae: {16:2} that you receive her in the Lord, worthily of the Holy People, and that you assist her in whatever matter she may have need of you: for she herself also has been a helper of many, and of mine own self. {16:3} Salute Prisca and Aquila my fellow-workers in Christ Yehsus, {16:4} who for my life laid down their own necks; unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the Ekklesias of the Nations: {16:5} and [salute] the Ekklesia that is in their house. Salute Epaphroditus my agape beloved, who is the first-fruits of Asia unto Christ. {16:6} Salute Maria, who bestowed much labor on you. {16:7} Salute Andronicus and Junias, my kinsmen, and my fellow-prisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also have been in Christ before me. {16:8} Salute Ampliatus my agape beloved in the Lord. {16:9} Salute Urbanus our fellow-worker in Christ, and Stachys my agape beloved. {16:10} Salute Apelles the approved in Christ. Salute them that are of the [household] of Aristobulus. {16:11} Salute Herodion my kinsman. Salute them of the [household] of Narcissus, that are in the Lord. {16:12} Salute Tryphaena and Tryphosa, who labor in the Lord. Salute Persis the agape beloved, who labored much in the Lord. {16:13} Salute Rufus the chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine. {16:14} Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brethren that are with them. {16:15} Salute Philologus and Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the Holy People that are with them. {16:16} Salute one another with a holy kiss. All the Ekklesias of Christ salute you. {16:17} Now I ask you, brethren, mark them that are causing the divisions and occasions of stumbling, contrary to the instructions which you learned: and turn away from them. {16:18} For they that are such serve not our Lord Christ, but their own belly; and by their smooth and fair speech they beguile the hearts of the innocent. {16:19} For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I rejoice therefore over you: but I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple unto that which is evil. {16:20} And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ be with you. {16:21} Timothy my fellow-worker salutes you; and Lucius and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen. {16:22} I Tertius, who write the epistle, salute you in the Lord. {16:23} Gaius my host, and of the whole Ekklesia, salutes you. Erastus the treasurer of the city salutes you, and Quareus the brother. {16:24} [The grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ be with you all. Amen.] {16:25} Now to him that is able to establish you according to my good news and the preaching of Yehsus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept in silence through times eternal, {16:26} but now is manifested, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal God, is made known unto all the nations unto obedience of faith: {16:27} to the only wise God, through Yehsus Christ, to whom be the glory forever. Amen.

The First Epistle of the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.

{N7}1} First Corinthians Chapter One.. {1:1} Paul, called [to be] an apostle of Yehsus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, {1:2} unto the Ekklesia of God which is at Corinth, [even] them that are sanctified in Christ Yehsus, called [to be] Holy People, with all that call upon the name of our Lord Yehsus Christ in every place, their [Lord] and ours: {1:3} Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:4} I thank my God always concerning you, for the grace of God which was given you in Christ Yehsus; {1:5} that in

everything you were enriched in him, in all utterance and all knowledge; {1:6} even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you: {1:7} so that you come behind in no gift; waiting for the revelation of our Lord Yehsus Christ; {1:8} who shall also confirm you unto the end, [that you be] un-reprove able in the day of our Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:9} God is faithful, through whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son Yehsus Christ our Lord. {1:10} Now I ask you, brethren, through the name of our Lord Yehsus Christ, that you all speak the same thing and [that] there be no divisions among you; but [that] you be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment. {1:11} For it has been signified unto me concerning you, my brethren, by them [that are of the household] of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. {1:12} Now this I mean, that each one of you said, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos: and I of Cephas; and I of Christ. {1:13} Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were you immersed [in water] into the name of Paul? {1:14} I thank God that I immersed none of you, save Crispus and Gaius; {1:15} lest any man should say that you were immersed [in water] into my name. {1:16} And I immersed [in water] also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I immersed any other. {1:17} For Christ sent me not only to immerse [in water], but to preach the good news: not in wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made void. {1:18} For the word of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us who are saved it is the power of God. {1:19} For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And the discernment of the discerning will I bring to nothing. {1:20} Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? {1:21} For seeing that in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom knew not God, it was God's good pleasure through the foolishness of the preaching to save them that believe. {1:22} Seeing that Jews ask for signs, and Greeks seek after wisdom: {1:23} but we preach Christ crucified, unto Jews a stumbling block, and unto Nations foolishness; {1:24} but unto them that are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God. {1:25} Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. {1:26} For behold your calling, brethren, that not many wise after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, [are called]: {1:27} but God chose the foolish things of the world, that he might put to shame them that are wise; and God chose the weak things of the world, that he might put to shame the things that are strong; {1:28} and the base things of the world, and the things that are despised, did God choose, [behold] and the things that are not, that he might bring to nothing the things that are: {1:29} that no flesh should glory before God. {1:30} But of him are you in Christ Yehsus, who was made unto us wisdom from God, and good works and sanctification, and redemption: {1:31} that, according as it is written, He that glories, let him glory in the Lord.

{N7}2} First Corinthians Chapter Two. {2:1} And I, brethren, when I came unto you, came not with Excellency of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. {2:2} For I determined not to know anything among you, save Yehsus Christ, and him crucified. {2:3} And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. {2:4} And my speech and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: {2:5} that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. {2:6} We speak wisdom, however, among them that are full-grown: yet a wisdom not of this world, nor of the rulers of this world, who are coming to nothing: {2:7} but we speak God's wisdom in a mystery, [even] the [wisdom] that has been hidden, which God foreordained before the worlds unto our glory: {2:8} which none of the rulers of this world has known: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory: {2:9} but as it is written, Things which eye saw not, and ear heard not, And [which] entered not into the heart of man, Whatever things God prepared for them that agape love him. {2:10} But unto us God revealed [them] through the Spirit: for the Spirit searches all things, behold, the deep things of God. {2:11} For who among men knows the things of a man, save the spirit of the man, which is in him? even so the things of God none knows, save the Spirit of God. {2:12} But we received, not the spirit of the

world, but the spirit which is from God; that we might know the things that were freely given to us of God. {2:13} Which things also we speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches, but which the Spirit teaches; combining spiritual things with spiritual. {2:14} Now the natural man receives not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him; and he cannot know them, because they are spiritually judged. {2:15} But he that is spiritual judges all things, and he himself is judged of no man. {2:16} For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he should instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

{N7}3} First Corinthians Chapter Three. {3:1} And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, as unto babes in Christ. {3:2} I fed you with milk, not with meat; for you were not yet able [to bear it]: No, not even now are you able; {3:3} for you are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you jealousy and strife, are you not carnal, and do you not walk after the manner of men? {3:4} For when one said, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are you not men? {3:5} What then is Apollos? and what is Paul? Ministers through whom you believed; and each as the Lord gave to him. {3:6} I planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. {3:7} So then neither is he that plants anything, neither he that waters; but God that gives the increase. {3:8} Now he that plants and he that waters are one: but each shall receive his own reward according to his own labor. {3:9} For we are God's fellow-workers: you are God's husbandry, God's building. {3:10} According to the grace of God which was given unto me, as a wise master builder I laid a foundation; and another builds thereon. But let each man take heed how he builds thereon. {3:11} For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Yehsus Christ. {3:12} But if any man builds on the foundation gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, stubble; {3:13} each man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it is revealed in fire; and the fire itself shall prove each man's work of what sort it is. {3:14} If any man's work shall abide which he built thereon, he shall receive a reward. {3:15} If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as through fire. {3:16} Know you not that you are a temple of God, and [that] the Spirit of God dwells in you? {3:17} If any man destroys the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, and such are you. {3:18} Let no man deceive himself. If any man thinks that he is wise among you in this world, let him become a fool, that he may become wise. {3:19} For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He that takes the wise in their craftiness: {3:20} and again, The Lord knows the reasonings of the wise that they are vain. {3:21} Therefore let no one idolize in men. For all things are yours; {3:22} whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; {3:23} and you are Christ's; and Christ is God's.

{N7}4} First Corinthians Chapter Four. {4:1} Let a man so account of us, as of ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. {4:2} Here, furthermore, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. {4:3} But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: behold, I judge not mine own self. {4:4} For I know nothing against myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judges me is the Lord. {4:5} Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall each man have his praise from God. {4:6} Now these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes; that in us you might learn not [to go] beyond the things which are written; that no one of you be puffed up for the one against the other. {4:7} For who makes you to differ? and what have you that you did not receive? but if you did receive it, why do you glory as if you had not received it? {4:8} Already are you filled, already you are become rich, you have come to reign outside us: behold and I would that you did reign, that we also might reign with you. {4:9} For, I think, God has set forth us the apostles last of all, as men doomed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, both to messengers and men. {4:10} We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ; we are weak, but you are strong; you have glory, but we have

dishonor. {4:11} Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and have no certain dwelling-place; {4:12} and we toil, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; {4:13} being defamed, we entreat: we are made as the filth of the world, the off scouring of all things, even until now. {4:14} I write not these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my agape beloved children. {4:15} For though you have ten thousand tutors in Christ, yet [have you] not many fathers; for in Christ Yehsus I begot you through the good news. {4:16} I ask you therefore, be you imitators of me. {4:17} For this cause have I sent unto you Timothy, who is my agape beloved and faithful child in the Lord, who shall put you in remembrance of my ways which are in Christ, even as I teach everywhere in every Ekklesia. {4:18} Now some are puffed up, as though I were not coming to you. {4:19} But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will; and I will know, not the word of them that are puffed up, but the power. {4:20} For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power. {4:21} What will you? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in agape love and a spirit of gentleness?

{N7}5} First Corinthians Chapter Five. {5:1} It is actually reported that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not even among the Nations, that one [of you] has his father's wife. {5:2} And you are puffed up, and did not rather grieve, that he that had done this deed might be taken away from among you. {5:3} For I verily, being absent in body but present in spirit, have already as though I were present judged him that has so wrought this thing, {5:4} in the name of our Lord Yehsus, you being gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Yehsus, {5:5} to deliver such a one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Yehsus. {5:6} Your glorying is not good. Know you not that a little leaven leavening the whole lump? {5:7} Purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, even as you are unleavened. For our Passover also has been sacrificed, [even] Christ: {5:8} Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. {5:9} I wrote unto you in my epistle to have no company with fornicators; {5:10} not at all [meaning] with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous and extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must you needs go out of the world: {5:11} but as it is, I wrote unto you not to keep company, if any man that is named a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such a one no, not to eat. {5:12} For what have I to do with judging them that are outside? Do not you judge them that are within? {5:13} But them that are outside God judges. Put away the wicked man from among yourselves.

{N7}6} First Corinthians Chapter Six. {6:1} Dare any of you, having a matter against his neighbor, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the Holy People? {6:2} Or know you not that the Holy People shall judge the world? and if the world is judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters? {6:3} Know you not that we shall judge messengers? how much more, things that pertain to this life? {6:4} If then you have to judge things pertaining to this life, do you set them to judge the Ekklesia those that are the unbelievers? {6:5} I say [this] to move you to shame. What, cannot there be [found] among you one wise man who shall be able to decide between his brethren, {6:6} but brother goes to law [of the unrighteous] with brother, and that before unbelievers? {6:7} No, already it is altogether a defect in you, that you have lawsuits one with another. Why not rather take wrong? why not rather be defrauded? {6:8} No, but you yourselves do wrong, and defraud, and that [your] brethren. {6:9} Or know you not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, {6:10} nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. {6:11} And such were some of you: but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Yehsus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God. {6:12} [Eating] All things are lawful for me; but not all things are expedient. All things are lawful for me; but I will not be brought under

the power of any. {6:13} Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall bring to nothing both it and them. But the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body: {6:14} and God both raised the Lord, and will raise up as through his power. {6:15} Know you not that your bodies are members of Christ? shall I then take away the members of Christ, and make them members of a prostitute? God forbid. {6:16} Or know you not that he that is joined to a prostitute is one body? for, The twain, said he, shall become one flesh. {6:17} But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit. {6:18} Flee fornication. Every sin that a man does is outside the body; but he that commits fornication sins against his own body. {6:19} Or know you not that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which you have from God? and you are not your own; {6:20} for you were bought with a price: glorify God therefore in your body.

{N7}7} First Corinthians Chapter Seven. {7:1} Now concerning the things where you wrote: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. {7:2} But, because of fornications, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband. {7:3} Let the husband render unto the wife her due: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. {7:4} The wife has not power over her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband has not power over his own body, but the wife. {7:5} Defraud you not one the other, except it be by consent for a season, that you may give yourselves unto prayer, and may be together again, that Satan tempt you not because of your incontinency. {7:6} But this I say by way of concession, not of commandment. {7:7} yet I would that all men were even as I myself. However each man has his own gift from God, one after this manner, and another after that. {7:8} But I say to the unmarried and to widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I. {7:9} But if they have not continence, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn. {7:10} But unto the married I give charge, [behold] not I, but the Lord, That the wife depart not from her husband {7:11} (but should she depart, let her remain unmarried, or else be reconciled to her husband); and that the husband leave not his wife. {7:12} But to the rest say I, not the Lord: If any brother has an unbelieving wife, and she is content to dwell with him, let him not leave her. {7:13} And the woman that has an unbelieving husband, and he is content to dwell with her, let her not leave her husband. {7:14} For the unbelieving husband is sanctified in the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified in the brother: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy. {7:15} yet if the unbelieving depart, let him depart: the brother or the sister is not under bondage in such [cases]: but God has called us in peace. {7:16} For how know you, O wife, whether you shall save your husband? Or how know you, O husband, whether you shall save your wife? {7:17} Only, as the Lord has distributed to each man, as God has called each, so let him walk. And so ordain I in all the Ekklesias {7:18} Was any man called being circumcised? Let him not become uncircumcised. Has any been called in uncircumcision? Let him not be circumcised. {7:19} Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing; but walk by keeping of the commandments of God. {7:20} Let each man abide in that calling wherein he was called. {7:21} Was you called being a bondservant? Care not for it: No, even if you Can become free, use [it] rather. {7:22} For he that was called in the Lord being a bondservant, is the Lord's freedman: likewise he that was called being free, is Christ's bondservant. {7:23} you were bought with a price; become not bondservants of men. {7:24} Brethren, let each man, wherein he was called, therein abide with God. {7:25} Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: but I give my judgment, as one that has obtained mercy of the Lord to be trustworthy. {7:26} I think therefore that this is good by reason of the distress that is upon us, [namely,] that it is good for a man to be as he is. {7:27} are you bound unto a wife? Seek not to be loosed. are you loosed from a wife? Seek not a wife. {7:28} But should you marry, you have not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she has not sinned. yet such shall have tribulation in the flesh: and I would spare you. {7:29} But this I say, brethren, the time is shortened, that from here on both those that have wives may be as though they had none; {7:30} and those that weep, as though they wept not; and those that

rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and those that buy, as though they possessed not; {7:31} and those that use the world, as not using it to the full: for the fashion of this world passes away. {7:32} But I would have you to be free from cares. He that is unmarried is careful for the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord: {7:33} but he that is married is careful for the things of the world, how he may please his wife, {7:34} and is divided. [So] also the woman that is unmarried and the virgin is careful for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married is careful for the things of the world, how she may please her husband. {7:35} [because of present distress] But I say this for your own profit; not that I may set a snare before you, but for what is seemly, and waiting on the Lord without distraction. {7:36} But if anyone think that he behaves unseemly to his virginity, if he be beyond the flower of his age, and so it must be, let him do what he will, he does not sin: let them marry. {7:37} [because of present distress] But he who stands firm in his heart, having no need, but has authority over his own will, and has judged this in his heart to keep his own virginity, he does well. {7:38} So that he that marries, himself does well; and he that does not marry [because of present distress] does better. {7:39} A wife is bound for so long time as her husband lives; but if the husband be dead, she is free to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord. {7:40} But she is happier if she abide as she is, after my judgment: and I think that I also have the Spirit of God.

{N7}8} First Corinthians Chapter Eight. {8:1} Now concerning things sacrificed to idols: We know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but agape love edifies. {8:2} If any man think that he knows anything, he knows not yet as he ought to know; {8:3} but if any man agape loves God, the same is known by him. {8:4} Concerning therefore the eating of things sacrificed to idols, we know that no idol is [anything] in the world, and that there is no God but one. {8:5} For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or on earth; as there are gods many, and lords many; {8:6} yet to us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we unto him; and one Lord, Yehsus Christ, through whom are all things, and we through him. {8:7} However there is not in all men that knowledge: but some, being used until now to the idol, eat as [of] a thing sacrificed to an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled. {8:8} But food will not commend us to God: neither, if we eat not, are we the worse; nor, if we eat, are we the better. {8:9} But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to the weak. {8:10} For if a man see you who have knowledge sitting at meat in an idol's temple, will not his conscience, if he is weak, be emboldened to eat things sacrificed to idols? {8:11} For through your knowledge he that is weak perishes, the brother for whose sake Christ died. {8:12} And thus, sinning against the brethren, and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. {8:13} Therefore, if meat causes my brother to stumble, I will eat no flesh forevermore, that I cause not my brother to stumble.

{N7}9} First Corinthians Chapter Nine. {9:1} Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Yehsus our Lord? Are not you my work in the Lord? {9:2} If to others I am not an apostle, yet at least I am to you; for the seal of mine apostleship are you in the Lord. {9:3} My defense to them that examine me is this. {9:4} Have we no right to eat and to drink? {9:5} Have we no right to lead about a wife that is a believer, even as the rest of the apostles, and the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas? {9:6} Or I only and Barnabas, have we not a right to forbear working? {9:7} What soldier ever serves at his own charges? who plants a vineyard, and eats not the fruit there? Or who feeds a flock, and eats not of the milk of the flock? {9:8} Do I speak these things after the manner of men? or said not the [written] law [through Moses] also the same? {9:9} For it is written in the law of Moses, you shall not muzzle the ox when he treads out the corn. Is it for the oxen that God cares, {9:10} or he said it assuredly for our sake? behold, for our sake it was written: because he that plows ought to plow in hope, and he that threshes, [to thresh] in hope of partaking. {9:11} If we sowed unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your carnal things? {9:12} If others partake of [this] right over you, do not we yet more? Nevertheless

we did not use this right; but we bear all things, that we may cause no hindrance to the good news of Christ. {9:13} Know you not that they that minister about sacred things eat [of] the things of the temple, [and] they that wait upon the altar have their portion with the altar? {9:14} Even so did the Lord ordain that they that proclaim the good news should live of the good news. {9:15} But I have used none of these things: and I write not these things that it may be so done in my case; for [it were] good for me rather to die, than that any man should make my glorifying void. {9:16} For if I preach the good news, I have nothing to glory of; for necessity is laid upon me; for woe is unto me, if I preach not the good news. 17 For if I do this of mine own will, I have a reward: but if not of mine own will, I have a stewardship entrusted to me. 18 What then is my reward? That, when I preach the good news, I may make the good news outside charge, so as not to use to the full my right in the good news. {9:19} For though I was free from all [men,] I brought myself under bondage to all, that I might gain the more. {9:20} And to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain Jews; to them that are under the law [though Moses], as under the law, not being myself under the law [written through Moses] to gain them that are under the law [written through Moses]; {9:21} to them that are outside law [written through Moses] , as outside law, not being outside law to God, but under law to Christ [now being written], that I might gain them that are outside law [of Christ]. {9:22} To the weak I became weak, that I might gain the weak: I am become all things to all men, that I may by all means save some. {9:23} And I do all things for the good news's sake, that I may be a joint partaker there. {9:24} Know you not that they that run in a race run all, but one receives the prize? Even so run; that you may attain. {9:25} And every man that strives in the games exercises self-control in all things. Now they [do it] to receive a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. {9:26} I therefore so run, as not uncertainly; so fight I, as not beating the air: {9:27} but I buffet my body, and bring it into slavery: lest by any means, after that I have preached to others, I myself should be rejected.

{N7}10} First Corinthians Chapter Ten. {10:1} For I would not, brethren, have you ignorant, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; {10:2} and were all immersed unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; {10:3} and did all eat the same spiritual food; {10:4} and did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of the spiritual, the unconquerable mountain fortress [Petra] that followed them: and the Petra [the unconquerable mountain fortress] was Christ. {10:5} However with most of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. {10:6} Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. {10:7} Neither be you idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. {10:8} Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. {10:9} Neither let us make trial of the Lord, as some of them made trial, and perished by the serpents. {10:10} Neither murmur you, as some of them murmured, and perished by the destroyer. {10:11} Now these things happened unto them by way of example; and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come. {10:12} So let him that thinks he stands take heed lest he fall [and also perish by the destroyer]. {10:13} There has no temptation taken you but such as man can bear: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that you are able; but will with the temptation make also the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. {10:14} Therefore, my agape beloved, flee from idolatry. {10:15} I speak as to wise men; judge you what I say. {10:16} The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a communion of the body of Christ? {10:17} seeing that we, who are many, are one bread, one body: for we are all partake of the one bread. {10:18} Behold Israel after the flesh: have not they that eat the sacrifices communion with the altar? {10:19} What say I then? that a thing sacrificed to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? {10:20} But [I say], that the things which the Nations sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons, and not to God: and I would not that you should have communion with demons. {10:21} you cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of demons:

you cannot partake of the table of the Lord, and of the table of demons. {10:22} Or do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he? {10:23} [Eating] All things are lawful; but not all things are expedient. All things are lawful [to eat]; but not all things edify. {10:24} Let no man seek his own, but [each] his neighbor's [good]. {10:25} Whatever is sold in the shambles, eat, asking no question for conscience' sake, {10:26} for the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness there. {10:27} If one of them that believe not bid you [to a feast], and you are disposed to go; whatever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience' sake. {10:28} But if any man say unto you, This has been offered in sacrifice, eat not, for his sake that showed it, and for conscience sake: {10:29} conscience, I say, not your own, but the other's; for why is my liberty judged by another conscience? {10:30} If I partake with thankfulness, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks? {10:31} Whether therefore you eat, or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. {10:32} Give no occasions of stumbling, either to Jews, or to Greeks, or to the Ekklesia of God: {10:33} even as I also please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit, but the [profit] of the many, that they may be saved.

{N7}11} First Corinthians Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Be you imitators of me, even as I also am of Christ. {11:2} Now I praise you that you remember me in all things, and hold fast the instructions, even as I delivered them to you. {11:3} But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God. {11:4} Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonors his head. {11:5} But every woman praying or prophesying with her head unveiled dishonors her head; for it is one and the same thing as if she were shaven. {11:6} For if a woman is not veiled, let her also be shorn: but if it is a shame to a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be veiled. {11:7} For a man indeed ought not to have his head veiled, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man. {11:8} For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man: {11:9} for neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man: {11:10} for this cause ought the woman to have [a sign of] authority on her head, because of the messengers. {11:11} Nevertheless, neither is the woman outside the man, nor the man outside the woman, in the Lord. {11:12} For as the woman is of the man, so is the man also by the woman; but all things are of God. {11:13} Judge you in yourselves: is it seemly that a woman pray unto God unveiled? {11:14} Does not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a dishonor to him? {11:15} But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her [long] hair is given her for a [veil or a] covering. {11:16} But if any man seems to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the Ekklesias of God. {11:17} But in giving you this charge, I praise you not, that you come together [it is] not for the better but for the worse. {11:18} For first of all, when you come together [to deliberate] in the [court of the] Ekklesia, I hear that divisions exist among you; and I partly believe it. {11:19} For there must be also factions among you, that they that are approved may [through deliberation] be made manifest among you. {11:20} Therefore when you assemble yourselves together in one place, it is not possible to eat [what you call] a "Lord's supper": {11:21} for in your eating each one takes before [other] his own supper; and one is hungry, and another is drunk. {11:22} What, have you not houses to eat and drink? or despise you the Ekklesia of God, and put them to shame that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you? In this I praise you not.

{11:23} For I received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Yehsus in the night in which he was betrayed took bread; {11:24} and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, This is my body, which for you is: this [to] do in remembrance of me. {11:25} In like manner also the cup, after supper, saying, This cup is the new covenant in my blood: this do, at the time you [are to] drink [it], in remembrance of me. {11:26} For whenever you eat this bread, and drink the cup, you reenact [to teach] the Lord's death till he come. {11:27} Therefore anyone who shall eat the bread or drink the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. {11:28} But let a man prove himself, and so let him

eat of the bread, and drink of the cup. {11:29} For he that eats and drinks [in an unworthy manner], eats and drinks judgment unto himself, if he not [reenact to] show distinctly [truth in the death and resurrection] of the body. {11:30} For this cause many among you are weak and sickly, and not a few sleep. {11:31} But if we examine self we should not be judged. {11:32} But when we are judged, we are chasten of the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world. {11:33} Therefore, my brethren, when you come together to eat, wait one for another. {11:34} If any man is hungry, let him eat at home; that your coming together be not unto judgment. And the rest will I set in order when so ever I come.

{N7)12} First Corinthians Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Now concerning spiritual [gifts], brethren, I would not have you ignorant. {12:2} you know that when you were Nations [you were] led away unto those dumb idols, how so ever you might led. {12:3} Therefore I make known unto you, that no man speaking in the Spirit of God said, Yehsus is anathema; and no man can say, Yehsus is Lord, but in the Holy Spirit. {12:4} Now there are different kinds of gifts, but by the same Spirit. {12:5} And there are different kinds of ministrations, and the same Lord. {12:6} And there are different kinds of workings, but the same God, who works all things in all. {12:7} But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit to profit with. {12:8} For to one is given through the Spirit the word of wisdom; and to another the word of knowledge, according to the same Spirit: {12:9} to another faith, in the same Spirit; and to another gifts of healings, in the one Spirit; {12:10} and to another workings of miracles; and to another prophecy; and to another discerning of spirits; to another [different] kinds of tongues; and to another the interpretation of tongues: {12:11} but all these works the one and the same Spirit, dividing to each one severally even as he will. {12:12} For as the body is one, and has many members, and all the members of the body, being many, are one body; so also is Christ. {12:13} For in one Spirit we were all immersed into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether bond or free; and [we] were all made to drink of one Spirit. {12:14} For the body is not one member, but many. {12:15} If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; it is not therefore not of the body. {12:16} And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; it is not therefore not of the body. {12:17} If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling? {12:18} But now has God set the members each one of them in the body, even as it pleased him. {12:19} And if they were all one member, where were the body? {12:20} But now they are many members, but one body. {12:21} And the eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of you: or again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. {12:22} No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be more feeble are necessary: {12:23} and those [parts] of the body, which we think to be less honorable, upon these we bestow more abundant honor; and our uncomely [parts] have more abundant comeliness; {12:24} whereas our comely [parts] have no need: but God tempered the body together, giving more abundant honor to that [part] which lacked; {12:25} that there should be no schism in the body; but [that] the members should have the same care one for another. {12:26} And whether one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or [one] member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. {12:27} Now you are the body of Christ, and severally members there. {12:28} And God has set some in the Ekklesia, first apostles, secondly prophets, thirdly teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, [different] kinds of languages. {12:29} Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all [workers of] miracles? {12:30} have all gifts of healings? do all speak with [different] languages? do all interpret? {12:31} But desire earnestly the greater gifts. And furthermore a most excellent way show I unto you.

{N7)13} First Corinthians Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} If I speak with the language of men and of messengers, but have not agape love, I am become sounding brass, or a clanging cymbal. {13:2} And if I have [the gift of] prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not agape love, I am nothing. {13:3} And if I

bestow all my goods to feed [the poor], and if I give my body to be burned, but have not agape love, it profits me nothing. {13:4} Agape love suffers long, [and agape] is kind; agape love envies not; agape love vaunts not itself, is not puffed up, {13:5} agape love does not behave itself unseemly, [agape] seeks not its own, is not provoked, [agape] takes not account of evil; {13:6} [agape] rejoices not in [illegal] works against law, but [agape] rejoices with the truth; {13:7} [agape] bears all things, [agape] believes all things, [agape] hopes all things, [agape] endures all things. {13:8} Agape Love never fails: but whether [there be miracles of] prophecies, they shall be done away; whether [there be miracles of different] Languages, they shall cease; whether [there be] miracles of knowledge, it shall be done away. {13:9} For we know in part, and we prophesy in part; {13:10} but when that which is perfect is come, that which is [miracles] in part shall be done away. {13:11} When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I felt as a child, I thought as a child: now that I am become a man, I have put away childish things. {13:12} For now we see in a mirror, darkly; but then face to face: now I know [through miracles of the Holy Spirit] in part; but then shall I know fully even as also I was fully known. {13:13} But now abides faith, hope, agape love, these three; and the greatest of these is the agape love.

{N7}14} First Corinthians Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} Follow after agape love; yet desire earnestly spiritual [gifts], but rather that you may prophesy. {14:2} For he that speaks in a [unlearned] language speaks not unto men, but unto God; for no man understands; but in the spirit he speaks mysteries. {14:3} But he that prophesies speaks unto men edification, and exhortation, and consolation. {14:4} He that speaks in a foreign language edifies himself; but he that prophesies edifies the Ekklesia. {14:5} Now I would have you all speak with foreign languages, but rather that you should prophesy: and greater is he that prophesies than he that speaks with foreign languages, except he interpret, that the Ekklesia may receive edifying. {14:6} But now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with foreign languages, what shall I profit you, unless I speak to you either by way of revelation, or of knowledge, or of prophesying, or of teaching? {14:7} Even things outside life, giving a voice, whether pipe or harp, if they give not a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped? {14:8} For if the trumpet give an uncertain voice, who shall prepare himself for war? {14:9} So also you, unless you utter by the tongue speech easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for you will be speaking into the air. {14:10} There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and no [kind] is outside signification. {14:11} If then I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be to him that speaks a barbarian, and he that speaks will be a barbarian unto me. {14:12} So also you, since you are zealous of spiritual [gifts], seek that you may abound unto the edifying of the Ekklesia. {14:13} Therefore let him that speaks in a foreign language pray that he may interpret. {14:14} For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. {14:15} What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also. {14:16} Else if you bless with the spirit, how shall he that fills the place of the unlearned say the Amen at your giving of thanks, seeing he knows not what you say? {14:17} For you verily give thanks well, but the other is not edified. {14:18} I thank God, I speak with [foreign] languages more than you all: {14:19} however in the Ekklesia I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that I might instruct others also, than ten thousand words in a [foreign] language. {14:20} Brethren, be not children in mind: yet in malice be you babes, but in mind be men. {14:21} In the law [through the prophet Isaiah] it is written, By men of strange languages and by the lips of strangers will I speak unto this people; and not even thus will they hear me, said the Lord. {14:22} Therefore [strange] languages are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to the unbelieving; but prophesying [is for a sign], not to the unbelieving, but to them that believe. {14:23} If therefore the whole Ekklesia be assembled together and all speak with [foreign] languages, and there come in men unlearned or unbelieving, will they not say that you are mad? {14:24} But if all prophesy, and there come in one unbelieving or unlearned, he is reproved by all, he is judged by all; {14:25} the secrets of his

heart are made manifest; and so he will fall down on his face and worship God, declaring that God is among you indeed. {14:26} What is it then, brethren? When you come together, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a foreign language, has an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying. {14:27} If any man speaks in a [foreign] language, [let it be] by two, or at the most three, and [that] in turn; and let one interpret: {14:28} but if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the Ekklesia; and let him speak to himself, and to God. {14:29} And let the prophets speak [by] two or three, and let the others discern. {14:30} But if a revelation be made to another sitting by, let the first keep silence. {14:31} For you all can prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be exhorted; {14:32} and the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets; {14:33} for God is not [a God] of confusion, but of peace. As in all the Ekklesias of the Holy People, {14:34} let the women keep silence in the Ekklesias: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but let them be in subjection, as also said the [written] law [through Moses]. {14:35} And if they would learn anything, let them ask their own husbands at home: for it is shameful for a woman to speak in the Ekklesia. {14:36} What? was it from you that the word of God went forth? or came it unto you alone? {14:37} If any man thinks himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him take knowledge of the things which I write unto you, that they are the commandment of the Lord. {14:38} But if any man is ignorant, let him be ignorant. {14:39} Therefore, my brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with foreign Languages. {14:40} But let all things be done decently and in order.

{N7}15} First Corinthians Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} Now I make known unto you brethren, the good news which I preached unto you, which also you received, wherein also you stand, {15:2} by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached unto you, except you believed in vain. {15:3} For I delivered unto you first of all that which also I received: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; {15:4} and that he was buried; and that he has been raised on the third day according to the scriptures; {15:5} and that he appeared to Cephas [Petros]; then to the twelve; {15:6} then he appeared to above five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain until now, but some are fallen asleep; {15:7} then he appeared to James; then to all the apostles; {15:8} and last of all, as to the [child] untimely born, he appeared to me also. {15:9} For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the Ekklesia of God. {15:10} But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not found vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. {15:11} Whether then [it be] I or they, so we preach, and so you believed. {15:12} Now if Christ is preached that he has been raised from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? {15:13} But if there is no resurrection of the dead, neither has Christ been raised: {15:14} and if Christ has not been raised, then is our preaching vain, your faith also is vain. {15:15} behold, we are found false witnesses of God; because we witnessed of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead are not raised. {15:16} For if the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised: {15:17} and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins. {15:18} Then they also that are fallen asleep in Christ have perished. {15:19} If we have only hoped in Christ in this life, we are of all men most pitiable. {15:20} But now has Christ been raised from the dead, the first fruits of them that are asleep. {15:21} For since by man [came] death, by man [came] also the resurrection of the dead. {15:22} For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. {15:23} But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits; then they that are Christ's, at his coming. {15:24} Then [comes] the end, when he shall deliver up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have abolished all rule and all authority and power. {15:25} For he must reign, till he has put all his enemies under his feet. {15:26} The last enemy that shall be abolished is death. {15:27} For, He put all things in subjection under his feet. But when he said, All things are put in subjection, it is evident that he is excepted who did subject all things unto him. {15:28} And when all things have been subjected unto him, then shall the

Son also himself be subjected to him that did subject all things unto him, that God may be all in all. {15:29} Else what shall they do for being dead are they immersed [in water]? If the dead are not raised at all, then for them [that are the spiritual dead] why are they immersed [in water]? {15:30} Why do we also stand in jeopardy every hour? {15:31} I protest by that glorifying in you, brethren, which I have in Christ Yehsus our Lord, I die [a death] daily. {15:32} If after the manner of men I fought with beasts at Ephesus, what does it profit me? If the dead are not raised, let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we die. {15:33} Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals. {15:34} Awake to soberness righteously, and sin not; for some have no knowledge of God: I speak [this] to move you to shame. {15:35} But someone will say, How are the dead raised? and with what manner of body do they come? {15:36} you foolish one, that which you yourself sows is not quickened except it die: {15:37} and that which you sow, you sow not the body that shall be, but a bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other kind; {15:38} but God gives it a body even as it pleased him, and to each seed a body of its own. {15:39} All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one [flesh] of men, and another flesh of beasts, and another flesh of birds, and another of fishes. {15:40} There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the [glory] of the terrestrial is another. {15:41} There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differs from another star in glory. {15:42} So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: {15:43} it is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: {15:44} it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual [body]. {15:45} So also it is written, The first man Adam became a living soul. The last Adam [became] a life-giving spirit. {15:46} However that is not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; then that which is spiritual. {15:47} The first man is of the earth, earthly: the second man is of heaven. {15:48} As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. {15:49} And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. {15:50} Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither does corruption inherit incorruption. {15:51} Behold, I tell you a mystery: We all shall not sleep, but we shall all be changed, {15:52} in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. {15:53} For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. {15:54} But when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. {15:55} O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? {15:56} The sting of death is sin; and the power of sin is the law: {15:57} but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Yehsus Christ. {15:58} Therefore, my beloved brethren, be you steadfast, un-moveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labor is not vain in the Lord.

{N7}16} First Corinthians Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} Now concerning the collection for the Holy People, as I gave order to the Ekklesias of Galatia, so also do you. {16:2} From the first [beginning of day One] of the [solar sevens of the] Sabbaton let each one of you lay by him in store, as he may prosper, that no collections be made when I come. {16:3} And when I arrive, whom so ever you shall approve, them will I send with letters to carry your bounty unto Jerusalem: {16:4} and if it be needful for me to go also, they shall go with me. {16:5} But I will come unto you, when I shall have passed through Macedonia; for I pass through Macedonia; {16:6} but with you it may be that I shall abide, or even winter, that you may set me forward on my journey where ever I go. {16:7} For I do not wish to see you now by the way; for I hope to tarry a while with you, if the Lord permit. {16:8} But I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost; {16:9} for a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries. {16:10} Now if Timothy come, see that he be with you outside fear; for he works the work of the Lord, as

I also do: {16:11} let no man therefore despise him. But set him forward on his journey in peace, that he may come unto me: for I expect him with the brethren. {16:12} But as touching Apollos the brother, I beg him much to come unto you with the brethren: and it was not all [his] will to come now; but he will come when he shall have opportunity. {16:13} Watch you, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. {16:14} Let all that you do be done in agape love. {16:15} Now I ask you, brethren (you know the house of Stephanas, that it is the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have set themselves to minister unto the Holy People), {16:16} that you also be in subjection unto such, and to everyone that helps in the work and labor. {16:17} And I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus: for that which was lacking on your part they supplied. {16:18} For they refreshed my spirit and yours: acknowledge you therefore them that are such. {16:19} The Ekklesias of Asia salute you. Aquila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with the Ekklesia that is in their house. {16:20} All the brethren salute you. Salute one another with a holy kiss. {16:21} The salutation of me Paul with mine own hand. {16:22} If any man philo loves not the Lord, let him be anathema. Maranatha. {16:23} The grace of the Lord Yehsus Christ be with you. {16:24} My agape love be with you all in Christ Yehsus. Amen.

The Book Of Second Corinthians

{N8}1} Second Corinthians Chapter One. The Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians. {1:1} Paul, an apostle of Christ Yehsus through the will of God, and Timothy our brother, unto the Ekklesias of God which is at Corinth, with all the Holy People that are in the whole of Achaia: {1:2} Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:3} Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Yehsus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort; {1:4} who comforts us in all our affliction, that we may be able to comfort them that are in any affliction, through the comfort by which we ourselves are comforted of God. {1:5} For as the sufferings of Christ abound unto us, even so our comfort also abounds through Christ. {1:6} But whether we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; or whether we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which works in the patient enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: {1:7} and our hope for you is steadfast; knowing that, as you are partakers of the sufferings, so also are you of the comfort. {1:8} For we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning our affliction which befell [us] in Asia, that we were weighed down exceedingly, beyond our power, so much that we despaired even of life: {1:9} behold, we ourselves have had the sentence of death within ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God who raise the dead: {1:10} who delivered us out of so great a death, and will deliver: on whom we have set our hope that he will also still deliver us; {1:11} you also helping together on our behalf by your supplication; that, for the gift bestowed upon us by means of many, thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf. {1:12} For our glorifying is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in holiness and sincerity of God, not in fleshly wisdom but in the grace of God, we behaved ourselves in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward. {1:13} For we write no other things unto you, than what you read or even acknowledge, and I hope you will acknowledge unto the end: {1:14} as also you did acknowledge us in part, that we are your glorying, even as you also are ours, in the day of our Lord Yehsus. {1:15} And in this confidence I was intent to come first unto you, that you might have a second benefit; {1:16} and by you to pass into Macedonia, and again from Macedonia to come unto you, and of you to be set forward on my journey unto Judea. {1:17} When I therefore was thus intent, did I show fickleness? or the things that I purpose, do I purpose according to the flesh, that with me there should be the "yes yes" and the "no no"? {1:18} But as God is faithful, our word toward you is not "yes" and "no." {1:19} For the Son of God, Yehsus Christ, who was preached among you by us, [even] by me and Silvanus and Timothy, was not behold and no, but in him is behold. {1:20} For how many so ever be the promises of God, in him is the behold: Therefore also through him is the Amen, unto the glory of God through us. {1:21} Now he that establishes us with you in Christ, and anointed us, is God; {1:22} who also sealed us, and gave [us] the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts. {1:23}

But I call God for a witness upon my soul, that to spare you I came not unto Corinth. {1:24} Not that we have lordship over your faith, but are helpers of your joy: for in faith you stand fast.

{N8}2} Second Corinthians Chapter Two. {2:1} But I determined this for myself, that I would not come again to you with sorrow. {2:2} For if I make you sorry, who then is he that makes me glad but he that is made sorry by me? {2:3} And I wrote this very thing, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow from them of whom I ought to rejoice; having confidence in you all, that my joy is [the joy] of you all. {2:4} For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; not that you should be made sorry, but that you might know the agape love that I have more abundantly unto you. {2:5} But if any has caused sorrow, he has caused sorrow, not to me, but in part (that I press not too heavily) to you all. {2:6} Sufficient to such a one is this punishment which was [inflicted] by the many; {2:7} so that contrariwise you should rather forgive him and comfort him, lest by any means such a one should be swallowed up with his overmuch sorrow. {2:8} Therefore I ask you to confirm [your] agape love toward him. {2:9} For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether you are obedient in all things. {2:10} But to whom you forgive anything, I [forgive] also: for what I also have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, for your sakes [have I forgiven it] in the presence of Christ; {2:11} that no advantage may be gained over us by Satan: for we are not ignorant of his devices. {2:12} Now when I came to Troas for the good news of Christ, and when a door was opened unto me in the Lord, {2:13} I had no relief for my spirit, because I found not Titus my brother: but taking my leave of them, I went forth into Macedonia. {2:14} But thanks be unto God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and makes manifest through us the savor of his knowledge in every place. {2:15} For we are a sweet savor of Christ unto God, in them that are saved, and in them that perish; {2:16} to the one a savor from death unto death; to the other a savor from life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things? {2:17} For we are not as the many, corrupting the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God, speak we in Christ.

{N8}3} Second Corinthians Chapter Three. {3:1} Are we beginning again to commend ourselves? or need we, as do some, epistles of commendation to you or from you? {3:2} you are our epistle, written in our hearts, known and read of all men; {3:3} being made manifest that you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in tables [that are] hearts of flesh. {3:4} And such confidence have we through Christ to God-ward: {3:5} not that we are sufficient of ourselves, to account anything as from ourselves; but our sufficiency is from God; {3:6} who also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter kills, but the spirit gives life. {3:7} But if the ministration of death, written, [and] engraved on stones, came with glory, so that the children of Israel could not look steadfastly upon the face of Moses for the glory of his face; which [glory] was passing away: {3:8} how shall not rather the ministration of the spirit be with glory? {3:9} For if the ministration of condemnation has glory, much rather does the ministration of good works exceed in glory. {3:10} For verily that which has been made glorious has not been made glorious in this respect, by reason of the glory that surpasses. {3:11} For if that which passes away [was] with glory, much more that which remains[is] in glory. {3:12} Having therefore such a hope, we use great boldness of speech, {3:13} and [are] not as Moses, [who] put a veil upon his face, that the children of Israel should not look steadfastly on the end of that which was passing away: {3:14} but their minds were hardened: for until this very day at the reading of the old covenant the same veil remains, it not being revealed [to them] that it is done away in Christ. {3:15} But unto this day, when so ever Moses is read, a veil lies upon their heart. {3:16} But when so ever it shall turn to the Lord, the veil is taken away. {3:17} Now the Lord is the Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, [there] is liberty. {3:18} But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord the Spirit.

{N8}4} Second Corinthians Chapter Four. {4:1} Therefore seeing we have this ministry, even as we obtained mercy, we faint not: {4:2} but we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by the manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. {4:3} And even if our good news is veiled, it is veiled in them that perish: {4:4} in whom the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that the light of the good news of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should not dawn [upon them]. {4:5} For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Yehsus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Yehsus' sake. {4:6} Seeing it is God, that said, Light shall shine out of darkness, who shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Yehsus Christ. {4:7} But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the exceeding greatness of the power may be of God, and not from ourselves; {4:8} [we are] pressed on every side, yet not straitened; perplexed, yet not unto despair; {4:9} pursued, yet not forsaken; smitten down, yet not destroyed; {4:10} always bearing about in the body the dying of Yehsus, that the life also of Yehsus may be manifested in our body. {4:11} For we who live are always delivered unto death for Yehsus' sake, that the life also of Yehsus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. {4:12} So then death works in us, but life in you. {4:13} But having the same spirit of faith, according to that which is written, I believed, and therefore did I speak; we also believe, and therefore also we speak; {4:14} knowing that he that raised up the Lord Yehsus shall raise up us also with Yehsus, and shall present us with you. {4:15} For all things [are] for your sakes, that the grace, being multiplied through the many, may cause the thanksgiving to abound unto the glory of God. {4:16} Therefore we faint not; but though our outward man is decaying, yet our inward man is renewed day by day. {4:17} For our light affliction, which is for the moment, works for us more and more exceedingly an eternal weight of glory; {4:18} while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

{N8}5} Second Corinthians Chapter Five. {5:1} For we know that if the earthly house of our tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens. {5:2} For verily in this we groan, longing to be clothed upon with our habitation which is from heaven: {5:3} if so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. {5:4} For indeed we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened; not for that we would be unclothed, but that we would be clothed upon, that what is mortal may be swallowed up of life. {5:5} Now he that wrought us for this very thing is God, who gave unto us the earnest of the Spirit. {5:6} Being therefore always of good courage, and knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord {5:7} (for we walk by faith, not by sight); {5:8} we are of good courage, I say, and are willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be at home with the Lord. {5:9} Therefore also we make it our aim, whether at home or absent, to be well-pleasing unto him. {5:10} For we must all be made manifest before the judgment-seat of Christ; that each one may receive the things [done] in the body, according to what he has done, whether [it be] good or bad. {5:11} Knowing therefore the fear of the Lord, we persuade men, but we are made manifest unto God; and I hope that we are made manifest also in your consciences. {5:12} We are not again commending ourselves unto you, but [speak] as giving you occasion of glorying on our behalf, that you may have by which to answer them that glory in appearance, and not in heart. {5:13} For whether we are beside ourselves, it is unto God; or whether we are of sober mind, it is unto you. {5:14} For the agape love of Christ constrains us; because we thus judge, that one died for all, therefore all died; {5:15} and he died for all, that they that live should no longer live unto themselves, but unto him who for their sakes died and rose again. {5:16} Therefore we from here on know no man after the flesh: even though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now we know [him so] no more. {5:17} Therefore if any man is in Christ, [he is] a new creature: the old

things are passed away; behold, they are become new. {5:18} But all things are of God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and gave unto us the ministry of reconciliation; {5:19} to wit, that God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself, not reckoning unto them their trespasses, and having committed unto us the word of reconciliation. {5:20} We are ambassadors therefore on behalf of Christ, as though God were entreating by us: we ask [you] on behalf of Christ, be you reconciled to God. {5:21} Him who knew no sin he made [to be] sin on our behalf; that we might become the good works of God in him.

{N8}6} Second Corinthians Chapter Six. {6:1} And working together [with him] we entreat also that you receive not the grace of God in vain {6:2} (for he said, At an acceptable time I heard unto you, And in a day of salvation I helped you: behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation): {6:3} giving no occasion of stumbling in anything, that our ministration be not blamed; {6:4} but in everything commending ourselves, as ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, {6:5} in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in watchings, in fastings; {6:6} in pureness, in knowledge, in long suffering, in kindness, in the Holy Spirit, in agape love unfeigned, {6:7} in the word of truth, in the power of God; by the armor of good works on the right hand and on the left, {6:8} by glory and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and [yet] true; {6:9} as unknown, and [yet] well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; {6:10} as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and [yet] possessing all things. {6:11} Our mouth is open unto you, O Corinthians, our heart is enlarged. {6:12} you are not restricted from us, but you are restricted from your own affections. {6:13} Now for a recompense in like kind (I speak as unto [my] children), be you also enlarged. {6:14} Be not unequally yoked with unbelievers: for what fellowship have good works and works against law? or what communion has light with darkness? {6:15} And what concord has Christ with Belial? or what portion has a believer with an unbeliever? {6:16} And what agreement has a temple of God with idols? for we are a temple of the living God; even as God said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. {6:17} Therefore Come you out from among them, and be you separate, said the Lord, And touch no unclean thing; And I will receive you, {6:18} And will be to you a Father, And you shall be to me sons and daughters, said the Lord Almighty.

{N8}7} Second Corinthians Chapter Seven. {7:1} Having therefore these promises, agape beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. {7:2} Open your hearts to us: we wronged no man, we corrupted no man, we took advantage of no man. {7:3} I say it not to condemn [you]: for I have said before, that you are in our hearts to die together and live together. {7:4} Great is my boldness of speech toward you, great is my glorying on your behalf: I am filled with comfort, I overflow with joy in all our affliction. {7:5} For even when we were come into Macedonia our flesh had no relief, but [we were] afflicted on every side; outside [were] fightings, within [were] fears. {7:6} Nevertheless he that comforts the lowly, [even] God, comforted us by the coming of Titus; {7:7} and not by his coming only, but also by the comfort by which he was comforted in you, while he told us your longing, your grieving, your zeal for me; so that I rejoiced yet more. {7:8} For though I made you sorry with my epistle, I do not regret it: though I did regret [it] (for I see that that epistle made you sorry, though but for a season), {7:9} I now rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that you were made sorry unto repentance; for you were made sorry after a godly sort, that you might suffer loss by us in nothing. {7:10} For godly sorrow works repentance unto salvation, [a repentance] which brings no regret: but the sorrow of the world works death. {7:11} For behold, this selfsame thing, that you were made sorry after a godly sort, what earnest care it wrought in you, behold what clearing of yourselves, behold what indignation, behold what fear, behold what longing, behold what zeal, behold what avenging! In everything you approved yourselves to be

pure in the matter. {7:12} So although I wrote unto you, I [wrote] not for his cause that did the wrong, nor for his cause that suffered the wrong, but that your earnest care for us might be made manifest unto you in the sight of God. {7:13} Therefore we have been comforted: And in our comfort we joy the more exceedingly for the joy of Titus, because his spirit has been refreshed by you all. {7:14} For if in anything I have gloried to him on your behalf, I was not put to shame; but as we spoke all things to you in truth, so our glorying also which I made before Titus was found to be truth. {7:15} And his affection is more abundantly toward you, while he remembers the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling you received him. {7:16} I rejoice that in everything I am of good courage concerning you.

{N8}8} Second Corinthians Chapter Eight. {8:1} Furthermore, brethren, we make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the Ekklesias of Macedonia; {8:2} how that in much proof of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. {8:3} For according to their power, I bear witness, behold and beyond their power, [they gave] of their own accord, {8:4} asking us with much entreaty in regard of this grace and the fellowship in the ministering to the Holy People: {8:5} and [this], not as we had hoped, but first they gave their own selves to the Lord, and to us through the will of God. {8:6} So much that we exhorted Titus, that as he made a beginning before, so he would also complete in you this grace also. {8:7} But as you abound in everything, [in] faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and [in] all earnestness, and [in] your agape love to us, [see] that you abound in this grace also. {8:8} I speak not by way of commandment, but as proving through the earnestness of others the sincerity also of your love. {8:9} For you know the grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that you through his poverty might become rich. {8:10} And herein I give [my] judgment: for this is expedient for you, who were the first to make a beginning a year ago, not only to do, but also to will. {8:11} But now complete the doing also; that as [there was] the readiness to will, so [there may be] the completion also out of your ability. {8:12} For if the readiness is there, [it is] acceptable according as [a man] has, not according as [he] has not. {8:13} For [I say] not [this] that others may be eased [and] you distressed; {8:14} but by equality: your abundance [being a supply] at this present time for their want, that their abundance also may become [a supply] for your want; that there may be equality: {8:15} as it is written, He that [gathered] much had nothing over; and he that [gathered] little had no lack. {8:16} But thanks be to God, who puts the same earnest care for you into the heart of Titus. {8:17} For he accepted indeed our exhortation; but being himself very earnest, he went forth unto you of his own accord. {8:18} And we have sent together with him the brother whose praise in the good news [is spread] through all the Ekklesias; {8:19} and not only so, but who was also appointed by the Ekklesias to travel with us in [the matter of] this grace, which is ministered by us to the glory of the Lord, and [to show] our readiness: {8:20} Avoiding this, that any man should blame us in [the matter of] this bounty which is ministered by us: {8:21} for we take thought for things honorable, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men. {8:22} and we have sent with them our brother, whom we have many times proved earnest in many things, but now much more earnest, by reason of the great confidence which [he has] in you. {8:23} Whether [any inquire] about Titus, [he is] my partner and [my] fellow-worker to you-ward, or our brethren, [they are] the messengers of the Ekklesias, [they are] the glory of Christ. {8:24} Show you therefore unto them in the face of the Ekklesias the proof of your agape love, and of our glorying on your behalf.

{N8}9} Second Corinthians Chapter Nine. {9:1} For as touching the ministering to the Holy People, it is superfluous for me to write to you: {9:2} for I know your readiness, of which I glory on your behalf to them of Macedonia, that Achaia has been prepared for a year past; and your zeal has stirred up very many of them. {9:3} But I have sent the brethren, that our glorying on your behalf may not be made void in this respect; that, even as I said, you may be prepared: {9:4}

lest by any means, if there come with me any of Macedonia and find you unprepared, we (that we say not, you) should be put to shame in this confidence. {9:5} I thought it necessary therefore to entreat the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your afore promised bounty, that the same might be ready as a matter of bounty, and not of extortion. {9:6} But this [I say,] He that sows sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he that sows bountifully shall reap also bountifully. {9:7} [Let] each man [do] according as he has purposed in his heart: not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God agape loves a cheerful giver. {9:8} And God is able to make all grace abound unto you; that you, having always all sufficiency in everything, may abound unto every good work: {9:9} as it is written, He has scattered abroad, he has given to the poor; His good works abides forever. {9:10} And he that supplies seed to the sower and bread for food, shall supply and multiply your seed for sowing, and increase the fruits of your good works: {9:11} you being enriched in everything unto all liberality, which works through us thanksgiving to God. {9:12} For the ministration of this service not only fills up the measure of the wants of the Holy People, but abounds also through many thanksgivings unto God; {9:13} seeing that through the proving [of you] by this ministration they glorify God for the obedience of your confession unto the good news of Christ, and for the liberality of [your] contribution unto them and unto all; {9:14} while they themselves also, with supplication on your behalf, long after you by reason of the exceeding grace of God in you. {9:15} Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift.

{N8}10} Second Corinthians Chapter Ten. {10:1} Now I Paul myself entreat you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, I who in your presence am lowly among you, but being absent am of good courage toward you: {10:2} behold, I ask you, that I may not when present show courage with the confidence by which I count to be bold against some, who count of us as if we walked according to the flesh. {10:3} For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh {10:4} (for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but mighty before God to the casting down of strongholds), {10:5} casting down imaginations, and every high thing that is exalted against the knowledge of God, and bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ; {10:6} and being in readiness to avenge all disobedience, when your obedience shall be made full. {10:7} you look at the things that are before your face. If any man trusts in himself that he is Christ's, let him consider this again with himself, that, even as he is Christ's, so also are we. {10:8} For though I should glory somewhat abundantly concerning our authority (which the Lord gave for building you up, and not for casting you down), I shall not be put to shame: {10:9} that I may not seem as if I would terrify you by my letters. {10:10} For, His letters, they say, are weighty and strong; but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech of no account. {10:11} Let such a one reckon this, that, what we are in word by letters when we are absent, such [are we] also in deed when we are present. {10:12} For we are not bold to number or compare ourselves with certain of them that commend themselves: but they themselves, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves with themselves, are outside understanding. {10:13} But we will not glory beyond [our] measure, but according to the measure of the province which God apportioned to us as a measure, to reach even unto you. {10:14} For we stretch not ourselves overmuch, as though we reached not unto you: for we came even as far as unto you in the good news of Christ: {10:15} not glorying beyond [our] measure, [that is,] in other men's labors; but having hope that, as your faith grows, we shall be magnified in you according to our province unto [further] abundance, {10:16} so as to preach the good news even unto the parts beyond you, [and] not to glory in another's province in regard of things ready to our hand. {10:17} But he that boasts, let him boast [in] the Lord. {10:18} For not he that commends himself is approved, but whom the Lord commends.

{N8}11} Second Corinthians Eleven. {11:1} Would that you could bear with me in a little foolishness: but indeed you do bear with me. {11:2} For I am jealous over you with a godly

jealousy: for I espoused you to one husband, that I might present you [as] a pure virgin to Christ. {11:3} But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent deceived Eve in his craftiness, your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity and the purity that is toward Christ. {11:4} For if he that comes preaches another Yehsus, whom we did not preach, or [if] you receive a different spirit, which you did not receive, or a different good news, which you did not accept, you do well to bear with [him]. {11:5} For I reckon that I am not a whit behind the very most chief apostles. {11:6} But though [I be] rude in speech, yet [am I] not in knowledge; No, in every way have we made [this] manifest unto you in all things. {11:7} Or did I commit a sin in abasing myself that you might be exalted, because I preached to you the good news of God for nothing? {11:8} I robbed other Ekklesias, taking wages [of them] that I might minister unto you; {11:9} and when I was present with you and was in want, I was not a burden on any man; for the brethren, when they came from Macedonia, supplied the measure of my want; and in everything I kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and [so] will I keep [myself]. {11:10} As the truth of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me of this glorying in the regions of Achaia. {11:11} Therefore? because I agape love you not? God knows. {11:12} But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them that desire an occasion; that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we. {11:13} For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, fashioning themselves into apostles of Christ. {11:14} And no marvel; for even Satan fashions himself into an messenger of light. {11:15} It is no great thing therefore if his ministers also fashion themselves as ministers of good works, whose end shall be according to their works. {11:16} I say again, let no man think me foolish; but if [you do], yet as foolish receive me, that I also may glory a little. {11:17} That which I speak, I speak not after the Lord, but as in foolishness, in this confidence of glorying. {11:18} Seeing that many glory after the flesh, I will glory also. {11:19} For you bear with the foolish gladly, being wise [yourselves]. {11:20} For you bear with a man, if he brings you into bondage, if he devours you, if he takes you [captive], if he exalts himself, if he smites you on the face. {11:21} I speak by way of disparagement, as though we had been weak. yet where in so ever any is bold (I speak in foolishness), I am bold also. {11:22} Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. {11:23} Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as one beside himself) I more; in labors more abundantly, in prisons more abundantly, in stripes above measure, in deaths oft. {11:24} Of the Jews five times received I forty [stripes] save one. {11:25} Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day have I been in the deep; {11:26} [in] journeys often, [in] perils of rivers, [in] perils of robbers, [in] perils from [my] countrymen, [in] perils from the Nations, [in] perils in the city, [in] perils in the wilderness, [in] perils in the sea, [in] perils among false brethren; {11:27} [in] labor and travail, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. {11:28} Besides those things that are outside, there is that which press upon me daily, anxiety for all the Ekklesias. {11:29} Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is caused to stumble, and I burn not? {11:30} If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things that concern my weakness. {11:31} The God and Father of the Lord Yehsus, he who is blessed forevermore knows that I lie not. {11:32} In Damascus the governor under Aretas the king guarded the city of the Damascenes in order to take me: {11:33} and through a window was I let down in a basket by the wall, and escaped his hands.

{N8}12} Second Corinthians Chapter Twelve. {12:1} I must needs glory, though it is not expedient; but I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. {12:2} I know a man in Christ, fourteen years ago (whether in the body, I know not; or whether out of the body, I know not; God knows), such a one caught up even to the third heaven. {12:3} And I know such a man (whether in the body, or apart from the body, I know not; God knows), {12:4} how that he was caught up into Paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. {12:5} On behalf of such a one will I glory: but on mine own behalf I will not glory, save in [my] weaknesses. {12:6} For if I should desire to glory, I shall not be foolish; for I shall speak the

truth: but I forbear, lest any man should account of me above that which he sees me [to be], or hears from me. {12:7} And by reason of the exceeding greatness of the revelations, that I should not be exalted overmuch, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, that I should not be exalted overmuch. {12:8} Concerning this thing I beg the Lord three times, that it might depart from me. {12:9} And he has said unto me, My grace is sufficient for you: for [my] power is made perfect in [your] weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. {12:10} Therefore I take pleasure in weaknesses, in injuries, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong. {12:11} I am become foolish: you compelled me; for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing was I behind the very most chief apostles, though I am nothing. {12:12} Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, by signs and wonders and mighty works. {12:13} For what is there wherein you were made inferior to the rest of the Ekklesias, except [it be] that I myself was not a burden to you? forgive me this wrong. {12:14} Behold, this is the third time I am ready to come to you; and I will not be a burden to you: for I seek not yours, but you: for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children. {12:15} And I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls. If I agape love you more abundantly, am I agape loved the less? {12:16} But be it so, I did not myself burden you; but, being crafty, I caught you with guile. {12:17} Did I take advantage of you by any one of them whom I have sent unto you? {12:18} I exhorted Titus, and I sent the brother with him. Did Titus take any advantage of you? walked we not in the same spirit? [walked we] not in the same steps? {12:19} you think all this time that we are excusing ourselves unto you. In the sight of God speak we in Christ. But all things, agape beloved, [are] for your edifying. {12:20} For I fear, lest by any means, when I come, I should find you not such as I would, and should myself be found of you such as you would not; lest by any means [there should be] strife, jealousy, Angers, factions, talk to defame the other to build self up, whisperings, swellings, tumults; {12:21} lest again when I come my God should humble me before you, and I should grieve for many of them that have already sinned and have not repented of the uncleanness and fornication and lasciviousness which they committed.

{N8}13} Second Corinthians Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} This is the third time I am coming to you. At the mouth of two witnesses or three shall every word established. {13:2} I have said beforehand, and I do say beforehand, as when I was present the second time, so now, being absent, to them that have sinned herefore, and to all the rest, that, if I come again, I will not spare; {13:3} seeing that you seek a proof of Christ that speaks in me; who to you-ward is not weak, but is powerful in you: {13:4} for he was crucified through weakness, yet he lives through the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him through the power of God toward you. {13:5} Try your own selves, whether you are in the faith; prove your own selves. Or know you not as to your own selves, that Yehsus Christ is in you? unless indeed you be reprobate. {13:6} But I hope that you shall know that we are not reprobate. {13:7} Now we pray to God that you do no evil; not that we may appear approved, but that you may do that which is honorable, though we be as reprobate. {13:8} For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth. {13:9} For we rejoice, when we are weak, and you are strong: this we also pray for, even your perfecting. {13:10} For this cause I write these things while absent, that I may not when present deal sharply, according to the authority which the Lord gave me for building up, and not for casting down. {13:11} Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfected; be comforted; be of the same mind; live in peace: and the God of agape love and peace shall be with you. {13:12} Salute one another with a holy kiss. {13:13} All the Holy People salute you. {13:14} The grace of the Lord Yehsus Christ, and the agape love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

The Epistle Of Paul The Apostle to the Galatians

{N9}1} Galatians Chapter One. {1:1} Paul, an apostle (not from men, neither through man, but through Yehsus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead), {1:2} and all the brethren that are with me, unto the Ekklesias of Galatia: {1:3} Grace to you and peace from God the Father, and our Lord Yehsus Christ, {1:4} who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us out of this present evil world, according to the will of our God and Father: {1:5} to whom [be] the glory forever and ever. Amen. {1:6} I marvel that you are so quickly removing from him that called you in the grace of Christ unto a different good news; {1:7} which is not another [good news] only there are some that trouble you, and would pervert the good news of Christ. {1:8} But though we, or an messenger from heaven, should preach unto you any good news other than that which we preached unto you, let him be anathema. {1:9} As we have said before, so say I now again, if any man preach unto you any good news other than that which you received, let him be anathema. {1:10} For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? or am I striving to please men? if I were still pleasing men, I should not be a slave of Christ. {1:11} For I make known to you, brethren, as touching the good news which was preached by me, that it is not after man. {1:12} For neither did I receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but [it came to me] through revelation of Yehsus Christ. {1:13} For you have heard of my manner of life in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the Ekklesia of God, and made havoc of her: {1:14} and I advanced in the Jews' religion beyond many of mine own age among my countrymen, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. {1:15} But when it was the good pleasure of God, who separated me, [even] from my mother's womb, and called me through his grace, {1:16} to reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the Nations; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood: {1:17} neither went I up to Jerusalem to them that were apostles before me: but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned unto Damascus. {1:18} Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and tarried with him fifteen days. {1:19} But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother. {1:20} Now touching the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not. {1:21} Then I came unto the regions of Syria and Cilicia. {1:22} And I was still unknown by face unto the Ekklesias of Judea which were in Christ: {1:23} but they only heard say, He that once persecuted us now preaches the faith of which he once made havoc; {1:24} and they glorified God in me.

{N9}2} Galatians Chapter Two. {2:1} Then after the space of fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus also with me. {2:2} And I went up by revelation; and I laid before them the good news which I preach among the Nations but privately before them who were of repute, lest by any means I should be running, or had run, in vain. {2:3} But not even Titus who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised: {2:4} and that because of the false brethren privately brought in, who came in secret to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Yehsus, that they might bring us into bondage: {2:5} to whom we gave place in the way of subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the good news might continue with you. {2:6} But from those who were reputed to be somewhat (whatever they were, it makes no matter to me: God accepts not man's person)-- they, I say, who were of repute imparted nothing to me: {2:7} but on the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the good news of the uncircumcision, even as Petros with [the good news] of the circumcision {2:8} (for he that directs for Petros unto the apostleship of the circumcision directs for me also unto the Nations); {2:9} and when they perceived the grace that was given unto me, James and Cephas and John, they who were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship, that we should go unto the Nations, and they unto the circumcision; {2:10} only [they would] that we should remember the poor; which very thing I was also zealous to do. {2:11} But when Cephas came to Antioch, I resisted him to the face, because he stood condemned. {2:12} For before that certain came from James, he ate with the Nations; but when they came, he drew back and separated himself, fearing them that were of the circumcision. {2:13} And the rest of the Jews dissembled likewise with him; so much that even Barnabas was carried away with their dissimulation. {2:14}

But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the good news, I said unto Cephas before [them] all, If you, being a Jew, lives as do the Nations, and not as do the Jews, how compels you the Nations to live as do the Jews? {2:15} We being Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Nations, {2:16} yet knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law [through Moses] but [your are justified] through [law of] faith in Yehsus Christ, even we believed on Christ Yehsus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the law [through Moses]: because by the works of the law [through Moses] shall no flesh be justified. {2:17} But if, while we sought to be justified in Christ, we ourselves also were found sinners, is Christ a minister of sin? God forbid. {2:18} For if I build up again those things which I destroyed, I prove myself a transgressor. {2:19} For I through the [Jewish Halakah Pharisee] law died unto that law [through faith], that I might live unto God. {2:20} I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ living in me: and that [life] which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, [the faith] which is in the Son of God, who agape loved me, and gave himself up for me. {2:21} I do not make void the grace of God: for if good works is through the law [through Moses], then Christ died for nothing.

{N9}3} Galatians Chapter Three. {3:1} O foolish Galatians, who did bewitch you, before whose eyes Yehsus Christ was openly set forth crucified? {3:2} This only would I learn from you. Received you the Spirit by the works of the [written] law [through Moses], or by the hearing of faith? {3:3} Are you so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are you now perfected in the flesh? {3:4} Did you suffer so many things in vain? if it be indeed in vain. {3:5} He therefore that supplies to you the Spirit, and works miracles among you, [does he it] by the works of the [written] law [through Moses], or by the hearing of faith? {3:6} Even as Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned unto him for good works. {3:7} Know therefore that they that are of faith, the same are sons of Abraham. {3:8} And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Nations by faith, preached the good news beforehand unto Abraham, [saying,] In you shall all the nations be blessed. {3:9} So then they that are of faith are blessed with the faithful Abraham. {3:10} For as many as are of the works of the [written] law [through Moses] are under woe: for it is written, cursed is everyone who continues not in all things that are written in the book of the [written] law [through Moses], to do them. {3:11} Now that no man is justified by the [written] law [through Moses] before God, is evident: for, The righteous shall live by [the written law of] faith; {3:12} and the [written] law [through Moses] is not of faith; but, He that does them shall live in them. {3:13} Christ redeemed us from the curse of the [written] law [through Moses], having become woe for us; for it is written, Cursed is everyone that hangs on a tree: {3:14} that upon the Nations might come the blessing of Abraham in Christ Yehsus; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. {3:15} Brethren, I speak after the manner of men: though it be but a man's covenant, yet when it has been confirmed, no one makes it void, or adds there. {3:16} Now to Abraham were the promises spoken, and to his seed. He said not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to your seed, which is Christ. {3:17} Now this I say: A covenant confirmed beforehand by God, the [written] law [through Moses], which came four hundred and thirty years after, does not disannul, so as to make the promise of none effect. {3:18} For if the inheritance is of the [written] law [through Moses] it is no more the promise: but God has granted it to Abraham by promise. {3:19} What then is the [written] law [through Moses]? It was added because of transgression of the [written] law [through Moses], till the seed should come to whom the promise has been made; [and it was] ordained through messengers by the hand of a mediator. {3:20} Now a mediator is not [a mediator] of one; but God is one. {3:21} Is the [written] law [through Moses] then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a given [though Moses] which could make alive, verily [works of] good works would have been of the [written] law [through Moses]. {3:22} But the scriptures shut up all things under sin, that the promise by faith in Yehsus Christ might be given to them that believe. {3:23} But before [the law of] faith came, we were kept in ward under the [written] law [through Moses], shut up unto

the [law of] faith which should afterwards be revealed. {3:24} So that the [written] law [through Moses] is become our tutor [to bring us] unto Christ, that we might be justified by [the written law of] faith. {3:25} But now faith that is come, we are no longer under a tutor. {3:26} For you are all sons of God, through faith, in Christ Yehsus. {3:27} For as many of you as were immersed [in water] into Christ did put on Christ. {3:28} There can be neither Jew nor Greek, there can be neither bond nor free, there can be no male and female; for you all are one [man] in Christ Yehsus. {3:29} And if you are Christ's, then are you Abraham's seed, heirs according to promise.

{N9}4} Galatians Chapter Four. {4:1} But I say that so long as the heir is a child, he differs nothing from a bond servant though he is lord of all; {4:2} but is under guardians and stewards until the day appointed of the father. {4:3} So we also, when we were children, were held in bondage under the rudiments of the world: {4:4} but when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the [written] law [through Moses], {4:5} that he might redeem them that were under the [written] law [through Moses], that we might receive the adoption of sons. {4:6} And because you are sons, God sent forth the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, Abba, Father. {4:7} So that you are no longer a bondservant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God. {4:8} However at that time, not knowing God, you were in bondage to them that by nature are no gods: {4:9} but now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how turn you back again to the weak and beggarly rudiments, whereunto you desire to be in bondage over again? {4:10} you observe days, and moons, and seasons, and years. {4:11} I am afraid of you, lest by any means I have bestowed labor upon you in vain. {4:12} I ask you, brethren, become as I [am], for I also [am become] as you [are]. you did me no wrong: {4:13} but you know that because of an infirmity of the flesh I preached the good news unto you the first time: {4:14} and that which was a temptation to you in my flesh you despised not, nor rejected; but you received me as an messenger of God, [even] as Christ Yehsus. {4:15} Where then is that blessedness of yourselves? for I bear you witness, that, if possible, you would have plucked out your eyes and given them to me. {4:16} So then am I become your enemy, by telling you the truth? {4:17} They zealously seek you in no good way; No, they desire to shut you out, that you may seek them. {4:18} But it is good to be zealously sought in a good matter at all times, and not only when I am present with you. {4:19} My little children, of whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you-- {4:20} but I could wish to be present with you now, and to change my tone; for I am perplexed about you. {4:21} Tell me, you that desire to be under the [written] law [through Moses], do you not hear the [written] law [through Moses]? {4:22} For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the freewoman. {4:23} However the [son] by the handmaid is born after the flesh; but the [son] by the freewoman [is born] through promise. {4:24} Which things contain an allegory: for these [women] are two covenants; one from mount Sinai, bearing children unto bondage, which is Hagar. {4:25} Now this Hagar is mount Sinai in Arabia and answered to the Jerusalem that now is: for she is in bondage with her children. {4:26} But the Jerusalem that is above is free, which is our mother. {4:27} For it is written, Rejoice, you barren that bears not; Break forth and cry, you that travails not: For more are the children of the desolate than of her that has the husband. {4:28} Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. {4:29} But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him [that was born] after the Spirit, so also it is now. {4:30} However what said the scripture? Cast out the handmaid and her son: for the son of the handmaid shall not inherit with the son of the freewoman. {4:31} Therefore, brethren, we are not children of a handmaid, but of the freewoman.

{N9}5} Galatians Chapter Five. {5:1} For freedom did Christ set us free: stand fast therefore, and be not entangled again in a yoke of bondage. {5:2} Behold, I Paul say unto you, that, if you receive circumcision, Christ will profit you nothing. {5:3} behold, I testify again to every man that receives circumcision, that he is a debtor to do the whole [written] law [through Moses].

{5:4} you are severed from Christ, you would be justified by the [written] law [through Moses]; you are fallen away from grace. {5:5} For we through the Spirit by faith wait for the hope of good works. {5:6} For in Christ Yehsus neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision; but faith working through agape love. {5:7} you were running well; who hindered you that you should not obey the truth? {5:8} This persuasion [came] not of him that calls you. {5:9} A little leaven leavens the whole lump. {5:10} I have confidence to you-ward in the Lord, that you will be none otherwise intent: but he that troubles you shall bear his judgment, anyone who he be. {5:11} But I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? then has the stumbling-block of the cross been done away. {5:12} I would that they that unsettle you would even go beyond circumcision. {5:13} For you, brethren, were called for freedom; only [use] not your freedom for an occasion to the flesh, but through agape love be servants one to another. {5:14} For the whole [written] law [through Moses] is fulfilled in one word, [even] in this: you shall agape love your neighbor as [you agape love] yourself. {5:15} But if you bite and devour one another, take heed that you be not consumed one of another. {5:16} But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. {5:17} For the flesh lust against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are contrary the one to the other; that you may not do the things that you would. {5:18} But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the [written] law [through Moses]. {5:19} Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are [these]: fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, {5:20} idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousies, Angers, factions, divisions, parties, {5:21} envyings, drunkenness, reveling, and such like; of which I forewarn you, even as I did forewarn you, that they who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. {5:22} But the fruit of the Spirit is agape love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, {5:23} meekness, self-control; against such there is no law. {5:24} And they that are of Christ Yehsus have crucified the flesh with the passions and the lusts there. {5:25} If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk. {5:26} Let us not become vainglorious, provoking one another, envying one another.

{N9}6} Galatians Chapter Six. {6:1} Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to yourself, lest you also be tempted. {6:2} Bear you one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. {6:3} For if a man thinks himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. {6:4} But let each man prove his own work, and then shall he have his glorying in regard of himself alone, and not of his neighbor. {6:5} For each man shall carry his own burden. {6:6} But let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teaches in all good things. {6:7} Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatever a man sows, that shall he also reap. {6:8} For he that sows unto his own flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that sows unto the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap eternal life. {6:9} And let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. {6:10} So then, as we have opportunity, let us work that which is good toward all men, and especially toward them that are of the household of the faith.

{6:11} See with how large letters I write unto you with mine own hand. {6:12} As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, they compel you to be circumcised; only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. {6:13} For not even they who receive circumcision do themselves keep the [written] law [though Moses]; but they desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. {6:14} But far be it from me to glory, save in the cross of our Lord Yehsus Christ, through which the world has been crucified unto me, and I unto the world. {6:15} For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. {6:16} And as many as shall walk by this rule, peace [be] upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. {6:17} From here on, let no man trouble me; for I bear branded on my body the marks of Yehsus. {6:18} The grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Epistle of Paul to the Ephesians.

{N10}1} Ephesians Chapter One. {1:1} Paul, an apostle of Christ Yehsus through the will of God, to the Holy People that are at Ephesus, and the faithful in Christ Yehsus: {1:2} Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:3} Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Yehsus Christ, who hath blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly [places] in Christ: {1:4} even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blemish before him in agape love: {1:5} having foreordained us unto adoption as sons through Yehsus Christ unto himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, {1:6} to the praise of the glory of his grace, which he freely bestowed on us in the agape Beloved: {1:7} in whom we have our redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, {1:8} which he made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, {1:9} making known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he purposed in him {1:10} unto a dispensation of the fullness of the times, to sum up all things in Christ, the things in the heavens, and the things upon the earth; in him, [I say,] {1:11} in whom also we were made a heritage, having been foreordained according to the purpose of him who works all things after the counsel of his will; {1:12} to the end that we should be unto the praise of his glory, we who had before hoped in Christ: {1:13} in whom you also, having heard the word of the truth, the good news of your salvation,-- in whom, having also believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, {1:14} which is an earnest of our inheritance, unto the redemption of [God's] own possession, unto the praise of his glory. {1:15} For this cause I also, having heard of the faith in the Lord Yehsus which is among you, and the agape love which [you show] toward all the Holy People, {1:16} cease not to give thanks for you, making mention [of you] in my prayers; {1:17} that the God of our Lord Yehsus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him; {1:18} having the eyes of your heart enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of his calling, what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the Holy People, {1:19} and what the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to that working of the strength of his might {1:20} which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and made him to sit at his right hand in the heavenly [places], {1:21} far above all rule, and authority, and power, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: {1:22} and he put all things in subjection under his feet, and gave him to be head over all things to the Ekklesia, {1:23} which is his body, the fullness of him that fills all in all.

{N10}2} Ephesians 2. {2:1} And you [did he make alive,] when you were dead through your trespasses and sins, {2:2} wherein you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the powers of the air, of the spirit that now works in the sons of disobedience; {2:3} among whom we also all once lived in the lust of our flesh, doing the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of anger, even as the rest:-- {2:4} but God, being rich in mercy, for his great agape love by which he agape loved us, {2:5} even when we were dead through our trespasses, made [past tense] us alive together with Christ [by grace have you been saved -past tense], {2:6} and [in the past] raised us up with him, and made us to sit with him in the heavenly [places], in Christ Yehsus: {2:7} that in the ages to come [future tense] he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Yehsus: {2:8} for by grace you [Ephesians] have been saved [past tense] through [works of] faith; and that not of yourselves [in your past tense], [faith that saves is] the gift of God; {2:9} not of your [past] works [without faith], that no man should glory. {2:10} For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Yehsus for good works [through Faith, present tense], which God in the past prepared that we should walk in them. {2:11} Therefore remember, that once you, the Nations in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called Circumcision, in the flesh, made by hands; {2:12} that you [Nations] were at that time [past] separate from Christ, alienated from the

commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. {2:13} But now in Christ Yehsus you [Nations] that once were far off are [now] made close [together] in the blood of Christ. {2:14} For he is our peace, who made both [the Jews and Nations as] one, and brake down the middle wall of partition, {2:15} having abolished in the flesh the enmity, [even in] the [written] law [through Moses] of commandments [contained] in ordinances; that he might create in himself of the two one new man, [so] making peace; {2:16} and might reconcile them both in one body unto God through the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: {2:17} and he came and preached peace to you that were far off, and peace to them that were near: {2:18} for through him we both have our access in one Spirit unto the Father. {2:19} So then you are no more strangers and aliens, but you are fellow-citizens with the Holy People, and of the household of God, {2:20} being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Yehsus himself being the chief corner stone; {2:21} in whom each several building, fitly framed together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord; {2:22} in whom you also are built together for a habitation of God in the Spirit.

{N10}3} Ephesians Chapter Three. {3:1} For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Christ Yehsus in behalf of you Nations,-- {3:2} if so be that you have heard of the dispensation of that grace of God which was given me to you-ward; {3:3} how that by revelation was made known unto me the mystery, as I wrote before in few words, {3:4} whereby, when you read, you can perceive my understanding in the mystery of Christ; {3:5} which in other generations was not made known unto the sons of men, as it hath now been revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; {3:6} [to say], that the Nations are fellow-heirs, and fellow-members of the body, and fellow-partakers of the promise in Christ Yehsus through the good news, {3:7} whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of that grace of God which was given me according to the working of his power. {3:8} Unto me, who am less than the least of all Holy People, was this grace given, to preach unto the Nations the un-searchable riches of Christ; {3:9} and to make all men see what is the dispensation of the mystery which for ages hath been hid in God who created all things; {3:10} to the intent that now unto the principalities and the powers in the heavenly [places] might be made known through the Ekklesia the manifold wisdom of God, {3:11} according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Yehsus our Lord: {3:12} in whom we have boldness and access in confidence through our faith in him. {3:13} Therefore I ask that you may not faint at my tribulations for you, which are your glory. {3:14} For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father, {3:15} from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, {3:16} that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, that you may be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inward man; {3:17} that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; to the end that you, being rooted and grounded in agape love, {3:18} may be strong to apprehend with all the Holy People what is the breadth and length and height and depth, {3:19} and to know the agape love of Christ which passes knowledge, that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God. {3:20} Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, {3:21} unto him [be] the glory in the Ekklesia and in Christ Yehsus unto all generations forever and ever. Amen.

{N10}4} Ephesians Chapter Four. {4:1} I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, ask you to walk worthily of the calling by which you were called, {4:2} with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in agape love; {4:3} giving diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. {4:4} [There is] one body, and one Spirit, even as also you were called in one hope of your calling; {4:5} one Lord, one faith, one immersion [in water], {4:6} one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all. {4:7} But unto each one of us was the grace given according to the measure of the gift of Christ. {4:8} Therefore he said, When he ascended on high, he led captivity captive, And gave gifts unto men. {4:9} (Now this, He ascended, what is it but that he also descended into the lowest parts of the earth? {4:10})

He that descended is the same also that ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) {4:11} And he gave some [to be] apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; {4:12} for the perfecting of the Holy People, unto the work of ministering, unto the edifying of the body of Christ: {4:13} till we all attain unto the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a full grown man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: {4:14} that we may be no longer children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of instructions [they claim to be from God], by the sleight of men, in craftiness, after the wiles of error; {4:15} but speaking truth in agape love, we may grow up in all things into him, who is the head, [even] Christ; {4:16} from whom all the body fitly framed and knit together through that which every joint supplies, according to the working in [due] measure of each individual part, makes the increase of the body unto the building up of itself in agape love. {4:17} This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you no longer walk as the Nations also walk, in the vanity of their mind, {4:18} being darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardening of their heart; {4:19} who being past feeling gave themselves up to lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. {4:20} But you did not so learn Christ; {4:21} if so be that you heard him, and were taught in him, even as truth is in Yehsus: {4:22} that you put away, as concerning your former manner of life, the old man, that waxes corrupt after the lusts of deceit; {4:23} and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, {4:24} and put on the new man, that after God hath been created in good works and holiness of truth. {4:25} Therefore, putting away falsehood, speak you truth each one with his neighbor: for we are members one of another. {4:26} Let not be angry and sin: let not the sun go down upon your Anger: {4:27} neither give place to the devil. {4:28} Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing that is good, that he may have whereof to give to him that hath need. {4:29} Let no corrupt speech proceed out of your mouth, but such as is good for edifying as the need may be, that it may give grace to them that hear. {4:30} And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, in whom you were sealed unto the day of redemption. {4:31} Let all bitterness, and Anger, and anger, and clamor, and railing, be put away from you, with all malice: {4:32} and be you kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, even as God also in Christ forgave you.

{N10}5} Ephesians Chapter Five. {5:1} Be you therefore imitators of God, as agape beloved children; {5:2} and walk in agape love, even as Christ also agape loved you, and gave himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for an odor of a sweet smell. {5:3} But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as becomes Holy People; {5:4} nor filthiness, nor foolish talking, or jesting, which are not befitting: but rather giving of thanks. {5:5} For this you know of a guarantee, that no fornicator, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. {5:6} Let no man deceive you with empty words: for because of these things cometh the Anger of God upon the sons of disobedience. {5:7} Be not you therefore partakers with them; {5:8} For you were once darkness, but are now light in the Lord: walk as children of light {5:9} (for the fruit of the light is in all goodness and good works and truth), {5:10} proving what is well-pleasing unto the Lord; {5:11} and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather even reprove them; {5:12} for the things which are done by them in secret it is a shame even to speak of. {5:13} But all things when they are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for everything that is made manifest is light. {5:14} Therefore [he] said, Awake, thou that sleeps, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall shine upon you. {5:15} Look therefore carefully how you walk, not as unwise, but as wise; {5:16} redeeming the time, because the days are evil. {5:17} Therefore be you not foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. {5:18} And be not drunken with wine, wherein is riot, but be filled with the Spirit; {5:19} speaking one to another in Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; {5:20} giving thanks always for all things in the name of our Lord Yehsus Christ to God, even the Father; {5:21} subjecting yourselves one to another in the fear of Christ. {5:22}

Wives, [be in subjection] unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. {5:23} For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the Ekklesia, [being] himself the savior of the body. {5:24} But as the Ekklesia is subject to Christ, so [let] the wives also [be] to their husbands in everything.

{5:25} Husbands, agape love your wives, even as Christ also agape loves his Ekklesia, and gave himself up for her; {5:26} that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, {5:27} that he might present his Ekklesia to himself a glorious [Ekklesia], not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she should be holy and without blemish. {5:28} Even so ought husbands also to agape love their own wives as their own bodies. He that agape loves his own wife agape loves himself: {5:29} for no man ever hated his own flesh; but nourishes and cherishes it, even as Christ also the Ekklesia; {5:30} because we are members of his body. {5:31} For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh. {5:32} This mystery is great: but I speak in regard of Christ and of the Ekklesia. {5:33} Nevertheless do you also severally [agape] love each one his own wife even as himself; and [let] the wife [see] that she [agape love] in reverence of her husband.

{N10}6} Ephesians Chapter Six. {6:1} Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. {6:2} Honor your father and mother (which is the first commandment with promise), {6:3} that it may be well with thee, and thou may live long on the earth. {6:4} And, you fathers, provoke not your children to Anger: but nurture them in the chastening and admonition of the Lord. {6:5} Bondmen, be obedient unto them that according to the flesh are your masters, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; {6:6} not in the way of eye service, as men-pleasers; but as bondmen of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; {6:7} with good will doing service, as unto the Lord, and not unto men: {6:8} knowing that whatsoever good thing each one does, the same shall he receive again from the Lord, whether [he be] bond or free. {6:9} And, you masters, do the same things unto them, and forbear threatening: knowing that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no respect of persons with him. {6:10} Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his might. {6:11} Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. {6:12} For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual [hosts] of wickedness in the heavenly [places]. {6:13} Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. {6:14} Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of good works, {6:15} and having shod your feet with the preparation of the good news of peace; {6:16} together with taking up the shield of faith, by which you shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the evil [one]. {6:17} And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: {6:18} with all prayer and supplication praying at all seasons in the Spirit, and watching thereunto in all perseverance and supplication for all the Holy People, {6:19} And on my behalf, that utterance may be given unto me in opening my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the good news, {6:20} for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. {6:21} But that you also may know my affairs, how I do, Tychicus, the agape beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things: {6:22} whom I have sent unto you for this very purpose, that you may know our state, and that he may comfort your hearts. {6:23} Peace be to the brethren, and agape love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {6:24} Grace be with all them that agape love our Lord Yehsus Christ with [the agape love] incorruptible.

The Epistle Of The Apostle Paul to the Philippians.

{N11)1} Philippians Chapter One. {1:1} Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Yehsus, to all the Holy People in Christ Yehsus that are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons: {1:2} Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:3} I thank my God upon all my remembrance of you, {1:4} always in every supplication of mine on behalf of you all making my supplication with joy, {1:5} for your fellowship in furtherance of the good news from the first day until now; {1:6} being confident of this very thing, that he who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Yehsus Christ: {1:7} even as it is right for me to be thus intent on behalf of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as, both in my bonds and in the defense and confirmation of the good news, you all are partakers with me of grace. {1:8} For God is my witness, how I long after you all in the tender mercies of Christ Yehsus. {1:9} And this I pray, that your agape love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and all discernment; {1:10} so that you may approve the things that are excellent; that you may be sincere and void of offence unto the day of Christ; {1:11} being filled with the fruits of good works, which are through Yehsus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God. {1:12} Now I would have you know, brethren, that the things [which happened] unto me have fallen out rather unto the progress of the good news; {1:13} so that my bonds became manifest in Christ throughout the whole praetorian guard, and to all the rest; {1:14} and that most of the brethren in the Lord, being confident through my bonds, are more abundantly bold to speak the word of God outside fear. {1:15} Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will: {1:16} the one [do it] of agape love, knowing that I am set for the defense of the good news; {1:17} but the other proclaim Christ of faction, not sincerely, thinking to raise up affliction for me in my bonds. {1:18} What then? only that in every way, whether in pretence or in truth, Christ is proclaimed; and therein I rejoice, behold, and will rejoice. {1:19} For I know that this shall turn out to my salvation, through your supplication and the supply of the Spirit of Yehsus Christ, {1:20} according to my earnest expectation and hope, that in nothing shall I be put to shame, but [that] with all boldness, as always, [so] now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether by life, or by death. {1:21} For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. {1:22} But if to live in the flesh, --[if] this shall bring fruit from my work, then what I shall choose I know not. {1:23} But I am in a strait between the two, having the desire to depart and be with Christ; for it is very far better: {1:24} yet to abide in the flesh is more needful for your sake. {1:25} And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide, behold, and abide with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith; {1:26} that your glorying may abound in Christ Yehsus in me through my presence with you again. {1:27} Only let your manner of life be worthy of the good news of Christ: that, whether I come and see you and be absent, I may hear of your state, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one soul striving for the faith of the good news; {1:28} and in nothing affrighted by the adversaries: which is for them an evident token of destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God; {1:29} because to you it has been granted in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer in his behalf: {1:30} having the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear to be in me.

{N11)2} Philippians Chapter Two. {2:1} If there is therefore any exhortation in Christ, if any consolation of agape love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any tender mercies and compassions, {2:2} make full my joy, that you be of the same mind, having the same agape love, being of one accord, of one mind; {2:3} [doing] nothing through faction or through vainglory, but in lowliness of mind each counting [the] other better than himself; {2:4} not looking each of you to his own things, but each of you also to the things of others. {2:5} Have this mind in you, which was also in Christ Yehsus: {2:6} who, existing in the form of God, counted not the being on an equality with God a thing to be grasped, {2:7} but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being made in the likeness of men; {2:8} and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, becoming obedient [even] unto death, behold, the death of the cross. {2:9} Therefore also God highly exalted him, and gave unto him the name [Ho Theos-All Mighty God] which

[name] is above every name; {2:10} that in the name of Yehsus every knee should bow, of [things] in heaven and [things] on earth and [things] under the earth, {2:11} and that every tongue should confess that Yehsus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. {2:12} So then, my agape beloved, even as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; {2:13} for it is God who works in you both to will and to work, for his good pleasure. {2:14} Do all things outside murmurings and questionings: {2:15} that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God outside blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you are seen as lights in the world, {2:16} holding forth the word of life; that I may have where to glory in the day of Christ, that I did not run in vain neither labor in vain. {2:17} behold, and if I am offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all: {2:18} and in the same manner do you also joy, and rejoice with me. {2:19} But I hope in the Lord Yehsus to send Timothy shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state. {2:20} For I have no man like intent, who will care truly for your state. {2:21} For they all seek their own, not the things of Yehsus Christ. {2:22} But you know the proof of him, that, as a child [serve] a father, [so] he served with me in furtherance of the good news. {2:23} Him therefore I hope to send immediately, as soon as I shall see how it will go with me: {2:24} but I trust in the Lord that I myself also shall come shortly. {2:25} But I counted it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow-worker and fellow-soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need; {2:26} since he longed after you all, and was sore troubled, because you had heard that he was sick: {2:27} for indeed he was sick near unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, that I might not have sorrow upon sorrow. {2:28} I have sent him therefore the more diligently, that, when you see him again, you may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful. {2:29} Receive him therefore in the Lord with all joy; and hold such in honor: {2:30} because for the work of Christ he came near unto death, hazarding his life to supply that which was lacking in your service toward me.

{N11}3} Philippians Chapter Three. {3:1} Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not irritating but for you it is safe. {3:2} Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the concision: {3:3} for we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God, and glory in Christ Yehsus, and have no confidence in the flesh: {3:4} though I myself might have confidence even in the flesh: if any other man thinks to have confidence in the flesh, I had more: {3:5} circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as touching the [the unwritten Halakah] law of the Pharisee; {3:6} as touching zeal, persecuting the Ekklesia [of Christ]; as touching the good works which is in the [unwritten law of the mind the Halakah] law [of the Pharisee], [I thought that I was] found blameless. {3:7} However what things [I thought] were gain to me, these have I [now] counted loss for Christ. {3:8} behold verily, and I count all things to be loss for the Excellency of the knowledge of Christ Yehsus my Lord: for whom I suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but animal dung, that I may gain Christ, {3:9} and [to] be found in him, not having a good works of mine own, [even] that which is of the [unwritten Pharisee Halakah] law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the [works of] good works which is from God by faith: {3:10} that I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, becoming conformed unto his death; {3:11} if by any means I may attain unto the resurrection from the dead. {3:12} Not that I have already obtained, or am already made perfect: but I press on, if so be that I may lay hold on that for which also I was laid hold on by Christ Yehsus. {3:13} Brethren, I could not myself yet to have laid hold: but one thing [I do], forgetting the things which are behind, and stretching forward to the things which are before, {3:14} I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Yehsus. {3:15} Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, be thus intent: and if in anything you are otherwise intent, this also shall God reveal unto you: {3:16} only, whereunto we have attained,

by that same [rule] let us walk. {3:17} Brethren, be you imitators together of me, and mark them that so walk even as you have us for an ensample. {3:18} For many walk, of whom I told you often, and now tell you even weeping, [that they are] the enemies of the cross of Christ: {3:19} whose end is destruction, whose god is the belly, and [whose] glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things. {3:20} For our citizenship is in heaven; where also we wait for a Savior, the Lord Yehsus Christ: {3:21} who shall fashion anew the body of our humiliation, [that it may be] conformed to the body of his glory, according to the working whereby he is able even to subject all things unto himself.

{N11}4} Philippians Chapter Four. {4:1} Therefore, my brethren agape beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my agape beloved. {4:2} I exhort Euodia, and I exhort Syntyche, to be of the same mind in the Lord. {4:3} behold, I ask you also, true yokefellow, help these women, for they labored with me in the good news, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow-workers, whose names are in the book of life. {4:4} Rejoice in the Lord always: again I will say, Rejoice. {4:5} Let your forbearance be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. {4:6} In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. {4:7} And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Yehsus. {4:8} Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are honorable, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are like agape love, whatever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. {4:9} The things which you both learned and received and heard and seen in me, these things do: and the God of peace shall be with you. {4:10} But I rejoice in the Lord greatly, that now at length you have revived your thought for me; wherein you did indeed take thought, but you lacked opportunity. {4:11} Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatever state I am, therein to be content. {4:12} I know how to be abased, and I know also how to abound: in everything and in all things have I learned the secret both to be filled and to be hungry, both to abound and to be in want. {4:13} I can do all things in him that strengthens me. {4:14} However you did well that you had fellowship with my affliction. {4:15} And you yourselves also know, you Philippians, that in the beginning of [teaching] the good news, when I departed from Macedonia, no Ekklesia had fellowship with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you only; {4:16} for even in Thessalonica you sent once and again unto my need. {4:17} Not that I seek for the gift; but I seek for the fruit that increases to your account. {4:18} But I have all things, and abound: I am filled, having received from Epaphroditus the things [that came] from you, and odor of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well-pleasing to God. {4:19} And my God shall supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Yehsus. {4:20} Now unto our God and Father [be] the glory forever and ever. Amen. {4:21} Salute every Holy Person in Christ Yehsus. The brethren that are with me salute you. {4:22} All the Holy People salute you, especially they that are of Caesar's household. {4:23} The grace of the Lord Yehsus Christ be with your spirit.

The Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Colossians

{N12}1} Colossians Chapter One.. {1:1} Paul, an apostle of Christ Yehsus through the will of God, and Timothy our brother, {1:2} To the Holy People and faithful brethren in Christ [that are] at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. {1:3} We give thanks to God the Father of our Lord Yehsus Christ, praying always for you, {1:4} having heard of your faith in Christ Yehsus, and of the agape love which you have toward all the Holy People, {1:5} because of the hope which is laid up for you in the heavens, where you heard before in the word of the truth of the good news, {1:6} which is come unto you; even as it is also in all the world bearing fruit and increasing, as [it does] in you also, since the day you heard and knew the grace of God in truth; {1:7} even as you learned of Epaphras our beloved fellow-slave, who is a faithful

minister of Christ on our behalf, {1:8} who also declared unto us your agape love in the Spirit. {1:9} For this cause we also, since the day we heard [it], do not cease to pray and make request for you, that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, {1:10} to walk worthily of the Lord unto all pleasing, bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; {1:11} strengthened with all power, according to the might of his glory, unto all patience and longsuffering with joy; {1:12} giving thanks unto the Father, who made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the Holy People in light; {1:13} who delivered us out of the power of darkness, and translated us into the kingdom of the Son of his agape love; {1:14} in whom we have our redemption, the forgiveness of our sins: {1:15} who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; {1:16} for in him were all things created, in the heavens and upon the earth, things visible and things invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things have been created through him, and unto him; {1:17} and he is before all things, and in him all things consist. {1:18} And he is the head of the body, the Ekklesia: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. {1:19} For it was the good pleasure [of the Father] that in him should all the fullness dwell; {1:20} and through him to reconcile all things unto himself, having made peace through the blood of his cross; through him, [I say], whether things upon the earth, or things in the heavens. {1:21} And you, being in time past alienated and enemies in your mind in your evil works, {1:22} yet now has he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and outside blemish and un-reprove able before him: {1:23} if so be that you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the good news which you heard, which was preached in all creation under heaven; where I Paul was made a minister. {1:24} Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and fill up on my part that which is lacking of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the Ekklesia; {1:25} where I was made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which was given me to you-ward, to fulfill the word of God, {1:26} [even] the mystery which has been hid for ages and generations: but now has it been manifested to his Holy People, {1:27} to whom God was pleased to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Nations, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: {1:28} whom we proclaim, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ; {1:29} whereunto I labor also, striving according to his working, which works in me mightily.

{N12}2} Colossians Chapter Two. {2:1} For I would have you know how greatly I strive for you, and for them at Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh; {2:2} that their hearts may be comforted, they being knit together in agape love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, that they may know the mystery of God, [even] Christ, {2:3} in whom are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge hidden. {2:4} This I say, that no one may delude you with persuasiveness of speech. {2:5} For though I am absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, rejoicing and beholding your order, and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. {2:6} As therefore you received Christ Yehsus the Lord, [so] walk in him, {2:7} rooted and built up in him, and established in your faith, even as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. {2:8} Take heed lest there shall be any one deceive you to enslave and to make spoil of you through his philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the basic principles of the world, and not after [first principals of] Christ: {2:9} for in him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, {2:10} and in him you are made full, who is the head of all principality and power: {2:11} in whom you were also circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands, in the putting off of the body of the flesh, in the circumcision of Christ; {2:12} having been buried with him in immersion [in water], wherein you were also resurrected with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. {2:13} And you, being dead through your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, you, [I say], [in his resurrection] he did make [you] alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses; {2:14} having

blotted out the bond written in ordinances [through Moses] that was against us, which was contrary to us: and he has taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross; {2:15} having despoiled the principalities and the powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it. {2:16} Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of a feast day or a new moon or a Sabbath day: {2:17} which are a shadow of the things to come; but the body [of Ekklesia] is Christ's. {2:18} Let no man rob you of your prize by a voluntary humility and worshipping of the messengers, dwelling in the things which he has seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, {2:19} and not holding fast the Head, from whom all the body, being supplied and knit together through the joints and bands, increasing with the increase of God. {2:20} If you died with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to [man made] ordinances, {2:21} Handle not, nor taste, nor touch {2:22} (all which things are to perish with the using), after the precepts and instructions of men? {2:23} Which things have indeed a show of wisdom in will-worship, and humility, and severity to the body; [but are] not of any value against the indulgence of the flesh.

{N12}3} Colossians Chapter Three. {3:1} If then you were raised together with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of God. {3:2} Set your mind on the things that are above, not on the things that are upon the earth. {3:3} For you died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. {3:4} When Christ, [who is] our life, shall be manifested, then shall you also with him be manifested in glory. {3:5} Put to death therefore your members which are upon the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry; {3:6} for which things' sake comes the Anger of God upon the sons of disobedience: {3:7} wherein you also once walked, when you lived in these things; {3:8} but now do you also put them all away: anger, Anger, malice, railing, shameful speaking out of your mouth: {3:9} lie not one to another; seeing that you have put off the old man with his doings, {3:10} and have put on the new man, that is being renewed unto knowledge after the image of him that created him: {3:11} where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, freeman; but Christ is all, and in all. {3:12} Put on therefore, as God's elect, holy and agape beloved, a heart of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, longsuffering; {3:13} forbearing one another, and forgiving each other, if any man have a complaint against any; even as the Lord forgave you, so also do you: {3:14} and above all these things [put on] agape love, which [agape love] is the bond of perfectness. {3:15} And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which you were also called in one body [of Ekklesia]; and be you thankful. {3:16} Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with Psalms [and] hymns [and] spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts unto God. {3:17} And whatever you do, in word or indeed, [do] all in the name of the Lord Yehsus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. {3:18} Wives, be in subjection to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. {3:19} Husbands, agape love your wives, and be not bitter against them. {3:20} Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing in the Lord. {3:21} Fathers, provoke not your children, that they be not discouraged. {3:22} Servants, obey in all things them that are your masters according to the flesh; not with eye-service, as men-pleasers, but in singleness of heart, fearing the Lord: {3:23} whatever you do, work heartily, as unto the Lord, and not unto men; {3:24} knowing that from the Lord you shall receive the recompense of the inheritance: you serve the Lord Christ. {3:25} For he that does wrong shall receive again for the wrong that he has done: and there is no respect of persons.

{N12}4} Colossians Chapter Four. {4:1} Masters, render unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that you also have a Master in heaven. {4:2} Continue steadfastly in prayer, watching therein with thanksgiving; {4:3} with praying for us also, that God may open unto us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds; {4:4} that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak. {4:5} Walk in wisdom toward them that are outside,

redeeming the time. {4:6} Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one. {4:7} All my affairs shall Tychicus make known unto you, the agape beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow-slave in the Lord: {4:8} whom I have sent you for this very purpose, that you may know our state, and that he may comfort your hearts; {4:9} together with Onesimus, the faithful and agape beloved brother, who is one of you. They shall make known unto you all things that [are done] here. {4:10} Aristarchus my fellow-prisoner salutes you, and Mark, the cousin of Barnabas (touching whom you received commandments; if he come unto you, receive him), {4:11} and Yehsus that is called Justus, who are of the circumcision: these only [are my] fellow-workers unto the kingdom of God, men that have been a comfort unto me. {4:12} Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Yehsus, salutes you, always striving for you in his prayers, that you may stand perfect and fully assured in all the will of God. {4:13} For I stand witness for him, that he has labors much for you, and for them in Laodicea, and for them in Hierapolis. {4:14} Luke, the agape beloved physician, and Demas salute you. {4:15} Salute the brethren that are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the Ekklesia that is in their house. {4:16} And when this epistle has been read among you, cause that it be read also in the Ekklesia of the Laodiceans; and that you also read the epistle from Laodicea. {4:17} And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you fulfill it. {4:18} The salutation of me Paul with mine own hand. Remember my bonds. Grace be with you.

The First Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians

{N13}1} First Thessalonians Chapter One. {1:1} Paul, and Silvanus, and Timothy, unto the Ekklesia of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ: Grace to you and peace. {1:2} We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention [of you] in our prayers; {1:3} remembering outside ceasing your work of faith and labor of agape love and patience of hope in our Lord Yehsus Christ, before our God and Father; {1:4} knowing, brethren beloved of God, your election, {1:5} how that our good news came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit, and [in] much assurance; even as you know what manner of men we showed ourselves toward you for your sake. {1:6} And you became imitators of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit; {1:7} so that you became an ensample to all that believe in Macedonia and in Achaia. {1:8} For from you has sounded forth the word of the Lord, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith to God-ward is gone forth; so that we need not to speak anything. {1:9} For they themselves report concerning us what manner of entering in we had unto you; and how you turned unto God from idols, to serve a living and true God, {1:10} and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, [even] Yehsus, who delivers us from the Anger to come.

{N13}2} First Thessalonians Chapter Two. {2:1} For yourselves, brethren, know our entering in unto you, that it has not been found vain: {2:2} but having suffered before and been shamefully treated, as you know, at Philippi, we waxed bold in our God to speak unto you the good news of God in much conflict. {2:3} For our exhortation [is] not of error, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile: {2:4} but even as we have been approved of God to be entrusted with the good news, so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God who proves our hearts. {2:5} For neither at any time were we found using words of flattery, as you know, nor a cloak of covetousness, God is witness; {2:6} nor seeking glory of men, neither from you nor from others, when we might have claimed authority as apostles of Christ. {2:7} But we were gentle in the midst of you, as when a nurse cherishes her own children: {2:8} even so, being affectionately desirous of you, we were well pleased to impart unto you, not the good news of God only, but also our own souls, because you were become very dear to us. {2:9} For you remember, brethren, our labor and travail: working night and day, that we might not burden any of you, we preached unto you the good news of God. {2:10} you are witnesses, and God [also], how holily and

righteously and un-blamable we behaved ourselves toward you that believe: {2:11} as you know how we [dealt with] each one of you, as a father with his own children, exhorting you, and encouraging [you], and testifying, {2:12} to the end that you should walk worthily of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory. {2:13} And for this cause we also thank God outside ceasing, that, when you received from us the word of the message, [even the word] of God, you accepted [it] not [as] the word of men, but, as it is in truth, the word of God, which also works in you that believe. {2:14} For you, brethren, became imitators of the [the instructions of the] Ekklesias of God which are in Judea in Christ Yehsus: for you also suffered the same things of your own countrymen, even as they did of the Jews; {2:15} who both killed the Lord Yehsus and the prophets, and drove out us, and pleased not God, and are contrary to all men; {2:16} forbidding us to speak to the Nations that they may be saved; to fill up their sins always: but the Anger is come upon them to the outermost. {2:17} But we, brethren, being bereaved of you for a short season, in presence not in heart, endeavored the more exceedingly to see your face with great desire: {2:18} because we would fain have come unto you, I Paul once and again; and Satan hindered us. {2:19} For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of glorying? Are not even you, before our Lord Yehsus at his coming? {2:20} For you are our glory and our joy.

{N13}3} First Thessalonians Chapter Three. {3:1} Therefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left behind at Athens alone; {3:2} and sent Timothy, our brother and God's minister in the good news of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort [you] concerning your faith; {3:3} that no man be moved by these afflictions; for yourselves know that for this purpose we are appointed. {3:4} For verily, when we were with you, we told you beforehand that we are to suffer affliction; even as it came to pass, and you know. {3:5} For this cause I also, when I could no longer forbear, sent that I might know your faith, lest by any means the tempter had tempted you, and our labor should be in vain. {3:6} But when Timothy came even now unto us from you, and brought us glad tidings of your faith and agape love, and that you have good remembrance of us always, longing to see us, even as we also [to see] you; {3:7} for this cause, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our distress and affliction through your faith: {3:8} for now we live, if you stand fast in the Lord. {3:9} For what thanksgiving can we render again unto God for you, for all the joy by which we joy for your sakes before our God; {3:10} night and day praying exceedingly that we may see your face, and may perfect that which is lacking in your faith? {3:11} Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Yehsus, direct our way unto you: {3:12} and the Lord make you to increase and abound in agape love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we also [do] toward you; {3:13} to the end he may establish your hearts un-blamable in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Yehsus with all his Holy People.

{N13}4} First Thessalonians Chapter Four. {4:1} Finally then, brethren, we ask and exhort you in the Lord Yehsus, that, as you received of us how you ought to walk and to please God, even as you do walk, --that you abound more and more. {4:2} For you know what charge we gave you through the Lord Yehsus. {4:3} For this is the will of God, [even] your sanctification, that you abstain from fornication; {4:4} that each one of you know how to possess himself of his own vessel in sanctification and honor, {4:5} not in the passion of lust, even as the Nations who know not God; {4:6} that no man transgress [the law], and wrong his brother in the matter: because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as also we forewarned you and testified. {4:7} For God called us not for uncleanness, but in sanctification. {4:8} Therefore he that rejects, rejects not man, but God, who gives his Holy Spirit unto you. {4:9} But concerning philo love of the brethren you have no need that one write unto you: for you yourselves are taught of God to agape love one another; {4:10} for indeed you do it toward all the brethren that are in all Macedonia. But we exhort you, brethren, that you abound more and more; {4:11} and that you study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your hands, even as we charged

you; {4:12} that you may walk becomingly toward them that are outside, and may have need of nothing. {4:13} But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them that fall asleep [in Christ]; that you sorrow not, even as the rest, who have no hope. {4:14} For if we believe that Yehsus died and rose again, even so them also that are fallen asleep in Yehsus will God bring with him. {4:15} For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we that are alive, that are left unto the coming of the Lord, shall in no wise precede them that are fallen asleep. {4:16} For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of the arch messenger, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first; {4:17} then we that are alive, that are left, shall together with them be caught up in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. {4:18} Therefore comfort one another with these words.

{N13}5} 1Thessalonians Chapter Five. {5:1} But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that anything be written unto you. {5:2} For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. {5:3} When they are saying, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction comes upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall in no wise escape. {5:4} But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief: {5:5} for you are all sons of light, and sons of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness; {5:6} so then let us not sleep, as do the rest, but let us watch and be sober. {5:7} For they that sleep do sleep in the night: and they that are drunk are drunk in the night. {5:8} But let us, since we are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and agape love; and for a helmet, the hope of salvation. {5:9} For God appointed us not into Anger, but unto the obtaining of salvation through our Lord Yehsus Christ, {5:10} who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. {5:11} Therefore exhort one another, and build each other up, even as also you do. {5:12} But we ask you, brethren, to know them that labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; {5:13} and to esteem them exceeding highly in agape love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves. {5:14} And we exhort you, brethren, admonish the disorderly, encourage the fainthearted, support the weak, be longsuffering toward all. {5:15} See that none render unto any one evil for evil; but always follow after that which is good, one toward another, and toward all. {5:16} Rejoice always; {5:17} pray outside ceasing; {5:18} in everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Yehsus to you-ward. {5:19} Quench not the Spirit; {5:20} despise not prophesying; {5:21} prove all things; hold fast that which is good; {5:22} abstain from every form of evil. {5:23} And the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, outside blame at the coming of our Lord Yehsus Christ. {5:24} Faithful is he that calls you, who will also do it. {5:25} Brethren, pray for us. {5:26} Salute all the brethren with a holy kiss. {5:27} I adjure you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the brethren. {5:28} The grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ be with you.

The Second Epistle Of the Apostle Paul To The Thessalonians.

{N14}1} 2Thessalonians Chapter One. {1:1} Paul, and Silvanus, and Timothy, unto the Ekklesia of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ; {1:2} Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:3} We are bound to give thanks to God always to you, brethren, even as it is meet, for that your faith growth exceedingly, and the agape love of each one of you all toward one another abound; {1:4} so that we ourselves glory in you in the Ekklesias of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and in the afflictions which you endure; {1:5} [which is] a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God; to the end that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer: {1:6} if so be that it is a righteous thing with God to recompense affliction to them that afflict you, {1:7} and to you that are afflicted rest with us, at the revelation of the Lord Yehsus from heaven with the messengers of his power in flaming fire, {1:8} rendering vengeance to them that know not God, and to them that obey not the good news of our Lord Yehsus: {1:9} who shall

suffer punishment, [even] eternal destruction from the face of the Lord and from the glory of his might, {1:10} when he shall come to be glorified in his Holy People, and to be marveled at in all them that believed (because our testimony unto you was believed) in that day. {1:11} To which end we also pray always for you, that our God may count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire of goodness and [every] work of faith, with power; {1:12} that the name of our Lord Yehsus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Yehsus Christ.

{N14}2} 2Thessalonians Chapter two. {2:1} Now we ask you, brethren, touching the coming of our Lord Yehsus Christ, and our gathering together unto him; {2:2} to the end that you be not quickly shaken from your mind, nor yet be troubled, either by spirit, or by word, or by epistle as from us, as that the day of the Lord is just at hand; {2:3} let no man deceive you in any wise: for [it will not be,] except the falling away come first, and the man of sin be revealed, the son of destruction, {2:4} he that opposes and exalts himself against all that is called God or that is worshipped; so that he sit-in the temple of God, setting himself forth as God. {2:5} Remember you not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? {2:6} And now you know that which restrains, to the end that he may be revealed in his own [false] time. {2:7} For the mystery of lawlessness does already work: only [there is] one that restrains now, until he be taken out of the way. {2:8} And then shall be revealed the lawless one, whom the Lord Yehsus shall slay with the breath of his mouth, and bring to nothing by the manifestation of his coming; {2:9} [even he], whose coming is according to the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, {2:10} and with all deceit of [illegal] works against law for them that perish; because they received not the agape love of the truth, that they might be saved. {2:11} And for this cause God sends them a working of error, that they should believe a lie: {2:12} that they all might be judged who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in [illegal] works against the law. {2:13} But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren agape beloved of the Lord, for that God chose you from the beginning unto salvation in sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: {2:14} whereunto he called you through our good news, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Yehsus Christ. {2:15} So then, brethren, stand fast, and hold the [legal] traditions which you were taught, whether by word, or by epistle of ours. {2:16} Now our Lord Yehsus Christ himself, and God our Father who agape loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, {2:17} comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

{N14}3} 2Thessalonians Chapter Three. {3:1} Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run and be glorified, even as also [it is] with you; {3:2} and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and evil men; for not all have faith. {3:3} But the Lord is faithful, who shall establish you, and guard you from the evil [one]. {3:4} And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that you both do and will do the things which we command. {3:5} And the Lord direct your hearts into the agape love of God, and into the patience of Christ. {3:6} Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Yehsus Christ, that you withdraw yourselves from every brother that walks disorderly, and not after the instructions which they received of us. {3:7} For yourselves know how you ought to imitate us: for we [did] not behaved ourselves disorderly among you; {3:8} neither did we eat bread for nothing at any man's hand, but in labor and travail, working night and day, that we might not burden any of you: {3:9} not because we have not the right, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you, that you should imitate us. {3:10} For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, If any will not work, neither let him eat. {3:11} For we hear of some that walk among you disorderly, that work not at all, but are busybodies. {3:12} Now them that are such we command and exhort in the Lord Yehsus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. {3:13} But you, brethren, be not weary in well-doing. {3:14} And if any man obeys not our word by this epistle, note that man, that you have no company with him, to the end that he may be ashamed. {3:15} And [yet] count

him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother. {3:16} Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways. The Lord be with you all. {3:17} The salutation of me Paul with mine own hand, which is the token in every epistle: so I write. {3:18} The grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ be with you all.

{N15)1} First Timothy Chapter One.. The First Epistle of Paul To Timothy {1:1}
Paul, an apostle of Christ Yehsus according to the commandment of God our Savior, and Christ Yehsus our hope; {1:2} unto Timothy, my true child in faith: Grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Yehsus our Lord. {1:3} As I urged you to tarry at Ephesus, when I was going into Macedonia, that you might charge certain men not to teach a different instructions, {1:4} neither to give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questionings, rather than a dispensation of God which is in faith; [so do I now]. {1:5} But the end of the charge is agape love out of a pure heart and a good conscience and faith unfeigned: {1:6} from which things some having swerved have turned aside unto vain talking; {1:7} desiring to be teachers of the law [through Moses], though they understand neither what they say, nor where they confidently affirm. {1:8} But we know that the [written] law [through Moses] is good, if a man use it lawfully, {1:9} as knowing this, that [written] law [through Moses] is not made for a righteous [working] man, but for the lawless and unruly, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for man slayers, {1:10} for fornicators, for abusers of themselves with men, for men stealers, for liars, for false swearers, and if there be any other thing contrary to the sound instructions; {1:11} according to the good news of the glory of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust. {1:12} I thank him that enabled me, [even] Christ Yehsus our Lord, for that he counted me faithful, appointing me to [his] service; {1:13} though I was before a [Pharisee] blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: however I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief; {1:14} and the grace of our Lord abounded exceedingly with faith and agape love which is in Christ Yehsus. {1:15} Faithful is the saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Yehsus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief: {1:16} however for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me as chief [sinner] might Yehsus Christ show forth all his longsuffering, for an ensample of them that should thereafter believe on him unto eternal life. {1:17} Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, [be] honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. {1:18} This charge I commit unto you, my child Timothy, according to the prophecies which led the way to you, that by them you may war the good warfare; {1:19} holding faith and a good conscience; which some having thrust from them made shipwreck concerning the faith: {1:20} of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I delivered unto Satan, that they might be taught not to blaspheme.

[N15)2} First Timothy Chapter Two. {2:1} I exhort therefore, first of all, that supplications, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings, be made for all men; {2:2} for kings and all that are in high place; that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and gravity. {2:3} This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior; {2:4} who would have all men to be saved, and come to the knowledge of the truth. {2:5} For there is one God, one mediator also between God and men, [himself] man, Christ Yehsus, {2:6} who gave himself a ransom for all; the testimony [to be borne] in its own times; {2:7} whereunto I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I speak the truth, I lie not), a teacher of the Nations in faith and truth. {2:8} I desire therefore that the men pray in every place, lifting up holy hands, outside Anger and [vain] disputing. {2:9} In like manner, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shame fastness and sobriety; not with braided hair, and gold or pearls or costly raiment; {2:10} but (which becomes women professing godliness) through good works. {2:11} Let a woman learn in quietness with all subjection. {2:12} But I permit not a woman to teach, nor to have dominion over a man, but to be in quietness. {2:13} For Adam was first formed, then Eve; {2:14} and Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived has fallen into transgression of the law: {2:15} but she shall be

saved through her child-bearing, if they continue in faith and agape love and sanctification with sobriety.

{N15}3} First Timothy Chapter Three. {3:1} Faithful is the saying, If a man seeks the office of an overseer, he desires a good work. {3:2} The overseer therefore must be outside reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-intent, orderly, given to hospitality, apt to teach; {3:3} no brawler, no striker; but gentle, not contentious, no lover of money; {3:4} one that rules well his own house, having [his] children in subjection with all gravity; {3:5} (but if a man knows not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Ekklesia of God?) {3:6} not a novice, lest being puffed up he fall into the condemnation of the devil. {3:7} Furthermore he must have good testimony from them that are outside; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. {3:8} Deacons in like manner [must be] grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; {3:9} holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. {3:10} And let these also first be proved; then let them serve as deacons, if they be blameless. {3:11} Women in like manner [must be] grave, not slanderers, temperate, faithful in all things. {3:12} Let deacons be husbands of one wife, ruling [their] children and their own houses well. {3:13} For they that have served well as deacons gain to themselves a good standing, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Yehsus. {3:14} These things write I unto you, hoping to come unto you shortly; {3:15} but if I tarry long, that you may know how men ought to behave themselves in the house of God, which is the Ekklesia of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. {3:16} And outside controversy great is the mystery of godliness; He who was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the spirit, Seen of messengers, Preached among the nations, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory.

{N15}4} First Timothy Chapter Four. {4:1} But the Spirit said expressly, that in later times some shall fall away from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and instructions of demons, {4:2} through the hypocrisy of men that speak lies, branded in their own conscience as with a hot iron; {4:3} forbidding to marry, [and commanding] to abstain from meats, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by them that believe and know the truth. {4:4} Forever creature of God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, if it be received with thanksgiving: {4:5} for it is sanctified through the word of God and prayer. {4:6} If you put the brethren in mind of these things, you shall be a good minister of Christ Yehsus, nourished in the words of the faith, and of the good instructions which you have followed [until now]: {4:7} but refuse profane and old wives' fables. And exercise yourself unto godliness: {4:8} for bodily exercise is profitable for a little; but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life which now is, and of that which is to come. {4:9} Faithful is the saying, and worthy of all acceptance. {4:10} For to this end we labor and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, specially of them that believe. {4:11} These things command and teach. {4:12} Let no man despise your youth; but be you an ensample to them that believe, in word, in manner of life, in agape love, in faith, in purity. {4:13} Till I come, give heed to reading, to exhortation, to teaching. {4:14} Neglect not the gift that is in you, which was given you by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. {4:15} Be diligent in these things; give yourself wholly to them; that your progress may be manifest unto all. {4:16} Take heed to yourself, and to the instructions. Continue in these things; for in doing these [lawful works] you shall save both yourself and them that hear you.

{N15}5} First Timothy Chapter Five. {5:1} Rebuke not an elder, but exhort him as a father; the younger men as brethren: {5:2} the elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, in all purity. {5:3} Honor widows that are widows indeed. {5:4} But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them learn first to show piety towards their own family, and to repay their parents: for this is acceptable in the sight of God. {5:5} Now she that is a widow indeed, and

desolate, has her hope set on God, and continues in supplication and prayers night and day. {5:6} But she that gives herself to pleasure is dead while she lives. {5:7} These things also command, that they may be outside reproach. {5:8} But if any provides not for his own, and specially his own household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever. {5:9} Let none be enrolled as a widow under sixty years old, [having been] the wife of one man, {5:10} well reported of for good works; if she has brought up children, if she has used hospitality to strangers, if she has washed the Holy People' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work. {5:11} But younger widows refuse: for when they have waxed wanton against Christ, they desire to marry; {5:12} having condemnation, because they have rejected their first pledge. {5:13} And with they learn also [to be] idle, going about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not. {5:14} I desire therefore that the younger [widows] marry, bear children, rule the household, give no occasion to the adversary for reviling: {5:15} for already some are turned aside after Satan. {5:16} If any woman that believes has widows, let her relieve them, and let not the Ekklesia be burdened; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed. {5:17} Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and in teaching. {5:18} For the scripture said, you shall not muzzle the ox when he treads out the corn. And, The laborer is worthy of his hire. {5:19} Against an elder receive not an accusation, except at [the mouth of] two or three witnesses. {5:20} Them that sin reprove in the sight of all, that the rest also may be in fear. {5:21} I charge [you] in the sight of God, and Christ Yehsus, and the elect messengers, that you observe these things outside prejudice, doing nothing by partiality. {5:22} Lay hands hastily on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep yourself pure. {5:23} Be no longer a drinker of water, but use a little wine for your stomach's sake and your often infirmities. {5:24} Some men's sins are evident, going before unto judgment; and some men also they follow after. {5:25} In like manner also there are good works that are evident; and such as are otherwise cannot be hid.

{N15}6} First Timothy 6. {6:1} Let as many as are servants under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honor, that the name of God and the instructions be not blasphemed. {6:2} And they that have believing masters, let them not despise them, because they are brethren; but let them serve them more willing, because they that partake of the benefit are believing and agape beloved. These things teach and exhort. {6:3} If any man teaches a different instructions, and consents not to sound words, [even] the words of our Lord Yehsus Christ, and to the instructions which is according to godliness; {6:4} he is puffed up, knowing nothing, but doting about questionings and disputes over unimportant words, where comes envy, strife, blasphemes, evil disputations, {6:5} wrangling of men corrupted in mind and rob you of the truth, supposing that godliness is a way to get [worldly] gain. {6:6} But godliness with contentment is great gain: {6:7} for we brought nothing into the world, for neither can we carry anything out; {6:8} but having food and covering we shall be with content. {6:9} But they that are intent to be rich fall into a temptation and a snare and many foolish and hurtful lusts, such as drown men in destruction and destruction. {6:10} For the [philo-arguria to covet] of money is a root of all kinds of evil: which some reaching after have been led astray from the faith, and have pierced themselves through with many sorrows. {6:11} But you, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after [legal] works of the law, godliness, faith, agape love, patience, meekness. {6:12} Fight the good fight of the faith, lay hold on the life eternal, whereunto you was called, and did bear witness the good profession in the sight of many witnesses. {6:13} I charge you in the sight of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Yehsus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed the good confession; {6:14} that you keep the commandment, outside spot, outside reproach, until the appearing of our Lord Yehsus Christ: {6:15} which in its own times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; {6:16} who only has immortality, dwelling in light unapproachable; whom no man has seen, nor can see: to whom [be]

honor and power eternal. Amen. {6:17} Charge them that are rich in this present world, that they be not high-minded, nor have their hope set on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy; {6:18} that they do good, that they be rich in good works, that they be ready to distribute, willing to communicate; {6:19} laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on the life which is [life] indeed. {6:20} O Timothy, guard that which is committed unto [you], turning away from the profane babblings and oppositions of the knowledge which is falsely so called; {6:21} which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with you.

The Second Epistle Of The Apostle Paul To Timothy

. {N161} **Second Timothy Chapter one.** {1:1} Paul, an apostle of Christ Yehsus through the will of God, according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Yehsus, {1:2} to Timothy, my agape beloved child: Grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Yehsus our Lord. {1:3} I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers in a pure conscience, how unceasing is my remembrance of you in my supplications, night and day {1:4} longing to see you, remembering your tears, that I may be filled with joy; {1:5} having been reminded of the unfeigned faith that is in you; which lived first in your grandmother Lois, and your mother Eunice; and, I am persuaded, in you also. {1:6} For which cause I put you in remembrance that you stir up the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. {1:7} For God gave us not a spirit of fearfulness; but of power and agape love and discipline. {1:8} Be not ashamed therefore of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but suffer hardship with the good news according to the power of God; {1:9} who saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our [PAST] works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Yehsus before times eternal, {1:10} but has now been manifested by the appearing of our Savior Christ Yehsus, who abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the good news, {1:11} whereunto I was appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher. {1:12} For which cause I suffer also these things: yet I am not ashamed; for I know him whom I have believed, and I am persuaded that he is able to guard that which I have committed unto him against that day. {1:13} Hold the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and agape love which is in Christ Yehsus. {1:14} That good thing which was committed unto [you] guard through the Holy Spirit which dwells in us. {1:15} This you know, that all that are in Asia turned away from me; of whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes. {1:16} The Lord grant mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus: for he oft refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain; {1:17} but, when he was in Rome, he sought me diligently, and found me {1:18} (the Lord grant unto him to find mercy of the Lord in that day); and in how many things he ministered at Ephesus, you know very well.

{N162} **Second Timothy Chapter Two.** {2:1} you therefore, my child, be strengthened in the grace that is in Christ Yehsus. {2:2} And the things which you have heard from me among many witnesses, the same commit you to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. {2:3} Suffer hardship with [me], as a good soldier of Christ Yehsus. {2:4} No soldier on service entangled himself in the vain affairs of [this] life; that he may please him who enrolled him as a soldier. {2:5} And if also a man contend in the games, he is not crowned, except he have contended lawfully. {2:6} The husbandmen that labors must be the first to partake of the fruits. {2:7} Consider what I say; for the Lord shall give you understanding in all things. {2:8} Remember Yehsus Christ, risen from the dead, of the seed of David, according to my good news: {2:9} wherein I suffer hardship unto bonds, as a malefactor; but the word of God is not bound. {2:10} Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sake, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Yehsus with eternal glory. {2:11} Faithful is the saying: For if we died with him, we shall also live with him: {2:12} if we endure, we shall also reign with him: if we shall deny him, he also will deny us: {2:13} if we are faithless, he abides faithful; for he cannot deny

himself. {2:14} Of these things put them in remembrance, charging [them] in the sight of the Lord, that they strive not about words, to no profit, to the subverting of them that hear. {2:15} Give diligence to present yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth. {2:16} But shun profane babblings: for they will proceed further in works against law, {2:17} and their word will eat as does a gangrene: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; {2:18} men who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already, and overthrow the faith of some. {2:19} However the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, The Lord knows them that are his: and, Let everyone that names the name of the Lord depart from works against law. {2:20} Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some unto honor, and some unto dishonor. {2:21} If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, meet for the master's use, prepared unto every good work. {2:22} after lawful works, faith, agape love, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. {2:23} But foolish and ignorant questionings refuse, knowing that they gender strife. {2:24} And the Lord's slave must not strive, but be gentle towards all, apt to teach, forbearing, {2:25} in meekness correcting them that oppose themselves; if perhaps God may give them repentance unto the knowledge of the truth, {2:26} and they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him unto his will.

{N16}3} Second Timothy Chapter Three. {3:1} But know this, that in the last days grievous times shall come. {3:2} For men shall be [philo-autos] lovers of self, [The Greek philarguros] lovers of money, boastful, haughty, blasphemers,, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, {3:3} outside natural affection, implacable, slanderers, outside self-control, fierce, not lovers of good [The Greek aphilagothos], {3:4} traitors, headstrong, puffed up, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God; {3:5} holding a form of godliness, but having denied the power therefore. From these also turn away. {3:6} For of these are they that creep into houses, and take captive silly women laden with sins, led away by different lusts, {3:7} ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. {3:8} And even as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also withstand the truth. Men corrupted in mind, reprobate concerning the faith. {3:9} But they shall proceed no further. For their folly shall be evident unto all men, as theirs also came to be. {3:10} But you did follow my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, longsuffering, agape love, patience, {3:11} persecutions, sufferings. What things befell me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. {3:12} behold, and all that would live godly in Christ Yehsus shall suffer persecution. {3:13} But evil men and impostors shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. {3:14} But abide you in the things which you have learned and have been assured of, knowing of whom you have learned them. {3:15} And that from a babe you have known the sacred writings which are able to make you wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Yehsus. {3:16} Every inspired scripture of God [is] also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in [legal] works of the law. {3:17} That the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work.

{N16}4} Second Timothy Chapter Four. {4:1} I charge [you] in the sight of God, and of Christ Yehsus, who shall judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: {4:2} preach the word; be urgent in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. {4:3} For the time will come when they will not endure the sound instructions; but, having itching ears, will heap to themselves teachers after their own lusts; {4:4} and will turn away their ears from the truth, and turn aside unto fables. {4:5} But be you sober in all things, suffer hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. {4:6} For I am already being offered, and the time of my departure is come. {4:7} I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith: {4:8} from here on there is laid up for me the

crown for Good works, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day; and not to me only, but also to all them that have agape loved his appearing. {4:9} Give diligence to come shortly unto me: {4:10} for Demas forsook me, having agape loved this present world, and went to Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. {4:11} Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with you; for he is useful to me for ministering. {4:12} But Tychicus I sent to Ephesus. {4:13} The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, bring when you come, and the books, especially the parchments. {4:14} Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord will render to him according to his works: {4:15} of whom do you also beware; for he greatly withstood our words. {4:16} At my first defense no one took my part, but all forsook me: may it not be laid to their account. {4:17} But the Lord stood by me, and strengthened me; that through me the message might be fully proclaimed, and that all the Nations might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. {4:18} The Lord will deliver me from every evil work, and will save me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom [be] the glory forever and ever. Amen. {4:19} Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the house of Onesiphorus. {4:20} Erastus remained at Corinth: but Trophimus I left at Miletus sick. {4:21} Give diligence to come before winter. Eubulus salutes you, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren. {4:22} The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

The Epistle Of Paul To Titus

{N17}1} Titus Chapter One. {1:1} Paul, a slave of God, and an apostle of Yehsus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness, {1:2} in hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised before times eternal; {1:3} but in his own seasons manifested his word in the message, by which I was entrusted according to the commandment of God our Savior; {1:4} to Titus, my true child after a common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Yehsus our Savior. {1:5} For this cause I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that were wanting, and appoint elders in every city, as I gave you charge; {1:6} if any man is blameless, the husband of one wife, having children that believe, who are not accused of riot or unruly. {1:7} For the overseer must be blameless, as God's steward; not self-willed, not soon angry, no brawler, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; {1:8} but given to hospitality, a [philoxenos] lover of good, [philagothos] sober-intent, just, holy, self-controlled; {1:9} holding to the faithful word which is according to the teaching, that he may be able to exhort in the sound instructions, and to convict the gainsayers. {1:10} For there are many unruly men, vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision, {1:11} whose mouths must be stopped; men who overthrow whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for dishonest gain sake. {1:12} One of themselves, a prophet of their own, said, Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, idle gluttons. {1:13} This testimony is true. For which cause reprove them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith, {1:14} not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men who turn away from the truth. {1:15} To the pure all things are pure: but to them that are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but both their mind and their conscience are defiled. {1:16} They profess that they know God; but by their works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

{N17}2} Titus Chapter Two. {2:1} But speak you the things which befit the sound instructions: {2:2} that aged men be temperate, grave, sober-intent, sound in faith, in agape love, in patience: {2:3} that aged women likewise be reverent in demeanor, not slanderers nor enslaved to much wine, teachers of that which is good; {2:4} that they may train the young women to [philandros] love their husbands, to [philoteknos] love their children, {2:5} [to be] sober-intent, chaste, workers at home, kind, being in subjection to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed: {2:6} the younger men likewise exhort to be sober-intent: {2:7} in all things showing yourself an ensample of good works; in your instructions [showing] no corruptness,

gravity, {2:8} sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of us. {2:9} [Exhort] servants to be in subjection to their own masters, [and] to be well-pleasing [to them] in all things; not gainsaying; {2:10} not purloining, but showing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the instructions of God our Savior in all things. {2:11} For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, {2:12} instructing us, to the intent that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in this present world; {2:13} looking for the blessed hope and appearing of the glory of the great God and our Savior Yehsus Christ; {2:14} who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all work [done] against law, and purify unto himself a people for his own possession, zealous of good works. {2:15} These things speak and exhort and reprove with all authority. Let no man despise you.

{N17}3} Titus Chapter Three. {3:1} Put them in mind to be in subjection to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready [subjective only] unto every good work, {3:2} to speak evil of no man, not to be contentious, to be gentle, showing all meekness toward all men. {3:3} For we also once were foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving different lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another. {3:4} But when the kindness of God our Savior, and his benevolent Agape love toward man, appeared, {3:5} not by [our] lawful works, which we were doing ourselves, but according to his mercy he saved us, through the [works of] washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, {3:6} which he poured out upon us richly, through Yehsus Christ our Savior; {3:7} that, being justified by his grace, we might be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. {3:8} Faithful is the saying, and concerning these things I desire that you affirm confidently, to the end that they who have believed God may be careful to maintain good works. These things [good works] are good and profitable unto men: {3:9} but shun foolish questionings, and genealogies, and strifes, and fightings about law [Greek nomikos or by laws written through Moses]; for they are unprofitable and vain. {3:10} A factious man after a first and second admonition refuse; {3:11} knowing that such a one is perverted, and sins, being self-condemned. {3:12} When I shall send Artemas unto you, or Tychicus, give diligence to come unto me to Nicopolis: for there I have determined to winter. {3:13} Set forward Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them. {3:14} And let our [people] also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful. {3:15} All that are with me salute you. Salute them that philo love us in faith. Grace be with you all.

{N18}1} Philemon Chapter One. The Epistle of Paul to Philemon.

. {1:1} Paul, a prisoner of Christ Yehsus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon our agape beloved and fellow-worker, {1:2} and to Apphia our sister, and to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the Ekklesia in your house: {1:3} Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:4} I thank my God always, making mention of you in my prayers, {1:5} hearing of your agape love, and of the faith which you have toward the Lord Yehsus, and toward all the Holy People; {1:6} that the fellowship of your faith may become effectual, in the knowledge of every good thing which is in you, unto Christ. {1:7} For I had much joy and comfort in your agape love, because the hearts of the Holy People have been refreshed through you, brother. {1:8} Therefore, though I have all boldness in Christ to enjoin you that which is befitting, {1:9} yet for agape love's sake I rather ask, being such a one as Paul the aged, and now a prisoner also of Christ Yehsus: {1:10} I ask you for my child, whom I have begotten in my bonds, Onesimus, {1:11} who once was unprofitable to you, but now is profitable to you and to me: {1:12} whom I have sent back to you in his own person, that is, my very heart: {1:13} whom I would fain have kept with me, that in your behalf he might minister unto me in the bonds of the good news: {1:14} but outside your mind I would do nothing; that your goodness should not be as of necessity, but of free will. {1:15} For perhaps he was therefore parted [from you] for a

season, that you should have him forever; {1:16} no longer as a slave, but more than a slave [to man], a brother agape beloved, specially to me, but how much rather to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. {1:17} If then you count me a partner, receive him as myself. {1:18} But if he has wronged you at all, or owes [you] anything, put that to mine account; {1:19} I Paul write it with mine own hand, I will repay it: that I say not unto you that you owe to me even your own self besides. {1:20} behold, brother, let me have joy of you in the Lord: refresh my heart in Christ. {1:21} Having confidence in your obedience I write unto you, knowing that you will do even beyond what I say. {1:22} But with prepare me also a lodging: for I hope that through your prayers I shall be granted unto you. {1:23} Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Yehsus, salutes you; {1:24} [and so do] Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, Luke, my fellow-workers. {1:25} The grace of our Lord Yehsus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

{N19)1} Hebrews Chapter One. The Epistle To the Hebrews {1:1} God, having of old time spoken unto the fathers in the prophets by different portions and in different manners, {1:2} has at the end of these days spoken unto us in [his] Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom also he made the worlds; {1:3} who being the radiance of his glory, and the very image of his substance, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had made purification of sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; {1:4} having become by so much better than the messengers, as he has inherited a more excellent name than they. {1:5} For unto which of the messengers [of God] said he at any time, you are my Son, This day I have begotten you [again]? And again, I will be to him a Father, And he shall be to me a Son? {1:6} And when He [resurrects to] bring the first [to be] reborn again into the inhabitable world He said, And let all the messengers of God worship him. {1:7} And of the messengers [of God] He said, "Who makes His messengers winds, And His ministers flames of fire?: {1:8} but to the Son He [The Father] said, Your throne, [Ho Theos] "The Almighty God," is forever and ever; And the Scepter of good works is the Scepter of your kingdom. {1:9} you have agape loved [legal] works of the law, and hated works against law; Therefore God, your [Father] God, has anointed you [as The Christ] with the oil of gladness above your fellows. {1:10} And, you, Lord, in the beginning did lay the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the works of your hands: {1:11} They shall perish; but you continue: And they all shall wax old as does a garment; {1:12} And as a mantle shall you roll them up, As a garment, and they shall be changed: But you are the same, And your years shall not fail. {1:13} But of which of the messengers has he said at any time, Sit you on my right hand, Till I make your enemies the footstool of your feet? {1:14} Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to do service for the sake of them that shall inherit salvation?

{N19)2} Hebrews Chapter Two. {2:1} Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things that were heard, lest haply we drift away [from them]. {2:2} For if the word spoken through messengers proved steadfast, and every transgression of the law and disobedience received a just recompense of reward; {2:3} how shall we escape, if we neglect so great a salvation? which having at the first been spoken through the Lord, was confirmed unto us by them that heard; {2:4} God also bearing witness with them, both by signs and wonders, and by manifold powers, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to his own will. {2:5} For not unto messengers did he subject the world to come, where we speak. {2:6} But one has somewhere testified, saying, What is man, that you are mindful of him? Or the son of man, that you visits him? {2:7} you made him a little lower than the messengers; you crowned him with glory and honor, And did set him over the works of your hands: {2:8} you did put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he subjected all things unto him, he left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we see not yet all things subjected to him. {2:9} But we behold him who has been made a little lower than the messengers, [even] Yehsus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that by the grace of God he should taste of death for every [man].

{2:10} For it became him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the author of their salvation perfect through sufferings. {2:11} For both he that sanctifies and they that are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren, {2:12} saying, I will declare your name unto my brethren, In the midst of my gathered Ekklesia I will sing your praise. {2:13} And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold, I and the children whom God has given me. {2:14} Since then the children are sharers in flesh and blood, he also himself in like manner partook of the same; that through death he might bring to nothing him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; {2:15} and might deliver all them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. {2:16} For verily not to messengers does he give help, but he gives help to the seed of Abraham. {2:17} Therefore it behooved him in all things to be made like unto his brethren, that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. {2:18} For in that he himself has suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted.

{N19}3} Hebrews Chapter Three. {3:1} Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, [even] Yehsus; {3:2} who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also was Moses in all his house. {3:3} For he has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, by so much as he that built the house has more honor than the house. {3:4} For every house is built by someone; but he that built all things is God. {3:5} And Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken; {3:6} but Christ as a son, over his house; whose house are we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope [stay] firm unto the end. {3:7} Therefore, even as the Holy Spirit said, To-day if you shall hear his voice, {3:8} Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, Like as in the day of the trial in the wilderness, {3:9} Where your fathers tried [me] by proving [me,] And saw my works forty years. {3:10} Therefore I was displeased with this generation, And said, They do always err in their heart: But they did not know my ways; {3:11} As I swore in my Anger, They shall not enter into my rest. {3:12} Take heed, brethren, lest haply there shall be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief, in falling away from the living God: {3:13} but exhort one another day by day, so long as it is called To-day; lest anyone of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin: {3:14} for we are become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our confidence firm unto the end: {3:15} while it is said, To-day if you shall hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation. {3:16} For who, when they heard, did provoke? No, did not all they that came out of Egypt by Moses? {3:17} And with whom was he displeased forty years? was it not with them that sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? {3:18} And to whom swore he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that were disobedient? {3:19} And we see that they were not able to enter in [the promised land] because of unbelief.

{N19}4} Hebrews 4. {4:1} Let us fear therefore, lest haply, a promise being left of entering into his rest, any one of you should seem to have come short of it. {4:2} For indeed we have had good tidings preached unto us, even as also they: but the word of hearing did not profit them, because it was not united by faith with them that heard. {4:3} For we who have believed do enter into that rest; even as he has said, As I swear in my Anger, They shall not enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. {4:4} For he has said somewhere of the seventh [day] on this wise, And God rested on the seventh day from all his works; {4:5} and in this [place] again, They shall not enter into my rest. {4:6} Seeing therefore it remains that some should enter there into, and they to whom the good tidings were before preached failed to enter in because of disobedience, {4:7} he again defines a certain day, To-day, saying in David so long a time afterward (even as has been said before), To-day if you shall hear his voice, Harden not your hearts. {4:8} For if Joshua had given them rest, he would not have

spoken afterward of another day. {4:9} There remains therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of God. {4:10} For the person that is entered into his rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from his. {4:11} Let us therefore give diligence to enter into that rest, that no man fall after the same example of disobedience. {4:12} For the word of God is living, and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and quick to discern the thoughts and intents of the heart. {4:13} And there is no creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and laid open before the eyes of him with whom we have to do. {4:14} Having then a great high priest, who has passed through the heavens, Yehsus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. {4:15} For we have not a high priest that cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but one that has been in all points tempted like as [we are, yet] outside sin. {4:16} Let us therefore draw near with boldness unto the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy, and may find grace to help [us] in time of need.

{N19}5} Hebrews Chapter Five. {5:1} For every high priest, being taken from among men, is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins: {5:2} who can bear gently with the ignorant and erring, for that he himself also is around with infirmity; {5:3} and by reason of it is bound, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins. {5:4} And no man takes the honor unto himself, but when he is called of God, even as was Aaron. {5:5} So Christ also glorified not himself to be made a high priest, but he that spoke unto him, you are my Son, This day have I begotten you: {5:6} as he said also in another [place,] you are a priest forever After the order of Melchizedek. {5:7} Who in the days of his flesh, having offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and having been heard for his godly fear, {5:8} though he was a Son, yet learned obedience by the things which he suffered; {5:9} and having been made perfect, he became unto all them that obey him the author of eternal salvation; {5:10} named of God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek. {5:11} Of whom we have many things to say, and hard of interpretation, seeing you are become dull of hearing. {5:12} For when by reason of the time you ought to be teachers, you have need again that someone teach you the rudiments of the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of solid food. {5:13} For everyone that partakes of milk is outside experience of the word of [the legal] works of the law; for he is a babe. {5:14} But solid food is for full-grown men, [even] those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern good and evil.

{N19}6} Hebrews Chapter Six. {6:1} Therefore leaving the instructions of the first principles of Christ, let us press on unto perfection; not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, {6:2} of the teaching of immersions, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. {6:3} And this will we do, if God permit. {6:4} For as touching those who were once enlightened and tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Spirit, {6:5} and tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the age to come, {6:6} and [then] fell away, it is impossible to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame. {6:7} For the land which has drunk the rain that comes oft upon it, and brings forth herbs meet for them for whose sake it is also tilled, receives blessing from God: {6:8} but if it bears thorns and thistles, it is rejected and near unto woe; whose end is to be burned. {6:9} But, agape beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak: {6:10} for God is not working to cause pain and suffering or to forget your work and the agape love which you showed toward his name, in that you ministered unto the Holy People, and still do minister. {6:11} And we desire that each one of you may show the same diligence unto the fullness of hope even to the end: {6:12} that you be not sluggish, but imitators of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. {6:13} For when God made promise to

Abraham, since he could swear by none greater, he swear by himself, {6:14} saying, Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you. {6:15} And thus, having patiently endured, he obtained the promise. {6:16} For men swear by the greater: and in every dispute of theirs the oath is final for confirmation. {6:17} Wherein God, being intent to show more abundantly unto the heirs of the promise the immutability of his counsel, interposed with an oath; {6:18} that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we may have a strong encouragement, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us: {6:19} which we have as an anchor of the soul, [a hope] both sure and steadfast and entering into that which is within the veil; {6:20} where as a forerunner Yehsus entered for us, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

{N19}7} Hebrews Chapter Seven. {7:1} For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of God Most High, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, {7:2} to whom also Abraham divided a tenth part of all (being first, by interpretation, King of good works, and then also King of Salem, which is King of peace; {7:3} outside father, outside mother, outside genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like unto the Son of God), abides a priest continually. {7:4} Now consider how great this man was, unto whom Abraham, the patriarch, gave a tenth out of the chief spoils. {7:5} And they indeed of the sons of Levi that receive the priest's office have commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law [through Moses], that is, of their brethren, though these have come out of the loins of Abraham: {7:6} but he whose genealogy is not counted from them has taken tithes of Abraham, and has blessed him that has the promises. {7:7} But outside any dispute the less is blessed of the better. {7:8} And here men that die receive tithes; but there one, of whom it is witnessed that he lives. {7:9} And, so to say, through Abraham even Levi, who receives tithes, has paid tithes; {7:10} for he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchizedek met him. {7:11} Now if there was perfection through the Levitical priesthood (for under it has the people received the law [through Moses]), what further need [was there] that another priest should arise after the order of Melchizedek, and not be reckoned after the order of Aaron? {7:12} For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law [through Moses]. {7:13} For he of whom these things are said belongs to another tribe, from which no man has given attendance at the altar. {7:14} For it is evident that our Lord has sprung out of Judah; as to which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priests. {7:15} And [what we say] is yet more abundantly evident, if after the likeness of Melchizedek there arises another priest, {7:16} who has been made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life: {7:17} for it is witnessed [of him,] you are a priest forever After the order of Melchizedek. {7:18} For there is a disannulling of a foregoing commandment because of its weakness and un-profitableness {7:19} (for the law [through Moses] made nothing perfect), and a bringing in thereupon of a better hope, through which we draw near unto God. {7:20} And inasmuch as [it is] not outside the taking of an oath {7:21} (for they indeed have been made priests outside an oath; but he with an oath by him that said of him, The Lord swear and will not repent himself, you are a priest forever); {7:22} by so much also has Yehsus become the guarantee of a better covenant. {7:23} And they indeed have been made priests many in number, because that by death they are hindered from continuing: {7:24} but he, because he abides forever, has his priesthood unchangeable. {7:25} Therefore also he is able to save to the uttermost them that draw near unto God through him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them. {7:26} For such a high priest became us, holy, guileless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; {7:27} who needs not daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for his own sins, and then for the [sins] of the people: for this he did once for all, when he offered up himself. {7:28} For the law [through Moses] appoints men high priests, having infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was after the law [through Moses], [appoints] a Son, perfected forevermore.

{N19}8} Hebrews Chapter Eight. {8:1} Now in the things which we are saying the chief point [is this]: We have such a high priest, who sat down on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, {8:2} a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man. {8:3} For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices: Therefore it is necessary that this [high priest] also have somewhat to offer. {8:4} Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, seeing there are those who offer the gifts according to the law [through Moses]; {8:5} who serve [that which is] a copy and shadow of the heavenly things, even as Moses is warned [of God] when he is about to make the tabernacle: for, See, said he, that you make all things according to the pattern that was showed you in the mount. {8:6} But now has he obtained a ministry the more excellent, by so much as he is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted upon better promises. {8:7} For if that first [covenant] had been faultless, then would no place have been sought for a second. {8:8} For finding fault with them, he said, Behold, the days come, said the Lord, That I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; {8:9} Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers In the day that I took them by the hand to lead them forth out of the land of Egypt; For they continued not in my covenant, And I regarded them not, said the Lord. {8:10} For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel After those days, said the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, And on their heart also will I write them: And I will be to them a God, And they shall be to me a people: {8:11} And they shall not teach every man his fellow-citizen, And every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: For all shall know me, From the least to the greatest of them. {8:12} For I will be merciful to their works against law, And their sins will I remember no more. {8:13} In that he said, A new [covenant] he has made the first old. But that which is becoming old and waxes old is near unto vanishing away.

{N19}9} Hebrews Chapter Nine. {9:1} Now even a first [covenant] had ordinances of divine service, and its sanctuary, [a sanctuary] of this world. {9:2} For there was a tabernacle prepared, the first, wherein [were] the candlestick, and the table, and the showbread; which is called the Holy place. {9:3} And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holy of holies; {9:4} having a golden altar of incense, and the ark of the covenant overlaid roundabout with gold, wherein [was] a golden pot holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; {9:5} and above it cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy-seat; of which things we cannot now speak severally. {9:6} Now these things having been thus prepared, the priests go in continually into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the services; {9:7} but into the second the high priest alone, once in the year, not outside blood, which he offers for himself, and for the errors of the people: {9:8} the Holy Spirit this signifying, that the way into the holy place has not yet been made manifest, while the first tabernacle is yet standing; {9:9} which [is] a figure for the time present; according to which are offered both gifts and sacrifices that cannot, as touching the conscience, make the worshipper perfect, {9:10} [being] only (with meats and drinks and different washings) carnal ordinances, imposed until a time of reformation. {9:11} But Christ having come a high priest of the good things to come, through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation, {9:12} nor yet through the blood of goats and calves, but through his own blood, entered in once for all into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption. {9:13} For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling them that have been defiled, sanctify unto the cleanness of the flesh: {9:14} how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself outside blemish unto God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? {9:15} And for this cause he is the mediator of a new covenant, that a death having taken place for the redemption of the transgression of the law that were under the first covenant, they that have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance. {9:16} For where a testament is, there must of necessity be the death of him that made it. {9:17} For a testament is of force where there

has been death: for it does never avail while he that made it lives. {9:18} Therefore even the first [covenant] has not been dedicated outside blood. {9:19} For when every commandment had been spoken by Moses unto all the people according to the law [through Moses], he took the blood of the calves and the goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, {9:20} saying, This is the blood of the covenant which God commanded to you-ward. {9:21} Furthermore the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry he sprinkled in like manner with the blood. {9:22} And according to the law [through Moses], I may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and apart from shedding of blood there is no remission. {9:23} It was necessary therefore that the copies of the things in the heavens should be cleansed with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. {9:24} For Christ entered not into a holy place made with hands, like in pattern to the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear before the face of God for us: {9:25} nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest enters into the holy place year by year with blood not his own; {9:26} else must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once at the end of the ages has he been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. {9:27} And inasmuch as it is appointed unto men once to die, and after this [comes] judgment; {9:28} so Christ also, having been once offered to bear the sins of many, shall appear a second time, apart from sin, to them that wait for him, unto salvation.

{N19}10} Hebrews Chapter Ten. {10:1} For the [written] law [through Moses] having a shadow of the good [things] to come, not the very image of the things, can never with the same sacrifices year by year, which they offer continually, make perfect them that draw near. {10:2} Else would they not have ceased to be offered? because the worshippers, having been once cleansed, would have had no more consciousness of sins. {10:3} But in those [sacrifices] there is a remembrance made of sins year by year. {10:4} For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. {10:5} Therefore when he comes into the world, he said, Sacrifice and offering you would not, But a body did you prepare for me; {10:6} In whole burnt offerings and [sacrifices] for sin you had no pleasure: {10:7} Then said I, Lo, I am come (In the roll of the book it is written of me) To do your will, O God. {10:8} Saying above, Sacrifices and offerings and whole burnt offerings and [sacrifices] for sin you would not, neither had pleasure therein (the which are offered according to the law [through Moses]), {10:9} then has he said, Lo, I am come to do your will. He takes away the first, that he may establish the second. {10:10} By which will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Yehsus Christ once for all. {10:11} And every priest indeed stands day by day ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, the which can never take away sins: {10:12} but he, when he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; {10:13} from here on expecting till his enemies be made the footstool of his feet. {10:14} For by one offering he has perfected forever them that are sanctified. {10:15} And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after he has said, {10:16} This is the covenant that I will make with them After those days, said the Lord: I will put my laws on their heart, And upon their mind also will I write them; [then said he,] {10:17} And their sins and their works against law will I remember no more. {10:18} Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. {10:19} Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holy place by the blood of Yehsus, {10:20} by the way which he dedicated for us, a new and living way, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; {10:21} and [having] a great priest over the house of God; {10:22} let us draw near with a true heart in fullness of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience: and having our body washed with pure water, {10:23} let us hold fast the confession of our hope that it waver not; for he is faithful that promised: {10:24} and let us consider one another to provoke unto agape love and good works; {10:25} not forsaking our own assembling together, as the custom of some is, but exhorting [one another]; and so much the more, as you see the [solar resurrection] day [to worship] drawing near. {10:26} For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge

of the truth, there remains no more a sacrifice for sins, {10:27} but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and a fierceness of fire which shall devour the adversaries. {10:28} A man that has set at nothing Moses law dies outside compassion on [the word of] two or three witnesses: {10:29} of how much sorer punishment, think you, shall he be judged worthy, who has trodden underfoot the Son of God, and has counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified an unholy thing, and has done despite unto the Spirit of grace? {10:30} For we know him that said, Vengeance belongs unto me, I will recompense. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. {10:31} It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. {10:32} But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after you were enlightened, you endured a great conflict of sufferings; {10:33} partly, being made a gazing stock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, becoming partakers with them that were so used. {10:34} For you both had compassion on them that were in bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your possessions, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and an abiding one. {10:35} Cast not away therefore your boldness, which has great recompense of reward. {10:36} For you have need of patience, that, having done the will of God, you may receive the promise. {10:37} For yet a very little while, He that comes shall come, and shall not tarry. {10:38} But my righteous one shall live by faith: And if he shrink back, my soul has no pleasure in him. {10:39} But we are not of them that shrink back unto destruction; but of them that have faith unto the saving of the soul.

{N19}11} Hebrews Chapter Eleven. {11:1} Now faith is assurance of [written things] hoped for, a conviction of [written] things not seen. {11:2} For therein the elders had witness borne to them. {11:3} By faith we understand that the worlds have been framed by the word of God, so that what is seen has not been made out of things which appear. {11:4} By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he had witness borne to him that he was righteous, God bearing witness in respect of his gifts: and through it he being dead yet speak. {11:5} By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and he was not found, because God translated him: for he has had witness borne to him that before his translation he had been well-pleasing unto God: {11:6} And outside faith it is impossible to be well-pleasing [unto him]; for he that comes to God must believe that he is, and [that] he is a rewarder of them that seek after him. {11:7} By faith Noah, being warned [of God] concerning things not seen as yet, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; through which he condemned the world, and became heir of the [legal] works of the law which is according to faith. {11:8} By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed to go out unto a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he went. {11:9} By faith he became a alien in the land of promise, as in a [land] not his own, dwelling in tents, with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: {11:10} for he looked for the city which has the foundations, whose builder and maker is God. {11:11} By faith even Sarah herself received power to conceive seed when she was past age, since she counted him faithful who had promised: {11:12} Therefore also there sprang of one, and him as good as dead, [so many] as the stars of heaven in multitude, and as the sand, which is by the sea-shore, innumerable. {11:13} These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. {11:14} For they that say such things make it manifest that they are seeking after a country of their own. {11:15} And if indeed they had been mindful of that [country] from which they went out, they would have had opportunity to return. {11:16} But now they desire a better [country], that is, a heavenly: Therefore God is not ashamed of them, to be called their God; for he has prepared for them a city. {11:17} By faith Abraham, being tried, offered up Isaac: behold, he that had gladly received the promises was offering up his only begotten [son]; {11:18} even he to whom it was said, In Isaac shall your seed be called: {11:19} accounting that God [is] able to raise up, even from the dead; from where he did also in a figure receive him back. {11:20} By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau, even concerning things to come. {11:21} By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each

of the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, [leaning] upon the top of his staff. {11:22} By faith Joseph, when his end was near, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones. {11:23} By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three moons by his parents, because they saw he was a goodly child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment. {11:24} By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; {11:25} choosing rather to share ill treatment with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; {11:26} accounting the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt: for he looked unto the recompense of reward. {11:27} By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the Anger of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible. {11:28} By faith he kept the Passover, and the sprinkling of the blood, that the destroyer of the firstborn should not touch them. {11:29} By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were swallowed up. {11:30} By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they had been around about for seven days. {11:31} By faith Rahab the prostitute perished not with them that were disobedient, having received the spies with peace. {11:32} And what shall I more say? for the time will fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah; of David and Samuel and the prophets: {11:33} who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought [legal] works of the law, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, {11:34} quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, waxed mighty in war, turned to flight armies of aliens. {11:35} Women received their dead by a resurrection: and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: {11:36} and others had trial of mockings and scourgings, behold, furthermore of bonds and imprisonment: {11:37} they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword: they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated {11:38} (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains and caves, and the holes of the earth. {11:39} And these all, having had witness borne to them through their faith, received not the promise, {11:40} God having provided some better thing concerning us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

{N19}12} Hebrews Chapter Twelve. {12:1} Therefore let us also, seeing we are around about with so great a cloud of witnesses, lay aside every weight, and the sin which does so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, {12:2} looking unto Yehsus the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. {12:3} For consider him that has endured such gainsaying of sinners against himself, that you wax not weary, fainting in your souls. {12:4} you have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin: {12:5} and you have forgotten the exhortation which reasons with you as with sons, My son, regard not lightly the discipline of the Lord, Nor faint when you are reprov'd of him; {12:6} For whom the Lord agape loves he chastens, And scourges every son whom he receives. {12:7} It is for chastening that you endure; God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom [his] father chastens not? {12:8} But if you are outside chastening, where all have been made partakers, then your conception is not lawful, and not sons. {12:9} Furthermore, we had the fathers of our flesh to chasten us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? {12:10} For they indeed for a few days chasten [us] as seemed good to them; but he for [our] profit, that [we] may be partakers of his holiness. {12:11} All chastening seems for the present to be not joyous but grievous; yet afterward it yields peaceable fruit unto them that have been exercised thereby, [even the fruit] of [legal] works of the law. {12:12} Therefore lift up the hands that hang down, and the knees that are weak; {12:13} and make straight paths for your feet, that that which is lame be not turned out of the way, but rather be healed. {12:14} Follow after peace with all men, and the sanctification outside which no man shall see the Lord: {12:15} looking carefully lest [there be] any man that falls short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble [you], and thereby the many be

defiled; {12:16} lest [there be] any fornication, or profane person, as Esau, who for one mess of meat sold his own birthright. {12:17} For you know that even when he afterward desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected; for he found no place for a change of mind [in his father,] though he sought it diligently with tears.

{12:18} For you [Holy People] are not come unto [a mountain] that might be touched, and that burned with fire, and unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest, {12:19} and the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which [voice] that they heard begged [God] no more word should be spoken unto them; {12:20} for they could not endure that which was commanded, If even a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned; {12:21} and so fearful was the appearance, [that] Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:

12:22} but you [Holy People] are come into mount Zion, and into the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and [you Holy People have come] into the hosts of messengers [of God] that cannot be numbered, {12:23} [You Holy People have come] to the Passover [supper] Assembly and to [the] Ekklesia of the first [to be] reborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, {12:24} and [you Holy People have come] into Yehsus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better than [that of] Abel. {12:25} See that you refuse not him that speaks. For if they escaped not when they refused him that warned [them] on earth, much more [shall not] we [escape] who turn away from him that [warns] from heaven: {12:26} whose voice then shook the earth: but now he has promised, saying, yet once more will I make to tremble not the earth only, but also the heaven. {12:27} And this [word], yet once more, signifies the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that have been made, that those things which are not shaken may remain. {12:28} Therefore, [as Holy People] receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us have grace, whereby we may offer service well-pleasing to God with reverence and awe: {12:29} for our God is a consuming fire.

{N19}13} Hebrews Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} Let philo love of the brethren continue. {13:2} Forget not to show philo love unto strangers: for thereby some have entertained messengers [of God] unawares. {13:3} Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; them that are ill-treated, as being yourselves also in the body. {13:4} [Let] marriage [be] had in honor among all, and [let] the bed [be] undefiled: for fornicators and adulterers God will judge. {13:5} Be you free from the philo love for more of everything of the world; [Be] content with such things as you have: for himself has said, I will in no wise fail you, neither will I in any wise forsake you. {13:6} So that with good courage we say, The Lord is my helper; I will not fear: What shall man do unto me? {13:7} Remember them that are leading you, men that spoke unto you the word of God; and considering the issue of their life, imitate their faith. {13:8} Yehsus Christ [is] the same yesterday and to-day, [behold] and forever. {13:9} Be not carried away by different and strange instructions: for it is good that the heart be established by grace; not by meats, wherein they that occupied themselves were not profited. {13:10} We have an altar, where they have no right to eat that serve the tabernacle. {13:11} For the bodies of those beasts whose blood is brought into the holy place by the high priest [as an offering] for sin, are burned outside the camp. {13:12} Therefore Yehsus also, that he might sanctify the people through his own blood, suffered outside the gate. {13:13} Let us therefore go forth unto him outside the camp, bearing his reproach. {13:14} For we have not here an abiding city, but we seek after [the city] which is to come. {13:15} Through him then let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of lips which make confession to his name. {13:16} But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. {13:17} Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit [to them]: for they [are those that] watch in behalf of your souls, as they that shall give account; that they may do this with joy, and not with grief: for this [were] unprofitable for you. {13:18} Pray for us: for we are persuaded that we have a good conscience, desiring to live honorably in all things. {13:19} And I exhort [you] the more

exceedingly to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner. {13:20} Now the God of peace, who brought again from the dead the great shepherd of the sheep with the blood of an eternal covenant, [even] our Lord Yehsus, {13:21} make you perfect in every good thing to do his will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Yehsus Christ; to whom [be] the glory forever and ever. Amen. {13:22} But I exhort you, brethren, bear with the word of exhortation, for I have written unto you in few words. {13:23} Know you that our brother Timothy has been set at liberty; with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you. {13:24} Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the Holy People. They of Italy salute you. {13:25} Grace be with you all. Amen.

The Epistle of James

{N20}1} James Chapter One. .{1:1} James, a slave of God and of the Lord Yehsus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are of the Dispersion, greeting. {1:2} Count it all joy, my brethren, when you fall into manifold temptations; {1:3} Knowing that the proving of your faith works patience. {1:4} And let patience have [its] perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, lacking in nothing. {1:5} But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and upbraids not; and it shall be given him. {1:6} But let him ask in faith, nothing doubting: for he that doubts is like the surge of the sea driven by the wind and tossed. {1:7} For let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord; {1:8} a double minded man, unstable in all his ways. {1:9} But let the brother of low degree glory in his high estate: {1:10} and the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. {1:11} For the sun arises with the scorching wind, and withers the grass: and the flower of it falls, and the grace of the fashion of it perishes: so also shall the rich man fade away in his goings. {1:12} Blessed is the man that endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he shall receive the crown of life, which [the Lord] promised to them that agape love him. {1:13} Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no man: {1:14} but each man is tempted, when he is drawn away by his own lust, and enticed. {1:15} Then the lust, when it has conceived, bears sin: and the sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death. {1:16} Be not deceived, my agape beloved brethren. {1:17} Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom can be no variation, neither shadow that is cast by turning. {1:18} Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures. {1:19} you know [this], my agape beloved brethren. But let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to Anger: {1:20} for the Anger of man works not the [legal] works of the law of God. {1:21} Therefore putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness, receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. {1:22} But be you doers of the word, and not hearers only, deluding your own selves. {1:23} For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a mirror: {1:24} for he beholds himself, and goes away, and immediately forgets what manner of man he was. {1:25} But he that looks into the perfect law, the [law] of liberty, and [so] continues, being not a hearer that forgets but a doer that works, this man shall be blessed in his doing. {1:26} If any man thinks himself to be religious, while he bridles not his tongue but deceives his heart, this man's religion is vain. {1:27} Pure religion and undefiled before our God and Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, [and] to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

{N20}2} James Chapter Two. {2:1} My brethren, hold not the faith of our Lord Yehsus Christ, [the Lord] of glory, with respect of persons. {2:2} For if there come into your congregation synagogue a man with a gold ring, in fine clothing, and there come in also a poor man in vile clothing; {2:3} and you have regard to him that wears the fine clothing, and say, Sit you here in a good place; and you say to the poor man, Stand you there, or sit under my footstool; {2:4} Do you not make distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

{2:5} Hear, my agape beloved brethren; did not God choose them that are poor as to the world [to be] rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he promised to them that love him? {2:6} But you have dishonored the poor man. Do not the rich oppress you, and themselves drag you before the judgment-seats? {2:7} Do not they blaspheme the honorable name by which you are called? {2:8} However if you fulfill the royal law [of Christ the King], according to the scripture, you shall agape love your neighbor as [you agape love] yourself, you do well: {2:9} but if you have respect of persons, you commit sin, being convicted by the [royal] law as transgressors [of the Royal law]. {2:10} For anyone who shall keep the whole {royal} law, and yet stumble in one [point], he is become guilty of all. {2:11} For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if you do not commit adultery, but kill, you are become a transgressor of the [royal] law. {2:12} So speak you, and so do, as men that are to be judged by a [Royal] law of liberty. {2:13} For judgment [is] outside mercy to him that has showed no mercy: mercy rejoices against judgment. {2:14} What does it profit, my brethren, if a man say he has faith, but have not works? can that faith save him? {2:15} If a brother or sister be naked and in lack of daily food, {2:16} and one of you say unto them, Go in peace, be you warmed and filled; and yet you give them not the things needful to the body; what does it profit? {2:17} Even so faith, if it have not works, [faith] is dead in itself. {2:18} behold, a man will say, you have faith, and I have works: show me your faith apart from [your] works, and I by my works will show you [my] faith. {2:19} you believe that God is one; you do well: the demons also believe, and shudder. {2:20} But will you know, O vain man, that faith apart from works is dead? {2:21} Was not Abraham our father justified by works, in that he offered up Isaac his son upon the altar? {2:22} you see that faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect; {2:23} and the scripture was fulfilled which said, And Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned unto him for good works of the law; and he was called the friend of God. {2:24} you see that by [good] works a man is justified, and not only by faith. {2:25} And in like manner was not also Rahab the prostitute justified by [good] works, in that she received the messengers, and sent them out another way? {2:26} For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, even so faith apart from [good] works is dead.

{N20}3} James Chapter Three. {3:1} Be not many [of you] teachers, my brethren, knowing that we shall receive heavier judgment. {3:2} For in many things we all stumble. If any stumbles not in word, the same is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body also. {3:3} Now if we put the horses' bridles into their mouths that they may obey us, we turn about their whole body also. {3:4} Behold, the ships also, though they are so great and are driven by rough winds, are yet turned about by a very small rudder, where the imvegetables of the steersman wills. {3:5} So the tongue also is a little member, and boasts great things. Behold, how much wood is kindled by how small a fire! {3:6} And the tongue is a fire: the world of work against law among our members is the tongue, which defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the wheel of nature, and is set on fire by hell. {3:7} For every kind of beasts and birds, of creeping things and things in the sea, is tamed, and has been tamed by mankind. {3:8} But the tongue can no man tame; [it is] a restless evil, [it is] full of deadly poison. {3:9} With bless we the Lord and Father; and with woe we men, who are made after the likeness of God: {3:10} out of the same mouth comes forth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. {3:11} Does the fountain send forth from the same opening sweet [water] and bitter? {3:12} Can a fig tree, my brethren, yield olives, or a vine figs? Neither [can] salt water yield sweet. {3:13} Who is wise and understanding among you? let him show by his good life his works in meekness of wisdom. {3:14} But if you have bitter jealousy and faction in your heart, glory not and lie not against the truth. {3:15} This wisdom is not [a wisdom] that comes down from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. {3:16} For where jealousy and faction are, there is confusion and every vile deed. {3:17} But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy

and good fruits, outside variance, outside hypocrisy. {3:18} And the fruit of lawful works is sown in peace for them that make peace.

{N20}4} James Chapter Four. {4:1} Where [comes] wars and where [comes] fightings among you? [come they] not from here, [even] of your pleasures that war in your members? {4:2} you lust, and have not: you kill, and covet, and cannot obtain: you fight and war; you have not, because you ask not. {4:3} you ask, and receive not, because you ask amiss, that you may spend [it] in your pleasures. {4:4} you adulteresses, know you not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Anyone who therefore would be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. {4:5} Or think you that the scripture speaks in vain? Does the spirit which he made to dwell in us long unto envying? {4:6} But he gives more grace. Therefore [the scripture] said, God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble. {4:7} Be subject therefore unto God; but resist the devil, and he will flee from you. {4:8} Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double minded. {4:9} Be afflicted, and grieve, and weep: let your laughter be turned to grieving, and your joy to heaviness. {4:10} Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall exalt you. {4:11} Speak not one against another, brethren. He that speaks against a brother, or judges his brother, speaks against the law [of Christ], and judges the law: but if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law, but a judge. {4:12} One [only] is the lawgiver and judge, [even] he who is able to save and to destroy: but who are you that judge your neighbor? {4:13} Come now, you that say, To-day or to-morrow we will go into this city, and spend a year there, and trade, and get gain: {4:14} whereas you know not what shall be on the morrow. What is your life? For you are a vapor, that appeared for a little time, and then vanishes away. {4:15} For that you ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall both live, and do this or that. {4:16} But now you glory in your bragging: all such glorying is evil. {4:17} To him therefore that knows to do good, and does it not, to him it is sin.

{N20}5} James Chapter Five. {5:1} Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming upon you. {5:2} Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. {5:3} Your gold and your silver are rusted; and their rust shall be for a testimony against you, and shall eat your flesh as fire. you have laid up your treasure in the last days. {5:4} Behold, the hire of the laborers who mowed your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, cries out: and the cries of them that reaped have entered into the ears of the Lord of the army of Holy People. {5:5} you have lived delicately on the earth, and taken your pleasure; you have nourished your hearts in a day of slaughter. {5:6} you have condemned, you have killed the righteous [one]; he does not resist you. {5:7} Be patient therefore, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient over it, until it receive the early and latter rain. {5:8} Be you also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord is at hand. {5:9} Murmur not, brethren, one against another, that you be not judged: behold, the judge stands before the doors. {5:10} Take, brethren, for an example of suffering and of patience, the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. {5:11} Behold, we call them blessed that endured: you have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord, how that the Lord is full of pity, and merciful. {5:12} But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by the heaven, nor by the earth, nor by any other oath: but let your behold be behold, and your No, No; that you fall not under judgment. {5:13} Is any among you suffering? Let him pray. Is any cheerful? Let him sing praise. {5:14} Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the Ekklesia; and let them pray over him, anointing him with olive oil in the name of the Lord: {5:15} and the prayer of faith shall save him that is sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, it shall be forgiven him. {5:16} Confess therefore your sins one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The supplication of a righteous man avails much in its working. {5:17} Elijah was a man of like passions with us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain; and it rained not on the earth for three years and six moons. {5:18} And he prayed again; and the

heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. {5:19} My brethren, if any among you err from the truth, and one convert him; {5:20} let him know, that he who converts a sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall cover a multitude of sins.

The First Epistle of Petros.

{ N21)1} First Petros Chapter One. (Christ gave Simon son of Jonah the name "Petros" meaning "The Small Stone") {1:1} Petros, an apostle of Yehsus Christ, to the elect who are aliens of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Biyournia, {1:2} according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Yehsus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied. {1:3} Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Yehsus Christ, who according to his great mercy gives us [spiritual] rebirth unto a living hope through the resurrection of Yehsus Christ from the dead, {1:4} unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fades not away, reserved in heaven for you, {1:5} who by the power of God are guarded through faith unto a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. {1:6} Wherein you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been put to grief in manifold trials, {1:7} that the proof of your faith, [being] more precious than gold that perishes though it is proved by fire, may be found unto praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Yehsus Christ: {1:8} whom not having seen you agape love; on whom, though now you see him not, yet believing, you rejoice greatly with joy unspeakable and full of glory: {1:9} receiving the end of your faith, [even] the salvation of [your] souls. {1:10} Concerning which salvation the prophets sought and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that [should come] unto you: {1:11} searching what [time] or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did point unto, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glories that should follow them. {1:12} To whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto you, did they minister these things, which now have been announced unto you through them that preached the good news unto you by the Holy Spirit sent forth from heaven; which things messengers desire to look into. {1:13} Therefore girding up the loins of your mind, be sober and set your hope perfectly on the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Yehsus Christ; {1:14} as children of obedience, not fashioning yourselves according to your former lusts in [the time of] your ignorance: {1:15} but like as he who called you is holy, be you yourselves also holy in all manner of living; {1:16} because it is written, you shall be holy; for I am holy. {1:17} And if you call on him as Father, who outside respect of persons judges according to each man's work, pass the time of your sojourning in fear: {1:18} knowing that you were redeemed, not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, from your vain manner of life handed down from your fathers; {1:19} but with precious blood, as of a lamb without spot, [even the blood] of Christ: {1:20} who was foreknown indeed before the foundation of the world, but was manifested at the end of times for your sake, {1:21} who through him are believers in God, that raised him from the dead, and gave him glory; so that your faith and hope might be in God. {1:22} Seeing you have purified your souls in your obedience to the truth unto unfeigned philo love of the brethren, agape love one another from the heart fervently: {1:23} having been begotten again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the word of God, which lives and abides. {1:24} For, All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of it as the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls: {1:25} But the word of the Lord abides forever. And this is the word of good tidings which was preached unto you.

{N21)2} First Petros Chapter Two. {2:1} Putting away therefore all wickedness, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speaking, {2:2} as newborn babes, long for the spiritual milk which is outside clever deceit, that you may grow thereby unto salvation; {2:3} if you have tasted that the Lord is gracious: {2:4} unto whom coming, a living stone, rejected indeed of men, but with God elect, precious, {2:5} you also, as living stones, are built up a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God through

Yehsus Christ. {2:6} Because it is contained in scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: And he that believes on him shall not be put to shame. {2:7} For you therefore that believe is the preciousness: but for such as disbelieve, The stone which the builders rejected, The same was made the head of the corner; {2:8} and, A stone of stumbling, and an unconquerable mountain fortress [the Petra] of offence; for they stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed. {2:9} But you are a elect race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for [God's] own possession, that you may show forth the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: {2:10} who in time past were no people, but now are the people of God: who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. {2:11} Agape beloved, I ask you as aliens and pilgrims, to abstain from fleshly lust, which war against the soul; {2:12} having your behavior seemly among the Nations; that, wherein they speak against you as evil-doers, they may by your good works, which they behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. {2:13} Be subject to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether to the king, as supreme; {2:14} or unto governors, as sent by him for vengeance on evil-doers and for praise to them that do well. {2:15} For so is the will of God, that by well-doing you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: {2:16} as free, and not using your freedom for a cloak of wickedness, but as bondservants of God. {2:17} Honor all men. Agape Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king. {2:18} Servants, [be] in subjection to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the ill-tempered. {2:19} For this is acceptable, if for conscience toward God a man endures grief, suffering wrongfully. {2:20} For what glory is it, if, when you sin, and are buffeted [for it], you shall take it patiently? but if, when you do well, and suffer [for it], you shall take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. {2:21} For hereunto were you called: because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow his steps: {2:22} who did no sin, neither was clever deceit found in his mouth: {2:23} who, when he was insulted did not insult again; when he suffered [he] threatened not; but committed [himself] to him that judges righteously: {2:24} who his own self bare our sins in his body upon the tree, that we, having died unto sins, might live unto lawful works; by whose stripes you were healed. {2:25} For you were going astray like sheep; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and guardian of your souls.

{N21}3} First Petros Chapter Three. {3:1} In like manner, you wives, [be] in subjection to your own husbands; that, even if any obey not the word, they may outside the word be gained by the behavior of their wives; {3:2} beholding your chaste behavior [coupled] with fear. {3:3} Whose [adorning] let it not be the outward adorning of braiding the hair, and of wearing jewels of gold, or of putting on apparel; {3:4} but [let it be] the hidden man of the heart, in the incorruptible [apparel] of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. {3:5} For after this manner times past the holy women also, who hoped in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection to their own husbands: {3:6} as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose children you now are, if you do well, and are not put in fear by any terror. {3:7} you husbands, in like manner, dwell with [your wives] according to knowledge, giving honor unto the woman, as unto the weaker vessel, as being also joint-heirs of the grace of life; to the end that your prayers be not hindered. {3:8} Finally, [be] you all like minded, compassionate, philo loving as brethren, tenderhearted, humble minded: {3:9} not rendering evil for evil, or reviling for reviling; but contrariwise blessing; for hereunto were you called, that you should inherit a blessing. {3:10} For, He that would agape love life, And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips that they speak no guile: {3:11} And let him turn away from evil, and do good; Let him seek peace, and pursue it. {3:12} For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, And his ears unto their supplication: But the face of the Lord is upon them that do evil. {3:13} And who is he that will harm you, if you be zealous of that which is good? {3:14} But even if you should suffer for sake of Lawful works, blessed [are you:] and fear not their fear, neither be troubled; {3:15} but sanctify in your hearts Christ as Lord: [being] ready always to

give answer to every man that asks you a reason concerning the hope that is in you, yet with meekness and fear: {3:16} having a good conscience; that, wherein you are spoken against, they may be put to shame who revile your good manner of life in Christ. {3:17} For it is better, if the will of God should so will, that you suffer for well-doing than for evil-doing. {3:18} Because Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the unlawful works, that he might bring us to God; being put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit; {3:19} in which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison, {3:20} that before time were disobedient, when the long suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water: {3:21} which also after a true likeness [saving through water] does now save you, [even] immersion [in water], not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the obedience of a good conscience toward God, through the resurrection of Yehsus Christ; {3:22} who is on the right hand of God, having gone into heaven; messengers and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

{N21}4} First Petros Chapter Four. {4:1} Forasmuch then as Christ suffered in the flesh, arm you yourselves also with the same mind; for he that has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin; {4:2} that you no longer should live the rest of your time in flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. {4:3} For the time past may suffice to have wrought the desire of the Nations, and to have walked in lasciviousness, lusts, wine-to the excess, reveling, carousing, and abominable idolatries: {4:4} wherein they think it strange that you run not with [them] into the same excess of riot, speaking evil of [you]: {4:5} who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the living and the dead. {4:6} For unto this end was the good news preached even to the dead, that they might be judged indeed according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. {4:7} But the end of all things is at hand: be you therefore of sound mind, and be sober unto prayer: {4:8} above all things being fervent in your agape love among yourselves; for agape love covers a multitude of sins: {4:9} using hospitality one to another outside murmuring: {4:10} according as each has received a gift, ministering it among yourselves, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God; {4:11} if any man speak, [speaking] as it were oracles of God; is any man ministers, [ministering] as of the strength which God supplies: that in all things God may be glorified through Yehsus Christ, whose is the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. {4:12} Agape beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial among you, which comes upon you to prove you, as though a strange thing happened unto you: {4:13} but so much as you are partakers of Christ's sufferings, rejoice; that at the revelation of his glory also you may rejoice with exceeding joy. {4:14} If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed [are you]; because the [Spirit] of glory and the Spirit of God rests upon you. {4:15} For let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil-doer, or as a meddler in other men's matters: {4:16} but if [a man suffer] as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God in this suffering. {4:17} For the time [is come] for judgment to begin at the house of God: and if [it begin] first at us, what [shall be] the end of them that obey not the good news of God? {4:18} And if the righteous is scarcely saved, where shall the ungodly and sinner appear? {4:19} Therefore let them also that suffer according to the will of God commit their souls in well-doing unto a faithful Creator.

{N21}5} First Petros Chapter Five. {5:1} The elders among you I exhort, who am a fellow-elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, who am also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: {5:2} Tend the flock of God which is among you, exercising the oversight, not of constraint, but willingly, according to [the will of] God; nor yet for undeserved gain, but of a ready mind; {5:3} neither as lording it over the charge allotted to you, but making yourselves ensamples to the flock. {5:4} And when the chief Shepherd shall be manifested, you shall receive the crown of glory that fades not away. {5:5} Likewise, you younger, be subject unto the elder. behold, all of you gird yourselves with humility, to serve one another: for God resists the proud,

but gives grace to the humble. {5:6} Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; {5:7} casting all your anxiety upon him, because he cares for you. {5:8} Be sober, be watchful: your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walks about, seeking whom he may devour, {5:9} whom withstand steadfast in your faith, knowing that the same sufferings are accomplished in your brethren who are in the world. {5:10} And the God of all grace, who called you unto his eternal glory in Christ, after that you have suffered a little while, shall himself perfect, establish, strengthen you. {5:11} To him [be] the dominion forever and ever. Amen. {5:12} By Silvanus, our faithful brother, as I account [him], I have written unto you briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand you fast therein. {5:13} She that is in Babylon, elect together with [you], salutes you; and [so does] Mark my son. {5:14} Salute one another with a kiss of agape love. Peace be unto you all that are in Christ.

The Second Epistle of Petros (The "Small Stone".)

{N22}1} Second Petros Chapter One. The {1:1} Simon Petros, a slave and apostle of Yehsus Christ, to them that have obtained a like precious faith with us in the lawful works of our God and [the] Savior Yehsus Christ: {1:2} Grace to you and peace be multiplied in the knowledge of God and of Yehsus our Lord; {1:3} seeing that his divine power has granted unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that called us by his own glory and virtue; {1:4} whereby he has granted unto us his precious and exceeding great promises; that through these you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in that world by lust. {1:5} behold, and for this very cause adding on your part all diligence, in your faith supply virtue; and in [your] virtue knowledge; {1:6} and in [your] knowledge self-control; and in [your] self-control patience; and in [your] patience godliness; {1:7} and in [your] godliness brotherly kindness; and in [your] brotherly kindness agape love. {1:8} For if these things are yours and abound, they make you to be not idle nor unfruitful unto the knowledge of our Lord Yehsus Christ. {1:9} For he that lacks these things is blind, seeing only what is near, having forgotten the cleansing from his old sins. {1:10} Therefore, brethren, give the more diligence to make your calling and election certain: for if you do these things, you shall never fail: {1:11} for thus shall be richly supplied unto you the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Yehsus Christ. {1:12} Therefore I shall be ready always to put you in remembrance of these things, though you know them, and are established in the truth which is with [you]. {1:13} And I think it right, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; {1:14} knowing that the putting off of my tabernacle comes swiftly, even as our Lord Yehsus Christ signified unto me. {1:15} behold, I will give diligence that at every time you may be able after my decease to call these things to remembrance. {1:16} For we did not follow cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Yehsus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. {1:17} For he received from God the Father honor and glory, when there was borne such a voice to him by the Majestic Glory, This is my agape beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased: {1:18} and this voice we [ourselves] heard borne out of heaven, when we were with him in the holy mount. {1:19} And we have the word of prophecy [made] more sure; whereunto you do well that you take heed, as unto a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day-star arise in your hearts: {1:20} knowing this first, that no prophecy of scripture is of private interpretation. {1:21} For no prophecy ever came by the will of man: but men spoke from God, being moved by the Holy Spirit.

{N22}2} Second Petros Chapter Two. {2:1} But there arose false prophets also among the people, as among you also there shall be false teachers, who shall in secret bring in destructive heresies, denying even the Master that bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. {2:2} And many shall follow their lascivious doings; by reason of whom the way of the truth shall be evil spoken of. {2:3} And in covetousness shall they with feigned words make

merchandise of you: whose sentence now from of old lingers not, and their destruction slumbers not. {2:4} For if God spared not messengers when they sinned, but cast them down to hell, and committed them to pits of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; {2:5} and spared not the ancient world, but preserved Noah with seven others, a preacher of good works, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly; {2:6} and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, having made them an example unto those that should live ungodly; {2:7} and delivered righteous Lot, sore distressed by the lascivious life of the wicked {2:8} (for that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed [his] righteous soul from day to day with [their] lawless deeds): {2:9} the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptation, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment unto the day of judgment; {2:10} but chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of defilement, and despise dominion. Daring, self-willed, they tremble not to rail at dignities: {2:11} whereas messengers, though greater in might and power, bring not a scolding judgment against them before the Lord. {2:12} But these, as creatures outside reason, born mere animals to be in matters where they are ignorant, shall in their destroying [the hope of others shall] surely be destroyed, {2:13} suffering wrong as the hire of wrong-doing; [men] that count it pleasure to revel in the day-time, spots and blemishes, pleasuring self in their deceiving while they feast with you; {2:14} having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; enticing un-steadfast souls; having a heart exercised in covetousness; children of cursing; {2:15} forsaking the right way, having followed the way of Balaam the [son] of Beor, who agape loved the hire of wrong-doing; {2:16} but he was rebuked for his own transgression of the law [through Moses]: a dumb donkey spoke with man's voice and stayed the madness of the prophet. {2:17} These are springs outside water, and mists driven by a storm; for whom the blackness of darkness has been reserved. {2:18} For, uttering great swelling [words] of vanity, they entice in the lusts of the flesh, by lasciviousness, those who are just escaping from them that live in error; {2:19} promising them liberty, while they themselves are bondservants of corruption; for of whom a man is overcome [by sin], of the same is he also brought into bondage. {2:20} For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Yehsus Christ, [through sin] they are again entangled therein and overcome, the last state is become worse with them than the first. {2:21} For it were better for them not to have known the way of lawful works, than, after knowing it, to turn back from the holy commandment delivered unto them. {2:22} It has happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog turning to his own vomit again, and the sow that had washed to wallowing in the mire.

{N22}3} Second Petros Chapter Three. {3:1} This is now, agape beloved, the second epistle that I write unto you; and in both of them I stir up your sincere mind by putting you in remembrance; {3:2} that you should remember the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and the commandments of the Lord and Savior through your apostles: {3:3} knowing this first, that in the last days mockers shall come with mockery, walking after their own lusts, {3:4} and saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for, from the day that the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. {3:5} For this they willfully forget, that there were heavens from of old, and an earth compacted out of water and amidst water, by the word of God; {3:6} by which means the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: {3:7} but the heavens that now are, and the earth, by the same word have been stored up for fire, being reserved against the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

{3:8} But forget not this one thing, agape beloved, that [the eye measure of] one day is with the Lord as thousands of years [in the eye measure of man], and the [eye measure of] thousands of years [for the eye of man] as [the eye measure of only] one day [in the eye of the Lord]. {3:9} The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some count slackness; but is longsuffering to you-ward, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. {3:10} But

the day of the Lord will come as a thief; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall be dissolved with fervent heat, and the earth and the works that are therein shall be burned up. {3:11} Seeing that these things are thus all to be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in [all] holy living and godliness, {3:12} looking for and earnestly desiring the coming of the day of God, by reason of which the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? {3:13} But, according to his promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwells good works. {3:14} Therefore, agape beloved, seeing that you look for these things, give diligence that you may be found in peace, outside spot and blameless in his sight. {3:15} And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our agape beloved brother Paul also, according to the wisdom given to him, wrote unto you; {3:16} as also in all [his] epistles, speaking in them of these things; wherein are some things hard to be understood, which the ignorant and un-steadfast withhold, as [they do] also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. {3:17} you therefore, agape beloved, knowing [these things] beforehand, beware lest, being carried away with the error of the wicked, you fall from your own steadfastness. {3:18} But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Yehsus Christ. To him [be] the glory both now and forever. Amen.

The First Epistle Of John

{N23}1} First Epistle of John Chapter One. {1:1} That which was from the beginning, that which we have heard, that which we have seen with our eyes, that which we watched, and our hands handled, concerning the Word of life {1:2} (and the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare unto you the life, the eternal [life], which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us); {1:3} that which we have seen and heard declare we unto you also, that you also may have fellowship with us: behold, and our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Yehsus Christ: {1:4} and these things we write, that our joy may be made full. {1:5} And this is the message which we have heard from him and announce unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. {1:6} If we say that we have fellowship with him and walk in the darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: {1:7} but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Yehsus his Son cleans us from all sin. {1:8} If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. {1:9} If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all [illegal] works against the law. {1:10} If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

{N23}2} First Epistle of John Chapter Two. {2:1} My little children, these things write I unto you that you may not sin. And if any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Yehsus Christ the righteous: {2:2} and he is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the whole world. {2:3} And hereby we know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. {2:4} He that said, I know him, and keeps not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him; {2:5} but who so keeps his word, in him verily has the agape love of God been perfected. Hereby we know that we are in him: {2:6} he that said he abides in him ought himself also to walk even as he walked. {2:7} Brethren, no new commandment write I unto you, but an old commandment which you had from the beginning: the old commandment is the word which you heard. {2:8} Again, a new commandment write I unto you, which thing is true in him and in you; because the darkness is passing away, and the true light already shines. {2:9} He that said he is in the light and hates his brother, is in the darkness even until now. {2:10} He that agape loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no occasion of stumbling in him. {2:11} But he that hates his brother is in the darkness, and walks in the darkness, and knows not where he goes, because the darkness has blinded his eyes. {2:12} I write unto you, [my] little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake. {2:13} I write unto you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because you have

overcome the evil one. I have written unto you, little children, because you know the Father. {2:14} I have written unto you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome [temptation from] the evil one. {2:15} Agape love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man agape love the world, the agape love of the Father is not in him. {2:16} For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the vain glory of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. {2:17} And the world passes away, and the lust there: but he that does [works in] the will of God abides forever. {2:18} Little children, it is the last hour: and as you heard that antichrist comes, even now there have arisen many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last hour. {2:19} They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us: but [they went out], that they might be made manifest that they all are not of us. {2:20} And you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all the things. {2:21} I have not written unto you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth. {2:22} Who is the liar but he that denies that Yehsus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, [even] he that denies the Father and the Son. {2:23} Anyone who denies the Son, the same has not the Father: he that confesses the Son has the Father also. {2:24} As for you, let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If that which you heard from the beginning abide in you, you also shall abide in the Son, and in the Father. {2:25} And this is the promise which he promised us, [even] the life eternal. {2:26} These things have I written unto you concerning them that would lead you astray. {2:27} And as for you, the anointing which you received of him abides in you, and you need not that anyone teach you; but as his anointing teaches you; concerning all things, and is true, and is no lie, and even as it taught you, you abide in him. {2:28} And now, [my] little children, abide in him; that, if he shall be manifested, we may have boldness, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. {2:29} If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone also that does lawful works is begotten of him.

{N23}3} First Epistle of John Chapter Three. {3:1} Behold what manner of agape love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called children of God; and [such] we are. For this cause the world knows us not, because it knew him not. {3:2} Agape Beloved, now are we children of God, and it is not yet made manifest what we shall be. We know that, if he shall be manifested, we shall be like him; for we shall see him even as he is. {3:3} And everyone that has this hope [set] on him purifies himself, even as he is pure. {3:4} Everyone that does sin does also lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness. {3:5} And you know that he was manifested to take away sins; and in him is no sin. {3:6} Anyone who abides in him sins not: anyone who sins has not seen him, neither knows him. {3:7} Little children, let no man lead you astray: he that does lawful works is legal or lawful, even as he is lawful: {3:8} he that does sin is of the devil; for the devil sins from the beginning. To this end was the Son of God manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. {3:9} Anyone who is begotten of God does no sin, because his seed abides in him: and he cannot sin, because he is begotten of God. {3:10} In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: anyone who does not lawful works, is not of God, neither he that agape loves not his brother. {3:11} For this is the message which you heard from the beginning, that we should agape love one another: {3:12} not as Cain was of the evil one, and slew his brother. And Therefore slew he him? Because his works were evil, and his brother's works were lawful. {3:13} Marvel not, brethren, if the world hates you. {3:14} We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we agape love the brethren. He that agape loves not abides in death. {3:15} Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer: and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. {3:16} Hereby know we agape love, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. {3:17} But who so has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need, and shuts up his compassion from him, how does the agape love of God abide in him? {3:18} Little children [of God], let us not agape love in

word, neither with the tongue; but in deed and truth. {3:19} Hereby shall we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our heart before him: {3:20} because if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things. {3:21} Agape Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, we have boldness toward God; {3:22} and whatever we ask we receive of him, because we keep his commandments and do the things that are pleasing in his sight. {3:23} And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Yehsus Christ, and agape love one another, even as he gave us commandment. {3:24} And he that keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he gave us.

{N23}4} First Epistle of John Chapter Four. {4:1} Agape beloved, believe not every spirit, but prove the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets are gone out into the world. {4:2} Hereby know you the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Yehsus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: {4:3} and every spirit that confesses not Yehsus is not of God: and this is the [spirit] of the antichrist, where you have heard that it comes; and now it is in the world already. {4:4} you little children are of God, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world. {4:5} They are of the world: therefore speak they [as] of the world, and the world hears them. {4:6} We are of God: he that knows God hears us; he who is not of God hears us not. By this we know the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. {4:7} Agape beloved, let us agape love one another: for agape love is of God; and everyone that agape loves is begotten of God, and knows God. {4:8} He that agape loves not knows not God; for God is agape love. {4:9} Herein was the agape love of God manifested in us, that God has sent his only begotten Son into the world that we might live through him. {4:10} Herein is agape love, not that we agape loved God, but that he agape loved us, and sent his Son [to be] the propitiation for our sins. {4:11} Agape Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to agape love one another. {4:12} No man has seen God at any time: if we agape love one another, God abides in us, and his agape love is perfected in us: {4:13} hereby we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. {4:14} And we have watched and bear witness that the Father has sent the Son [to be] the Savior of the world. {4:15} Anyone who shall confess that Yehsus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. {4:16} And we know and have believed the agape love which God has in us. God is agape love; and he that abides in agape love abides in God, and God abides in him. {4:17} Herein is agape love made perfect with us, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as he is, even so are we in this world. {4:18} There is no fear in agape love: but perfect agape love cast out fear, because fear has punishment; and he that fears is not made perfect in agape love. {4:19} We agape love, because he first agape loved us. {4:20} If a man say, I agape love God, and hates his brother, he is a liar: for he that agape loves not his brother whom he has seen, cannot agape love God whom he has not seen. {4:21} And this commandment have we from him, that he who agape loves God agape love his brother also.

{N23}5} 1John Chapter Five. {5:1} Everyone who believes that Yehsus is the Christ is begotten of God: and everyone who agape loves him that is begot, agape loves him also that is begotten of him. {5:2} Hereby we know that we agape love the children of God, when we agape love God and do his commandments. {5:3} For this is the agape love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. {5:4} For everyone that is begotten of God overcomes the world [of sin]: and this is the victory that has overcome [the sin of] the world, [even] our faith. {5:5} And who is he that overcomes the world [of sin], but he that believes that Yehsus is the Son of God? {5:6} This is he that came by water and blood, [even] Yehsus Christ; not with the water only, but with the water and with the blood. {5:7} And it is the Spirit that bears witness, because the Spirit is the truth. {5:8} For there are three who bear witness, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and the three agree in one. {5:9} If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for the witness of God is this, that he has borne witness concerning his Son. {5:10} He that believes on the Son of God has the witness in him: he that believes not God

has made him a liar; because he has not believed in the witness that God has borne concerning his Son. {5:11} And the witness is this, that God gave unto us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. {5:12} He that has the Son has the life; he that has not the Son of God has not the life. {5:13} These things have I written unto you, that you may know that you have eternal life, [even] unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God. {5:14} And this is the boldness which we have toward him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us: {5:15} and if we know that he hears us whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions which we have asked of him. {5:16} If any man see his brother sinning a sin not unto death, he shall ask, and [God] will give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: not concerning this do I say that he should make request. {5:17} All [illegal] works against law is sin: and there is a sin not unto death. {5:18} We know that anyone who is begotten of God sins not; but he that was begotten of God keeps himself, and the evil one touches him not. {5:19} We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies in the evil one. {5:20} And we know that the Son of God is come, and has given us an understanding, that we know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, [even] in his Son Yehsus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. {5:21} [My] little children, guard yourselves from idols.

The Second Epistle Of John

{N24}1} 2John Chapter One. {1:1} The elder unto the elect Lady [Ekklesia] and her children, whom I agape love in truth; and not I only, but also all they that know the truth; {1:2} for the truth's sake which abides in us, and it shall be with us forever: {1:3} Grace, mercy, peace shall be with us, from God the Father, and from Yehsus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and agape love. {1:4} I rejoice greatly that I have found [certain] of your children walking in truth, even as we received commandment from the Father. {1:5} And now I ask you Lady [Ekklesia], not as though I wrote to you a new commandment, but that which we had from the beginning, that we agape love one another. {1:6} And this agape love is, that we should walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, even as you heard from the beginning, that you should walk in it. {1:7} For many deceivers are gone forth into the world, [even] they that confess not that Yehsus Christ comes in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist. {1:8} Look to yourselves, that you lose not the things which we have wrought, but that you receive a full reward. {1:9} Anyone who goes onward and abides not in the instructions of Christ, has not God: he that abides in the instructions, the same has both the Father and the Son. {1:10} If any one comes unto you, and brings not these instructions, receive him not into [your] house, and do not say God be with you: {1:11} for he that gives him good day partakes in his evil works. {1:12} Having many things to write unto you, I would not [write them] with paper and ink: but I hope to come unto you, and to speak face to face, that your joy may be made full. {1:13} The children of your elect sister [Ekklesia] salute you.

The Third Epistle of John

{N25}1} 3John Chapter One. {1:1} The elder unto Gaius the agape beloved, whom I agape love in truth. {1:2} Beloved, I pray that in all things you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers. {1:3} For I rejoiced greatly, when brethren came and bare witness unto your truth, even as you walk in truth. {1:4} Greater joy have I none than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth. {1:5} Beloved, you do a faithful work in whatever you do toward them that are aliens and are brethren; 6 who bear witness to your agape love before the Ekklesia: whom you will do well to set forward on their journey worthily of God: 7 because that for the sake of the Name they went forth, taking nothing from the unbelievers. {1:7} because that for the sake of the Name they went forth, taking nothing of the Nations. {1:8} We therefore ought to welcome such, that we may be fellow-workers for the truth. {1:9} I wrote a few things unto the Ekklesia: but Diotrephes, who loves to have the

preeminence among them, [he] receives us not. {1:10} Therefore, if I come, I will bring to remembrance his works which he does, prating against us with wicked words: and not content with, neither does he himself receive the [alien] brethren, and them that would he forbid and cast [them] out of the Ekklesia. {1:11} Beloved, imitate not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God: he that does evil has not seen God. {1:12} Demetrius has the witness of all [men], and of the truth itself: behold, we also bear witness: and you know that our witness is true. {1:13} I had many things to write unto you, but I am unwilling to write [them] to you with ink and pen: {1:14} but I hope shortly to see you, and we shall speak face to face. Peace [be] unto you. The friends salute you. Salute the friends by name.

The General Epistle of Jude

{N26}1} Jude Chapter One. {1:1} Jude, a slave of Yehsus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are called, agape beloved in God the Father, and kept for Yehsus Christ: {1:2} Mercy unto you and peace and agape love be multiplied. {1:3} Agape beloved, while I was giving all diligence to write unto you of our common salvation, I was compelled [by the spirit] to write unto you exhorting you to debate earnestly for the faith which was [written just] once for all [time and] delivered unto the Holy People. {1:4} For there are certain men crept in secretly, [even] they who were of old written of beforehand unto this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying our only Master and Lord, Yehsus Christ. {1:5} Now I desire to put you in remembrance, though you know all things once for all, that the Lord, having saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. {1:6} And [there are] messengers that kept not their own principality, but left their proper habitation, he has kept [them] in everlasting bonds under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. {1:7} Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them, having in like manner with these given themselves over to fornication and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the punishment of eternal fire. {1:8} yet in like manner these also in their dreaming defile the flesh, and set at nothing dominion, and blaspheme at dignities. {1:9} But Michael the arch-messenger, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing judgment, but said, The Lord rebuke you. {1:10} But these speak evil at whatever things they know not: and what they understand naturally, like the creatures outside reason, in these things they are destroyed. {1:11} Woe unto them! For they went in the way of Cain, and ran riotously in the error of Balaam for hire, and perished in the gainsaying of Korah. {1:12} These are they who are the hidden rocks [that sink the ship] in your agape love-feasts when they feast with you, shepherds that outside fear feed themselves; clouds without water, carried along by winds; autumn leaves without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots; {1:13} Wild waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, for whom the blackness of darkness has been reserved forever. {1:14} And to these also Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones, {1:15} to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the ungodly of all their works of ungodliness which they have ungodly wrought, and of all the hard things which ungodly sinners have spoken against him. {1:16} These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their [own] lusts (and their mouth speaks great swelling [words]), showing respect of persons for the sake of advantage. {1:17} But you, agape beloved, remember you the words which have been spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Yehsus Christ; {1:18} That they said to you, In the last time there shall be mockers, walking after their own ungodly lusts. {1:19} These are they who make separations, sensual, having not the Spirit. {1:20} But you, agape beloved, build up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, {1:21} keep yourselves in the agape love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Yehsus Christ unto eternal life. {1:22} And on some have mercy [on those], who are in doubt; {1:23} and some save [them] by, snatching them out of the fire; and on some have mercy with fear; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh. {1:24} Now unto him that is able to guard you from stumbling, and to set you before the presence of his glory outside blemish

in exceeding joy, {1:25} to the only God our Savior, through Yehsus Christ our Lord, [be] glory, majesty, dominion and power, before all time, and now, and forevermore. Amen.

{N27)1} Revelation Chapter One. The Book of Revelation to Holy Person of the Apostle John. {1:1} The Revelation of Yehsus Christ, which God gave him to show unto his slaves, [even] the things which must shortly come to pass: and he sent and signified [it] by his messenger unto his servant John; {1:2} who bare witness of the word of God, and of the testimony of Yehsus Christ, [even] of all things that he saw. {1:3} Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep the things that are written therein: for the time is at hand. {1:4} John to the seven Ekklesias that is in Asia: Grace to you and peace, from him who is and who was and who is to come; and from the seven Spirits that are before his throne; {1:5} and from Yehsus Christ, [who is] the faithful witness, the first to be reborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. Unto him that agape loves us, and loosed us from our sins by his blood; {1:6} and he made us to be kings and priests unto his God and Father; to him [be] the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. {1:7} Behold, he comes with the clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they that pierced him; and all the tribes of the earth shall grieve over him. Even so, Amen. {1:8} I am the Alpha and the Omega, said the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. {1:9} I John, your brother and partaker with you in tribulation and kingdom and patience [which are] in Yehsus, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God and the testimony of Yehsus. {1:10} I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet {1:11} saying, What you see, write in a book and send [it] to the seven Ekklesias: unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamum, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea. {1:12} And I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden candlesticks; {1:13} and in the midst of the candlesticks one like unto a son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about at the breasts with a golden girdle. {1:14} And his head and his hair were white as white wool, [white] as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; {1:15} and his feet like unto burnished brass, as if it had been refined in a furnace; and his voice as the voice of many waters. {1:16} And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth proceeded a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shines in his strength. {1:17} And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as one dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying, Fear not; I am the first and the last, {1:18} and the Living one; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades. {1:19} Write therefore the things which you saw, and the things which are, and the things which shall come to pass hereafter; {1:20} the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the messengers of the seven Ekklesias: and the seven candlesticks are seven Ekklesias.

{N27)2} Revelation Chapter Two. {2:1} To the messenger of the Ekklesia in Ephesus write: These things said he that holds the seven stars in his right hand, he that walks in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks: {2:2} I know your works, and your toil and patience, and that you Cannot bear evil men, and did try them that call themselves apostles, and they are not, and did find them false; {2:3} and you have patience and did bear for my name's sake, and have not grown weary. {2:4} But I have [this] against you, that you did leave your first agape love. {2:5} Remember therefore where you are fallen, and repent and do the first works; or else I come to you, and will move your candlestick out of its place, except you repent. {2:6} But this you have, that you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. {2:7} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias. To him that overcomes [temptation to sin], to him will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God. {2:8} And to the messenger of the Ekklesia in Smyrna write: These things said the first and the last, who was dead, and lived [again]: {2:9} I know your tribulation, and your poverty (but you are rich), and the blasphemy of them that say they are Jews, and they are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. {2:10} Fear not the

things which you are about to suffer: behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that you may be tried; and you shall have tribulation ten days. Be you faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life. {2:11} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias. He that overcomes [temptation to sin] shall not be hurt of the second death. {2:12} and to the messenger of the Ekklesia in Pergamum write: These things said he that has the sharp two-edged sword: {2:13} I know where you dwell, [even] where Satan's throne is; and you hold fast my name, and did not deny my faith, even in the days of Antipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. {2:14} But I have a few things against you, because you have there some that hold the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit fornication. {2:15} So have you also some that hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans in like manner. {2:16} Repent therefore; or else I come to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of my mouth. {2:17} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias. To him that overcomes [temptation to sin], to him will I give of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and upon the stone a new name written, which no one knows but he that receives it. {2:18} And to the messenger of the Ekklesia in Thyatira, write: These things said the Son of God, who has his eyes like a flame of fire, and his feet are like unto burnished brass: {2:19} I know your [good] works, and your agape love and faith and ministry and patience, and that your last works are more than the first. {2:20} But I have [this] against you, that you suffer the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess; and she teaches and seduces my servants to commit [spiritual] fornication, and to eat things sacrificed to idols. {2:21} And I gave her time that she should repent; and she wills not to repent of her [spiritual] fornication. {2:22} Behold, I cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of her works. {2:23} And I will kill her children with death; and all the Ekklesias shall know that I am he that searches the reins and hearts: and I will give unto each one of you according to your works. {2:24} But to you I say, to the rest that are in Thyatira, as many as have not this teaching, who know not the deep things of Satan, as they are wont to say; I cast upon you none other burden. {2:25} Nevertheless that which you have, hold fast till I come. {2:26} And he that overcomes [sin], and he that keeps my [good] works unto the end, to him will I give authority over the nations: {2:27} and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of the potter are broken to shivers; as I also have received of my Father: {2:28} and I will give him the morning star. {2:29} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias.

{N27}3} Revelation Chapter Three. {3:1} And to the messenger of the Ekklesia in Sardis write: These things said he that has the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars: I know your works, that you have a name that you live, but [instead of alive] you are dead. {3:2} Be you watchful, and establish the things that remain, which were ready to die: for I have found no [good] works of you [that are] perfected before my God. {3:3} Remember therefore how you have received and did hear; and keep [it], and repent. If therefore you shall not watch [in repentance], I will come as a thief, and you shall not know what hour I will come upon you. {3:4} But you have a few names in Sardis that did not defile their garments: and they shall walk with me in white; for they are worthy. {3:5} He that overcomes [sin] shall thus be arrayed in white garments; and I will in no wise blot his name out of the book of life, and I will confess his name before my Father, and before his messengers. {3:6} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias. {3:7} And to the messenger of the Ekklesia in Philadelphia write: These things said he that is holy, he that is true, he that has the key of David, he that opens and none shall shut, and that shuts and none opens: {3:8} I know your works (behold, I have set before you a door opened, which none can shut), that you have a little power, and did keep my word, and did not deny my name. {3:9} Behold, I give of the synagogue of Satan, of them that say they are Jews, and they are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have agape loved you. {3:10} Because you did keep the word

of my patience, I also will keep you from the hour of trial, that [hour] which is to come upon the whole world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. {3:11} I come quickly: hold fast that which you have, that no one take your crown. {3:12} He that overcomes [sin], I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go out there no more: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from my God, and mine own new name. {3:13} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias. {3:14} And to the messenger of the Ekklesia in Laodicea write: These things said the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God: {3:15} I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot: I would you were cold or hot. {3:16} So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spew you out of my mouth. {3:17} Because you say, I am rich, and have gotten riches, and have need of nothing; and know not that you are the wretched one and miserable and poor and blind and naked: {3:18} I counsel you to buy of me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich; and white garments, that you may clothe yourself, and [that] the shame of your nakedness be not made manifest; and eye salve to anoint your eyes, that you may see. {3:19} As many as I philo love, I reprove and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. {3:20} Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and I will supper with him, and he with me. {3:21} He that overcomes, [sin] I will give to him to sit down with me in my throne, as I also overcame [sin], and sat down with my Father in his throne. {3:22} He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit said to the Ekklesias.

{N27}4} Revelation Chapter Four. {4:1} After these things I saw, and behold, a door opened in heaven, and the first voice that I heard, [a voice] as of a trumpet speaking with me, one saying, Come up here, and I will show you the things which must come to pass hereafter. {4:2} Immediately I was in the Spirit: and behold, there was a throne set in heaven, and one sitting upon the throne; {4:3} and he that sat [was] to look upon like a jasper stone and a sardius: and [there was] a rainbow round about the throne, like an emerald to look upon. {4:4} And round about the throne [were] four and twenty thrones: and upon the thrones [I saw] four and twenty elders sitting, arrayed in white garments; and on their heads crowns of gold. {4:5} And out of the throne proceed lightnings and voices and thunders. And [there was] seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God; {4:6} and before the throne, as it were a sea of glass like a crystal; and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, four living creatures full of eyes before and behind. {4:7} And the first creature [was] like a lion, and the second creature like a calf, and the third creature had a face as of a man, and the fourth creature [was] like a flying eagle. {4:8} and the four living creatures, having each one of them six wings, are full of eyes roundabout and within: and they have no rest day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, [is] the Lord God, the Almighty, who was and who is and who is to come. {4:9} And when the living creatures shall give glory and honor and thanks to him that sits on the throne, to him that lives forever and ever, {4:10} the four and twenty elders shall fall down before him that sits on the throne, and shall worship him that lives forever and ever, and shall cast their crowns before the throne, saying, {4:11} Worthy are you, our Lord and our God, to receive the glory and the honor and the power: for you did create all things, and because of your will they were, and were created.

{N27}5} Revelation Chapter Five. {5:1} And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the back, close sealed with seven seals. {5:2} And I saw a strong messenger proclaiming with a great voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to lose the seals there? {5:3} And no one in the heaven, or on the earth, or under the earth, was able to open the book, or to look thereon. {5:4} And I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open the book, or to look thereon: {5:5} and one of the elders said unto me, Weep not; behold, the Lion that is of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome to open the book and the seven

seals there. {5:6} And I saw in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, having seven horns, and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God, sent forth into all the earth. {5:7} And he came, and he takes [it] out of the right hand of him that sat on the throne. {5:8} And when he had taken the book, the four living creatures and the four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having each one a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the Holy People. {5:9} And they sing a new song, saying, Worthy are you to take the book, and to open the seals there: for you was slain, and did purchase unto God with your blood [men] of every tribe, and tongue, and people, and nation, {5:10} and made them [to be] unto our God a kingdom and priests; and they reign upon earth. {5:11} And I saw, and I heard a voice of many messengers round about the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; {5:12} saying with a great voice, Worthy is the Lamb that has been slain to receive the power, and riches, and wisdom, and might and honor, and glory, and blessing. {5:13} And every created thing which is in the heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and on the sea, and all things are in them, heard I saying, Unto him that sits on the throne, and unto the Lamb, [be] the blessing, and the honor, and the glory, and the dominion, forever and ever. {5:14} And the four living creatures said, Amen. And the elders fell down and worshipped.

{N27}6} Revelation Chapter Six. {6:1} And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as with a voice of thunder, Come. {6:2} And I saw, and behold, a white horse, and he that sat thereon had a bow; and there was given unto him a crown: and he came forth conquering, and to conquer. {6:3} And when he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, Come. {6:4} And another [horse] came forth, a red horse: and to him that sat thereon it was given to take peace from the earth, and that they should slay one another: and there was given unto him a great sword. {6:5} And when he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, Come. And I saw, and behold, a black horse; and he that sat thereon had a balance in his hand. {6:6} And I heard as it were a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, A measure of wheat for a shilling, and three measures of barley for a shilling; and the oil and the wine hurt you not. {6:7} And when he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, Come. {6:8} And I saw, and behold, a pale horse: and he that sat upon him, his name was Death; and Hades followed with him. And there was given unto them authority over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with famine, and with death, and by the wild beasts of the earth. {6:9} And when he opened the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of them that had been slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: {6:10} and they cried with a great voice, saying, How long, O Master, the holy and true, do you not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? {6:11} And there was given them to each one a white robe; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little time, until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, who should be killed even as they were, should have fulfilled [their course]. {6:12} And I saw when he opened the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the whole moon became as blood; {6:13} and the stars of the heaven fell unto the earth, as a fig tree cast her unripe figs when she is shaken of a great wind. {6:14} And the heaven was removed as a scroll when it is rolled up; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. {6:15} And the kings of the earth, and the princes, and the chief captains, and the rich, and the strong, and every slave and freeman, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains; {6:16} and they say to the mountains and to the rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sits on the throne, and from the Anger of the Lamb: {6:17} for the great day of their Anger is come; and who is able to stand?

{N27}7 Revelation Chapter Seven. {7:1} After his I saw four messengers standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that no wind should blow on the earth, or on the sea, or upon any tree. {7:2} And I saw another messenger ascend from the sun rising, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a great voice to the four messengers to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, {7:3} saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we shall have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads. {7:4} And I heard the number of them that were sealed, a hundred and forty and four thousand, sealed out of every tribe of the children of Israel: {7:5} Of the tribe of Judah [were] sealed twelve thousand: Of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand; {7:6} Of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand; {7:7} Of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand; {7:8} Of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand; Of the tribe of Benjamin [were] sealed twelve thousand. {7:9} After these things I saw, and behold, a great multitude, which no man could number, out of every nation and of [all] tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, arrayed in white robes, and palms in their hands; {7:10} and they cry with a great voice, saying, Salvation unto our God who sits on the throne, and unto the Lamb. {7:11} And all the messengers were standing round about the throne, and [about] the elders and the four living creatures; and they fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, {7:12} saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, [be] unto our God forever and ever. Amen. {7:13} And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, These that are arrayed in white robes, who are they, and where came they? {7:14} And I say unto him, My lord, you know. And he said to me, These are they that come of the great tribulation, and they washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. {7:15} Therefore are they before the throne of God; and they serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sits on the throne shall spread his tabernacle over them. {7:16} They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; neither shall the sun strike upon them, nor any heat: {7:17} for the Lamb that is in the midst of the throne shall be their shepherd, and shall guide them unto fountains of waters of life: and God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.

{N27}8 Revelation Chapter Eight. {8:1} And when he opened the seventh seal, there followed a silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. {8:2} And I saw the seven messengers that stand before God; and there were given unto them seven trumpets. {8:3} And another messenger came and stood over the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should add it unto the prayers of all the Holy People upon the golden altar which was before the throne. {8:4} And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the Holy People, went up before God out of the messenger's hand. {8:5} And the messenger takes the censer; and he filled it with the fire of the altar, and cast it upon the earth: and there followed thunders, and voices, and lightnings, and an earthquake. {8:6} And the seven messengers that had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound. {8:7} And the first sounded, and there followed hail and fire, mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of the earth was burnt up, and the third part of the trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up. {8:8} And the second messenger sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood; {8:9} and there died the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, [even] they that had life; and the third part of the ships was destroyed. {8:10} And the third messenger sounded, and there fell from heaven a great star, burning as a torch, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of the waters; {8:11} and the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter. {8:12} And the fourth messenger sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; that the third part of them should be darkened, and the

day should not shine for the third part of it, and the night in like manner. {8:13} And I saw, and I heard an eagle, flying in mid heaven, saying with a great voice, Woe, Woe, Woe, for them that dwell on the earth, by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three messengers, who are yet to sound.

{N27)9} Revelation Chapter Nine. {9:1} And the fifth messenger sounded, and I saw a star from heaven fallen unto the earth: and there was given to him the key of the pit of the abyss. {9:2} And he opened the pit of the abyss; and there went up a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit. {9:3} And out of the smoke came forth locusts upon the earth; and power was given them, as the scorpions of the earth have power. {9:4} And it was said unto them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree, but only such men as have not the seal of God on their foreheads. {9:5} And it was given them that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five moons: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when it strikes a man. {9:6} And in those days men shall seek death, and shall in no wise find it; and they shall desire to die, and death flees from them. {9:7} And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared for war; and upon their heads as it were crowns like unto gold, and their faces were as men's faces. {9:8} And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as [teeth] of lions. {9:9} And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots, of many horses rushing to war. {9:10} And they have tails like unto scorpions, and stings; and in their tails is their power to hurt men five moons. {9:11} They have over them as king the messenger of the abyss: his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in the Greek [language] he has the name Apollyon. {9:12} The first curse is past: behold, there come yet two curses hereafter. {9:13} And the sixth messenger sounded, and I heard a voice from the horns of the golden altar which is before God, {9:14} one saying to the sixth messenger that had one trumpet, Loose the four messengers that are bound at the great river Euphrates. {9:15} And the four messengers were loosed, that had been prepared for the hour and day and moon and year, that they should kill the third part of men. {9:16} And the number of the armies of the horsemen was twice ten thousand times ten thousand: I heard the number of them. {9:17} And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates [as] of fire and of hyacinth and of brimstone: and the heads of lions; and out of their mouths proceeds fire and smoke and brimstone. {9:18} By these three plagues was the third part of men killed, by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone, which proceeded out of their mouths. {9:19} For the power of the horses is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails are like unto serpents, and have heads; and with them they hurt. {9:20} And the rest of mankind, who were not killed with these plagues, repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and the idols of gold, and of silver, and of brass, and of stone, and of wood; which can neither see, nor hear, nor walk: {9:21} and they repented not of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

{N27)10} Revelation Chapter Ten. {10:1} And I saw another strong messenger coming down out of heaven, arrayed with a cloud; and the rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire; {10:2} and he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left upon the earth; {10:3} and he cried with a great voice, as a lion roars: and when he cried, the seven thunders uttered their voices. {10:4} And when the seven thunders uttered [their voices], I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying, Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not. {10:5} And the messenger that I saw standing upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his right hand to heaven, {10:6} and swear by him that lives forever and ever, who created the heaven and the things that are therein, and the earth and the things that are therein, and the sea and the things that are therein, that there shall be delay no longer: {10:7} but in the days of the voice of the seventh

messenger, when he is about to sound, then is finished the mystery of God, according to the good tidings which he declared to his servants the prophets. {10:8} And the voice which I heard from heaven, [I heard it] again speaking with me, and saying, Go, take the book which is open in the hand of the messenger that stands upon the sea and upon the earth. {10:9} And I went unto the messenger, saying unto him that he should give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make your belly bitter, but in your mouth it shall be sweet as honey. {10:10} And I took the little book out of the messenger's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and when I had eaten it, my belly was made bitter. {10:11} And they say unto me, you must prophesy again over many peoples and nations and tongues and kings.

{N27)11} Revelation Chapter Eleven. {11:1} And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and one said, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. {11:2} And the court which is outside the temple leave outside, and measure it not; for it has been given unto the nations: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two moons. {11:3} And I will give unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy two thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth. {11:4} These are the two olive trees and the two candlesticks, standing before the Lord of the earth. {11:5} And if any man desires to hurt them, fire proceeds out of their mouth and devours their enemies; and if any man shall desire to hurt them, in this manner must he be killed. {11:6} These have the power to shut the heaven, that it rain not during the days of their prophecy: and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood, and to smite the earth with every plague, as often as they shall desire. {11:7} And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss shall make war with them, and overcome them, and kill them. {11:8} And their dead bodies [lie] in the street of the great city, which [spiritually] is called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified. {11:9} And from among the peoples and tribes and tongues and nations do [men] look upon their dead bodies three days and a half, and suffer not their dead bodies to be laid in a tomb. {11:10} And they that dwell on the earth rejoice over them, and make merry; and they shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwell on the earth. {11:11} And after the three days and a half the breath of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them that watched them. {11:12} And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up here. And they went up into heaven in the cloud; and their enemies watched them. {11:13} And in that hour there was a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell; and there were killed in the earthquake seven thousand persons: and the rest were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven. {11:14} The second curse is past: behold, the third curse comes quickly. {11:15} And the seventh messenger sounded; and there followed great voices in heaven, and they said, The kingdom of the world is become [the kingdom] of our Lord, and of his Christ: and he shall reign forever and ever. {11:16} And the four and twenty elders, who sit before God on their thrones, fell upon their faces and worshipped God, {11:17} saying, We give you thanks, O Lord God, the Almighty, who are and who was; because you have taken your great power, and did reign. {11:18} And the nations were angry, and your anger came, and the time of the dead to be judged, and [the time] to give their reward to your servants the prophets, and to the Holy People, and to them that fear your name, the small and the great; and to destroy them that destroy the earth. {11:19} And there was opened the temple of God that is in heaven; and there was seen in his temple the ark of his covenant; and there followed lightnings, and voices, and thunders, and an earthquake, and great hail.

{N27)12} Revelation Chapter Twelve. {12:1} And a great sign was seen in heaven: a woman arrayed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars; {12:2} and she was with child; and she cries out, travailing in birth, and in pain to be delivered. {12:3} And there was seen another sign in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his heads seven diadems. {12:4} And his tail draws the third part

of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stands before the woman that is about to be delivered, that when she is delivered he may devour her child. {12:5} And she was delivered of a son, a man child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and unto his throne. {12:6} And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared of God, that there they may nourish her two thousand two hundred and sixty days. {12:7} And there was war in heaven: Michael and his messengers [going forth] to war with the dragon; and the dragon warred and his messengers; {12:8} And they prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven. {12:9} And the great dragon was cast down, the old serpent, he that is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world; he was cast down to the earth, and his messengers were cast down with him. {12:10} And I heard a great voice in heaven, saying, Now is come the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, who accuses them before our God day and night. {12:11} And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb, and because of the word of their testimony; and they agape loved not their life even unto death. {12:12} Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you that dwell in them. Woe for the earth and for the sea: because the devil is gone down unto you, having great Anger, knowing that he has but a short time. {12:13} And when the dragon saw that he was cast down to the earth, he persecuted the woman that brought forth the man [child]. {12:14} And there were given to the woman the two wings of the great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness unto her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. {12:15} And the serpent cast out of his mouth after the woman water as a river, that he might cause her to be carried away by the stream. {12:16} And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth and swallowed up the river which the dragon cast out of his mouth. {12:17} And the dragon waxed angry with the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her seed, that keep the commandments of God, and hold the testimony of Yehsus:

{N27}13} Revelation Chapter Thirteen. {13:1} and he stood upon the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns, and seven heads, and on it's horns ten diadems, and upon his heads names of blasphemy. {13:2} And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as [the feet] of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him it's power, and his throne, and great authority. {13:3} And [I saw] one of his heads as though it had been smitten unto death; and his death-stroke was healed: and the whole earth wondered after the beast; {13:4} and they worshipped the dragon, because it gave his authority unto the beast; and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? And who is able to war with it? {13:5} and there was given to it a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and there was given to it authority to continue forty and two moons. {13:6} And it opened it's mouth for blasphemies against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, [even] them that dwell in the heaven. {13:7} And it was given unto it to make war with the Holy People, and to overcome them: and there was given to it authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation. {13:8} And all that dwell on the earth shall worship it, [every one] whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb that has been slain. {13:9} If any man has an ear, let him hear. {13:10} If any man [is] for captivity, into captivity he goes: if any man shall kill with the sword, with the sword must he be killed. Here is the patience and the faith of the Holy People. {13:11} And I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like unto lamb, and he spoke as a dragon. {13:12} And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his sight. And it makes the earth and them dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose death-stroke was healed. {13:13} And it does great signs, that he should even make fire to come down out of heaven upon the earth in the sight of men. {13:14} And he deceives them that dwell on the earth by reason of the signs which it was given it to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast who has the stroke of the sword and lived. {13:15} And it was given [unto it]

to give breath to it, [even] to the image to the breast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as should not worship the image of the beast should be killed. {13:16} And it causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free and the bond, that there be given them a mark on their right hand, or upon their forehead; {13:17} and that no man should be able to buy or to sell, save he that has the mark, [even] the name of the beast or the number of his name. {13:18} Here is wisdom. He that has understanding, let him count the number of the beast; for it is the number of a man: and his number is Six hundred and sixty and six.

{N27}14} Revelation Chapter Fourteen. {14:1} And I saw, and behold, the Lamb standing on the mount Zion, and with him a hundred and forty and four thousand, having his name, and the name of his Father, written on their foreheads. {14:2} And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and the voice which I heard [was] as [the voice] of harpers harping with their harps: {14:3} and they sing as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures and the elders: and no man could learn the song save the hundred and forty and four thousand, [even] they that had been purchased out of the earth. {14:4} These are they that were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These [are] they that follow the Lamb where ever he goes. These were purchased from among men, [to be] the first fruits unto God and unto the Lamb. {14:5} And in their mouth was found no lie: they are outside blemish. {14:6} And I saw another messenger flying in mid heaven, having eternal good tidings to proclaim unto them that dwell on the earth, and unto every nation and tribe and tongue and people; {14:7} and he said with a great voice, Fear God, and give him glory; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made the heaven and the earth and sea and fountains of waters. {14:8} And another, a second messenger, followed, saying, Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, that has made all the nations to drink of the wine of the Anger of her fornication. {14:9} And another messenger, a third, followed them, saying with a great voice, If any man worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead, or upon his hand, {14:10} he also shall drink of the wine of the Anger of God, which is prepared unmixed in the cup of his anger; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy messengers, and in the presence of the Lamb: {14:11} and the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever; and they have no rest day and night, they that worship the beast and his image, and who so receives the mark of his name. {14:12} Here is the patience of the Holy People, they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Yehsus. {14:13} And I heard the voice from heaven saying, Write, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from here on: behold, said the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them. {14:14} And I saw, and behold, a white cloud; and on the cloud [I saw] one sitting like unto a son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand sharp sickle. {14:15} And another messenger came out from the temple, crying with a great voice to him that sat on the cloud, Send forth your sickle, and reap: for the hour to reap is come; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. {14:16} And he that sat on the cloud cast his sickle upon the earth; and the earth was reaped. {14:17} Another messenger came out from the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. {14:18} And another messenger came out from the altar, he that has power over fire; and he called with a great voice to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Send forth your sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. {14:19} And the messenger cast his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vintage of the earth, and cast it into the winepress, the great [winepress], of the Anger of God. {14:20} And the winepress are trodden outside the city, and there came out blood from the winepress, even unto the bridles of the horses, as far as two thousand and six hundred furlongs.

{N27}15} Revelation Chapter Fifteen. {15:1} And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven messengers having seven plagues, [which are] the last, for in them is finished

the Anger of God. {15:2} And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire; and them that come off victorious from the beast, and from his image, and from the number of his name, standing by the sea of glass, having harps of God. {15:3} And they sing the song of Moses the slave of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvelous are your works, O Lord God, the Almighty; righteous and true are your ways, you King of the ages. {15:4} Who shall not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? for you only are holy; for all the nations shall come and worship before you; for your righteous acts have been made manifest. {15:5} And after these things I saw, and the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened: {15:6} and there came out from the temple the seven messengers that had the seven plagues, arrayed with [precious] stone, pure [and] bright, and girt about their breasts with golden girdles. {15:7} And one of the four living creatures gave unto the seven messengers seven golden bowls full of the Anger of God, who lives forever and ever. {15:8} And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and none was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven messengers should be finished.

{N27}16} Revelation Chapter Sixteen. {16:1} And I heard a great voice out of the temple, saying to the seven messengers, Go you, and pour out the seven bowls of the Anger of God into the earth. {16:2} And the first went, and poured out his bowl into the earth; and it became a noisome and grievous sore upon the men that had the mark of the beast, and that worshipped his image. {16:3} And the second poured out his bowl into the sea; and it became blood as of a dead man; and every living soul died, [even] the things that were in the sea. {16:4} And the third poured out his bowl into the rivers and the fountains of the waters; and it became blood. {16:5} And I heard the messenger of the waters saying, Righteous are you, who are and who was, you Holy One, because you did thus judge: {16:6} for they poured out the blood of the Holy People and the prophets, and blood have you given them to drink: they are worthy. {16:7} And I heard the altar saying, behold, O Lord God, the Almighty, true and righteous are your judgments. {16:8} And the fourth poured out his bowl upon the sun; and it was given unto it to scorch men with fire. {16:9} And men were scorched men with great heat: and they blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues; and they repented not to give him glory. {16:10} And the fifth poured out his bowl upon the throne of the beast; and his kingdom was darkened; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, {16:11} and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores; and they repented not of their works. {16:12} And the sixth poured out his bowl upon the great river, the [river] Euphrates; and the water of it was dried up, that the way might be made ready for the kings that [come] from the sun rising. {16:13} And I saw [coming] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits, as it were frogs: {16:14} for they are spirits of demons, working signs; which go forth unto the kings of the whole world, to gather them together unto the war of the great day of God, the Almighty. {16:15} (Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walked naked, and they see his shame.) {16:16} And they gathered them together into the place which is called in Hebrew Har-magedon. {16:17} And the seventh poured out his bowl upon the air; and there came forth a great voice out of the temple, from the throne, saying, It is done: {16:18} and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunders; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since there were men upon the earth, so great an earthquake, so mighty. {16:19} And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and Babylon the great was remembered in the sight of God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his Anger. {16:20} And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. {16:21} And great hail, [every stone] about the weight of a talent, comes down out of heaven upon men: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague of it is exceeding great.

{N27)17} Revelation Chapter Seventeen. {17:1} And there came one of the seven messengers that had the seven bowls, and spoke with me, saying, Come here, I will show you the judgment of the great Prostitute that sits upon many waters; {17:2} with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and they that dwell in the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication. {17:3} And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness: and I saw a woman riding upon a scarlet-colored beast [of her religion] that [belly of the beast of her religion] was fed full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. {17:4} And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and decked with gold and precious stone and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations, even the unclean things of her fornication, {17:5} and upon her forehead a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HER [DAUGHTER] PROSTITUTES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. {17:6} And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the Holy People, and with the blood of the martyrs of Yehsus. And when I saw her, I wondered with a great wonder. {17:7} And the messenger said unto me, Therefore did you wonder? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast [of her religion] that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns. {17:8} The beast [of her religion] that you saw was [a religion], and is not [a true religion]; and is about to come up out of the abyss, and to go into destruction. And they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, [they] whose names has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast [of her religion], how that he is [a religion], and he] is not [a true religion], and [this beast of a religion] shall come. {17:9} Here is the mind that has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains [of a religion] , on which the woman sits: {17:10} and they are seven kings; the five are fallen, the one is, the other is not yet come; and when he [the beast of her religion] comes, he [the beast of her religion] must continue a little while. {17:11} And the beast that is [a religion], and is not [a true religion], is himself also an eighth, and is of the [other] seven; and he [the beast of her religion] goes into destruction. {17:12} And the ten horns that you saw are ten kings, who have received no kingdom as yet; but they receive authority as kings, with the beast [of her religion], for one hour. {17:13} These [rulers] have [the religion of] one mind, and they give their power and authority unto the beast [of her religion]. {17:14} These [ten kings] shall [make] war against the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them, for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings; and they [the Holy People also shall overcome] that are with him, called and chosen and faithful. {17:15} And he said unto me, The waters which you saw, where the prostitute sits, are [the] peoples [of her religion] , and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. {17:16} And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast [of her religion], these shall hate [their mother] the [great] prostitute, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and shall burn her utterly with fire. {17:17} For God did put in their hearts to do his mind, and to come to one mind, and to give their kingdom [they call Christ] unto the beast [of her religion], until the words of God should be accomplished. {17:18} And the woman whom you saw is the great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth.

{N27)18} Revelation Chapter Eighteen. {18:1} After these things I saw another messenger coming down out of heaven, having great authority; and the earth was lightened with his glory. {18:2} And he cried with a mighty voice, saying, Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, and is become a habitation of demons, and a prison of every unclean spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. {18:3} For by the wine of the Anger of her fornication all the nations are fallen; and the kings of the earth committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth waxed rich by [her] great power to deceive. {18:4} And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, my [holy] people [that are in the religion of the great prostitute], Come forth out of her [beast of the Great Prostitute fed to the full of names of blasphemy], that you have no fellowship with her sins, and that you receive not of her plagues: {18:5} for her sins have reached even unto heaven, and God remembers her works against law. {18:6} Render unto her even as she rendered, and double [unto her] the double according to her works: in the cup which she mingled, mingle unto her

double. {18:7} How much so ever she glorified herself, and waxed wanton, so much give her of [the same] torment and grieving; for she said in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall in no wise see grieving. {18:8} Therefore in one day shall her plagues come, death, and grieving, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire; for strong is the Lord God who judged her. {18:9} And the kings of the earth, who committed fornication and lived wantonly with her, shall weep and wail over her, when they look upon the smoke of her burning, {18:10} standing afar off for they stand in fear of her torment, saying, Woe, Woe, the great city, Babylon, the strong city! for in one hour is your judgment come. {18:11} And the merchants of the earth weep and grieve over her, for no man buys their merchandise anymore; {18:12} merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stone, and pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet; and all citron wood, and every vessel of ivory, and every vessel made of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble; {18:13} and cinnamon, and spice, and incense, and ointment, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and cattle, and sheep; and [merchandise] of horses and chariots and slaves; and souls of men. {18:14} And the fruits which your soul lusted after are gone from you, and all things that were dainty and sumptuous are perished from you, and [men] shall find them no more at all. {18:15} The merchants of these things, who were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and grieving; {18:16} saying, Woe, Woe, the great city, she that was arrayed in fine linen and purple and scarlet, and decked with gold and precious stone and pearl! {18:17} for in an hour so great riches is made desolate. And every shipmaster, and everyone that sails anywhere, and mariners, and as many as gain their living by sea, stood afar off, {18:18} and cried out as they looked upon the smoke of her burning, saying, What [city] is like the great city? {18:19} And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and grieving, saying, Woe, Woe, the great city, wherein all that had their ships in the sea were made rich by reason of her wealth! for in one hour is she made desolate. {18:20} Rejoice over her, you heaven, and you Holy People, and you apostles, and you prophets; for God has judged your judgment on her. {18:21} And a strong messenger took up a stone as it were a great millstone and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with a mighty fall shall Babylon, the great city, be cast down, and shall be found no more at all. {18:22} And the voice of [her] harpers and minstrels and flute-players and trumpeters shall be heard no more at all in you; and no craftsman, of whatever craft, shall be found any more at all in you; and the voice of a mill shall be heard no more at all in you; {18:23} and the light of a lamp shall shine no more at all in you; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in you: for your merchants were the princes of the earth; for with your sorcery were all the nations deceived. {18:24} And in her was found the blood of prophets and of Holy People, and of all that have been slain upon the earth.

{N27}19} Revelation Chapter Nineteen. {19:1} After these things I heard as it were a great voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, Hallelujah; Salvation, and glory, and power, belong to our God: {19:2} for true and righteous are his judgments; for he has judged the great prostitute, her that corrupted the earth with her fornication, and he has avenged the blood of his servants at her hand. {19:3} And a second time they say, Hallelujah. And her smoke goes up forever and ever. {19:4} And the four and twenty elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshipped God that sits on the throne, saying, Amen; Hallelujah. {19:5} And a voice came forth from the throne, saying, Give praise to our God, all you his servants, you that fear him, the small and the great. {19:6} And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunders, saying, Hallelujah: for the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns. {19:7} Let us rejoice and be exceeding glad, and let us give the glory unto him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife [the Ekklesia] has made herself ready. {19:8} And it was given unto her that she should array herself in fine linen, bright [and] pure: for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the Holy People. {19:9} And he said unto me, Write, Blessed are they that are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he said unto me,

These are true words of God. {19:10} And I fell down before his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See you do it not: I am a fellow-slave with you and with your brethren that hold the testimony of Yehsus: worship God; for the testimony of Yehsus is the spirit of prophecy. {19:11} And I saw the heaven opened; and behold, a white horse, and he that sat thereon called Faithful and True; and in good works he does judge and make war. {19:12} And his eyes [are] a flame of fire, and upon his head [are] many diadems; and he has a name written which no one knows but he himself. {19:13} And he [is] arrayed in a garment sprinkled with blood: and his name is called The Word of God. {19:14} And the armies which are in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white [and] pure. {19:15} And out of his mouth proceeds a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treads the winepress of the fierceness of the Anger of God, the Almighty. {19:16} And he has on his garment and on his thigh a name written, **KINGS OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.** {19:17} And I saw an messenger standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds [of prey] that fly in mid heaven, Come [and] be gathered together unto the great supper of God; {19:18} that you may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses and of them that sit thereon, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, and small and great. {19:19} And I saw the [religion of the] beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat upon the horse, and against his army. {19:20} And the beast [of a religion] was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought the signs in his sight, by which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast and them that worshipped his image: they two were cast alive into the lake of fire that burns with brimstone: {19:21} and the rest were killed with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, [even the sword of God] which came forth out of his mouth: and all the birds [of prey at the supper hour] were filled with their flesh.

{N27}20} Revelation Chapter Twenty. {20:1} And I saw an messenger coming down out of heaven, having the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. {20:2} And he laid hold on the dragon, the old serpent, which is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousands of years, {20:3} and cast him into the abyss, and shut [it], and sealed [it] over him, that he should deceive the nations no more, until the thousands of years should be finished: after this he must be loosed for a little time. {20:4} And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and [I saw] the souls of them that had been beheaded for the testimony of Yehsus, and for the word of God, and such as worshipped not the beast, neither his image, and received not the mark upon their forehead and upon their hand; and they lived , and reigned with Christ thousands of years. {20:5} The rest of the dead lived not until the thousands of years should be finished. This is the first resurrection. {20:6} Blessed and holy is he that has part in the first resurrection: over these the second death has no power; but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him thousands of years. {20:7} And when the thousands of years are finished, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, {20:8} and shall come forth to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to the war: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. {20:9} And they went up over the breadth of the earth, and around the camp of the Holy People about, and the agape beloved city: and fire came down out of heaven, and devoured them. {20:10} And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where are also [are those in] the beast [of a religion] and the false prophet; and they shall be tormented day and night forever and ever. {20:11} And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat upon it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. {20:12} And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne; and books were opened: and another book was opened, which is [the book] of life: and the dead [in Christ] were judged out of the things which were written in the books, according to their works. {20:13} And the sea gave up the dead that were in it; and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them: and they were judged every man according to their

works. {20:14} And death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death, [even] the lake of fire. {20:15} And if any was not found written in the book of life, he was cast into the lake of fire.

{N27}21} Revelation Chapter Twenty One. {21:1} And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth are passed away; and the sea is no more. {21:2} And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as [Ekklesia] a bride adorned for her husband. {21:3} And I heard a great voice out of the throne saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he shall dwell with them, and they shall be his peoples, and God himself shall be with them, [and be] their God: {21:4} and he shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and death shall be no more; neither shall there be grieving, nor crying, nor pain, any more: the first things are passed away. {21:5} And he that sits on the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said, Write: for these words are faithful and true. {21:6} And he said unto me, They are come to pass. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. {21:7} He that overcomes [sin] shall inherit these things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. {21:8} But for the fearful, and unbelieving, and abominable, and murderers, and fornicators, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, their part [shall be] in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone; which is the second death. {21:9} And there came one of the seven messengers who had the seven bowls, who were laden with the seven last plagues; and he spoke with me, saying, Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife [the Ekklesia] of the Lamb. {21:10} And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, {21:11} having the glory of God: her light was like unto a stone most precious, as it were a jasper stone, clear as crystal: {21:12} having a wall great and high; having twelve gates, and at the gates twelve messengers; and names written thereon, which are [the names] of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: {21:13} on the east were three gates; and on the north three gates; and on the south three gates; and on the west three gates. {21:14} And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. {21:15} And he that spoke with me had for a measure a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates there, and the wall there. {21:16} And the city lies foursquare, and the length there is as great as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs: the length and the breadth and the height of it are equal. {21:17} And he measured the wall there, a hundred and forty and four cubits, [according to] the measure of a man, that is, of an messenger. {21:18} And the building of the wall of it was jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto pure glass. {21:19} The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; {21:20} the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprase; the eleventh, jacinth; the twelfth, amethyst. {21:21} And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the several gates was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass. {21:22} And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God the Almighty, and the Lamb, are the temple there. {21:23} And the city has no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine upon it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the lamp of it [is] the Lamb. {21:24} And the nations shall walk amidst the light there: and the kings of the earth bring their glory into it. {21:25} And the gates of it shall in no wise be shut by day (for there shall be no night there): {21:26} and they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it: {21:27} and there shall in no wise enter into it anything unclean, or he that makes an abomination and a lie: but only they that are written in the Lamb's book of life.

{N27}22} Revelation Chapter Twenty-Two. {22:1} And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb, {22:2} in the midst of

the street there. And on this side of the river and on that was the tree of life, bearing twelve [manner of] fruits, yielding its fruit every moon: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. {22:3} And there shall be no curse any more: and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be therein: and his servants shall serve him; {22:4} and they shall see his face; and his name [shall be] on their foreheads. {22:5} And there shall be night no more; and they need no light of lamp, neither light of sun; for the Lord God shall give them light: and they shall reign forever and ever. {22:6} And he said unto me, These words are faithful and true: and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent his messengers to show unto his servants the things which must shortly come to pass. {22:7} And behold, I come quickly. Blessed is he that keeps the words of the prophecy of this book. {22:8} And I John am he that heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the messenger that showed me these things. {22:9} And he said unto me, See you do it not: I am a fellow-slave with you and with your brethren the prophets, and with them that keep the words of this book: worship God. {22:10} And he said unto me, Seal not up the words of the prophecy of this book; for the time is at hand. {22:11} He that is [illegal] in works, let him do [illegal] works against the law still: and he that is filthy, let him be made filthy still: and he that is [legal] in good works, let him do [lawful] works in the law still: and he that is holy, let him be made holy still. {22:12} Behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to render to each man according as his work is. {22:13} I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. {22:14} Blessed are they that wash their robes, that they may have the right [to come] to the tree of life, and may enter in by the gates into the city. {22:15} outside are the dogs, and the sorcerers, and the fornicators, and the murderers, and the idolaters, and everyone that philo loves to make a lie. {22:16} I Yehsus have sent mine messenger to testify unto you these things for the Ekklesias. I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright, the morning star. {22:17} And the Spirit and the [Ekklesia] bride say, Come. And he that hears, let him say, Come. And he that is athirst, let him come: he that will, let him take the water of life freely. {22:18} I testify unto every man that hears the words of the prophecy of this book, if any man shall add unto them, God shall add unto him the plagues which are written in this book: {22:19} and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the holy city, which are written in this book. {22:20} He who testifies these things said, behold: I come quickly. Amen: come, Lord Yehsus. {22:21} The grace of the Lord Yehsus be with the Holy People. Amen.

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When the entire Ekklesia Bible is translated to closely mirror the established Genesis account of creation in the established natural time sequence, it leads to some significant implications regarding the crucifixion and time to gather on the night of the resurrection of Christ on the night of Day One and to worship at the true resurrection

moment of Christ. The coming “Passover” of the messiah in prophecy of Isaiah {30:29} you [the holy people of God] shall have a [moving] song as in the night when a holy solemnity [Passover] is observed; and [with] gladness of heart, as when one goes with a pipe to come into the mountain [fortress] of Yahweh, to the Petra of Israel. Today in the twenty third century this same exact moment or the exact same time parallel to the resurrection moment of Christ is still celebrated every seven days at beginning dark on the night of day One by modern Jews as their “Havdalah” a worship established from the ancient prophecies centuries before the coming of Christ as the “Jewish worship” made to the Jewish coming “Messiah” (Isaiah 30:29). Modern orthodox Jews who love truth reject the entire Bible when mistranslated in the pope Gregorian calendar of Traditional week days of the seven pagan sky gods.

1. **Crucifixion Timing:** In this translation, it is evident that Christ is crucified on the fourth day of Creation, corresponding to the biblical solar day that commences with the darkness of evening (as found in Luke 22:7).
2. **Entombment Timing:** Luke 23:54. When the Ekklesia Bible is translated according to the established calendar of the Genesis creation account, it records that Christ’s entombment is completed at the onset of evening or the Greek word “Epiphosko” or the “lighting up of the night” on the beginning night of the fifth day of creation. This aligns with the time to eat the old Passover traditions of old Israel, where Christ’s burial extends into the beginning of the Passover night that begins to be celebrated with dusk of the evening. “Passover” is never celebrated in the hours of light.
3. **Resurrection Timing:** Translating the entire Ekklesia Bible in the time mode of the Genesis creation records places the moment of Christ’s resurrection on the exact solar cycle as the beginning creation of darkness and the universe at dusk again at Epiphosko (lighting up the night) on “day one” of the seven-day solar Sabbaton (is written in Matthew 28:1).
4. **Five Records of Five Times Holy People Gather On The “Night of Day One” To Celebrate the “Passover of Christ”:** at the true resurrection moment on the night of day One. John 20:19 and John 20:26, Acts 2:1; Acts 13:42-44; Acts 20:7 provide examples set by Christ for his disciples to assemble at his resurrection moment on the night of “day one” of the seven-day solar Sabbaton. These two accounts represent the first two gatherings for worship, with the first gathering occurring exactly eight days after Christ’s resurrection, also on the same night as his resurrection.
5. **The All Night Pentecost Gathering On The Night of Day One:** Acts 2:1, when translated within the context of the Genesis creation timeline, signifies that the gathering precisely on the night of Pentecost aligns with the same solar cycle as the night of Christ’s resurrection moment.
6. **Acts 13:42-44 The holy People of God Gathering At Night “Between Sabbaton”:** Similarly, Acts 13:42-44, when translated in the established Genesis time mode, reveals that this gathering for worship occurs on a solar cycle corresponding to the exact night of Christ’s true resurrection moment of Christ is precisely between two seven day solar Sabbaton. Acts 13:42-44 is a time Parallel

to dusk of Saturday night in the Pope Gregorian calendar of Traditional week days.

- 7. Acts 20:7 A Night Gathering In Homes at the true resurrection the Passover moment of Christ:** on the beginning night of Day One on a solar cycle of the exact resurrection moment of Yehsus. When the Ekklesia Bible is translated with respect to the established Genesis creation account of solar days that are established to start with dusk of the evening on the night of day One, Acts 20:7 is a gathering on the same exact night as the true resurrection night of Christ. In this context, Acts 20:7 falls on the exact resurrection moment of Christ in the Traditional “Saturday night” in the Pope Gregorian Traditional week day calendar that today is mistranslated in all popular translated Bibles.

In summary, translating the Ekklesia Bible to align with the Genesis records of the creation timeline results in the crucifixion, entombment, and the resurrection of Christ and times set to gather to worship occurring at the same specific moments on the biblical solar calendar established in the Genesis records of creation. This perspective also emphasizes the significance of various written records of gatherings for worship and discipleship is within the framework of this creation-based timeline established by God in the Genesis records.