

12. Isaiah - Yeshayah

Version 4.1: 1-15-17

Chapter 1

1:1 A vision of Yeshayah, son of Amotz,
which he contemplated concerning Yahudah and Yerushalaim
in the days of Uzziyah, Yotam, Ahaz, Hizkiyah,
kings of Yahudah.

chazah - to gaze at mentally, to perceive, to contemplate;
specifically, to have a vision.
Historical usage of this term points to a special form of night
vision in which a Divine revelation is received.
This appears from the statement given to be some kind of an
on-going vision, or it was Yeshayah's contemplation of the
vision the continued during the reign of several kings of
Yahudah.
Yeshayah means YAHWEH has delivered.
Amotz means strong.
Uzziyah means strength of YAHWEH.
Yotam means YAHWEH is perfect; complete, whole.
Ahaz means to seize.
Hizkiyah means seized by YAHWEH.
Yahudah means YAHWEH is praised.

1:2 Listen attentively skies and give an ear earth!
Indeed, **YAHWEH** has spoken,
"Children I have brought up and exalted.
But they have rebelled against Me."

1:3 An ox knows its owner
and a male ass its master's manger.
Yisra'el does not know!
My people have not comprehended!

1:4 Alas! An offending nation,
a people weighed down with perversion,
a seed of wrong doers,
children acting corruptly!

They have abandoned **YAHWEH Himself** **HN**!
They have scorned
The Set Apart One Himself **HN** of Yisra'el!
They have turned aside, backward!

1:5 For what reason are you beaten any longer?
You continue to apostatize!
Every head is diseased!
And every heart is sick!

1:6 From the sole of the foot as far as the head
there is no wholeness in it;
wounds, and welts, and open gashes
not closed, or bound up, or softened with oil!

1:7 Your land is laid waste!
Your cities are burned with fire!
Strangers devour your land in front of you,
they themselves **HN**,
and it is laid waste by demolishing strangers.

1:8 And the daughter of Tzion has been left
like a booth in a vineyard,
like a hut in a field of cucumbers,
like a guarded city.

1:9 Unless **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
had left to us a survivor

we would have been like Sedom,
similar to Amorah.

1:10 Listen attentively to the word of **YAHWEH**,
rulers of Sedom!

Give ear to the Instructions of our Elohim,
people of Amorah!

torat - plural of **torah**. This term is traditionally translated as laws. This is very misleading. It's also traditionally applied to the first five books of Moshe. This is also misleading. The root for this word means **instruction, teaching**, not law. If you read the first five books of Moshe you know immediately that it is not all matters of "law". It is YAHWEH's **instructions** to His people, teaching them how He wants them to live.

1:11 "What is it for Me, your abundance of sacrifices?"
says **YAHWEH**.

"Enough!

I have no delight in olaḥs of rams
and the fat of fat animals
and the blood of bulls, or lambs or goats!

olaḥs - traditionally, burnt offerings. These were intended to be symbols of complete dedication to YAHWEH. Here they are seen as repulsive to Him.

1:12 When you come to be seen before My face
who has required this from your hands,
the trampling of My courtyards?

1:13 Do not again bring meaningless gift offerings of incense!
It is detestable to Me!

New Moons, Sabbaths, the calling of meetings,

I am not able to endure the moral perversity
and special assemblies!

1:14 Your New Moons and your appointed times
My life hates!
They are a burden upon Me!
I am weary of carrying them!

1:15 And when you are spreading out your hands
I will hide My eyes from you!
Also when you make many prayers I will not listen attentively!
Your hands are filled with blood!

1:16 Wash yourselves!
Make yourselves clean!
Turn away your bad actions from in front of My eyes!
Stop doing moral wrong!

1:17 Learn to do good!
Seek judgment!
Make the oppressed happy!
Judge *rightly* the fatherless!
Contend for the widow!

1:18 Come now and we will argue the case!" says **YAHWEH**.
If your offenses are like scarlet
they will be made as white as snow.
If they are red like crimson
they will be like wool.

1:19 If you are willing and will listen attentively
you will eat the goodness of the land.

1:20 But if you refuse and you rebel
you will be devoured by the mouth of the sword!"
Indeed the mouth of **YAHWEH** has spoken.

1:21 How the faithful city has become a prostitute,
full of condemnation!
Justice lodged in it,
but now murderers.

1:22 Your silver has become dross.
Your wine has been mixed with water.
1:23 Your rulers are rebellious and companions of thieves.
Everyone loves bribes and pursues rewards.

The fatherless they do not judge *rightly*
nor does the cause of the widow come to them.

1:24 Because of this,
- An Utterance of The Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
The Mighty One of Yisra'el -
"Alas! I will be relieved of My adversaries.
And I will take revenge on My enemies.

1:25 And I will turn back My hand against you.
And I will refine your dross with lye.
And I will remove all your tin.

1:26 And I will return your judges as at the first
and your counselors as at the beginning.
After this you will be called a city of justice,
a faithful city.
1:27 Tzion will be ransomed with judgment
and her returning ones with justice
1:28 and the destruction of those rebelling
and of offenders together.

And those abandoning **YAHWEH** will cease!
1:29 Indeed, they will be ashamed
of the strong trees which you have desired.
And you will be ashamed because of the gardens
which you have chosen.

1:30 Indeed, you will be like an oak whose leaf fades
and like a garden that has no water.
1:31 The strong will be as weak flax
and his actions for a spark.
And both will burn together.
And no one will be extinguishing *them*.

Chapter 2

2:1 The word that Yeshayah, the son of Amotz,
contemplated concerning Yahudah and Yerushalaim:
2:2 And it will exist in the last days.
The mountain of The House of **YAHWEH** will be established
at the top of the mountains.
And it will be exalted above the hills.
And all the nations will flow to it.
2:3 And many peoples will come.
And they will say,
"Come! And we will go up to the mountain of **YAHWEH**,
to The House of The Elohim of Ya'akob.
And He will teach to us from His ways.
And we will walk in His paths.

Indeed from Tzion will go forth the Instruction,
and The Word of YAHWEH from Yerushalaim."

2:4 And He will judge between the nations.
And He will show what is right for many peoples.
And they will beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not lift up sword against nation.
And they will not learn battle any longer.

2:5 House of Ya'akob, come and walk
in the illumination of YAHWEH!

2:6 Indeed You have abandoned Your people,
the house of Ya'akob,
because they have been satisfied from the East.
And they practice magic like the Philistines.
And with children of foreigners they clap hands.
2:7 And their land is filled with silver and gold.
And there is no end to their treasures.
And their land is filled with horses.
And there is no end to their chariots.
2:8 And their land is filled with idols
for the sake of serving them with their hands.
They bow themselves to what their fingers have made.
2:9 And human beings bow down toward them.
And a man is humiliated.
But You will not lift them up!

2:10 Go into the rock and hide in the dust
away from face of the dread of YAHWEH
and the splendor of His majesty!

2:11 The arrogant eye of a human being will be humbled,
and the pride of men will be bowed down.

And YAHWEH alone will be exalted in that day!

2:12 Indeed the day of YAHWEH of Assemblies
is against all that is proud and arrogant,
against all that is lifted up.
And it will be humbled.

2:13 And *it is* against all the cedars of The Lebanon
the high and the lifted up.

And *it is* against all the oaks of The Bashan.

2:14 And *it is* against all the high mountains.

And *it is* against all the hills, the lifted up.

2:15 And *it is* against every high tower.

And *it is* against every wall of restraint.

2:16 And *it is* against all the ships of Tarshish.

And *it is* against all the pleasure craft.

2:17 And the arrogance of human beings
will be bowed down.

And the pride of men will be brought low.

And YAHWEH alone will be exalted in that day.

2:18 And the idols will completely disappear.

2:19 And they will go into the dens of rocks

and into the caves of dust

away from the face of the dread YAHWEH

and the splendor of His majesty

when He stands up

for the sake of striking the earth with awe!

2:20 In that day the human being
will throw away his idols of silver *themselves* תנ
and his idols of gold *themselves* תנ
which he made for himself to bow down to
to moles, to moles and to bats,
2:21 for the sake of going into the crevices of the rocks,
and into the cracks of the cliffs,
away from the face of the dread of **YAHWEH**
and the splendor of His majesty
when He stands up
for the sake of striking the earth with awe!

2:22 Withhold yourselves from the human being
whose breath is in his nostrils!
Indeed, of what account is he?

Chapter 3

3:1 Indeed behold!
The Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
is removing from Yerushalaim and from Yahudah
the support and supply,
every supply of bread, and every supply of water,
3:2 the mighty, and the man of battle,
the judge, and the prophet, and the diviner, and the elder,
3:3 the captain of fifty, and the exalted face,
and the counselor, and the wise one,
the skilled craftsman, and the clever enchanter.

3:4 And I will set young men as their rulers
and capricious ones will rule them.

3:5 And He will drive the people
man against man, and man against his neighbor.

The young will be bold against the elder
and the despised against the honored.

3:6 When a man takes hold on his brother
in the house of his father *and he says*,
"You have a robe.
Be a ruler over us
and this heap of rubble will be under your hand!"
3:7 he will lift up his voice in that day saying,
"I am not a healer.
And in my house is no food and no clothing.
Do not place me as a ruler of people!"

3:8 Indeed, Yerushalaim has stumbled
and Yahudah has fallen
because their language and their actions
are against **YAHWEH**
for the sake of provoking the fountains of His honor.

The traditional "eyes of His glory" is difficult to grasp. There is much debate over this phrase and its meaning. Some see this as an altered text. The word for "eyes" can also mean fountain, spring, or well. It represents a source. This seems more fitting in this context.

3:9 The expression on their faces responds against them.
And their offenses, like Sodom, have been declared.
They do not conceal it.
Woe to their lives!
Indeed, they have rewarded themselves with what is bad!

3:10 Say to the just ones, "Indeed, it is well."

Indeed, they will eat the fruit of their actions.

3:11 Woe to the morally wrong, *the* bad,
because the pay back of his hand will be done to him!

3:12 My people is being abused by oppressing ones,
and women have dominion over them.
My people, you are being lead astray
and the ways of your paths are being swallowed up!"

3:13 **YAHWEH** will stand up to contend.
Even He will be standing up
for the sake of judging the peoples.

3:14 **YAHWEH** will enter into judgment
with the elders of His people and its rulers!

"And you *yourselves* **HN**,

you have consumed the vineyard!

The plunder of the poor is in your houses!

3:15 What is it for you?

You have beaten down My people

and the faces of the poor you have crushed!"

- An Utterance of my Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies -

Once again we see the reference to "utterance". Some would give this as "oracle of". It's a specific reference to Divine Judgment in the form of a very powerful declaration by YAHWEH.

And note the unique reference here in Isaiah to "my Sovereign YAHWEH of Assemblies." this is traditionally given as "The Lord God of hosts."

The Lord is from **adown** which means master, ruler, or sovereign - the one Who is in control.

"Hosts" is from **tsaba** which means a mass or persons (or things). While most consider this to refer to "armies" the term is far more inclusive than that.

3:16 And **YAHWEH** says,
"Indeed, because the daughters of Tzion have been arrogant
and have walked stretching forth their necks
and have flirted with their eyes,
walking and prancing as they go,
walking and jingling with their feet,
3:17 even **YAHWEH** will strike with a scab
the crown of the head of the daughters of Tzion.
And **YAHWEH** will expose their private parts.

3:18 In that day **YAHWEH** will take away
the beauty of the anklets *themselves* **HN**

and the headbands, and the crescents,

3:19 the pendants, the bracelets, and the veils,

3:20 the turbans, and the leg chains,

and the perfume bottles, and the amulets,

3:21 the rings, and the nose rings,

3:22 the festal robes, and the capes,

and the shawls, and the purses,

3:23 the mirrors, and the fine linen,

and the hoods, and the large cloaks.

3:24 And it will be instead of perfume, stench,
and instead of a belt, a rope,
and instead of well set hair, baldness,
and instead of a festal robe, a girding of sackcloth,
and scarring instead of beauty.

3:25 Your few men will fall by the sword,
even your strength in battle.

3:26 And her gates will lament and mourn.
And having been emptied she will sit on the ground.

Chapter 4

4:1 And in that day seven women
will take hold of one man saying,
"We will eat our food and wear our clothes.
only your name will be called over us
to take away our reproach."

4:2 In that day there will exist a sprout of YAHWEH
for beauty and for honor
and the fruit of the land for majesty and for glory
for *the* rescued of Yisra'el.

This is a different rendering than the traditional texts. This is **not** a reference to The Messiah. The context is a paralleling of ideas in typical Hebrew fashion. As such it calls for an interpretation that fits such parallelism. This version fits that understanding.

4:3 And it will be those remaining in Tzion
and those having been left in Yerushalaim,
it will be said of him 'set apart',
all those having been written
for the sake of living in Yerushalaim.

4:4 When YAHWEH has washed away
the excrement *itself* ~~nn~~ of the daughters of Tzion,
and the blood *itself* ~~nn~~ of Yerushalaim
has been purged from her midst
with the breath of judgment,
and with the breath of burning,

ruach - wind, by resemblance breath.
There is **no** 'spirit' in Hebrew language or thought. "Spirit" is a totally Greek term. It has no place in Old Covenant writings!
This could be stated as the "wind of judgment" and 'wind of burning". Either sense fits the context. By means of judgment and burning the people and the city are cleansed from their impurities, their defilement.

4:5 then YAHWEH will create
above every part of Mount Tzion
and above her assemblies a cloud by day
and smoke and brilliance of a flame of fire by night.

Indeed above all the splendor a canopy
4:6 and a booth will exist for shade by day from heat,
for protection and for shelter from storm and from rain.

Chapter 5

5:1 I will sing now to my Beloved
a song to my Beloved concerning His vineyard.

"My Beloved has a vineyard on a hill of olive trees.

5:2 And He dug around it.
And He threw out its stones.
And He planted a choice vine.
And He built a tower in its midst.
And He also made a winepress in it.
And He waited for the sake of making grapes.
But it brought forth rotten ones.

5:3 And now inhabitant of Yerushalaim and men of Yahudah
please judge between Me and My vineyard.

5:4 What more is to be been done for My vineyard
that I have not done in it?

Why have I waited for the coming forth of grapes
but it brought forth rotten ones?

5:5 And now, now I will cause you yourselves תנ to know
what itself תנ I Myself will do to My vineyard.

I will take away its hedge
and it will be for burning.
I will break down its wall.
And it will be for trampling.
5:6 And I will lay it waste.
It will not be pruned or arranged in order.
And thorns and briers will come up.
And over the thick clouds I will direct
against raining rain upon on it.

5:7 Indeed, the vineyard of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
is the house of Yisra'el.
And the men of Yahudah are His delightful plant.

He waited for judgment
but behold! Bloodshed!
For justice but behold! Wailing!

5:8 Woe to those touching house against house,
field against field until there is an end of places
and you are caused to dwell by yourself,
alone in the midst of the land!

5:9 In my ears **YAHWEH** of Assemblies *said*,
"Truly many houses will be a ruin,
great and good ones without inhabitant.

5:10 Indeed, ten yokes of a vineyard will make one bath
and a homer of seed will make one ephah."

Ten yokes refers to the amount of land a yoke of oxen could plow. One yoke is approximately an acre. A bath is approximately 23 quarts. A homer is approximately 412 quarts. An ephah is approximately 20 quarts.

5:11 Woe to those rising early in the morning
to pursue strong drink, who remain late at night.
Wine inflames them!
5:12 And lyre and harp, tambourine and flute, and wine
are in their banquets,
but the actions of **YAHWEH** *themselves* תנ
they do not look upon intently.

And the workmanship of His hands
they do not observe.

5:13 For this reason My people have gone into exile
without knowledge.
And their few honorable men are hungry.
And their multitude is parched with thirst.

5:14 For this reason she'ol has opened wide her existence.
And she has opened her mouth without regulation.
And its glory has descended,
and with it its multitude, and its uproar, and its rejoicing.

she'ol - traditionally Hades or the place of the dead. It's often referred to as the depths, even associated with the abyss. Our concepts of this place are confused by the differing terms used to describe it. Generally it is a place of "nothingness". It's this concept that's found in research of the

original etymology (sources) of the term. It's the place where,
after death, everything ceases.

5:15 And a human being is brought down.
And mortal man is humbled.
And the eyes of the proud are humbled.

5:16 But YAHWEH of Assemblies is exalted in judgment.
And The Set Apart El is undefiled in justice.



5:17 And the sheep will pasture according to His word.
And sojourners will eat in the waste places of fatlings.

5:18 Woe to those who drag moral perversion
with cords of emptiness and with ropes,
the carts of contaminating offenses,
5:19 those saying, "Let Him hurry!
Let Him do His work quickly in order that we can see it!
And let it come near, even the counsel
of The Set Apart One of Yisra'el!
Then we will know!"

5:20 Woe to those calling bad good, and good bad,
those putting darkness for light and light for darkness,
those putting bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!

5:21 Woe to those wise in their own eyes
and clever in their own sight!

5:22 Woe to those mighty at drinking wine
and men of strength at mixing strong drink
5:23 justifying moral wrong for a bribe in the end
and the justice of the just is turned aside from him!

5:24 For this reason as a tongue of fire consumes stubble
and a flame consumes chaff
their root is like rottenness
and their blossom will be like dust that goes up
because they have rejected
The Instruction *itself*  of YAHWEH of Assemblies,
and they have despised the spoken word *itself* 
of The Set apart One of Yisra'el.

5:25 On account of this the anger of YAHWEH
has blazed up against His people.
And He has stretched out His hand against them.
And He has struck them.
And the mountains have trembled.
And their carcasses were like torn garbage
in the midst of the streets.

With all this His anger has not turned back
and His hand is still stretched out!

5:26 And He will lift up a banner to the nations from afar.
And He will whistle to them from the end of the earth.
And behold! They will come at once, swiftly!
5:27 None will be weary.
None will be stumbling with Him.
Not one will slumber and none will sleep.
And no belt of their waist will be loosened.
And no the thong of their sandals will be broken.
5:28 Their arrows have been sharpened.
And all their bows have been bent.
Their horses' hooves are regarded as flint
and their wheels like a hurricane.

5:29 Their roaring is like a lion.
And they roar like young lions.
And they growl.
And they seize prey.
And they slip away.
And they escape.
And no one is being delivered.
5:30 And they will growl over it in that day
like the roaring of the sea.

And one will look intently toward the land.
And behold!
Darkness of distress!
And illumination will be darkened by the clouds.

Chapter 6

6:1 In the year of King Uzziah's death,
then I saw **YAHWEH Himself** **הוה**
sitting on a throne, exalted and lifted up.
And the hem of His robe filled The Temple itself **הוה**.

The hem is often translated as 'the train'. The term used is also applied to the robe of the Great Priest which he wore when ministering in the inner sanctuary of The Temple. Thus what's represented here is YAHWEH as the ultimate Great Priest in the heavenly Temple.

6:2 Above Him were standing seraphim.
Each one had six wings.
With two he covered his face.
With two he covered his feet.
And with two he flew.

6:3 And one called out to another and said,
"Set apart, set apart, set apart is **YAHWEH** of Assemblies.
All the earth is filled with His splendor!"

6:4 And the posts of the door were shaken
by the voice of him who called out.
And The House was filled with smoke.

6:5 And I said, "Woe to me!
Indeed, I have been destroyed!
Indeed, I am a man of defiled lips!
And I in the midst of a people of defiled lips I am dwelling.
Indeed my eyes have seen
The King Himself **הוה**, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies."

6:6 And one of the seraphim flew to me.
And in his hand was a hot coal.
With the tongs he had taken it from the slaughter site.
6:7 And he touched it upon my mouth.
And he said, "Behold!
This has touched upon your lips.
And your moral perversion is removed.
And your offenses are atoned."

kaphar - to cover (specifically with bitumen); figuratively to expiate or condone, to placate or cancel.
This is a fascinating term. It's used in regard to Noah covering the container with pitch, inside and outside. Symbolically it represents also the "covering" of our offenses, as indicated here. But more fully, it represents atonement for our offenses against YAHWEH. Our offenses remain, but they are no longer counted against us. They are 'covered' by His redeeming love and compassion. We are seen as being once more "at one with Him".

6:8 And I heard the voice *itself* **HN** of YAHWEH saying,
"Whom *itself* **HN** can I send?
And who will go for Us?"
And I said, "I am here!
Send me!"

6:9 And He said, "Go!
And you are to say to this people,
'You are to listen attentively, listen attentively!
But you will not discern.
And you are to observe, observe!
But you will not comprehend.'

6:10 Cause the heart of this people to grow fat.
And cause their ears to be dense
and their eyes to be blinded
lest they see with their eyes,
and they listen attentively with their ears,
and their heart discerns
and they return to Me and are healed."

6:11 Then I said,
"Until when, my Sovereign?"
And He said, "Of a truth,
until the cities are desolate and without inhabitant,
and the houses are without a human being,
and the soil is desolate, devastated,
6:12 and YAHWEH has removed
the human beings *themselves* **HN** far away,
and great is the abandoning in the midst of the land,
6:13 and there is yet in it a tenth part.
And it will come back.
And it will be for burning
like an oak tree, even like a great tree
whose stump *remains* when it is cut down.
A set apart seed is its stump!"

Chapter 7

7:1 And it was in the days of Ahaz, son of Yotam,
son of Uzziyah, king of Yahudah.
Retzin, king of Aram, and Pekah, son of Remalyah,
king of Yisra'el, went up to Yerushalaim
for the sake of fighting against it.
But they were not able to fight against it.

Ahaz means to seize.
Yotam means YAHWEH is complete; whole.
Retzin means delight.
Pekah means open.
Remalyah means ornamented by YAHWEH.

7:2 And it was reported to the house of David saying,
"Aram has has been led against Ephraim."
And his heart and the heart of his people were moved
like the trees of the forest are moved
before the face of a wind.

7:3 And YAHWEH said to Yeshayah,
"Go out now for the sake of confronting Ahaz,
you yourself **HN** and She'ar Yashub, your son,
at the end of the channel of the upper pool
on the highway of the Fuller's Field.

She'ar Yashub means a remnant will return.

7:4 And say to him, 'You are to watch out!
And you are to be calm.

You are not to be afraid.
And your heart is not to be weakened
by these two tails, these smoking firebrands,
by the fierce anger of Retzin and Aram
and the son of Remalyah.

7:5 Aram, Ephraim, and the son of Remalyah
have taken counsel, counsel of harm against you saying,

7:6 "Let us go up against Yahudah.

And we will cut it off.

And we will split it open for ourselves.

And we will cause to reign as king in their midst

the son of Tabe'el *himself* **תנ**."

Tabe'el means good for nothing.

7:7 According to this said my Sovereign, **YAHWEH**,

"It will not stand.

And it will not exist!

7:8 Indeed, the head of Aram is Damascus

and the head of Damascus is Retzin.

And within sixty five years Ephraim

will be shattered as a people.

7:9 And the head of Ephraim is Shomeron.

And the head of Shomeron is the son of Remalyah.

If you do not believe you will not be believed."

Shomeron means watch station. It is 'Samaria'.

7:10 And again **YAHWEH** spoke to Ahaz saying,

7:11 "Request for yourself a sign from **YAHWEH**, your Elohim.

Cause the request to be deep or to the highest heights."

7:12 And Ahaz said, "I will not ask.

And I will not test **YAHWEH Himself** **תנ**!"

7:13 And he (Yeshayah) said,

"Listen attentively now, house of David!

Is it a little thing from you

that you cause men to be weary?

Indeed, will you also cause to be weary

my Elohim *Himself* **תנ**?"

7:14 On account of this **YAHWEH** Himself

will give a sign to you.

Behold!

A virgin will conceive and give birth to a son.

And she will call His name itself **תנ** Immanu'el.

**In the Hebrew text this is written as two separate words,
'immanu and 'el. It means literally "with you is El".**

7:15 He will eat curds and honey

for the sake of his knowing to refuse concerning the bad

and choose concerning the good.

7:16 Indeed before the young man knows

to refuse concerning the bad

and to choose concerning the good

the soil will be abandoned

which *you yourselves* **תנ** harvest

from before the faces of both her kings.

7:17 **YAHWEH** will bring upon you, and upon your people,
and upon your father's household days that have not come
since the day that Ephraim was removed from Yahudah
by the king of Ashshur *himself* **תנ**."

7:18 And it will exist in that day that YAHWEH will whistle for the fly that is in the extremity of the rivers of Mitsraim, and for the bee that is in the land of Ashshur.

Mitsraim is Mitsraim. Mitsraim is a son of Ham. It's vital that this connection is identified.

7:19 And they will come.
And all of them will settle in the deep valleys
and in the clefts of the rocks,
and on all the weeds and in all the pastures.

7:20 In that day YAHWEH will shave with a razor those hired beyond The River with the king of Ashshur, the head *itself* **אנ** and the hair of the legs, and even the beard *itself* **אנ** will also be shaved away.

7:21 And it will be in that day that a man will keep alive a young cow and two sheep.

7:22 And it will be from the abundance of making milk that he will eat curds.
Indeed, everyone left in the land
will eat curds and honey.

7:23 And it will be in that day,
it will be every place where there is a thousand vines
worth a thousand pieces of silver
it will be for thorns and for thistles.

7:24 With arrows and bows one will go there
because all the land will be thorns and thistles.

7:25 And all the mountains which were arranged with a hoe,
you will not go there for fear of thorns and thistles.
And it will be for sending out oxen
and for trampling by sheep.

Chapter 8

8:1 And YAHWEH said to me,
"Take for yourself large tablet.
And write upon it with a mortal's chisel
concerning Maher Shalal Hash Baz.

'enosh - properly, mortal, hence a man in general.
This is not the typical word for 'man'. It's a specific to a mortal human being. This concept is concealed from English readers when 'man' is used.
Maher Shalal Hash Baz means swift to the plunder,
hastening to the prey.

8:2 And cause faithful witnesses to testify to Me,
Uriyah the priest *himself* **אנ**,
and Zekaryah *himself* **אנ**, son of Yeberekyah."

Uriyah means flame of YAHWEH.
A plural form of this, **uriym** - means flames or lights. It's typically given as Urim (along with the Thummim). It's often referred to as "the lights" by which YAHWEH spoke to His Great Priests in The Tabernacle and the Temple.
Zekaryah means marked by YAHWEH to take note of.
Yeberekyah means blessing of YAHWEH.

8:3 And I came near to the prophetess.
And she conceived.
And she bore a son.

And YAHWEH said to me,
"Call his name Maher Shalal Hash Baz
8:4 because before the young boy knows to cry
'My father' or 'My mother'
the wealth of Damascus *itself* **אנ**
and the plunder of Shomeron *itself* **אנ**

will be carried away before the face of the king of Ashshur.”

8:5 And YAHWEH spoke to me again saying,

8:6 “Inasmuch as this people has rejected

the waters of Shiloh themselves אנ,

the ones going forward gently,

and delights in Retzin himself אנ

and the son of Remalyah,

Shiloh means a shoot of growth; or, a dart or spear. It's also the name of a fountain in Yerushalaim.
Retzin means delight.
Remalyah means ornamented by YAHWEH.

8:7 even for this reason, behold!

YAHWEH is bringing up over them

the waters of The River itself אנ,

the strong and the mighty,

even the abundance of the king of Ashshur himself אנ

and all his splendor itself אנ.

And he will go up over all his channels.

And he will go over all his banks.

8:8 And he will pass into Yahudah.

He will overflow and pass over, reaching up to the neck.

And his extremities will spread out

to the full breadth of Your land, Immanu'el.

8:9 Be broken, people!

Even be shattered in pieces!

And give ear all you from the distant places of the land!

Gird yourselves, and be shattered in pieces!

Gird yourselves, and be shattered in pieces!

8:10 Make a plan with counsel!

But it will be frustrated.

Speak a word!

But it will not stand

because The El is with us.”

8:11 Indeed YAHWEH spoke thus to me

with a forceful hand.

And He chastised me concerning

walking in the way of this people saying,

8:12 “Do not say, ‘A conspiracy.’ concerning everything
that this people says is a conspiracy.

And fear of it itself אנ,

you are not to be in dread,

and you are not to be terrified.

8:13 “YAHWEH of Assemblies Himself אנ,

He Himself אנ you are to cause you to be set apart!

And He Himself you are to revere!

And of He Himself you are to be terrified.

8:14 And He will be for you a sanctuary,

but a stone of stumbling and a rock of obstruction

for both the houses of Yisra'el,

like a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Yerushalaim.

8:15 And many among them will stumble and fall.

And they will be broken.

And they will be ensnared.

And they will be taken captive.”

8:16 Bind up the witness!

Seal The Instruction among My students!

8:17 Even I will wait for YAHWEH,

who is hiding His face from the house of Ya'akob.
Even I will wait for Him.

8:18 Behold me and the children
whom YAHWEH has given to me
as signs and as wonders in Yisra'el,
from YAHWEH of Assemblies, who dwells on Mount Tzion.

8:19 And when they say to you,
"Inquire of those who are mediums and wizards,
who whisper and mutter.",
should not a people inquire of their Elohim?
Should the living inquire after the dead?

8:20 To The Instruction and to The Testimony!

If they do not speak according to this Word
it is because they have no daylight.



8:21 And they will pass over in it
stiff necked and famished.
And it will be when they are famished.
And they will be provoked to anger.
And they will be trivial with their King and with their Elohim.
And they will face upward.
8:22 And they will look intently at the earth.
And behold!
Distress and darkness!
Gloom of anguish!
And they will be driven away by thick darkness.

Chapter 9

9:1 (H 8.23) However there is no gloom
for the one for whom is constraint
as at the first when He lightened the land of Zebulon
and the land of Naphtali,
and later caused her to be weighed down
the way of the sea beyond The Yarden, Galil of the Gentiles.

9:2 (H 9.1) The people who were walking in darkness
have seen a great light.
Those who dwelling in the land of the shadow of death
a light has shined upon them.

9:3 (H 9.2) You have caused the nation to increase.
You will have caused its gladness
to rejoice before Your face
like the joy at harvest as men celebrate
when they share the spoil.

9:4 (H 9.3) Indeed the yoke of his burden *itself* 
and the rod of his shoulder *itself* ,
the scepter of his oppressor is shattered
like the day of Midyan.

9:5 (H 9.4) Indeed every boot of trampling
and garment rolled in blood
will be for burning, fuel of a fire.

9:6 (H 9.5) When a child is born to us,
a son is given to us,
then the dominion will be on His shoulder.
And His designation will be called
Wonder, Counselor, Mighty El,
My Father for Eternity, Leader of Shalom.

This verse is quite different from traditional translations. the opening word can be translated multiple ways. But the text is suggestive of a future event, not a current happening. Thus we see this as "when a child is born..." Only after His birth can he receive the dominion (the term refers to the rule or governing role).

shem - an appellation, as a mark or memorial of individuality; by implication honor, authority, character. This word includes anything that denotes a particular person of their role. It is a **designation**. It's far more than a "name". It also includes one's "title".

The term used for 'wonder' is a noun, not an adjective.

ab - father, head of a household, forefather, etc.

The term is used of a wide class of entities.

The actual term used in the Hebrew text is **abi'ad**. **ad** means eternal, forever, continual, never ending. Literally this means My Father for Eternity.

sar - a head person (of any rank or class).

This is often translated as captain, chief, governor, etc. It is not limited to "prince". Indeed a prince is not truly a "head person". He is subject to The King.

shalom - safe, i.e. well, happy, friendly; also (abstractly) welfare, i.e. health, prosperity, peace.

This is one of the most important words in the Hebrew language. It represents total well being in every aspect of one's life. It covers far more than mere 'peace'.

9:7 (H 9.6) To the increase of His dominion and shalom there is no end.

Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom

He Himself **אנ** will be established.

And He will sustain it with judgment and with justice from now even until eternity.

The zeal of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies will do this.

9:8 (H 9.7) **YAHWEH** sent a word against Ya'akob and it has fallen on Yisra'el.

9:9 (H 9.8) And they will know,
all the people of Ephraim
and those dwelling in Shomeron
with pride and greatness of heart saying,

9:10 (H 9.9) "Bricks have fallen down.

But we build with cut stones.

Sycamores are cut down.

But we replace them with cedars."

9:11 (H 9.10) And **YAHWEH** will raise up
the distresses themselves **אנ** of Retzin over him.

And his adversaries themselves **אנ** He will provoke,

9:12 (H 9.11) the Arameans before,

and the Philistines behind.

And they will devour Yisra'el itself **אנ** with an open mouth.

With all this His anger has not turned back.

And His hand is still stretched out.

9:13 (H 9.12) But the people have not turned back
to Him who causes them to be struck.

And to **YAHWEH** of Assemblies Himself **אנ**
they have not inquired.

9:14 (H 9.13) And **YAHWEH** has cut off from Yisra'el
head and tail, palm branch and reed in one day.

9:15 (H 9.14) An elder and highly respected,

he is the head.
The prophet who teaching lies,
he is the tail.

9:16 T(H 9.15) And the leaders of this people
have lead them into error.
And those being guided are being swallowed up.

9:17 (H 9.16) For this reason YAHWEH
has no joy over their young men.
And for the orphans *themselves* ~~HN~~
and the widows *themselves* ~~HN~~ there is no compassion.
because everyone is godless and bad
and every mouth speaks foolishness.

With all this His anger has not turned back.
And His hand is still stretched out

9:18 (H 9.17) Indeed, moral wrong burns like fire.
It consumes thorns and thistles.
And it sets on fire the bushes of the forest.
And their pride rolls upward like rising smoke.

9:19 (H 9.18) With fury YAHWEH of Assemblies
has burned up the land.
And the people were fuel for the fire.

A man will not show pity to his neighbor.
9:20 (H 9.19) And he will cut upon the right hand,
but he will be hungry.
And he will consume upon the left hand,
but will not be satisfied.
Every man will be devouring the flesh of his arm,
9:21 (H 9.20) Manasseh, Ephraim *himself* ~~HN~~,
and Ephraim, *Manasseh himself* ~~HN~~,
together they are against Yahudah.

With all this His anger has not turned back.
And His hand is still stretched out.

Chapter 10

10:1 Woe to the scribes making unjust rules
and writing troublesome writings
10:2 for the sake of turning away the weak from judgment,
and for the sake of stealing judgment from the poor people,
in order that widows are their spoils
and orphans *themselves* ~~HN~~ are looted.

10:3 And what will you do at the day of accountability
and at the devastation which is coming from afar?
Unto whom will you escape?
And where will you leave your splendor

10:4 Will you not bow down instead as prisoners
and instead fall down killed?"

With all this His anger has not turned back.
And His hand is still stretched out.

10:5 Woe to Ashshur, the rod of My anger
and the staff of woe in their hands of rage!

10:6 Against a defiled nation I will send him!
And against the people of My wrath
I will urge him to plunder spoil, and to rob loot,

and to place them trampled down
like the mud of the streets!

10:7 But he does not intend thus.
And his heart does not consider thus.
Indeed, to destroy is in his heart
and to cut off not a few nations.

10:8 Indeed he says, 'Are not my leaders kings?
10:9 Is not Kalno like Karkemish?
Is not Hamat like Arpad?
Is not Shomeron like Damascus?

10:10 According to what my hand has found
toward kingdoms whose idols and carved images
excelled those of Yerushalaim and Shomeron,
10:11 as I have done to Shomeron and to her idols,
will I not do also to Yerushalaim and to her idols?'

10:12 "And it will be when **YAHWEH** has terminated
all His work on Mount Tzion and at Yerushalaim
that I will attend to the fruit of greatness
of the heart of the king of Ashshur
and on the glory of the height of his eyes
10:13 because he has said,
'By the power of my hand I have done it.
And with my wisdom I have understood.
And I remove borders of peoples.
And I have plundered their treasures.
And I have put down like a mighty one sitting ones.
10:14 And my hand has found like a nest
the wealth of the peoples.
And like gathered eggs abandoned by all the earth
I myself have gathered.
And there was no one who moving his wing,
nor opening his mouth, even peeping.'

10:15 Will the axe boast itself over him who cuts with it
or the saw exalt itself over him who saws with it
like a rod shaking and lifting up *itself* **PN**,
like lifting up a staff that which is not wood?

10:16 For this reason The Sovereign,
YAHWEH of Assemblies,
will send leanness among his fat ones.
And under his glory He will kindle a kindling
like kindling a fire.

There are numerous doubling of terms in Scripture. It's a
Hebraic manner of placing double emphasis on a subject.
This verse contains a rare **tripling of terms**. This form of
emphasis effectively declare there is absolutely no doubt this
will take place.

10:17 And The Light of Yisra'el will be as a fire,
even His Set Apart One as a flame.
And it will burn and devour his thorns and his thistles
in one day.
10:18 And the glory of his forest and his field,
both life and flesh, will be terminated.
And they will be like one being sick, wasting away.
10:19 And the remaining trees of his forest
will be few in number.
Even a young child will write them.

10:20 And it will be in that day that the remnant of Yisra'el
and those who have escaped of the house of Ya'akob

will no longer lean upon him, the one striking them.
But they will lean upon **YAHWEH**,
The Set apart One of Yisra'el, in faithfulness.
10:21 A remnant will return, the remnant of Ya'akob,
to The Mighty El.

10:22 Indeed if your people, Yisra'el,
exist like the sand of the sea,
a remnant of them will return.

Annihilation has been determined, overflowing justice.
10:23 Indeed, annihilation has even been determined!
My Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
is doing it in the midst of the whole land.

10:24 For this reason thus said my Sovereign,
YAHWEH of Assemblies,
"You, My people who are dwelling in Tzion,
are not to be afraid of Ashshur
who has beaten you with a rod
and has lifted up his staff against you
in the manner of Mitsraim!

10:25 Indeed, after a very little time
the indignation will be completed
and My anger concerning their destruction."

10:26 And **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
will stir up over him a whip
like the wound of Midyan at the rock of Oreb
and like His rod was over the sea.
And He will lift it up in the manner of Mitsraim.

10:27 And it will be in that day his burden
will be removed from your shoulder,
and his yoke from your neck.

And the yoke will be destroyed from the fatness of your face.
This is an odd Hebraism. It apparently refers to a yoke being
broken when an oxen grows too large for it to fit any longer.

10:28 He has come against Ayat.
He has passed over at Migron.
At Mikmash he has accounted for his weapons.

Ayat means heap.
Migron means precipice.
Mikmash means hidden.

10:29 They have passed over the crossing place
to Geba, his lodging place.
Ramah shuddered with terror.
Gib'ah of Sha'ul has fled.

Geba means a hill.
Ramah means a height.
Gib'ah means a little hill.

10:30 Shout with your voice, daughter of Gallim!
Pay attention Laish!
Anathot suffers!

Gallim means springs.
Laish means kneaded.
Anathot means answers.

10:31 Madmenah has fled.
The inhabitants of Gebim sought refuge.

Madmenah means dung hill.
Gebim means cisterns.

10:32 Still today at Nob, standing he shakes his fist

at the mountain of the daughter of Tzion,
The hill of Yerushalaim.

10:33 Behold! My Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
is lopping off a branch with violence.

And the exalted heights are cut down,

And the arrogant are brought down.

10:34 And He will strip away
the thickets of the forest with iron.

And The Lebanon like the mighty will fall!

Chapter 11

11:1 And a twig will come forth from the trunk of Yishai.

And a sprout from his roots will bear fruit.

Many want to force these terms to mean "Branch". The terms given here are the literal meanings of the words used. While twig could be seen as a branch it doesn't really say that. And a sprout or shoot will come from the roots of Yishai and bear fruit.

11:2 The Divine Nature of **YAHWEH** will rest upon Him,
the Divine Nature of wisdom and understanding,
the Divine Nature of advice and power,
the Divine Nature of knowledge
and of the reverence of **YAHWEH**.

Many use "spirit" here. There was **never** a "spirit" in the Hebrew mind or language. It's a Greek term. **ruach** means wind or breath. For the Hebrew it represented the "wind of man". It was seen as what flowed in and out from one's center. As such it represented the very essence or nature of the individual. Here it would literally say "The wind/breath of YAHWEH..." But it represents His Divine Nature. Other Scripture passages reveal there are seven aspects to the Divine Nature. All seven are listed here.

11:3 And He will cause Him to breathe
in the reverence of **YAHWEH**.

And He will not judge by the sight of His eyes.

And He will not decide by the hearing of His ears.

The literal rendering of the first line is "And His smelling is in the reverence of YAHWEH." This term is rarely used in Scripture. In other contexts it represents "to smell". There are many arguments concerning how to translate this in this particular instance since "to smell" makes no sense here. It's possible that this is a misreading of the text. The letters given could very well mean "the breath of him". Since it's in the hifil form there is a causative implication. Thus what's given in this text reflects this concept. It can be taken very literally with great meaning.

11:4 And He will judge the weak with justice.

And He will decide with equity

for the oppressed of the land.

And He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth.

And with the breath of His lips He will put to death
the morally wrong.

dal - properly, dangling, i.e. (by implication) weak, or thin. Note that **ruach** again appears here. This time it's translated as "breath". One might ask why it's not considered to be 'spirit' here as in so many other places. It could easily appear as "the Divine Nature" of His lips and still make sense, and thereby be consistent with the first part of the passage.

11:5 And justice will be the band of His waist.

And trustworthiness the band of His loins.

'ezor - something girt; a belt, also a band. The Great Priest wore a band around his waist and linen underwear around his loins (the source of one's virility). What's given here suggests the future role of Great Priest in Eternity.

11:6 And a wolf will dwell with the lamb.
 and a leopard will lie down with the young goat,
 and a calf and a young lion and a fatling together.
 And a small young lad will lead them.
 11:7 And a cow and a bear will graze.
 Their young ones will lie down together.
 And a lion will eat straw like an ox.
 11:8 And a nursing child will play beside the hole of a cobra.
 And over the den of a viper a weaned child
 will stretch out his hand.

11:9 They will cause no harm
 and they will cause no no destruction
 in all My set apart mountain!

Indeed, the earth will be filled
 with the knowledge of **YAHWEH Himself** HN
 like the waters covering the sea.

11:10 And in that day there will be a root of Yishai
 which is standing as a banner of the peoples.
 To Him the nations will inquire.
 And His rest will be glorious.

11:11 And it will exist in that day.
 The hand of **YAHWEH** will again a second time
 acquire the remnant *itself* HN of His people who remain
 from Ashshur and from Mitsraim,
 from Pathros and from Kush,
 from Eylam and from Shin'ar,
 from Hamat and from the islands of the sea.

There's a theme of Scripture involved here which is obscured by the typical language used. The term for "acquire" is **qanah**. It means to acquire by purchase. To understand this one needs to consider that Yisra'el was "purchased" with the blood of the firstborn in Mitsraim. They were **redeemed!** Redemption involves a **ransom price**. Thus the acquisition involved here is a second **ransoming** of His people from the nations where He has caused them to be taken into exile.
 Further, since this is a reference to The Messiah, this ultimately refers to the price paid by The Messiah to **redeem His people** for Eternity. The **ransom price** paid this time is the blood of The Messiah Himself.

11:12 And He will lift up a signal to the nations.
 And He will gather the outcasts of Yisra'el.
 And the scattered of Yahudah He will bring together
 from the four extremities of the earth.

11:13 And He will remove the jealousy of Ephraim.
 And those distressing Yahudah He will cut off.
 Ephraim will not be jealous of Yahudah *itself* HN.
 And Yahudah not distress Ephraim *itself* HN.

11:14 And they will fly onto the side of the Philistines,
 toward the sea.
 Together they will plunder the sons of the east *themselves* HN,
 Edom and Mo'ab with extended hands.
 And the children of Ammon will be obedient to them.

11:15 And **YAHWEH** will devote to destruction
the tongue of the Sea of Mitsraim *itself* HN.

And He will wave His hand over The River
 with His scorching wind.

And He will strike it into seven streams.
And will cause one to walk over it in sandals.

11:16 And there will be a highway
for the remnant of His people who remain from Ashshur,
like what existed for Yisra'el in the day
of its going up from the land of Mitsraim.

Chapter 12

12:1 And in that day you will say,
"I give thanks to You, **YAHWEH**!
Indeed, You were enraged with me!
You turn back Your anger and You comfort me.

12:2 Behold! The El is my deliverance!
I will trust and not be afraid!
Indeed, **YAH**, **YAHWEH** is my strength and my song!
And He is my deliverance."

12:3 And you will draw waters with joy
from the fountains of deliverance.

12:4 And in that day you will say,
"Give thanks to **YAHWEH**!
Call upon His Name!
Make known His actions among the peoples!
Take note that His name is exalted!

12:5 Sing to **YAHWEH**!
Indeed, He has done majestically!
This is to be known in all the earth!

12:6 Shout loudly and sing for joy, inhabitant of Tzion!
Indeed, great in the midst of you
is The Set apart One of Yisra'el!

Chapter 13

13:1 The burden of Babel which Yeshayah,
son of Amotz, contemplated:

massa' - a burden. In prophetic texts this is understood to be a burden because it portends serious difficulties for the subject of the burden. Many give this the sense of an "oracle" or "Divine utterance".
chazah - to gaze at mentally, to perceive, contemplate, specifically to have a vision of.
This is not the typical word used for "seeing". It has the characteristic of being far more intense. Surely as a prophet was given such material it was cause for serious contemplation.

13:2 "Upon a high mountain lift up a signal!
Cause your voice to be raised up to them!
Cause your hand to shake!
And let them go into the entrances of the willing.

13:3 I Myself have given direction to My set apart ones.
I have also called My mighty ones
for the sake of My anger, *those* rejoicing at My majesty."

13:4 The noise of tumult is on the mountains
resembling many people,
a noise of uproar of the kingdoms,
of nations gathered together!

YAHWEH of Assemblies
is mustering an assembly for battle.

13:5 They are coming from a distant land,
from the extremities of the skies,
YAHWEH and His weapons of indignation,
for the sake of destroying the whole earth.

13:6 Wail because The Day of **YAHWEH** is near!
It comes as violence from The Almighty.

13:7 On account of this all hands go limp.
And every heart of a mortal being liquefies.

13:8 And they are terrified.
Pains and snares seize them
like the writhings of a woman giving birth.
They are astonished at one another's faces.
Their faces *are* aflame!

13:9 Behold! The Day of **YAHWEH** is coming,
cruel, and furious, and burning with anger
for the sake of establishing the earth devastated,
and its offenders destroyed from it.

13:10 Indeed the stars of the skies
and their constellations will not shine their light.
The sun will be darkened at its going forth.
And the moon will not shine its light.

13:11 And I will visit upon the world what is bad,
and upon the morally wrong their perversion.

And I will cause to cease the arrogance of the proud.

And I will bring down the pride of the ruthless.

13:12 I will make mortal man more rare than pure gold
and a human being more rare than the gold of Ophir.

13:13 For this reason I will agitate the skies.
And the earth will be shaken from her place
by the fury of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
even in the day of His burning anger!

13:14 And it will be like the driven gazelle
and like a sheep that no man gathers up.
A man will turn toward his people.
And a man will flee to his land.

13:15 All who are found will be thrust through.
And those swept away will fall by the sword.
13:16 And their infants will be dashed to pieces
before their eyes, their houses plundered,
and their wives raped.

13:17 Behold!
I am stirring up against them
the Medes *themselves* **FN**
who do not regard silver, and they do not delight in gold.


13:18 And bows will strike down the young men.
And they will have no compassion on the fruit of the womb.
Their eyes will not be compassionate to children.

13:19 And Babel, the splendor of kingdoms,
the beautiful majesty of the Kasdim,
will be like The Elohim's destruction
of Sedom *itself* **FN** and Amorah *itself* **FN**.

13:20 It will never be inhabited forever!
And it will not be inhabited generation after generation.
And an Arabian will not pitch a tents there.
And shepherds will not lie down there.
13:21 But desert creatures will lie down there.
And their houses will be filled with howling creatures.
And daughters of unclean birds will dwell there.
And wild goats will stomp there.
13:22 And howlers will cry in their citadels,
and jackals in their pleasant palaces.

And her time is near to come.
And her days will not be prolonged.

Chapter 14

14:1 Indeed **YAHWEH** will have compassion
on Ya'akob *itself* 
and He will again choose among Yisra'el.
And He will cause them to rest upon their land.
And the strangers will unite beside them.
And they will be joined to the house of Ya'akob.


14:2 And peoples will take them.
And they will bring them to their place.
And the house of Yisra'el will have them as possessions
upon the soil of **YAHWEH** as slaves and female slaves.
And those capturing them will be their captives.
And they will have dominion over their oppressors.

14:3 And it will exist in the day of **YAHWEH's**
giving you rest from your pain, and from your disquiet,
and from the hard service with which you served.

14:4 And you will lift up this proverb
concerning the king of Babel and say,
"How the oppressor has ceased,
the raging behavior has ceased!
14:5 **YAHWEH** has broken the staff of the morally wrong,
the ruling rod,
14:6 the one striking the people with wrath,
with ceaseless blows,
the one subjugating the nations in anger,
aggression without restraint.

14:7 All the earth is resting quietly.
Singing has broken forth, joyful singing!
14:8 Even the fir trees rejoice concerning you,
the cedars of Lebanon.
Since you have died
no woodcutter comes up against us.'

14:9 She'ol from beneath is excited concerning you,
concerning encountering your coming.
It awakens the dead for you,
all the leaders of the earth.
It has raised up from their thrones
all the kings of the nations.

14:10 All of them respond and say to you,
'You *yourself*  are even weak like us!
You are like us!

14:11 Your arrogance has been brought down to She'ol,
the sound of your stringed instruments.
Under you maggots are spread out,

even crimson maggots are your covering.'

14:12 How you have fallen from The Heavens,
Morning Star, son of the dawn!
You have been cut down to the ground,
you who weakened the nations!

heyel - the morning star. - Lucifer.

This word is translated as Lucifer in the Latin Vulgate version of the text. It means "Shining One". He was known as the son of the dawn which is the source of the concept of "light bearer".

14:13 And you yourself **FN** have said in your heart,
'I will ascend to The Heavens!
Higher than the stars of The El I will raise up my throne!
And I will sit on the mountain of assembly
on the borders of the north!
14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds.
I will be as The Elyon (The Highest)!

14:15 However, to She'ol you have been brought down,
to the borders of The Pit.

14:16 One looking at you stares toward you.
They consider,
"Is this the man agitating the earth, shaking kingdoms,
14:17 establishing the world as a wilderness
and has destroyed its cities,
his prisoners not set free to his house?'

14:18 All the kings of the nations, all of them,
have laid down in honor, each man in his house.

14:19 But you yourself **FN**
have been thrown from your grave
like an detestable sprout,
like the clothing of those who are killed,
thrust through with a sword,
going down to the stones of the pit like a trampled corpse.

14:20 You are not united with they themselves **FN** in burial
because you have corrupted your land.
Your people you have killed.
The seed of those doing wrong
will not be mentioned to eternity!

14:21 Prepare a slaughter for his children
with the perversion of their fathers.
They are not to stand up and inherit the land
or fill the face of the world with cities."

14:22 "Even I will stand up against them!"
- An utterance of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies -
"And I will cut off for Babel name ,and remnant,
and offspring, and descendant!"
- An utterance of **YAHWEH** -

14:23 "And I will establish it
as an inheritance for the bittern, and marshes of water.
And I will sweep it with the broom of destruction!"
- An utterance of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies -

14:24 **YAHWEH** of Assemblies has sworn saying,
"If not according to what I have thought...
According to this will it be!
And according to what I have advised it will stand

14:25 for the sake of breaking Ashshur in My land
even to trample him down on My mountains.

And his yoke will be removed from upon them.
And his burden removed from upon their shoulders.

14:26 This is the plan that is advised for all the earth.
And this is the hand being stretched out over all the nations.

14:27 Indeed **YAHWEH** of Assemblies has advised.
And who will break it?
And His hand that is being stretched out.
And who will turn it back?"

14:28 This is the burden which existed
in the year that King Ahaz died:

14:29 "Do not gloat, Philistia, any you of,
because the rod that struck you is broken!

Indeed, out of the root of a serpent will come forth a viper
and its offspring is a fiery flying serpent.

14:30 And the firstborn of the weak will be fed.
And the poor will lie down in security.

But I will put to death your roots with famine.
And your remnant it will kill.

14:31 Wail gate!
Shriek city!
Melt away Philistia, all of you,
because from the north smoke is coming
and there is no separation in its appointed time!"

14:32 And what will one respond
to the messengers of a nation?

"Indeed **YAHWEH** has founded Tzion!
And in it the afflicted His people take refuge!

Chapter 15

15:1 The burden concerning Mo'ab:

Indeed in a night Ar of Mo'ab has been ravaged!
It has been silenced!
Indeed in a night Kir of Mo'ab has been ravaged!
It has been silenced!

15:2 He has gone up to the house, even Dibon,
to the high places for the sake of weeping.
Over Nebo and over Medeba Mo'ab wails.
On all their heads is baldness
and every beard is shaved off,
15:3 On their outside they have put on sackcloth.
On the roofs of their houses and in their streets
everyone wails, going down with weeping.


15:4 And Heshbon and El'aleh cry out.
As far as Yahatz their voice will be heard.

For this reason the armed ones of Mo'ab shout.
His life is grievous to him.

15:5 My heart cries out for the sake of Mo'ab.
Her fugitives, as far as Tzo'ar, Eglat Shelishya.

Indeed at the ascent of The Luhith
they go up it with weeping.
Indeed on the way of Horonaim
they raise an outcry of destruction.
15:6 Indeed the waters of Nimrim are a desolation.
Indeed the hay has withered away.
The grass has failed.
Nothing green exists.

15:7 For this reason an abundance made and and stored up
they will carry away over The Brook of the Willows.

15:8 Indeed the outcry has gone all around
the borders of Mo'ab *themselves* ,
as far as Eglaim its wailing,
and to Be'er Elim its wailing,
15:9 because the waters of Dimon are full of blood.

Indeed I will place more upon Dimon,
for one who escapes from Mo'ab, lions,
and to the remainder, soil."

Chapter 16

16:1 Send a male lamb to one ruling the land
from Sela of the wilderness
to the mountain of the daughter of Tzion.

16:2 And it will be like a wandering bird
forced out of its nest
are the daughters of Mo'ab at the fords of Arnon.
16:3 Bring advice!
Make a settlement!
Set your shade like night in the midst of noonday!
Hide those being driven out!
Do not reveal one who is wandering!
16:4 Let My ones being driven out dwell with you, Mo'ab.
Be a hiding place to them from the face of the ravager
because the oppressor has gone.
Violence has ceased.
Those trampling down have ceased from the land.

16:5 And a throne will be established with kindness.
And one will sit on it with faithfulness in the Tent of David
governing, and seeking judgment, and skilled in justice."

16:6 We have heard of the arrogance of Mo'ab,
Exceedingly prideful is his arrogance,
and his boasting, and his rage.
His boastings are not right.

16:7 For this reason Mo'ab wails for Mo'ab.
All of them wail.
For the raisin cakes of Kir Hareset they murmur.
Nonetheless, they are stricken.

16:8 Indeed the fields of Heshbon languish,
the vine of Sibmah.
The masters of the nations have struck down
its choice plants which reached to Ya'zer.
They have wandered in the wilderness.
Her abandoned shoots pass over the sea.
16:9 For this reason I weep with the weeping of Ya'zer
for the vine of Sibmah.
I drench you with my tears, Heshbon and El'aleh,
because over your summer fruit and your harvest
cheering has failed.
16:10 And gladness and joy are removed from the orchard.

In the vineyards there is no joyful singing or shouting.
In the wine presses there are no treadingers treading.
I have caused their shouting to cease.

16:11 For this reason my bowels
growl like a harp for Mo'ab
and my inner parts for Kir Heres.

16:12 And it will exist when it is seen
that Mo'ab has been wearied on the high place
that he will come to his sanctuary to pray for himself.
But he will not be able.

16:13 This is the word which **YAHWEH**
has spoken concerning Mo'ab from that time.

16:14 But now **YAHWEH** has spoken saying,
"Within three years like the years of a hired man
the glory of Mo'ab will be despised
with all its great multitude, and the remnant
few, small, never mighty."

Chapter 17

17:1 The burden concerning Damascus:

"Behold! Damascus is being removed from being a city.
And it will be a pile of rubbish, a ruin.

17:2 The cities of Aro'er are being abandoned.
They will be for flocks.
And they will lie down.
And they will not be caused to tremble.

17:3 And the fortification will cease from Ephraim,
and the dominion from Damascus.
And the remnant of Aram will be like the glory
of the children of Yisra'el."
- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies -

17:4 "And it will be in that day
that the glory of Ya'akob fades
and the fatness of his flesh wastes away.
17:5 And it will be like the harvester gathering the grain.
And he is reaping the heads of grain.
And it will be as he who picks up heads of grain
in the Valley of Repha'im,
17:6 and remnant of its grapes
like the shaking of an olive tree,
two or three on the top branch,
four or five on its fruitful branches."
- An Utterance **YAHWEH**, The Elohim of Yisra'el -

17:7 In that day the human being will gaze toward his Maker,
and his eyes will look toward The Set apart One of Yisra'el.

17:8 And he will not gaze toward the slaughter sites,
the work of his hands.
and the Asherah he has made with his fingers
he will not see, even the Asherim and the sun pillars.

17:9 In that day his fortified cities
will be like an abandoned forest
and the uppermost branch which they abandoned
because of the presence of the children of Yisra'el.

And it will be a desolation

17:10 because you have forgotten
The Elohim of your deliverance,
and the Rock of your fortress
you have not remembered.

For this reason you will plant delightful plants
and slips of strangers you will sow.
17:11 By day your plant will be caused to grow.
And in the morning your seed will flourish.
But the harvest will be a heap
in a day of weakness and incurable suffering.

17:12 Woe to the tumult of many people!
Like the roar of the seas is its noise,
and to the roaring of nations that make a roaring
like the roaring of mighty waters rushing,
17:13 people like many roaring waters rushing.
But He will rebuke them.
And they will flee far away.
And they will be chased like the chaff of the mountains
before the face of the wind
and like whirling dust before the whirlwind.

17:14 Now *it is* dusk.
And Behold! Terror!
At before daybreak it is no more!
This is the portion of those plundering us
and the allotment of those robbing us.

Chapter 18

18:1 Woe to the land of whirring wings
which is beyond the rivers of Kush,
18:2 the one sending ambassadors by sea
and in vessels of reed upon the face of the waters.

Go, swift messengers, to a nation tall and smooth skinned,
to a people revered among it and beyond,
a nation of line after line and subjugation
who plunder the rivers of their land."

The Hebrew is very difficult in this verse. There are two words that occur only here. At best, this is a guess as to their actual meaning. The phrases in question are "a nation of line after line and subjugation", and "who plunder the rivers". The context suggests a very aggressive nation. "line after line" refers to a situation of judgment used elsewhere in prophetic texts, but the language is different in those.

18:3 All you dwelling the world
and settled securely on the land
as a signal is lifted up on the mountains
you are to look
and at the blowing of a shofar
you are to listen attentively

18:4 Indeed, thus **YAHWEH** has said to me,
"I will be quiet.
And I will look intently at My dwelling place,
like dazzling heat within a flame,
like a thick cloud of dew in the heat of harvest."

This is another verse that's difficult. It's not clear if YAHWEH will look intently 'at' or 'in' His dwelling place. An assumption is made that this is a reference to The Temple in Yerushalaim.
The reference to "dazzling heat within a flame" is different than most texts, but the context suggest this is likely more correct. Both concepts presented then suggest similar problems given the context. Dazzling heat and dew in

harvest are both images of destruction which idea is supported by the following verses.

18:5 Indeed before the face of the harvest
as the blossom is complete
and the unripe grape is doing well it is completed.
And He will cut off the tender shoots with pruning hooks.
And He will cut down and remove
the branches *themselves* **TN**.

18:6 They will be abandoned together
for the birds of prey of the mountains
and for the animals of the land.
And the birds of prey will summer on them,
And all the animals of the land will winter on them.

18:7 At that time a gift will be brought
to **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
from a people tall and smooth skinned,
and from a people revered among it and beyond,
a nation of line after line and subjugation
who plunder the rivers of their land."
to The Dwelling Place
of the name of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
To Mount Tzion.

Chapter 19

19:1 The burden concerning Mitsraim:
Behold! **YAHWEH** is riding upon a swift cloud.
And He is coming to Mitsraim.
And the idols of Mitsraim will tremble before His face,
And the heart of Mitsraim will liquefy in its midst.
19:2 And I will stir up Mitsraite against Mitsraite.
And they will fight, a man against his brother,
and each one against his neighbor,
city against city, kingdom against kingdom.
19:3 And the breath of Mitsraim
will be poured out in the midst of them.
And I will swallow up their counsel.
And they will inquire to the idols, and to the charmers,
and to the mediums, and to the wizards.

19:4 And I will deliver over the Mitsraites themselves **TN**
into the hand of a cruel sovereign.
And a harsh king will rule over them."
- An Utterance of Sovereign **YAHWEH** of Assemblies -

19:5 And waters from the sea will dry up.
And the river will be wasted and withered.
19:6 And the rivers will be cast away, brought low.
And the streams of defense will be dried up.
Reeds and bulrushes will wither.
19:7 Marsh plants by the river, by the mouth of the river,
and every sown fields of the river will wither.
It will be blown away and it will be nothing.
19:8 And the fishermen will groan.
And everyone casting a hook into the river
and those spreading nets on the face of the waters will mourn.
19:9 And those who work in fine flax,
and those working fine linen will be put to shame.
19:10 And the foundations will be crushed.
All those making wages will be grieved of life.

19:11 The leaders of Tzo'an are only fools.
The wise counselors of Pharaoh advise stupidity.
How will you say to Pharaoh,

"I am a son of wisdom, a son of eastern kings?"

19:12 Where are they?

Where are your wise ones?

And let them declare it to you now.

And let them know what **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
has counseled against Mitsraim.

19:13 Fools are the leaders of Tzo'an.

Deluded are the leaders of Noph.

They, the cornerstones of the tribes,
have caused Mitsraim *itself* **HN** to go astray.

19:14 **YAHWEH** has mixed in her midst
a breath of distortion.

And they have caused Mitsraim *itself* **HN**
to go astray in all her tasks
like a staggering drunkard in his vomit.

19:15 And there will not be for Mitsraim,
tasks which will make either head or tail,
palm branch or bulrush.

19:16 In that day Mitsraim will be like women.

And they will tremble and dread
before the face of the shaking of the hand
of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies which He is shaking over it.

19:17 And the land of Yahudah will be a terror to Mitsraim.

Everyone who takes note of it *itself* **HN**

will be terrified for himself,

before the face of the plan of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
which He has counseled against it.

19:18 In that day there will be five cities
in the land of Mitsraim speaking the language of Kena'an,
and swearing to **YAHWEH** of Assemblies.
City of Destruction is said of one.

19:19 In that day there will be a slaughter site to **YAHWEH**
in the midst of the land of Mitsraim
and a monument to **YAHWEH** at its border.

19:20 And it will be for a sign and for a witness
to **YAHWEH** of Assemblies in the land of Mitsraim.

When they cry to **YAHWEH**

before the faces of the oppressing ones

then He will send to them a deliverer and one contending.

And He will deliver them.

19:21 And **YAHWEH** will be known to Mitsraim.

And the Mitsraites will know **YAHWEH Himself** **HN** in that day.

And they will perform sacrificing and voluntary offering.

And they will vow a vow to **YAHWEH**.

And they will complete it.

19:22 And **YAHWEH** will strike Mitsraim *itself* **HN**,
striking and healing.

And they will turn back to **YAHWEH**.

And He will entreated for them.

And He will heal them.

19:23 In that day there will be a highway


from Mitsraim to Ashshur.

And Ashshur will go into Mitsraim and Mitsraim into Ashshur.

And Mitsraim will serve Ashshur *itself* .



19:24 In that day Yisra'el will be third
to Mitsraim and Ashshur,
a blessing in the midst of the earth
19:25 whom YAHWEH of Assemblies will bless saying,
"Blessed is Mitsraim, My people,
and Ashshur, the work of My hands,
and Yisra'el, My inheritance."

Chapter 20

20:1 In the year that Tartan came to Ashdod,
when Sargon, the king of Ashshur, sent *he himself* .

And he fought against Ashdod and he captured it.

20:2 At that time YAHWEH spoke
by the hand of Yeshayah, son of Amotz, saying,
"Go and loosen the sackcloth from over your loins.
And pull off your sandals from upon your feet."
And he did so walking naked and barefoot.

20:3 And YAHWEH said,
"Like My servant, Yeshayah,
has walked naked and barefoot three years
as a sign and a wonder against Mitsraim and against Kush
20:4 likewise the king of Ashshur will lead away
the captives of Mitsraim *themselves* 
and the exiles of Kush *themselves* , young and old,
naked and barefoot, with their buttocks uncovered,
the nakedness of Mitsraim.
20:5 And they will be dismayed and ashamed of Kush,
their expectation, and of Mitsraim, their glory.

20:6 And one dwelling on this coastland will say in that day,
'Behold! Such as this is our expectation
on which we fled there for help
for the sake of being delivered from the king of Ashshur.
And how will we ourselves escape?' "

Chapter 21


21:1 The burden of the Wilderness of the Sea:

As whirlwinds in The Negev are passing on,
from the wilderness one is coming, from a land of fear.

21:2 A distressing vision has been declared to me.
The traitor acts treacherously and the ravager ravages.
Go up, Elam!
Lay siege, Media!

All the moaning I will cause to cease.

21:3 For this reason my loins are filled with anguish.
Pains have seized me like pains of one giving birth.
I was distorted from hearing it.
I was terrified from seeing it.

21:4 My heart staggered.
Trembling terrified me.
The twilight of my desire *itself* 
He has appointed to me for terror.

21:5 Prepare the table.
Spread the cloth.
Eat.
Drink.
Stand up leaders!
Oil the shield!

21:6 Indeed, thus has YAHWEH said to me,
"Go! Establish a watchman!
What he sees let him declare."

21:7 And he saw a chariot with a pair of horsemen,
a chariot of male asses, and a chariot of camels.

And he paid attention diligently, with great attentiveness.

21:8 And he called out,
"A lion, YAHWEH!

I am standing continually in the daytime.
And upon my duty I am stationed every night.

21:9 And behold this!
A chariot of men is coming with a pair of horsemen!"
And he responded and said,
Fallen, fallen has Babel!
And all the idols of her gods He has smashed to the ground.

21:10 My down trodden people
and the sons of My threshing floor,
what I have heard from YAHWEH of Assemblies Himself אלהים,
The Elohim of Yisra'el,
I have declared to you.

21:11 The burden of Dumah:

He is calling to me from Se'ir,
"Watchman, what's left of the night?
Watchman, what's left of the night?"
21:12 The watchman said,
"Morning has come and also night.
If you will inquire, inquire.
Come! Return!"

21:13 The burden against Arabia:

In the forest in Arabia you lodge, caravans of Dedanites,
21:14 for the sake of encountering the thirsty
those dwelling in the land of Tema
have caused water to be brought.
With bread they met the fleeing ones.
21:15 Indeed, they fled from the face of the swords,
from the drawn sword,
from the face of the bent bow,
and from the face of heavy battle.

21:16 Indeed thus said YAHWEH to me,
"Within another year according to the year of a hired man
then all the glory of Kedar will come to an end.
21:17 And the rest of the number of archers,
the mighty men of the people of Kedar, will be few.

Indeed, YAHWEH, The Elohim of Yisra'el, has spoken."

Chapter 22

22:1 The burden of the Valley of Vision:

What is it for you now that all of you
have all gone up to the housetops,
22:2 full of noise, a town of great commotion, a jubilant city.
Your slain are not slain with the sword.
And they have not been put to death in battle.

22:3 All your rulers have fled together from the bow.
They bound all of those having been found,
bound together from where they had fled, from afar.

22:4 For this reason I said,
"Look away from me!
I am bitter with weeping!
Do not urge to comfort me over the ravaging
of the daughter of my people!
22:5 Indeed, it is a day of panic,
and subjugation, and confusion
for my Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
in The Valley of Vision,
yelling at a wall and crying out to the mountains.

The Hebrew is difficult for the last line. It's precise meaning is uncertain. However, one might consider that Scripture forecasts a day when people cry out for the rocks or the mountains to fall on them, ending their suffering.

22:6 And Elam carried the quiver
with chariots of human beings, horsemen.
And Kir exposed the shield.
22:7 And your choicest valleys were filled with chariots.
And the horsemen were placed,
placed in order at the gate.

22:8 And He stripped away the covering *itself* **PN** of Yahudah.

And you looked intently in that day
toward the weapons of The House of the Forest.

22:9 And the breaches *themselves* **PN** of The city of David,
were seen because they are many.

And you collected the waters *themselves* **PN** of the lower pool.

22:10 And the houses *themselves* **PN** of Yerushalaim
you counted.

And you tore down the houses
for the sake of strengthening the wall.

22:11 And you made a reservoir between the two walls
for the waters of the old pool.

But you have not looked to The One making it.
And you have not looked to Him who planned it long ago.

22:12 And my Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
called in that day for weeping, and for mourning,
and for baldness, and for girding with sackcloth.

22:13 But behold!
Joy and gladness,
killing of oxen and slaughtering of sheep,
eating of meat and drinking of wine.
"Eat and drink because tomorrow we will die!"

22:14 And **YAHWEH** of Assemblies revealed in my ears.
"If this perversion is atoned for you
until you are put to death..."
said my Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of assemblies.

This unfinished sentence is a formulaic way of speaking a curse upon someone. The listener is left to "fill in the blanks" as to the consequences of the statement. It's a profound Hebraic threat that should never be overlooked.

22:15 Thus said my Sovereign, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
"Go! Go to this steward,
to Shebnah, who is over the house.

22:16 'What is yours here, and who is yours here

that you have cut out for yourself here a tomb,
cutting an exalted tomb,
inscribing in rock a dwelling place for himself?

22:17 Behold! **YAHWEH** is hurling you away, mighty man.

And He is covering you with a cover,

22:18 rolling, rolling you up like a ball,

for the sake of tossing you into a land of broad hands.

There you will die!

And there your chariots of glory

will be a disgrace to the house of your sovereign.

22:19 And I will drive you from your position.

And from your office you will be torn down.

22:20 And it will exist in that day.

And I will call to My servant,

to Elyakim, son of Hilkiyah.

Elyakim means El of rising, or of standing up.
Hilkiyah means allotment of YAHWEH.
This is generally considered to be a Messianic prediction.

22:21 And I will clothe him with your robe.

And I will strengthen him with your belt.

And I will give your authority into his hand.

And he will be a father to the inhabitants of Yerushalaim

and to the house of Yahudah.

22:22 And I will set the key of the house of David

upon his shoulder.

And he will open, and no one will shut.

And he will shut and no one will open.

22:23 And I will thrust him like a stake in a firm place.

And he will be a throne of glory to his father's house.

22:24 And they will hang on him

all the weight of his father's household,

the offspring and the offshoots,

all the insignificant vessels

from cups to all the vessels of the skins.

22:25 'In that day,'

- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies -

'the stake that is thrust in the firm place will be withdrawn.

And it will be cut down.

And it will fall.

And the burden that was upon it will be cut off.'

Indeed, **YAHWEH** has spoken!"

Chapter 23

23:1 The burden of Tzor:

Wail you ships of Tarshish because it has been destroyed,
without a house, without a harbor.

From the land of Kittim it has been revealed to them.

23:2 Be silent you who are inhabiting the coastland,

merchants of Tzidon who passed over the sea.

They filled you

23:3 even on great waters, the seed of Shihor,

the harvest of The River *Nile* was her revenue.

And she was a market place for the nations.

23:4 Be ashamed, Tzidon!

Indeed, the sea has said, the fortress of the sea saying,

"I have not writhed in pain.

And I have not brought forth children.

Neither have I brought up young men or raised up virgins."

23:5 Like what was heard concerning Mitsraim,
they writhe in pain at what is heard of Tzor.

23:6 Pass over to Tarshish.

Wail you inhabiting the coastland!

23:7 Is this your jubilation from days of ancient antiquity
whose feet brought her far off for the sake of sojourning?

23:8 Who has advised this against Tzor,
the crowning one whose merchants are leaders,
whose traders were the esteemed of the earth?

23:9 **YAHWEH** of Assemblies has advised it
for the sake of defiling the pride of all splendor
and for the sake of defiling all the arrogance of all the glory,
for the sake of trivializing all honorable of the earth.

23:10 Pass over your land like a river, daughter of Tarshish.
There is no more harbor.

23:11 His hand He has stretched out over the sea.
He shook kingdoms.

YAHWEH has given direction to Kena'an
for the sake of destroying its fortresses.

23:12 And He said, "Not again any longer
will you be rejoicing, oppressed virgin daughter of Tzidon.
Stand up!

Pass over to Kittim!

Even there you will find no rest."

23:13 Behold the land of the Kasdim!
This people has not existed!
Ashshur established it for desert dwellers.
They raised up its siege towers.
They stripped its palaces
And placed it as a ruin.

23:14 Wail you ships of Tarshish!
Indeed, your fortress is laid waste!

23:15 And it will exist in that day.
And Tzor will be forgotten seventy years
like the days of one king.
It will be for Tzor like a song of the prostitute,

23:16 "Take a lyre!

Go about the city, forgotten prostitute!

Make sweet playing.

Play pleasant music, many songs,
in order that you might be remembered."

23:17 And it will exist at the end of seventy years.

YAHWEH will hold accountable Tzor *itself* NN.

And she will return to her hire.

And she will be a prostitute

with all the kingdoms of the earth *themselves* NN
upon the face of the soil.

23:18 And her profit and her hire
will be set apart for **YAHWEH**,
not stored, and not hoarded.

Indeed, her profit will be for those
dwelling before the face of **YAHWEH**,
for the sake of eating,
for the sake of sufficiently,

and for the sake of fine clothing.

Chapter 24

24:1 Behold! YAHWEH is emptying the earth.

And He is annihilating it.

And He will distort its face.

And He will scatter its inhabitants.

24:2 And it will be

as with the people so with the priest,

as with the servant so with his master,

as with the female servant so with her mistress,

as with the buyer so with the seller,

as with the lender so with the borrower,

as with the creditor so with the debtor;

24:3 The earth will be emptied, emptied!

And it will be plundered, plundered!

Indeed YAHWEH has spoken this word itself **nx**.

24:4 The earth will mourn, wither.

The world will grow weak, wither.

The exalted people of the earth will grow weak.

24:5 And the earth has been defiled beneath its inhabitants,

because they have passed over The Instructions,

changed the rules,

broken The Eternal Covenant!

24:6 For this reason a curse will consume the earth.

And those dwelling in it will be punished *for their guilt*.

For this reason the inhabitants of the earth will be scorched.

And few mortals will be left.

24:7 The new wine has mourned.

The vine has grown weak.

All those glad of heart have groaned.

24:8 The rejoicing of the tambourine has ceased.

The noise of the jubilant has ended.

The rejoicing of the lyre has ceased.

24:9 With a son they do not drink wine.

Strong drink will be bitter to drink.

24:10 The city of confusion has been smashed.

Every house has been shut from entering.

24:11 There is crying out for wine in the streets.

All rejoicing has been darkened.

The gladness of the earth has been removed.

24:12 Astonishment remains in the city

and desolation has struck the gate.

24:13 Indeed like this it will be in the midst of the earth

among the peoples,

like the shaking of an olive tree,

Like the gleaning of grapes at the end of the vintage.

24:14 They lift up their voice.

They shout of the majesty of YAHWEH.

They have cried aloud from the west.

24:15 For this reason in the east they glorify YAHWEH,

in the coastlands of the west

the name of YAHWEH, The Elohim of Yisra'el!

24:16 From the extremities of the earth songs are heard.

"Glory to The Just One!"

But I said, "Leanness is mine!
Leanness is mine!!
Woe is mine!

Acting treacherously, they are acting treacherously!
Even acting with treachery they are deceiving!
They have acted treacherously!

If you have a sense of repetition in the Hebrew language and its function this statement should overwhelm you! Not twice, not three times, but **FIVE TIMES** the same basic term is used. If the Scripture principle of "two or three witnesses" is applied here this is a declaration beyond measure! It should be taken as a mark of The Last Days!

24:17 Terror and a pit and a snare
are upon you who are dwelling on the earth!

24:18 And it will exist.
The one fleeing from the noise of the terror
will fall into the pit.
And the one coming up from the midst of the pit
will be captured in the snare.

Indeed the floodgates from on high will be opened.
And the foundations of the earth will be shaken.
24:19 The earth will be broken, broken to pieces!
The earth will be broken apart, broken apart!
The earth will totter, totter!
24:20 The earth will stagger, stagger like a drunkard!
And it will sway like a hut!
And its rebellion will be heavy upon it!
And it will fall and not rise again!

24:21 And in that day it will exist,
YAHWEH will bring punishment on high
upon the assembly of the exalted ones,
and on the earth upon the kings of the earth.
24:22 And they will be gathered together
as prisoners into a pit.
And they will be shut up in the dungeon.
And they will be punished after many days.

24:23 And the moon will be embarrassed
and the sun will be ashamed.

Indeed, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies will reign
on Mount Zion and in Yerushalaim!
And in front of Him, His elders with honor!

Chapter 25

25:1 **YAHWEH**, You Yourself **are** my Elohim!
I will exalt You!
I will praise Your Name!
Indeed You have done extraordinary things,
plans from long ago with faithfulness, with truth.

25:2 Indeed You have made a city a heap,
an inaccessible city a ruin,
a fortress of foreigners from being a city to eternity.
It will never be rebuilt.

25:3 For this reason powerful people honor You.
Cities of ruthless nations fear You.

25:4 Indeed, You are a refuge for the weak,
a refuge for the poor in his distress,

a shelter from the storm,
a shade from the heat,
because the breath of the ruthless
is like a storm, a wall.

25:5 Like heat in a desert
You subdue the noise of foreigners,
drought like the shade of a cloud.
The song of the ruthless is brought down.

25:6 And YAHWEH of Assemblies
will make for all the peoples
on this mountain a banquet of fat *things*,
a banquet of aged wines,
of fat *things* with marrow
of aged wines refined.

25:7 And He will remove on this mountain
the face of the veil which covers all people,
the veil which is over all the peoples.
25:8 He will remove death permanently!
And my Sovereign, YAHWEH,
will wipe away tears from upon all faces!
And He will take away the disgrace of His people
from upon all the earth!
Indeed YAHWEH has spoken!

25:9 And it will be said in that day,
"Behold! This is our Elohim!
We have waited for Him!
And He has delivered us!
This is YAHWEH!
We have waited for Him!
We will rejoice and be glad with His deliverance!"

25:10 Indeed the hand of YAHWEH
will rest upon this mountain!

And Mo'ab will be trampled down under Him
like straw is trampled down in the waters of a dunghill.
25:11 And He will spread out His hands in their midst
like a swimmer spreads *them* out to swim.
And He will humble their pride with the skill of His hands.
25:12 And the fortification, the fortress of your walls,
He will strike to the ground until it is dust.

Chapter 26

26:1 In that day this song will be sung
in the land of Yahudah,
"We have a strong city!
He establishes deliverance,
walls of protection and fortifications!

26:2 Open the gates!
And let the just nation protecting truth come in.

26:3 You will preserve the frame of one
having been supported by You
with shalom, with shalom
because in You is his trust!

26:4 Trust in YAHWEH until Eternity!
Indeed in YAH, YAHWEH, our Rock forever!

26:5 Indeed, He will bring down those dwelling on high.
The exalted city He will bring down.

He will bring it down to the ground.
He will strike it into dust.
26:6 It will be trampled by the feet of the afflicted,
by footsteps of the weak.

26:7 A highway for the just is smooth.
The course of the just You make level.

There's a very Hebraic concept given here that's missed in most English translations. It's the idea that when one is living a just life their pathways are made smooth and level, making them easy to travel upon. The 'way' is no longer filled with difficult hills, valleys, rocks, thorns, etc.

26:8 Truly in the path of Your regulations, YAHWEH,
we have waited for You!
Your name and the remembrance of You
is the desire of our lives!
26:9 Our lives long for You at night,
even my breath in the midst of me at daybreak!

Indeed, according to Your regulations for the earth
those dwelling in the world have learned justice.

26:10 The morally wrong has been shown favor.
He has not learned justice.
In the land of integrity he acts unjustly.
And he does not see the majesty of YAHWEH.

26:11 YAHWEH, Your hand is raised up.
They do not perceive it.
They will perceive.
And they will be ashamed
of the jealousy of the people.
Even the fire of Your adversaries will consume them.

26:12 YAHWEH, You will establish shalom for us!
Indeed, even all our actions You have done for us.

26:13 YAHWEH, our Elohim,
masters besides You have ruled us.
For Your sake alone we remember Your name.

26:14 One dying does not live.
Dead ones do not stand up.
For this reason You have held them accountable.
And You have destroyed them.
And You have caused to perish
every remembrance for them.

26:15 You have added to the nation, YAHWEH.
You have added to the nation.
You have been honored.
You will expand all the extremities of the land.

26:16 YAHWEH, in distress they hold You accountable.
They pour out enchantments.
Your discipline is for them.

26:17 Like a pregnant woman coming near to giving birth
is writhing, crying out with labor pains,
thus we will be before Your face, YAHWEH.

26:18 We have conceived.
We have writhed in pain like one giving birth.
We have delivered wind.
We have not made the earth.
And neither have those dwelling in the world fallen.

26:19 Your dead will live!
My dead body will stand up!

Awake and sing, you who are dwelling as dust
because your dew is a dew of light!
And the land of the Rephaim has fallen.

The last line is difficult. Its meaning is not certain. Some suggest other translations of the terms. However, given the context and the references to the dead of the land of the Rephaim makes sense. It was the land of the giants, the offspring of "fallen ones" and the human women. It's as though a statement is being made that these "fallen ones" were not victorious in their efforts to corrupt the world which YAHWEH has created. It's like a victory shout.

26:20 Go, My people!
Enter your rooms and shut your doors behind you!
Hide a little while until the indignation has passed over!

26:21 Indeed behold!
YAHWEH is coming out from His place
for the sake of punishing the perversion
of those dwelling on the earth!
And the earth will reveal her blood *itself* תנ.
And it will no longer cover her slain.

Chapter 27

27:1 In that day YAHWEH will visit with His sword,
the severe, and the great, and the strong one,
upon Leviathan, a fleeing serpent,
and upon Leviathan, a twisting serpent.
And He will kill the monster *itself* תנ
that is in the sea.

27:2 In that day a vineyard of delight.
Sing to her.
27:3 I Myself, YAHWEH, am protecting her.
Every moment I cause her to drink.
Lest one attend to her I watch over her night and day.

27:4 Wrath is not for Me.
Who would give Me briars or thorns in battle?
I would tread on them.
I would burn them together.
27:5 Or let him seize My fortress.
Let make peace with Me.
Peace with Me let him make!"

27:6 Those coming will take root.
Ya'akob will blossom and Yisra'el will bud.
And they will fill the face of the world with fruit.

27:7 Was it like the blow striking Him *which* He struck him
if it was like the slaughter slaughtering the slain?
27:8 With measured response in sending her away
You contend with her.

He has taken *her* away by His harsh wind
in the day of the east wind.
27:9 Therefore by this the perversion of Ya'akob is covered.
And this is all the fruit of taking away his offense,
in placing all the stones of the slaughter site
like smashed chalkstones.
Asherim and sun pillars will rise no more.
27:10 Indeed the fortified city is a desolation,

a dwelling place sent away and abandoned like a wilderness.
There the calf feeds.
And there it lies down.
And it will finish its branches.
27:11 As its branches dry up they are broken off.
Women are coming to light them on fire.

Indeed, it is not a people of understanding.
For this reason He who made them
has no compassion for them.
And He who formed them shows them no favor.

27:12 And it will exist in that day.
YAHWEH will thresh from The River *Euphrates*
to The River of Mitsraim.

And you yourselves **FN** will be gathered one by one,
children of Yisra'el.
27:13 And there will be on that day
a blast on a great shofar.
And those perishing in the land of Ashshur
and the outcasts in the land of Mitsraim will come.
And they will worship **YAHWEH**
on the set apart mountain at Yerushalaim!

Chapter 28

28:1 Woe to the arrogant wreath
of the drunkards of Ephraim
and to the wilting flower of its beautiful splendor
which is at the head of the fruitful valley,
being conquered by wine!

28:2 Behold! A mighty and strong *one is* **YAHWEH**,
like a downpour of hail, a storm of destruction,
like a mighty flood of waters
causing rest for the earth with His hand.

28:3 Feet trample the arrogant wreath
of the drunkards of Ephraim.

28:4 And the wilting flower of its beautiful splendor
which is at the head of the fruitful valley
will be like the first fruit before the summer,
which as one seeing sees it itself **FN**,
while it is still in his hand, he consumes it.

28:5 In that day **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
will be as a wreath of glory
and a crown of beauty for the remnant of His people,
28:6 and a wind of judgment
to him who is sitting over judgment,
and as power, causing the battle to turn back at the gate.

ruach - wind; by resemblance breath.
The error of tradition places 'spirit' here instead of wind. The context itself, the reference to the storm of destruction, requires this parallelism in Hebrew thought. Judgment is often treated as "the wind of judgment" which blows upon the guilty.
There is **no 'spirit'** in Hebrew thought. This is a totally Greek concept that has **no place** in Hebrew literature!

28:7 And these also have gone astray with wine,
and with strong drink they have wandered away.
Priest and prophet have wandered away with strong drink.
They have been swallowed up by wine.
They wander away by strong drink.
They have gone astray in vision.

They have stumbled in judicial decisions.
28:8 Indeed, all *the* tables have been filled with vomit.
No place is without excrement.

28:9 To whom *himself* nn will He teach knowledge?
And *whom himself* nn will He cause
to understand the message,
those weaned from milk,
those removed from the breasts?

28:10 Indeed gibberish for gibberish,
gibberish for gibberish,
line for line, line for line,
a little here, a little there.

There's much debate about the meaning of this verse. Once again we must look at the context. Yeshayah has identified infants, those just weaned. It's foolish to talk about "precepts, laws, rules", etc. for these infants. Even the next verse confirms that the intent is mockery of the concept of learning by ones too young to comprehend. The Yisra'elites refused to understand. Like drunkards they babbled (spoke with confusion) over meaningless things.

28:11 Indeed, with a mocking lip and another language
He speaks to this people
28:12 to whom He said,
"This is the resting place of rest for the weary."
and, "This is the time of rest."

But they were not willing to listen attentively.
28:13 And the Word of **YAHWEH** was to them,
"Gibberish for gibberish, gibberish for gibberish,
line for line, line for line,
a little here, a little there."
in order that they will go
and fall backward,
and be broken in pieces
and be ensnared
and be taken captive.

28:14 For this reason listen attentively
to the Word of **YAHWEH**,
you men of scoffing who are ruling this people
who are at Yerushalaim!

28:15 Indeed, you have said,
"We have cut a covenant *with death itself* nn
even with the she'ol.
We have made an agreement.
When the overflowing scourge passes over
it will not come to us,
because we have placed deceit as our refuge
and with lies we have been concealed."

28:16 For this reason thus said my Sovereign **YAHWEH**,
"Behold! I have established in Tzion a stone,
a tested stone,
a valuable corner *stone*,
an established foundation.
The one trusting will not act hastily.

28:17 And I will establish judgment for a measuring line,
and justice for a plum line.

And hail will sweep away the refuge of lies.
And the hiding place waters will overflow.

28:18 And your covenant with death itself אַתְּ
will be annulled!
And your agreement with she'ol itself אַתְּ will not stand!

When an overflowing scourge passes over
then it will be your trampling down.
28:19 From as often as it passes over
it will take you yourselves אַתְּ.

Indeed morning by morning it will pass over,
at dawn or at midnight.
And it will be only terror to understand the report.”
28:20 Indeed, the bed will be too short to stretch out
and the covering too narrow in which to wrap.

28:21 Indeed YAHWEH will stand on Mount Peratzim.
And He will shake it as at the Valley of Gib'on,
for the sake of doing His actions, His peculiar actions,
and for the sake of working His peculiar work.

28:22 And now, do not be scoffers
lest your bonds be made strong!

Indeed, I have heard from
my Sovereign, YAHWEH of Assemblies Himself אַתְּ,
a complete destruction is even determined upon all the earth!

28:23 Give ear and listen attentively to my voice!
Pay attention and listen attentively to my word!

28:24 Does the plowman plow all day
for the sake of sowing to open and harrow his soil?
28:25 When he has leveled its surface
does he not sow the caraway and scatter cummin,
plant the wheat in rows,
barley in the appointed place, and spelt in its place?

28:26 Even He will instruct him.
For the sake of discernment his Elohim teaches him.
28:27 Indeed caraway is not threshed
with a threshing sledge
nor is a wagon wheel rolled over cummin,
but caraway is beaten out with a stick,
and cummin with a rod.
28:28 Food is crushed.
Indeed one does not thresh it forever
nor break it with his wagon wheel,
nor crush it with his horsemen.

28:29 This also is from YAHWEH of Assemblies
Who has brought forth extraordinary acts of advice,
Who has magnified wisdom.

Chapter 29

29:1 Woe Ari'el,
Ari'el, the city where David encamped!
Add year upon year.
Let the festivals go round.

Ari'el means lion of El. It's a symbolic name for
Yerushalaim.

29:2 But I will cause distress for Ari'el,
And there will be mourning and sorrow.
And it will be to Me like Ari'el.

29:3 And I will encamp like a circle around you.

I will lay siege against you with siege works.
And I will raise fortifications against you.
29:4 And you will be brought down.
From the ground you will speak.
And from the dust of oppression you will speak.
And your voice will be like a medium, from the ground.
And from the dust your speech will whisper.

29:5 And the multitude of your strangers
will be like fine powder
and the multitude of the ruthless
like chaff passing over.
And it will exist in an instant, suddenly!"

29:6 From **YAHWEH** of Assemblies
you will be visited with thunder, an earthquake,
and a great noise, a hurricane and a whirlwind,
and a flash of consuming fire.

29:7 And like a dream, a vision of the night,
will be all the multitude of all the nations
who are waging war against Ariel,
even all those waging war against her and her stronghold
and oppressing her.

29:8 And it will be as when the hungry one dreams.
And behold! He eats.
And he awakes.
And his life is empty.

And *it will be* like when the thirsty one dreams.
And behold! He drinks.
And he awakes.
And behold! He is thirsty.
And his life is thirsty.
Thus will be the multitude of all the nations
who are waging war against Mount Tzion.

29:9 Pause and be astonished!
Blind yourselves and be blind!
They are drunk but not with wine.
They stagger but not with strong drink.

29:10 Indeed **YAHWEH** has poured out on you
a wind of deep sleep.
And He has shut your eyes *themselves* אנ,
the prophets *themselves* אנ,
And your heads *themselves* אנ,
the seers *themselves* אנ He has covered.

29:11 And to you the entire vision
is like the words of the sealed scroll
which *itself* אנ is given
to one who knows the scroll saying,
"Read this now!"
But he said, "I am not able because it is sealed."

29:12 And the scroll is given to one
who does not know a scroll saying,
"Read this now! "
But he said, "I do not know a scroll."

29:13 And **YAHWEH** said,
"Indeed, this people has drawn near with its mouth,
and with its lips they have honored Me,

but it has its heart is far away from Me!
And their reverence of Me Myself אני
has become a precept of the teaching of men!

29:14 For this reason, behold!
I will do again an extraordinary work
with this people themselves אני,
an extraordinary work and a wonder.

And the wisdom of their wise will perish.
And the understanding of their clever will be concealed.”

29:15 Woe to those who seeking to be deep,
for the sake of concealing advice from YAHWEH,
and their works are in darkness!
And they say, “Who sees us?”
And, “Who knows us?”

29:16 You turn things upside down!
If the potter is reckoned as the clay
can what is made say of its maker,
“He did not make me.”
and what is formed say of him who formed it,
“He did not understand”?

29:17 Is it not a very little while
and Lebanon will be turned into fruitful field
and a fruitful field will be considered a forest?

29:18 And in that day the deaf
will hear the words of the scroll
and from obscurity and darkness

the eyes of the blind will see.

29:19 And the humble will increase their joy in YAHWEH.
And the destitute human being will rejoice
in The Set apart One of Yisra'el.

29:20 Indeed, the ruthless one will disappear.
And the scoffer will be consumed.
And all who watch for mischief will be cut off,
29:21 causing a human being to offend with a word,
and setting a trap for one judging at the gate,
and turning aside the just with emptiness.

29:22 For this reason thus said YAHWEH,
Who ransomed Abraham himself אני,
to the house of Ya'akob,
“Ya'akob will not now be put to shame.
And his face will not now grow pale.

29:23 Indeed in seeing his children,
the work of My hands, in his midst,
they will set apart My name.
And they will set apart
The Set apart One of Ya'akob Himself אני!
And they will revere The Elohim of Yisra'el Himself אני!
29:24 And those going astray in nature
will know understanding.
And the complainers will be taught instruction.”

Chapter 30

30:1 “Woe to the rebellious children”
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -

“for making a plan, but not from Me,
and for pouring out libations, but not to My Divine Nature,
in order to add offense upon offense;
30:2 who are going for the sake of going down to Mitsraim
but have not inquired of My mouth,
for the sake of seeking refuge
with the strength of Pharaoh
and for the sake of seeking refuge in the shadow of Mitsraim!

30:3 But the strength of Pharaoh will be shame to you,
and the refuge in the shadow of Mitsraim
will be to you humiliation!

30:4 Indeed, his leaders were at Tzo'an
and his ambassadors reach to Hanes.
30:5 They were all disgusted by a people
who will not be a benefit to them,
of no benefit and no profit,
but instead as shame and also as disgrace.”

30:6 The burden concerning the beasts of The Negev:

In a land of trouble and distress
from where exist the lioness and the lion,
the adder and the fiery flying serpent,
they carry their wealth upon the backs of male asses
and their stores on the humps of camels
to a people of no profit.

30:7 But Mitsraim is vain and empty of help.
Therefore I have called her Rahab Hem Shebeth.

Rahab Hem Shebeth means their arrogance will cease.

30:8 Now go!

Write it before them on a tablet for they themselves NN

and inscribe it on a scroll.

And it will be for the last day and even until, until eternity!

30:9 Indeed, this is a rebellious people, children of lies,
children who were not willing to listen attentively
to the Instruction of **YAHWEH**,

30:10 who said to the seers, “Do not see!”
and to the prophets, “Do not prophesy to us what is right!
Speak to us what is flattering!

Prophecy delusions!

30:11 Turn aside from the way!

Spread out from the path!

Cause to cease from before our faces

The Set Apart One of Yisra'el Himself NN!”

30:12 For this reason thus said The Set apart One of Yisra'el,
“Because you are rejecting this word,
and are trusting in oppression and perversion,
and are relying on them,

30:13 for this reason this perversion will be to you
like a falling breach, a bulge in a high wall
to which suddenly, in an instant, comes its ruin.”

30:14 And He will burst it

like the breaking of a potter's vessel, crushing, not sparing!
And there will not be found among its pieces
a shard for taking fire from the hearth
or for taking water from a cistern.

30:15 Indeed, thus said my Sovereign, **YAHWEH**,
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el,
“In returning and quietness you will be delivered.

In tranquility and confidence will your strength exist.”

But you were not willing!

30:16 And you said, “No, indeed upon horses we will flee.”

For this reason you will flee!

And, “Upon speedy ones we will ride.”

For this reason those who pursue you will be speedy!

30:17 One thousand before the face of one rebuke,
at the rebuke of the face of five you will flee,
until you remain like a pole on top of a mountain,
even like a signal upon the hill.

30:18 And for this reason **YAHWEH** is waiting
to show you favor.

And for this reason He will be exalted,

by having compassion for you.

Indeed, The Elohim of judgment is **YAHWEH**.

Happy are all who are waiting for Him!

30:19 Indeed, the people will dwell in Tzion
at Yerushalaim, weeping.

You are to weep no more.

He will show favor, favor to you!

At the sound of your cry,

as He hears it, He will respond to you.

30:20 And **YAHWEH** will give to you
bread of adversity and water of affliction,

And your teachers will no longer be hidden.

And your eyes will see your teachers themselves **אנ**.

30:21 And your ears will hear a word from behind you saying,

“This is the Way. Walk in it!”

when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left.

30:22 And you will defile the plating itself **אנ**

of your idols of silver,

and the ephod itself **אנ** of your molten images of gold.

You will scatter them like a menstrual cloth.

And you will say to them, “Get out!”

30:23 And He will give the rain for your seed

with which you sow the soil itself **אנ**

and food of the produce of the soil.

And it will be fertile and lush.

Your cattle will graze in that day in broad pastures.

30:24 And oxen and male asses working the soil

will eat seasoned fodder which is winnowed

with shovel and fan.

30:25 And on every high mountain

and on every raised hill

there will be streams and rivulets of waters

In the day of great slaughter as the towers are falling.

30:26 And the light of the moon

will be like the light of the sun.

And the light of the sun will be sevenfold,

like the light of seven day,

In the day **YAHWEH** is binding up the breach of His people,

and healing the wounds of His blows.

30:27 Behold!

The name of **YAHWEH** is coming from far away,

burning with His anger and heavy smoke.
His lips will be filled with indignation
and His tongue like a consuming fire.
30:28 And His breath will be like an overflowing stream,
up to the neck,
for the sake of shaking the nations in a sieve of emptiness.
And He will put a bridle of error in the jaws of the peoples.

30:29 And the song will be for you
as in a night set apart for a festival,
and gladness of heart like one going with a flute,
for the sake of going to The Mountain of YAHWEH,
To The Rock of Yisra'el.

30:30 And YAHWEH will cause to be heard
His majestic voice *itself* **nn**.

And the descent of His arm will be seen
with indignation, wrath, and the flame of consuming fire,
cloudburst and storm and hailstones.

30:31 Indeed from the sound of YAHWEH
Ashshur is shattered.

With a rod He will strike.

30:32 And every pass of the appointed rod
which YAHWEH causes to rest on him
will be with tambourines and lyres.

And with swinging battles He will fight with it

30:33 because a place of burning
has been prepared from of old,
even for the king it has been prepared,
deep and wide its fire pit, and much wood,
the breath of YAHWEH,
like a stream of burning sulfur setting it on fire!

Chapter 31

31:1 Woe to those who go down to Mitsraim for help,
relying on horses,
and trusting in chariots because they are many,
and upon horsemen because they are exceedingly strong,
but have not looked with favor
upon The Set Apart One of Yisra'el,
and have not sought YAHWEH Himself **nn**!

31:2 And also, He is wise.

And He has brought harm.

And His words *themselves* **nn** He has not turned off.

And He will rise up
against the house of those doing wrong
and against the help of doers of nothingness.

31:3 But the Mitsraites are human beings and not El.

And their horses are flesh, and not Divine Nature.

And YAHWEH will stretch out His hand.

And the one helping will stumble.

And the one being helped will fall.

And together all of them will be terminated.

31:4 Indeed this is what YAHWEH has said to me,
"Like when a lion roars, even a young lion over his prey,
when one calls against him a multitude of shepherds,
he is not scared by their voice
and by their noise he is not humbled.

Likewise YAHWEH of Assemblies will come down

for the sake of waging war
upon Mount Tzion and upon its hill.

31:5 Like hovering birds,
thus will **YAHWEH** of Assemblies do over Yerushalaim,
defending and delivering,
passing over and causing to escape.”

31:6 Return to Him from Whom you
have profoundly revolted, children of Yisra'el!

31:7 Indeed, in that day a man will despise
his idols of silver and his idols of gold
which your have made for yourselves with your hands,
an offense!

31:8 And Ashshur will fall by a sword not of man.
And a sword not of a human being will devour him.
And he himself will flee from before the face of the sword.
And his young men will be for forced labor.
31:9 And his rock *fortress* from terror will pass away.
And his leaders will be dismayed by the banner.”
- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** whose light is in Tzion
and whose furnace is at Yerushalaim -

Chapter 32

32:1 Behold! For the sake of justice a king will reign
and rulers will rule for the sake of judgment.
32:2 And each man will be like a hiding place from the wind,
and a shelter from the downpour,
like rivers of waters in a desert,
like the shade of a great rock in a weary land.
32:3 And the eyes of those seeing will not be dim.
32:4 And the heart of the hasty will discern
for the sake of knowing.
And the tongue of the stammerers
will hurry to speak plainly.

32:5 A fool will no longer be called noble.
And a miser will not be said to be wealthy.
32:6 Indeed a fool speaks folly
and his heart prepares vanity
for the sake of doing moral filth
and for the sake of speaking error to **YAHWEH**,
for the sake of causing the hungry life to be empty
and the drink of the thirsty he causes to be missing.
32:7 And the implements of the miser are hurtful.
He devises plans for the sake of destroying the afflicted
with lying words,
even as the needy pleads for judgment.
32:8 But the noble one advises what is noble.
And he stands upon noble things.

32:9 Women at ease, stand up!
Listen attentively to my voice daughters of complacency!
Give ear to my word!

32:10 Days over a year you will tremble,
complacent ones, because the grape harvest will fail,
without coming in.

32:11 Tremble you who are at ease!
Be shaken complacent ones!
Strip yourselves!
And make yourselves bare!
And gird sackcloth on your loins!

32:12 Be mourning over the breasts,
over the delightful fields,
over the fruitful vine!
32:13 Over the soil of My people
thorns and thistles will come up.
indeed over all the houses of rejoicing of the jubilant city.

32:14 Indeed, the fortress is forsaken
by the multitude of the city.
Abandoned fort and watchtower are a wasteland forever,
a delight of wild asses, a pasture of flocks
32:15 until The Divine Nature
is poured out over us from on high.

And the wilderness will be a fruitful land,
and orchard will be considered a forest.
32:16 And judgment will dwell in the wilderness,
and justice will dwell in the fruitful land.

32:17 The actions of the just will be shalom.
And the work of moral rightness will be
quietness and security for eternity.

32:18 And My people will dwell
in a home of shalom,
and in sanctuaries of confidence,
and in resting places of tranquility.

32:19 But hail will be coming down on the forest
and in The Shefelah the city will be brought low.

32:20 Blessed are you sowing beside all the waters,
sending out the foot of the oxen and the male ass.

Chapter 33

33:1 Woe to you who is ravaging
but you yourself ~~are~~ have not been ravaged,
and you acting treacherously
but they have not acted treacherously with you!
When you have cease ravaging you will be ravaged.
When you stop acting treacherously
they will act treacherously with you.

33:2 **YAHWEH**, show favor to us!
We have waited for You.
Be our arm at daybreak,
indeed, our deliverance also in a time of distress!

33:3 At the noise of a tumult the people fled.
From your exaltedness the nations were scattered.
33:4 And your spoils will be gathered together,
the gathering of the grasshoppers,
like a swarm of locusts rushing at them.

33:5 **YAHWEH** is being exalted!
Indeed He is dwelling on high!
He has filled Tzion with judgment and justice!
33:6 And He will be the faithfulness of your times,
a wealth of deliverance, and wisdom, and knowledge.

The reverence of **YAHWEH**, it is His treasure.

33:7 Behold! Their valiant ones have cried outside.
The messengers of shalom are weeping bitterly.
33:8 The highways have been deserted.

Those passing over have ceased.

He has broken The Covenant!
He has despised the cities!
He has not regarded mortal man!
33:9 The earth has mourned, languished!
Lebanon has been ashamed!
The Sharon has withered like a desert.
Bashan and Carmel are shaking off *their fruit*.

33:10 "Now I will stand up!", says YAHWEH.
"Now I will be exalted!
Now I will be lifted up!

33:11 You will conceive chaff.
You will bring forth stubble.
Your breath, a fire, will devour you.
33:12 And peoples will be as burnings of lime,
thorns cut down.
They will be burned with fire.

33:13 Listen attentively distant ones to what I have done!
And understand you who are near My power!

33:14 Offenders in Tzion have been overwhelmed.
The defiled have been seized with trembling.
"Who of us will sojourn with a consuming fire?
Who of us will sojourn with eternal burnings?"

33:15 One walking justly and speaking what is right,
one rejecting the dishonest gain of extortions,
one shaking out his hands from holding onto bribes,
one closing his ears from listening attentively to bloodshed,
and shutting his eyes from seeing harm,
33:16 he himself will dwell on high.
A fortress of rocks will be his stronghold.
His food will be given to him.
His water will be faithful.

33:17 Your eyes will gaze at The King in His beauty.
They will see a distant land.

33:18 Your heart will ponder terror.
Where is he who is keeping score?
Where is he who is weighing money?
Where is he who is counting the towers *themselves* FN?"
33:19 A fierce people *themselves* FN you will not see,
a people of unintelligible lip to listen to,
of a mocking tongue of no understanding.

33:20 Behold Tzion, the city of our appointed times!
Your eyes will see Yerushalaim,
a tranquil dwelling,
a tent not taken down,
its stakes are never removed,
and any of its cords are never broken.

33:21 Indeed there majestic YAHWEH exists for us,
a place of broad rivers, streams of broad hands.
No ship with oars goes there.
And large ships will not pass over.

33:22 Indeed YAHWEH is our Judge!
YAHWEH is our Scribe!
YAHWEH is our King!

He Himself delivers us!

33:23 Your ropes will be slack.
They will not strengthen the base of their mast.
They will not spread out a sail.

Then the booty of abundant spoil will be divided.
The lame will plunder the spoil.

33:24 And no resident will say, "I am sick."
The people, those dwelling in it,
will be forgiven their moral perversion!

Chapter 34

34:1 Draw near, nations,
for the sake of listening attentively!
And pay attention, people!
Let the earth listen attentively and all that is in it,
the world and all its offspring!

24:2 Indeed, the wrath of **YAHWEH** is against all the nations,
His anger against all their assemblies!
He will devote them to destruction!
He will give them to slaughtering!
34:3 And their slain will be thrown out.
And their stench will go up from their corpses.
And mountains will be liquefied by their blood.

34:4 And all the assembly of the skies will be dissolved.
And the skies will be rolled up like a scroll.
And all their assembly will wither like a leaf
withering off a vine,
even like the withering of a fig.

34:5 Indeed, My sword will be satisfied
in The Heavens!

Behold! It will come down upon Edom,
even upon the people devoted to My destruction,
for the sake of judgment.

34:6 For the sake of **YAHWEH**
the sword is filled with blood,
anointed with fat from lambs and goats,
from fat of the kidneys of rams
because there is a sacrifice to **YAHWEH** in Botzrah,
and a great slaughter in the land of Edom.

The imagery used here is not familiar to western minds. It is the imagery of the sacrifice that was intended to be made at the slaughter site in Yerushalaim to YAHWEH. Because those identified have rejected the proper worship of YAHWEH there is now a judgment for their offenses. He will perform a sacrifice if them!
Botzrah means enclosure, sheepfold.
Edom means red.

34:7 And wild oxen will come down with them,
and young bulls with strength.
And their land will be saturated with blood,
And their dust anointed with fat."

34:8 Indeed it is a day of revenge for **YAHWEH**,
a year of pay back for the strife of Tzion.

34:9 And her streams will be turned into tar
and her dust into brimstone.

And her land will be for the sake of burning tar.
34:10 Night and day it will not be extinguished,
her smoke going up to eternity.
From generation to generation it will be desolate.
Forever and ever no one will pass over on her.
34:11 And the pelican and the hedgehog will occupy her.
Also the owl and the raven will reside in her.
And He will stretch out over her
a measuring line of confusion and stones of emptiness.

34:12 Her nobles are called, but no kingdom is there,
and all its rulers are non-existent.
34:13 And thorns will come up into her fortresses,
nettles and brambles into her fortifications.
And it will be a home for jackals, a courtyard
for the daughters of ostriches.
34:14 And the desert creatures will encounter
the jackals *themselves* TN.
And the shaggy goat will call out against its neighbor.
The night owl will also settle there
and will find for herself a place of rest.
34:15 The tree snake will nest there and lay eggs,
and hatch, and brood over them in her shade.
There also the vultures will gather, each with its mate.

34:16 Inquire from upon the scroll of YAHWEH,
and read it *out loud*.
Not one from among these will be lacking.
One will not be lacking a mate.

Indeed, My mouth has directed it
and My Divine Nature will assemble them!

34:17 And He will cause the lot to fall for them.
His hand will apportion it for them with a measuring line.
They will occupy it forever.
For generation after generation they will dwell in her.

All of these animals are noted as "unclean", "defiled". Since
no Hebrew can appear in YAHWEH's presence when defiled
this is a very powerful statement.

Chapter 35

35:1 Wilderness and desert will be glad
and the arabah will rejoice and blossom like a lily.
35:2 It breaks forth, breaks forth and rejoices.
even with rejoicing and singing.
The glory of The Lebanon will be given to it,
the magnificence of The Carmel and The Sharon.
They will see the splendor of YAHWEH,
the magnificence of our Elohim!

35:3 Strengthen the weak hands
and make strong the wobbly knees!
35:4 Say to those with rapid heartbeat,
"Be strong!
Do not be afraid!
Behold! Your Elohim is coming with revenge.
With the payoff of The Elohim He is coming.
And He will deliver you."

35:5 Then the eyes of the blind will be opened
and the ears of the deaf will be opened wide.
35:6 Then the lame will leap like a deer
and the tongue of the dumb shout for joy!

Indeed, waters will burst forth in the wilderness

and streams in the desert!
35:7 And the parched ground will exist as a pool,
and the thirsty ground as springs of water.
In the home for jackals, his resting place,
courtyards for reeds and papyrus.

35:8 And a highway will exist there, and a pathway.
And it will be called "The Pathway of Set Apartness."
The defiled will not pass over it.
But it is for those walking the pathway.
And the foolish will not go astray.
35:9 There will be no lion there.
And no violent animal will go up on it.
It will not be found there.
And the redeemed will walk *there*.

35:10 And the ransomed of **YAHWEH** will return.
And they will enter Tzion with shouts of joy.
And eternal joy will be upon their heads.
Joy and gladness will overtake them.
And sorrow and sighing will flee away.

Chapter 36

36:1 And it was in the fourteenth year of King Hizkiyah.
Sancherib, king of Ashshur, came up
against all the fortified cities of Yahudah.
And he seized them.
36:2 And the king of Ashshur sent
the chief peace maker *himself* nn
from Lakish to Yerushalaim, to King Hizkiyah,
with a great army.
And he stood at the channel of the upper pool
on the highway to the Fuller's Field.

36:3 And there went out to him Elyakim, son of Hilkiyah,
who was over the household,
and Shebna, the scribe,
and Yo'ah, son of Asaph, the recorder.

36:4 The Chief peace maker then said to them,
"Please say to Hizkiyah,
'Thus said the great king, the king of Ashshur,
'What trust is this in which you are trusting?
36:5 I say advice for battle is only a word of the lip.

Now upon whom are you trusting
that you have rebelled against me?

36:6 Behold! You are trusting upon the support
of this broken reed, upon Mitsraim, on which if a man leans
then it will go into his hand and pierce it.
Thus is Pharaoh, the king of Mitsraim,
to all who are trusting in him.

36:7 And if you say to me,
'Upon **YAHWEH**, our Elohim, we are trusting!'
is it not He whose high places *themselves* nn
and whose slaughter sites *themselves* nn
Hizkiyah has taken away
and has said to Yahudah and to Yerushalaim,
'Bow yourselves before this slaughter site'?

36:8 And now please give a pledge
to my sovereign *himself* nn, the king of Ashshur,
and I will give to you two thousand horses

if you are able to give for yourselves riders upon them!

36:9 And how will you turn back the face *itself* חנ of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put your trust upon Mitsraim for chariots and for horsemen?

36:10 And now, have I come up apart from **YAHWEH** against this land for the sake of destroying it? **YAHWEH** said to me, 'Go up against this land and destroy it!' "

36:11 And Elyakim, Shebnah, and Yo'ah said to the chief peace maker, "Please speak Aramaic to your servants. Indeed, we can listen to it. But do not speak to us Yahudean in the ears of the people who are on the wall."

36:12 But the chief peace maker said, "Is it to your master and to you my master has sent me for the sake of speaking these words *themselves* חנ? Is it not to the men who are sitting on the wall, for the sake of eating *their excrement itself* חנ and drinking *their urine itself* חנ with you?"

36:13 And the chief peace maker stood. And he called out with a loud voice in Yahudean. And he said, "Listen attentively to *the words themselves* חנ of the great king, the king of Ashshur! 36:14 "Thus said the king, 'Do not let Hizkiyah mislead you! Indeed, he is not able to deliver *you yourselves* חנ! 36:15 And do not let Hizkiyah cause *you yourselves* חנ to trust in **YAHWEH**, saying, "Deliver us, **YAHWEH** will deliver us! This city will not be given into the hand of the king of Ashshur!" '

36:16 Do not listen attentively to Hizkiyah! Indeed, thus said the king of Ashshur, 'Prepare for *me myself* חנ a blessing and come out to me. And let each man will eat of his vine and each of his fig tree. And let each man drink the waters of his cistern 36:17 until I come.

And I will take away *you yourselves* חנ to a land like your land, a land of grain and wine, a land of food and vineyards.

36:18 *Beware* lest Hizkiyah misleads *you yourselves* חנ saying, "**YAHWEH** will deliver us!"

Have the gods of the nations delivered *the men of the land themselves* חנ from the hand of the king of Ashshur? 36:19 Where are the gods of Hamat and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim? And indeed have they delivered *Shomeron itself* חנ from my hand?

36:20 Who among all the gods of these lands, which one has delivered *their land itself* חנ from my hand in order that **YAHWEH** will deliver *Yerushalaim itself* חנ from my hand?" "

36:21 But they were silent.
And they did not respond a word to he himself אָה.
Indeed, the command of the king was saying,
"Do not respond to him."

36:22 And Elyakim, son of Hilkiyah,
who was over the household,
Shebna the scribe,
and Yo'ah, son of Asaph, the recorder,
came to Hizkiyah with their garments torn.
And they reported to him the words themselves אָה
of the chief peace maker.

Chapter 37

37:1 And it was as King Hizkiyah was listening.
And he tore his clothes themselves אָה.
And he covered himself with sackcloth.
And he went into The House of **YAHWEH**.

37:2 And he sent Elyakim himself אָה,
who was over the household,
and Shebna himself אָה the scribe,
and the elders of the priests themselves אָה
being covered with sackcloth
to Yeshayah the prophet, the son of Amotz.

37:3 And they said to him, "Thus said Hizkiyah,
'A day of distress and rebuke and disgrace is this day
because children have come to birth
but there is no vigor for giving birth.

37:4 Perhaps **YAHWEH**, your Elohim,
will listen attentively to the words themselves אָה
of the chief peace maker,
which his master, the king of Ashshur, has sent
for the sake of reproaching The Living Elohim
and He will argue against the words
which **YAHWEH**, your Elohim, has heard,
and you will lift up intercession
on behalf of the remnant that is left.' "

37:5 And the servants of King Hizkiyah went to Yeshayah.

37:6 and Yeshayah said to them,
"Thus you are to say to your master,
'Thus says **YAHWEH**,
"Do not be afraid before the face of the words
which you have heard
with which the servants of the king of Ashshur
have reviled Me Myself אָה!"

37:7 Behold! I am into him a *hurtful* nature.
And he will hear a report.
And he will return to his land.
And I will cause him to fall by the sword in his land." '

ruach - wind; by resemblance breath.

This term is often mistranslated as 'spirit'. It does **not** mean 'spirit' since that is a Greek term that did not exist among the Hebrew people at this point in history. Instead we must consider this to be similar to the kind of inner nature that distressed King Sha'ul. The Hebrews did view the breath as representative of the inner being of a person, their nature.

37:8 And the chief peace maker returned.
And he found the ing of Ashshur himself אָה

fighting against Libnah.
Indeed, he had heard that he had journeyed to Lakish.

37:9 And he heard concerning Tirhakah,
king of Kush, saying,
"He has come out for the sake of fighting
with you yourself אנ."
And he listened attentively.
And he sent messengers to Hizkiyah saying,
37:10 "Thus you are to speak to Hizkiyah,
the king of Yahudah, saying,
'Do not let your Elohim in whom you are trusting
deceive you saying, "Yerushalaim will not be given
into the hand of the king of Ashshur."

37:11 Behold! You yourself אנ have heard
what the kings of Ashshur have done to all the lands
by devoting them to destruction.
And will you yourself אנ be delivered?

37:12 Have the gods of the nations delivered
they themselves אנ whom my fathers have destroyed,
Gozan itself אנ, and Haran itself אנ, and Retzeph,
and the sons of Eden who were in Telasar?
37:13 Where is the king of Hamat, and the king of Arpad,
and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivvah?"


37:14 And Hizkiyah took the letter itself אנ
from the hand of the messengers.
And he read it out loud.
And Hizkiyah went up to The House of YAHWEH.
And he spread it out before the face of YAHWEH.
37:15 And Hizkiyah interceded toward YAHWEH saying,
37:16 "YAHWEH of Assemblies, The Elohim of Yisra'el,
You who are dwelling between the cherubim,
You Yourself אנ are The Elohim, You alone
of all the kingdoms of the earth.
You Yourself אנ have made the skies themselves אנ
and the earth itself אנ.
37:17 Extend Your ear, YAHWEH, and listen attentively!
Open Your eyes, YAHWEH, and see!
And listen attentively to
all the words themselves אנ of Sancherib
which he has sent
for the sake of reproaching The Living Elohim!

37:18 Truly, YAHWEH, the kings of Ashshur
have laid waste all the lands themselves אנ
and their land itself אנ.
37:19 And they have given their gods themselves אנ
into the fire because they were not gods.
Indeed, they were only the work
of the hands of human beings, wood and stone.
And they destroyed them.


37:20 And now, YAHWEH, our Elohim,
deliver us from his hand!
And all the kingdoms of the earth will know
that You Yourself אנ are YAHWEH, You alone!"


37:21 And Yeshayah son of Amotz sent to Hizkiyah saying,
"Thus said YAHWEH, The Elohim of Yisra'el,
'Because you have interceded toward Me
concerning Sancherib, king of Ashshur,

37:22 this is the word which **YAHWEH** has spoken
concerning him,
"The virgin, the daughter of Tzion,
has despised you, mocked you!
The daughter of Yerushalaim
has shaken her head behind you!

37:23 *Who Himself*  have you reproached and reviled?
And against whom have you exalted your voice
and have lifted up on your eyes ion high?
Against the Set Apart One of Yisra'el!

37:24 By the hand of your servants
you have reproached **YAHWEH**.
And you have said, 'With the multitude of my chariots
I myself have gone up to the height of the mountains,
to the extremities of Lebanon.
And I cut down its tall cedars, its choice fir trees.
And I came into its farthest height, its fertile forest.
37:25 I myself have dug.
And I drank water.
And with the soles of my feet I have dried up
all the rivers of Matzor (Mitsraim).'

37:26 Have you not heard?
From long ago I *Myself*  made it,
from the earliest days!
And I fashioned it!
Now I have caused it to come!
And you exist for the sake of laying waste, to heaps,
the ruining of fortified cities.
37:27 And those dwelling there were short of hand.
They were scared and put to shame.
They were as the plants of the field
and as the green sprouts on the housetops
and as a field before the face of standing grain.

37:28 And I know your sitting down,
and your going out,
and your coming in,
and *your rage itself*  against Me

37:29 Indeed, your rage against Me
and your confidence have come up in My ears!
And I am placing My hook in your nose
and My bridle in your lips!
And I am turning you back
by the way which you came, on it!"

37:30 And this will be the sign for you.
This year you are to eat what grows of itself
and the second year what springs from that.
And in the third year sow and reap,
plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them!

37:31 And the remnant who have escaped
of the house of Yahudah
will again take root downward and bear fruit upward.
37:32 Indeed from Yerushalaim will come forth a remnant
and the escaped from Mount Tzion.
The zeal of **YAHWEH** of Assemblies will do this!

37:33 For this reason thus said **YAHWEH**
concerning the king of Ashshur,
'He will not come into this city!
And he will not shoot an arrow there.

And he will not confront it with a shield,
And he will not build a siege mound against it.

37:34 By the way that he has come, by it he will return.
And to this city he will not come!

- An Utterance of YAHWEH -

37:35 'And I will be a shield against this city
for the sake of delivering it,
for My own sake,
and for the sake of My servant David.' "

37:36 And a messenger of YAHWEH went out.
And he struck in the encampment of Ashshur
one hundred and eighty five thousand.
And they arose early in the morning.
And behold! All of them were dead corpses.

37:37 And Sancherib, the king of Ashshur, journeyed.
And he went.
And he returned and remained at Nineveh.

37:38 And it was as he was bowing himself
in the house of Nisrok, his god.
And his sons, Adrammelek and Shar'etser,
struck him with the sword.
And they escaped into the land of Ararat.
And his son, Esarhaddon, reigned instead of him.

Chapter 38

38:1 In those days Hizkiyah was sick unto death.
And Yeshayah the prophet, the son of Amotz, went to him.
And he said to him, "Thus said YAHWEH,
'Give direction to your household
because you are going to die, you yourself אנ.
And you will not live.' "

38:2 And Hizkiyah turned his face toward the wall.
And he prayed to YAHWEH.

38:3 And he said, "Alas now, YAHWEH!
Remember please how *itself* אנ
I have walked before Your face
in faithfulness and with a whole heart,
and the good which I have done in Your eyes."
And Hizkiyah wept, weeping greatly.

38:4 And the word of YAHWEH existed to Yeshayah saying,

38:5 "Go and say to Hizkiyah,
'Thus said YAHWEH, The Elohim of David, your father,
"I have listened attentively to your prayer *itself* אנ.
I have seen your tears *themselves* אנ.

Behold! I am to your adding fifteen years.

38:6 And from the hand of the king of Ashshur
I will deliver you and this city *itself* אנ.
And I will be a shield over this city.' "

38:7 And this is the sign for you from YAHWEH *Himself* אנ
that YAHWEH will do this word *itself* אנ
which He has spoken.

38:8 "Behold! I will return the shadow *itself* אנ
of the steps which it has gone down with the sun
on the steps of Ahaz backward ten steps."

And the sun returned ten steps on the steps
by which it had gone down.

ma'a lot - plural of **ma'alah** - a step, a degree, an ascent.
There is no reference to a "sun dial". The language suggests
perhaps "the ascent of Ahaz", but not the 'sun dial' of Ahaz.

38:9 A writing of Hizkiyah, king of Yahudah,
when he was sick but lived from his sickness.
38:10 I myself said, "Into silence my days are going,
into the gates of she'ol have been appointed
the rest of my years?"

Most translators want to force this text to say something it
does not say. They speak of "the prime of my life" and of
being "deprived of the remainder of my years." While these
may have been thoughts Hizkiyah had they are **not**
presented in the text as such. What's given here is a more
literal rendering of the terms used.

38:11 I said, "I will not see **Yah, Yah** in the land of the living.
I will not look intently at human beings any longer
with the inhabitants of the world.
38:12 My period of time is pulled up,
removed from me like the tent of a shepherd.
I am rolled up like a weaving cut off from the loom.
From day until night You make an end of me.
38:13 I laid it before me until morning.
Like a lion, thus He will shatter all my bones.
From day to night You make an end of me.
38:14 Like a swallow or a thrush, thus I chirp.
I moaned like a dove.
My eyes weaken toward the heights.
YAHWEH, I am distressed!
Stand as security for me!

38:15 What can I say?
And He has spoken to me.
And He Himself has done it.
I have walked deliberately all my years
concerning the bitterness of my life.

38:16 **YAHWEH**, upon these they live,
and for all, within them is the breath of life.
You can cause me to be strong
and cause me to live.

38:17 Behold! Instead of peace,
bitterness for me, bitterness.

But You yourself **nn** have lovingly delivered my life
from the pit of corruption!
Indeed You have cast all my offenses behind Your back.
38:18 Indeed she'ol does not praise You,
Death does *not* commend You.
For those going down to the pit
there is no hope toward Your faithfulness.

38:19 The living, the living, he praises You
like me this day.
A father makes known to his children
concerning Your faithfulness.

38:20 **YAHWEH**, be deliverance to me!
And we will play songs with stringed instruments
all the days of our lives within The House of **YAHWEH**."

38:21 And Yeshayah said,
"Let them bring a cake of figs and apply it on the boil
and he will live."

38:22 And Hizkiyah asked,
"What is the sign that I will go
up to The House of YAHWEH?"

Chapter 39

39:1 At that time Merodak Baladan, son of Baladan,
king of Babel, sent letters and a present to Hizkiyah.
because he heard that he had been sick
and had been strengthened.

39:2 And Hizkiyah was happy over them.
And he showed them the house *itself* of his treasures,
the silver *itself*, and the gold *itself*,
and the spices *themselves*,
and the good oils *themselves*,
and all his house of armor *itself*,
and everything *itself* that was found among his treasures.
There was not a matter in his household
or in all his realm that Hizkiyah did not show them.

39:3 And Yeshayah the prophet came to King Hizkiyah.
And he said to him, "What did they say?
And from where are these men who came to you from?"
And Hizkiyah said, "From a distant land they came to me,
from Babel."

39:4 And he said, "What have they seen in your household?"
And Hizkiyah said, "They have seen everything *itself*
that is in my household.
There is not a matter among my treasures
that I have not shown them."

39:5 And Yeshayah said to Hizkiyah,
"Listen attentively to the word of YAHWEH of Assemblies.

39:6 'Behold! The days are coming
when all that is in your household
and what your fathers have stored up until this day
will be carried away to Babel.
Not a matter will be remain.' says YAHWEH.

39:7 'And from your sons who are born to you,
whom you bring forth, will be taken away.
And they will be court officials
in the palace of the king of Babel.' "

39:8 And Hizkiyah said to Yeshayah,
"The word of which YAHWEH has spoken is good!"
And he said, "Indeed, there will be shalom
and faithfulness in my days."

Chapter 40

40:1 "Comfort, comfort My people!" says your Elohim.
40:2 "Speak to the heart of Yerushalaim.
And cry out to her!
Indeed, her warfare is completed!
Indeed, her perversion has been ransomed!
Indeed, she has received from the hand of YAHWEH
double for all her offenses!"


40:3 A voice is calling out in the wilderness,
"Prepare the way of YAHWEH!
Make level in the desert a highway for our Elohim!

40:4 Every valley will be lifted up
and every mountain and hill will be brought down
and the crooked into straight



and the rough places into smooth.

40:5 And the splendor of YAHWEH will be revealed!
And all flesh as a unit will see it!
Indeed, the mouth of YAHWEH has spoken!"

40:6 A voice was saying, "Call out!"
And he said, "What am I to call out?"
'All flesh is grass.
And all his kindness is like the flower of the field.
40:7 Withered is the grass, faded is the flower
when the breath of YAHWEH has blown on it!
Assuredly the people are grass!
40:8 The grass has withered.
The flower has faded.
But the Word of our Elohim stands for eternity!"

40:9 Go up to her on a high mountain
proclaiming good news to Tzion!
Lift up your voice with vigor to Yerushalaim!
Lift it up!
Do not be not afraid!
Say to the cities of Yahudah
"Behold! Your Elohim!"
40:10 Behold! The Sovereign, YAHWEH,
is coming with a strong hand
and His arm will rule for Him!
Behold! His compensation is with He Himself 
and His wages are before His face.

40:11 Like a shepherd tending his flock
with His are He will gather the lambs.
And on His chest He will carry them.
He will gently lead the nursing ones.

40:12 Who has measured the waters
in the palm of his hand,
and marked off the skies with a span,
and contained the dust of the earth with a measure,
and weighed the mountains with scales
and the hills with a balance?
40:13 Who has weighed
the wind *itself*  of YAHWEH,
what man of His counsel taught Him?
40:14 Who *himself*  has advised Him
and caused Him to discern,
or taught Him in the path of judgment
or taught Him knowledge,
or caused Him to know Him the way of intelligence?

40:15 Behold! Nations are as a drop from a bucket.
And they are regarded as dust on a pair of scales.

Behold! He lifts up islands like fine dust.

40:16 And Lebanon is not enough to burn,
and its animals not enough for an olah.

40:17 All the nations are like nothing in front of Him.
And they are regarded by Him
as being from nothing and formless.

40:18 And to whom will you compare The El?
And what likeness will you arrange as His?

40:19 A craftsman pours out an idol
and the goldsmith with gold hammers it.
And silver chains he prepares.
40:20 The contribution of the poor
is a tree that will not rot.
He chooses a skilled craftsman.
He seeks him to prepare an idol that will not waver.

40:21 Do you not know?
Do you not listen attentively?
Has it not been told to you from the beginning?
Have you not considered the foundations of the earth?

40:22 The One is sitting above the circle of the earth.
And its inhabitants are like grasshoppers.
The One is stretching out the skies like a curtain.
And He spreads them out like a tent for a dwelling.
40:23 The One setting rulers to nothing,
judging the earth with emptiness,
He has made it.

40:24 Indeed they have not been planted.
Indeed they have not been sown.
Indeed their stem has not taken root in the earth,
and also He blows on them and they wither,
And a whirlwind carries them away like stubble.

40:25 And to whom then will you compare Me?
And to whom am I equivalent?"
says The Set apart One.

40:26 Lift up your eyes on high and see.
Who has created these?
He who is bringing out their assembly by number.
To all of them He calls by name.

By the greatness of His might
and the strength of His power not a man is missing.

40:27 Why do you say, Ya'akob, and speak, Yisra'el,
"My way is concealed from YAHWEH,
and from my Elohim my judgment is passed over?"

40:28 Did you not know,
or have you not heard?
The Eternal Elohim, YAHWEH,
The Creator of the extremities of the earth,
is not tired and He is not exhausted.

There is no examination for His intelligence.

40:29 He gives vitality to the weary.
And to those who have no strength He increases power.

40:30 Even youths are tired and exhausted
and young men stumble, they stumble.

40:31 But those relying on YAHWEH
will renew their vitality.
They will raise up a wing like eagles.
They will run and not be exhausted.
They will walk and not get tired.

Chapter 41

41:1 Be silent toward Me, coastlands!
And let the people renew their vigor!

Let them come near.
Then let them speak.
Let us come together for judgment.

41:2 Who stirred up the just one from the east,
called him to his feet,
gave the nations before his face,
and subjugated kings to him?
He gave them like dust to his sword,
like driven stubble to his bow.
41:3 He pursued them.
He passed over peacefully
by a path he had not gone with his feet.

41:4 Who has accomplished and done it,
calling the generations from the beginning?
I Myself, **YAHWEH**!
And the first and the last *itself* **אני**,
I Myself am He! ”

41:5 Coastlands see and they are afraid!
The extremities of the earth are afraid!
They draw near and they come.
41:6 A man helps his neighbor *himself* **אני**.
And to his kindred he says, “Be strong!”
41:7 And the craftsman encourages the goldsmith *himself* **אני**,
the one smoothing with the hammer.
the one striking the anvil *itself* **אני**
saying concerning the joining, “It is good.”
And he fastens it with a nail so it does not waver.

41:8 But *you yourself* **אני**, Yisra'el, are My servant,
Ya'akob, whom I have chosen,
the seed of Abraham, My friend,
41:9 whom I have strengthened
from among the extremities of the earth.
And from its boundaries I have called you.
And I said to You, ‘*You yourself* **אני** are My servant!
I have chosen you!
And I have not despised you!

41:10 You are not to be afraid!
Indeed, I Myself am with you!

You are not to look around anxiously!
Indeed, I Myself am your Elohim!
I will strengthen you!
Indeed, I will help you!
Indeed, I will support you with the right hand of My justice!

41:11 Behold! All who are being angry with you
will be ashamed and humiliated!
They will be as nothing!
And the men who contend with you will perish!
41:12 You will seek them but you will not find them,
the men contending with you!
And they will be like nothing, even as non-existent,
the men fighting you!

41:13 Indeed I Myself, **YAHWEH**, your Elohim,
am strengthening your right hand saying to you,
‘Do not be afraid!
I Myself will help you!’

41:14 Do not be afraid, you maggot, Ya'akob,

you men of Yisra'el!
I will help you!"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH, even Your Redeemer
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el -

41:15 Behold! I will establish you
as a new sharp threshing sledge possessing two edges.
You will thresh mountains and pulverize them.
And you will establish hills like chaff.
41:16 You will winnow them.
And a wind will carry them away.
And a whirlwind will scatter they themselves nn.

But you yourselves nn will rejoice in YAHWEH!
In the Set Apart One of Yisra'el you will boast!

41:17 The afflicted and the destitute are seeking water.
But there is none.
Their tongues have dried up with thirst.
I Myself, YAHWEH, will respond to them!
I Myself, The Elohim of Yisra'el, will not abandon them!

41:18 I will open rivers on bare places
and springs in the midst of valleys.
I establish the wilderness as a pool of water
and parched land as flowing water.

41:19 I will set in the wilderness cedar tree,
and myrtle tree, and olive.
I will establish in the desert fir, pine, and cypress together
41:20 in order that they see and know,
and consider, and recognize together
that the hand of YAHWEH has done this,
and The Set Apart One of Yisra'el has created it.

41:21 "Bring near your controversy!" says YAHWEH.
"Approach with your arguments!" says the King of Ya'akob.
41:22 Approach and declare to Us
what itself nn is going to occur!
The first things, what they are?
Declare it, and we will set our heart on it!
And we will know the end of it.
Or cause us to know what is coming.
41:23 Declare the events that are going to come after this
and We will know that you yourselves nn are gods.
Indeed, do good or do bad and we will hold our peace.
And we will look at it together.

41:24 Behold! You yourselves nn are from nothing!
And your action is from a breath!
Disgusting is one who chooses you!

41:25 I have stirred up one from the north.
And he is coming.
From the rising of the sun he calls on My name.
And he is coming against rulers like mortar,
and like the potter treads clay.

41:26 Who has declared from the beginning
and we know it,
and from former times and we say, 'He is just!'

Indeed no one is declaring.
Indeed no one is listening.
Indeed no one is listening to your words.

41:27 The First *declared* to Tzion,
'Behold! Behold them!'
and to Yerushalaim, " I am giving good news!"

41:28 And I looked.
And there was no man,
and among these but there was no counselor.
And I asked of them.
And they returned not a word.

41:29 Behold! All of them are nothingness!
Their works are nothing!
Their molded images are wind and desolation.

Chapter 42

42:1 Behold My Servant!
My support is in Him, My Chosen One!
He has delighted My life!
I have put My Divine Nature within Him.
He will bring forth judgment for the nations.

42:2 He does not cry out.
And He does not lift up His voice,
nor cause His voice to be heard in the street.

42:3 A damaged reed He will not break.
And a smoking wick He will not extinguish.

For the sake of truth He will bring forth judgment.

42:4 He will not be weakened or broken
until He has established judgment on the earth.
Even the coastlands are waiting for His Instruction."

42:5 Thus said The El, **YAHWEH**,
The One creating the skies
and stretching them out,
overlaying the earth and its offspring,
The One giving the breath of life to the people upon it,
even *daily* breath to those walking on it.

nshamah - a puff, wind, angry or vital breath.
This term is used first in Genesis with the creation of the first human being. Into him YAHWEH blew "the breath of life" and he became a living creature. This is the life force.
ruach - wind, by resemblance breath.
This term does **not** mean 'spirit'. It refers to the **daily breath** one takes, or to wind, or even to The Divine Nature of YAHWEH Himself. The context must guide one's comprehension on this term. It's paralleled with the life breath and therefore reflect the **daily breath**, that which is necessary for the continuation of life.
What's given here is not a reference to The Divine Nature.

42:6 I Myself, **YAHWEH**, have called You with justice.
And I have taken You by your hand.
And I have protected You.
And I have given You for a covenant to the people,
for a light to the gentiles,
42:7 for opening blind eyes,
for bringing out prisoners from the house of prison,
those sitting in darkness.

42:8 I Myself am **YAHWEH**!
That is My Name!
And My honor I will not give to another
nor My praise to idols!

This verse is placed in **BOLD** because of its profound significance! Read it again! Do you comprehend what this states? It's very plain and direct. YAHWEH declares specifically and unequivocally what **HIS NAME IS!**

IT IS YAHWEH!

Then He declares that He will **not** give His honor or His praise to any other!

So why is His Name stripped from most "Bibles"?

Why are there entire books written on the "names of God"?

Just how blind and stupid are we?

Most translations use "The LORD" or "Jehovah", both of which are just plain **wrong!**

42:9 Behold! The former predictions have come!
And new things I Myself am declaring!
Even before they spring forth
I will cause you to hear they themselves **אנן**."

42:10 Sing to **YAHWEH** a new song,
His praise from the extremities of the earth,
you going down to the sea and all that is in it,
coastlands and their inhabitants!
42:11 Let the wilderness and its cities lift up *their voice*,
the villages where Kedar dwell!
Let the inhabitants of Sela sing!
Let them shout from the top of the mountains!

42:12 Let them give honor to **YAHWEH**
and declare His praise in the coastlands!

42:13 **YAHWEH** is going forth like a mighty man!
Like a man of war He stirs up zeal!
He shouts!
Indeed, He yells a war cry!
Against His adversaries He shows Himself powerful!

42:14 I have held My peace from eternity!
I am silent!
I restrain Myself!

Like one giving birth I cry out.
I breathe heavily and gasp all at once.
42:15 I will lay waste mountains and hills!
And I will cause to dry up all their plants!
And I will make rivers for coastlands!
And I will dry up pools!

42:16 And I will cause the blind to walk
by a way they have not known.
In pathways they have not known
I will cause them to tread.
I will make darkness before their faces to be light
and crooked places to be straight.

These are the words I will do for them!
And I will not abandon them!

42:17 Those trusting in idols
who say to the molded images,
'You yourselves **אנן** are our gods.'
will be turned back, backward, put to shame, ashamed.

42:18 Listen attentively deaf ones!
And look intently blind ones for the sake of seeing!

42:19 Who is blind except My servant,

and deaf like My messenger whom I send?

Who is as blind as he who is secure,
or as blind as a servant of **YAHWEH**?

42:20 You see much,
but you do not keep watch.
Your ears are open but they are not listening attentively.”

42:21 **YAHWEH** was delighted for the sake of His justice
to magnify The Instruction and cause it to be honored.

42:22 But this is a people robbed and plundered.
All of them are snared in holes
And in prison houses they have been concealed.
They have been a prey with no one to deliver,
for plunder and no one says, “Return!”

42:23 Who among you gives ear to this,
pays attention and listens attentively for afterwards?

42:24 Who gave Ya'akob for plunder,
and Yisra'el to the robbers?
Was it not **YAHWEH**,
He against whom we offended?

But they were not willing to walk in His ways.
And they have not listened attentively to His Instruction!

42:25 And He has poured on him His wrath, His anger,
and the forcefulness of battle.
And it blazed up from around him.
But he did not know it.
And it burned against him.
But he did not place it upon his heart.

Chapter 43

43:1 And now thus said **YAHWEH**,
The One creating you, Ya'akob,
and The One forming you, Yisra'el,
“Do not be afraid!
Indeed, I have redeemed you!
I have called you by your name.
You yourself **HN** are Mine!

43:2 When you pass over the waters
I Myself am with you yourselves **HN**,
and through rivers, they will not inundate you.
When you walk through fire you will not be burned
and a flame will not set you on fire.

43:3 Indeed I Myself am **YAHWEH**, your Elohim,
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el, your deliverer!
I gave Mitsraim as your ransom,
Kush and Seba instead of you.

43:4 Since you were valuable in My eyes
you have been honored.
And I Myself love you!
And I will give human beings instead of you
and peoples instead of your life.

43:5 You are not to be afraid!
Indeed, I Myself am with you yourselves **HN**!

From the east I will bring your seed
and from the west I will assemble you.
43:6 I will say to the north, 'Give them up!'
and to the south, 'Do not restrain them!'
Bring My sons from afar,
and my daughters from the extremities of the earth,
43:7 all those who are being called by My name!

Even for honor I have created him!
I have formed him!
Indeed I have made him!

Note that the reference here is singular, not plural. It refers to the one who is being called (active - present tense) by My name. "He" is the one being referred to here.

43:8 Bring out a blind people yet have eyes
and the deaf who have their ears!

43:9 All the nations will be assembled together.
And the peoples will be gathered.
Who among them will declare this
and cause us to hear the former things?
Let them give their witnesses and be justified.
Then let them listen attentively and say, "It is truth."

43:10 "You yourselves **הנ** are My witnesses"
-An Utterance of **YAHWEH** -
"and My servant whom I have chosen
in order that you will know,
and that you will trust Me,
and that you will discern that I Myself am He!

Before My face there has not been formed an el!
And after Me there exists none!

43:11 I, I am **YAHWEH**!
And apart from Me there is no deliverer!
43:12 I, I have declared!
And I have delivered!
And I have caused to hear!
And I was not a stranger among you!
And you yourselves **הנ are My witnesses!"**

- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** -

"And I Myself am The El!

43:13 **Even from the day I am He!**
And nothing is being taken away from My hand!
I act!

And who turns it back?"

Consider the context. Refer back to Is 42.8. Then take very careful note of the occurrences of "I am YAHWEH!" that follow.
When He makes these statements look carefully at what He is declaring to you.
(In traditional texts it is given as "The LORD" - **in total error!**)

43:14 Thus said **YAHWEH**, your Redeemer,
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el,
"For your sake I will send to Babel.
And I will bring down all of them with yokes,
even the Kasdim, in ships with their yelling.

The Hebrew for the last two lines is very difficult. There is little consensus on what the words really mean. What's given here is merely an educated guess as to its actual meaning.

43:15 I am **YAHWEH**, your Set Apart One,

The One creating Yisra'el, your King!"

43:16 Thus said **YAHWEH**,
The One making a way in the sea,
and a path through fierce waters,
43:17 The One bringing out chariot and horse,
strength and might.

"They lie down (die) together.
They do not rise.
They have been extinguished like a wick, quenched.

This is a clear allusion to Mitsraim in the Sea of Reeds. It's a call to remember what He has already done in contrast with what He is about to do.

43:18 Do not remember the former things
and do not pay attention to old matters!

43:19 Behold! I am doing what is new!
Now it will spring forth!
Do you not perceive it?

Indeed I am establishing a way in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert.
43:20 The animal of the field have honored Me,
the jackals and the daughters of owls,
because I have given waters in the wilderness,
streams in the desert,
for the sake of giving water to My people, My chosen.
43:21 This people I have formed for Myself!
They will recount My praise!

43:22 But you have not called to Me Myself **HN**, Ya'akob.
Indeed, you have been tired of Me, Yisra'el.

43:23 You have not brought Me the sheep of your olahs.
And your sacrifices have not honored Me.
I have not caused you to serve with grain offerings.
I have not exhausted you with incense.
43:24 You have not bought Me sweet cane with silver.
And with the fat of your slaughterings
you have not satisfied Me.

However, you have served Me with your offenses.
You have exhausted Me with your perversions.

43:25 I, I am He who is blotting out your rebellions
for My sake!
And I will remember your offenses no more!

43:26 Cause Me to remember!
Let us decide together!
You yourselves **HN** declare it
in order that you might be justified!

43:27 The first of your forefathers offended.
And your mediators have rebelled against Me.
43:28 And I have defiled the rulers of The Set Apart Place!
And I have given up Ya'akob to destruction
and Yisra'el to reproaches!

Chapter 44

44:1 And now listen attentively, Ya'akob My servant,
and Yisra'el whom I have chosen!
44:2 Thus said **YAHWEH**,

The One making you and forming you from the womb,
He Who helps you,
'Do not fear, My servant Ya'akob,
and Yeshurun, whom I have chosen!

Yeshurun means upright

44:3 Indeed, I will pour water on the thirsty
and flowing water on the dry ground.
I pour My breath upon your seed,
and My blessing on your offspring,

ruach - wind, by resemblance breath.

There are two possibilities here. Traditional texts use 'spirit' which is not a proper term to use in Hebrew texts since it's entirely Greek in its origins. Breath appears to be the logical choice because without YAHWEH's breath the seed cannot live. Thus, life becomes paralleled with blessing.

The second option would be the Divine Nature of YAHWEH being poured out. This also would result in a blessing.

However, the context give us the image of growth which does not reflect in any direct manner the Divine Nature of YAHWEH.

44:4 And they will sprout among the grass
like willows beside streams of water.'

44:5 This one says, 'I myself belong to **YAHWEH**!
And this one will be called by the name of Ya'akob.
Another will write with his hand, '**YAHWEH**'s!
and with the name of Yisra'el as his surname.

44:6 Thus said **YAHWEH**, King of Yisra'el,
and his Redeemer, **YAHWEH** of Assemblies,
'I Myself am The First
and I Myself am The Last!
And apart from Me there is no Elohim!

This is a most profound declaration!

Many fail to comprehend that The First and The Last are powerfully significant concepts in the Hebrew culture. The language declares these as Aleph, the first letter, and Tau, the last letter of the Hebrew aleph-bet. These letters appear throughout the Hebrew text of The Old Covenant as **א**. And this same language is used in Revelation 22.13, although the Aleph and the Tau appear incorrectly as Alpha and Omega, the first and last letters of the GREEK text. The symbol, **א**, does not appear in the Greek text of The New Covenant.

Wherever it occurs in The Old Covenant it provides a special emphasis on the terms with which it appears.

44:7 And who is like Me?
Let him call!
And let him declare it!
And let him set it in order for Me
from My appointing of people of eternity past,
even to what is to come.
And what will come,
let them declare concerning these.

44:8 You are not to be terrified!
And you are not to fear!
Have I not from that time caused you to hear
and declared it?
And You *yourselves* **א** are My witnesses!
Is there an Eloah apart from Me
and not The Rock?
I have known none!" "

eloah - the meaning is unclear. It appears to be a singular form of **elohim**. There are great scholarly debates concerning its true meaning, but no one seems to clearly identify it. It's left as it appears in Hebrew to draw attention to

the fact this is a different term than those that are traditionally translated as "God".
 "The Rock" is a title used often concerning YAHWEH. He is our firm foundation, our shelter from a storm, etc., each taking the form of a Rock. YAHWEH declares there is none known by Him that can call themselves The Elohim, representing The Creator and Sustainer of all life.

44:9 Those forming an idol, all of them are emptiness!
 And those desiring them do not benefit!
 And they are witnesses.
 They do not see and they do not know
 in order that they may be put to shame.

44:10 Who has formed a god
 or poured out a molten image for no benefit?
 44:11 Behold! All his companions will be ashamed.
 And the craftsmen, they are but human beings.
 Let them assemble, all of them.
 Let them stand up.
 Let them be terrified.
 Let them be put to shame together.

44:12 The craftsman of iron *takes* a tool.
 And he makes one with coals.
 And he fashions it with hammers.
 And makes it with his strong arms.
 Even so, he is hungry.
 And he has no strength.
 He drinks no water and is weary.

44:13 The craftsman of wood
 stretches out his measuring line.
 He marks it out with an awl.
 He makes it with a chisel.
 And he outlines it with a compass.
 And he makes it like the form of a man
 like the majesty of a human being
 to sit in a house.

44:14 He cuts down for himself cedars.
 And he takes cypress and oak and strengthens himself.
 Among the trees of the forest He has planted an ash tree.
 And the rain nourishes it.
 44:15 And it is for a man to set on fire.
 And he takes from it and is warmed.
 He also lights it on fire and bakes bread.

Furthermore he makes an el and bows himself to it.
 He has made an idol.
 And he worships toward them.

44:16 Half of it he has burned in the fire.
 Over half of it he eats flesh.
 He roasts a roast and he is satisfied.
 He is also warm and says,
 "Aha, I am warmed.
 I have seen the fire."

44:17 And the residue he makes for a god.
 Toward his idol he bows himself down.
 And he prays to his god and says,
 "Deliver me because you yourself nn are my god."

44:18 They do not know!
 And they do not understand!
 Indeed, He has plastered their eyes from seeing,

their hearts from being prudent.

44:19 And no one returns it to his heart.
And there is no knowledge and no insight to say,
"Half of it I have burned in the fire.
And I have also baked bread over its coals.
I have roasted flesh and I have eaten.
And with its residue I will make something disgusting.
Toward a part of a tree I will bow down."
44:20 He grazes on ashes.
His heart has been deceived.
It has been turned away.
And his life *itself* **nn** is not delivered.
But he does not say,
"Is there not a false thing in my right hand?"

44:21 Remember these things, Ya'akob and Yisra'el!
Indeed, *you yourselves* **nn** are My servants!
I have formed you!
You yourself **nn** are My servant, Yisra'el!
Do not forget Me!

44:22 I have wiped out like a dark cloud your rebellions
and like a thunder cloud your offenses!

Return to Me!
Indeed, I have redeemed you!"

44:23 Sing, Heavens!
Indeed, **YAHWEH** has done it!
Shout, lowermost earth!
Break forth into singing, mountains,
forest and every tree in it!
Indeed, **YAHWEH** has redeemed Ya'akob,
and in Yisra'el He has glorified Himself!

The verbs in verses 22 and 23 are in the "perfect" case. In Hebrew that means something similar to our "past tense". It reflects something already accomplished. That sense is given in this version of the text. Yet in most traditional texts these are presented in the "imperfect" case, which means something not yet completed. This is difficult to explain. Part of it is due to the fact that the Hebrews viewed many things that YAHWEH spoke as being already accomplished, even though they had not yet happened. They believed that if YAHWEH spoke it He would also do it. This allowed them to speak as if something had already occurred, even though its completion was still "in the future". The real problem lies in the inconsistency with which the traditional translations treat these matters. They simply do not uniformly use the same approach each time something is stated as being from YAHWEH. The result is confusion.

44:24 Thus said **YAHWEH**, your Redeemer,
even The One forming you from the womb,
"I, **YAHWEH**, am making everything,
stretching out the skies by Myself, shaping the earth,
Who exists, *Me Myself* **nn**,
44:25 breaking up the signs of liars
and causing diviners to go mad,
turning wise men backward,
and their knowledge to foolishness,
44:26 causing to stand the word of His servants
and the advice of His messengers to be completed,
The One saying to Yerushalaim, 'You will be inhabited!'
and to the cities of Yahudah, 'They will be built
and her ruins will be raised up by Me!'

44:27 The One saying to the deep, 'Be parched!',
and, "Your rivers I will dry up!",
44:28 The One saying to Cyrus,
'He is My shepherd, and all My desire he will complete.',
and saying to Yerushalaim, 'Let her be built!'
and to The Temple, 'Let her foundation be laid!' "?"

Chapter 45


45:1 Thus said **YAHWEH** to His anointed,
to Koresh whom I have strengthened by his right hand
for the sake of subduing nations before his face.
And I will loosen the loins of kings,
opening doors before his face.
And gates will not be shut,
45:2 'I Myself will go before your face.
And I will make the mountains level.
The gates of copper I will burst.
and the bars of iron I will cut in pieces.
45:3 And I will give you treasures of the darkness
and the hidden wealth of secret places
in order that you will know that I Myself, **YAHWEH**,
The One calling you by your name,
am The Elohim of Yisra'el
45:4 for the sake of Ya'akob, My servant,
and Yisra'el, My chosen!
And I have called you yourself by your name.
I give you a title though you have not known Me.

45:5 I Myself am YAHWEH!
And there is no other!
There is no god apart from Me!

I will gird you though you have not known Me
45:6 in order that they will know
from the rising of the sun to its setting
that there is none apart from Me!

I Myself am YAHWEH
and there is no other,
45:7 **forming light and creating darkness,**
making peace and creating harm.
I Myself, YAHWEH, am doing all these!

45:8 Skies, drip from above!
And clouds, let justice flow!
Let the earth open and bring forth deliverance!
And let justice sprout at once!
I Myself, YAHWEH, have created it!

45:9 Woe to one contending with The One fashioning him,
a potsherd, a potsherd *itself*  of soil!
Does clay say to him who fashions it,
'What are you making?'
or of your action say, 'He has no hands'?


45:10 Woe to one saying to his father,
'To what are you giving birth?'
Or to the woman, 'Why are you writhing?' "

45:11 Thus said **YAHWEH**,
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el
and The One forming him,
"Ask Me what is to come concerning My sons.
And direct Me concerning the work of My hands.

45:12 I have made the earth!
And I have created the human being upon it!
I Myself, My hands have stretched out the skies
and all their assembly I have directed!

45:13 I have stirred him up with justice.
and all his ways I will make straight!
He will build My city!
And My captives he will send away,
not for price and not for a bribe!"
says YAHWEH of Assemblies.

45:14 Thus said YAHWEH, "The toil of Mitsraim
and merchandise of Kush and of the Sebeans,
men of stature over you, will pass over.
And they will be yours.
They walk behind you in chains.
And they will bow down to you.
To you they will make supplication *saying*,
'Indeed, The El is with you
and there is no other gods.' "


45:15 Assuredly You Yourself 
are The El Who conceals Himself,
The Elohei of Yisra'el, a deliverer.

45:16 They have been put to shame
and also disgraced!
All of them together have walked in humiliation,
craftsmen of idols.

45:17 Yisra'el has been delivered by YAHWEH,
a deliverance for eternity.
You are not to be ashamed!
And you will not be humiliated until forever, eternity.

45:18 Indeed thus said YAHWEH,
The One creating the skies,
He is The Elohim,
forming the earth and making it!
He established it!
He did not create it as a desolation.
He fashioned it to be inhabited.
"I am YAHWEH and there is no other!"

45:19 I have not spoken in secret,
in a dark place of the earth.
I have not said to the seed of Ya'akob
'Seek Me for nothing.'
I Myself, YAHWEH, am speaking what is right,
declaring what is equitable.

45:20 Assemble yourselves and come!
Draw near together fugitives of the nations.
Those lifting up a wooden idol *itself* 
and praying to a god,
a god that cannot deliver.
They do not understand!

45:21 Declare and bring it near!
Indeed let them take counsel together.
Who has caused this to be heard from ancient times,
from that time declared it?

Is it not I Myself, YAHWEH,

and not another god apart from Me,
a just El and a deliverer?
There is none apart from Me!

**45:22 Turn toward Me and be delivered,
all you extremities of the earth!
Indeed, I Myself am The El!**

And there is no other!

45:23 By Myself I have sworn!

A just word has gone out of My mouth!

And it will not return!

**Indeed, to Me every knee will bend,
every tongue will swear!**

45:24 One will say,
'Only in **YAHWEH** will I have justice and power
until He comes to Him!"
And all who are angry with Him will be put to shame.

45:25 In **YAHWEH** all the seed of Yisra'el
will be justified and will praise!"

Chapter 46

46:1 Bel has bowed down.
Nebo is hunched over.
Their idolatrous images were concerning animals
and concerning cattle.
Your loads are being loaded as a burden for the exhausted.

Bel is another name for Ba'al which means master, owner,
lord.
Nebo is a mountain range in Mo'ab and also a Babylonian
deity named Nabu.

46:2 They have hunched over.
They have bowed down together.
They were not able to deliver the burden.
And their lives have gone into captivity.

46:3 "Listen attentively to Me, house of Ya'akob,
and all the remnant of the house of Yisra'el,
those being loaded from the belly,
those being carried from the womb!

46:4 Even to your old age, I Myself am He!
And even to grey hairs I Myself will bear *you*!
I Myself have made *you*!
And I Myself will carry *you*!
And I Myself will bear *you*!
And I Myself will deliver *you*!!

46:5 To whom will you compare Me,
or you cause Me to be equal,
or you cause Me to be like,
that we are similar?

46:6 They shake gold from a bag
and weigh silver on a scale.
They hire a goldsmith
and he makes it a god.
They lie prostrate.

Indeed they bow themselves down.

46:7 They lift it up on the shoulder.

They bear it.

And they cause it to rest it on its bottom and it stands.

From its place it does not move.

Indeed one cries out to it.

but it does not respond.

From his distress it does not deliver him.

46:8 Remember this and be resolute!
Turn your rebelling back upon your heart.

46:9 Remember the former events of eternity past!
Indeed I am The El and there is no other,
The Elohim, and there is nothing resembling Me,
46:10 declaring the last from the first,
and from former times what has not been done saying,
'My counsel stands!
And all My desire I will do,'
46:11 calling a bird of prey from a distant land,
a man of My counsel.

Indeed, I have spoken!
Indeed I will bring cause it to come!
I have planned it!
Indeed I will do it!

46:12 Listen attentively to to Me, strong of heart,
those far from justice!
46:13 I will bring My justice near,
it is not far away,
and My victory,
it will not delay!
And I will give victory in Tzion,
to Yisra'el, My glory!

Chapter 47

47:1 "Come down and sit upon the dust,
virgin daughter of Babel.
Sit on the ground, not a throne,
daughter of the Kasdim!
Indeed, no more will they call you tender and delicate!

47:2 Take the millstones and grind flour.
Remove your veil!
Strip off your skirt!
Reveal your thigh!
Pass over the rivers!

47:3 Your nakedness will be revealed.
Your genitals will also be seen.
I will take revenge!
And I will encounter no man."

47:4 says our Redeemer,
YAHWEH of Assemblies is His title,
The Set apart One of Yisra'el.

47:5 "Sit in silence and go into darkness,
daughter of the Kasdim!
Indeed, no more will they call you Queen of Kingdoms!

47:6 I was angry with My people.
I defiled My inheritance
and I gave them into your hand.

You did not establish compassion for them.
Your yoke was caused to be exceedingly heavy on the aged.

47:7 And you said, 'To eternity, I am a queen forever!'
You did not place these matters upon your heart.
You did not take note of the last of it.

47:8 And now listen attentively to this,
sensual one who is dwelling with safety,


who is saying in your heart,
'I myself *exist* and there is no other!
I will not sit as a widow!
And I will not know the loss of children!'

47:9 But both of these will come to you
in an instant, in one day,
the loss of children and widowhood!
With completeness they will come upon you,
on account of the abundance of your occult magic,
on account of the power of your great spells!

47:10 And you have been confident in your evil.
You have said, 'No one sees me.'
Your wisdom and your knowledge
have turned you backward.
And you have said in your heart,
'I myself exist and there is no other!'
47:11 But evil will come upon you!
You will not know its dawning!
And disaster will fall upon you,
you being unable to appease it!
And devastation will come upon you instantly!
You will not comprehend!

47:12 Stand now with your spells
and with your abundance of occult magic
in which you have toiled from your youth,
Perhaps you will be able to profit.
Perhaps you will be struck with awe.

47:13 You are exhausted
by the abundance of your counsels.
Let them stand up now!
Let them deliver you,
the diviners of the skies, the seers in the stars,
those knowing according to new moons
concerning what is coming upon you!

47:14 Behold! They were like stubble!
Fire has burned them!
They can not deliver their lives themselves 
from the hand of the flame!


There is no coal to be warmed by,
no fire to sit in front of it!


47:15 According to this they will be to you,
those with whom you have toiled,
your trafficking from your youth.
Each man will wander to his own region.
Nothing will deliver you!

Chapter 48

48:1 Listen attentively to this, house of Ya'akob,
those being called by the name Yisra'el,
and who have come forth from the waters of Yahudah,
those swearing by the name of **YAHWEH**,
and who cause to be remembered The Elohim of Yisra'el,
but not in truth or in justice!

48:2 Indeed, they have called from the set apart city
and they have leaned upon The Elohim of Yisra'el.
YAHWEH of assemblies is His title.

48:3 I have declared the first things from that time.
And from My mouth they have gone forth.
And I caused you to hear them.
Suddenly I acted.
And they came
48:4 because I knew that you were difficult,
you yourselves 
And your necks were sinews of iron
and your forehead copper.
48:5 And I declared it to you from that time.
Even before it came I caused you to hear
lest you should say,
'My idol has done them.'
And, 'My carved image and my molten image
commanded them.'

48:6 You have heard!
Look at all of them!
And you yourselves ,
will you not declare it?
Have you not heard it?

From this time I will cause you to hear new things,
even things kept secret.
And you have not known them.

48:7 Now they have been created,
and not from that time or before this day.
And you have not heard them
lest you say, 'Behold! I knew them!'

48:8 Indeed, you have not heard!
Indeed, you have not known!
Indeed, from that time you have not opened your ear
because I knew you are traitorous, traitorous!
And you have been called a rebel from the womb!


48:9 For the sake of My Name I postponed My anger!
And *for the sake of* My praise I restrained it from you
so that you would not be cut off.

48:10 Behold! I have refined you, but not like silver.
I have tested you in the furnace of affliction.

48:11 For My own sake,
for My own sake I will do it!
Indeed, how can *My name* be defiled?
And My honor I will not give to another.

48:12 Listen attentively to Me,
Ya'akob, and Yisra'el, My called!
I Myself am He!
I Myself am the First!
I Myself am also the Last!

48:13 Indeed, My hand established
the foundation of the earth!
And My right hand has spread out the skies!
I Myself am calling to them!
They stand up together!

48:14 Assemble, all of you!
And listen attentively!
Who among them has declared
these themselves .

YAHWEH has loved him.

He will do His desire in Babel
and His power *toward* the Kasdim.

48:15 I Myself, I Myself have spoken!
Indeed, I have called him!
I have caused him to come!
And his way will be caused to succeed!
48:16 Come near to Me!
Listen attentively to this!
I have not spoken in secret from the beginning!
From the time it existed I Myself was there!
And now my Sovereign, YAHWEH, has sent Me,
even His breath of *destruction*."

Once again we find *ruach* translated as 'spirit' in traditional texts. They simply do not understand what to do with this word. Given the context of destruction for Babel that has continued for some time, with reference to Koresh (Cyrus), the King of Persia, as His destroying agent YAHWEH is sending His "breath of destruction" (or wind) against Babel. It has nothing to do with sending His Divine Nature with Koresh. It has everything to do with the destruction of Babel, and the breath, or wind, of YAHWEH is well attested as a destroying force in Scripture.

48:17 Thus said YAHWEH, your Redeemer,
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el,
"I Myself am YAHWEH, your Elohim,
teaching you to benefit,
leading you on the way you are to go!

48:18 Oh that you had listened to My directives!
Then your well being would have been like a river,
and your justice like the waves of the sea!
48:19 And your seed would have been like the sand
and the offspring of your bowels like its granules.
His name would not have been cut off
nor destroyed from before My face.

48:20 Come out from Babel!
Flee from the Kasdim!
With a voice of singing declare it!
Cause this to be heard!
Send it out over the extremities of the earth!
Say, 'YAHWEH has redeemed His servant, Ya'akob!'
48:21 And they did not thirst as they walked in the deserts!
Waters from a rock He caused to flow for them!
And He split the rock!
And the waters flowed freely!"

48:22 There is no well being" says YAHWEH
"for the morally wrong!

Chapter 49

49:1 "Listen attentively to Me, coastlands!
And pay attention peoples from afar!
YAHWEH has called Me from the womb.
From the womb of My mother
He has caused My name to be remembered.

This chapter is generally thought to be Messianic. Therefore the pronoun, Me, is capitalized as a reference to The Messiah.

49:2 And He has established My mouth as a sharp sword.
In the shadow of His hand He has hidden Me.
And He has established Me as a polished shaft.

In His quiver He has concealed Me.”

49:3 And He said to Me,
'You Yourself nn are My servant,
Yisra'el, in whom I will be glorified.'

49:4 But I Myself said, 'For emptiness I have labored.
I have spent my strength for meaninglessness.

Surely my judgment is with YAHWEH Himself nn,
and my wages with my Elohim Himself nn!

49:5 And now said YAHWEH,
The One forming Me from the womb
as a servant to Him,
for the sake of returning Ya'akob to Him.
And Yisra'el is not gathered to Him
yet I have been honored in the eyes of YAHWEH.
And My Elohim has been My strength.

49:6 And He says,
"It is a trifling matter about Your being a servant to Me
for the sake of raising up
the tribes of Ya'akob themselves nn,
and for the sake of returning the preserved ones of Yisra'el!
Even I will give You as a light to the nations
for the sake of being My deliverance
to the extremities of the earth!"

49:7 Thus said YAHWEH, The Redeemer of Yisra'el,
their Set Apart One,
to those despising life,
to one being despised by people,
to a servant of ruling kings,
"They will see.
And rulers will rise up.
And they will bow themselves down,
for the sake of YAHWEH who is being faithful,
The Set Apart One of Yisra'el.
Even He has chosen You!"

49:8 Thus said YAHWEH,
"In a favorable time I have answered You.
And in the day of deliverance I have helped You.
And I have protected You.
And I have given You as a covenant of the people,
to establish the earth,
to cause them to inherit the desolated inheritances,
49:9 to say to the prisoners, 'Come out!'
to those who are in darkness, 'Reveal yourselves!'

Upon the pathways they will be fed
and all the bare hills *will be* their pasture.

49:10 They will not hunger.
And they will not thirst.
And the heat and the sun will not strike them
because The One having compassion on them
will guide them, and beside fountains of water
He will gently lead them.
49:11 And I will establish all My mountains for a path.
And My highways will be raised up.

49:12 Behold! These will come from far away.
And behold! These from the north and the west.
And these from the land of Sinim."

49:13 Sing, skies!
Rejoice, earth!

And break out in singing, mountains!

Indeed, **YAHWEH** has comforted His people
and His afflicted will have compassion.

49:14 But Tzion said, "**YAHWEH** has abandoned me."
And, "My Sovereign has forgotten me."

49:15 Will a woman forget her nursing child
without compassion on the son of her womb?
Even these will forget.
But I will not forget you!
49:16 Behold! Upon the palms of My hands
I have inscribed you!
Your walls are continually in front of Me!

49:17 Your children will hurry.
Those destroyers and those laying waste to you
will go out from you.

49:18 Lift up your eyes all round and see!
All of them are assembled.
They will come to you.
"By the life of I Myself",
- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** -

"Indeed all of them you will put on like an ornament,
and bind them like a bride
49:19 because your wasted and desolated places
and the land of your destruction...
indeed now by those dwelling even far away
you are being swallowed up.
49:20 The children of your bereavement
will yet say in your ears,
'The place is too small for me.
Come near to me and I will sit.'

Verses 19 and 20 are difficult in the Hebrew text. Between the terminology and the one unfinished statement it's difficult to comprehend the logic of the passage. Some have used other terms, but they don't appear to fit the language of the text. What's given is an approximation of the intent.

49:21 And you will say in your heart,
'Who has given birth for me
to these *themselves* **HN**
since I am bereaved of children and barren,
an exile and wandering?
And these, who reared them?
Behold! I myself was left alone.
Where are these from?' "

49:22 Thus said my Sovereign, **YAHWEH**,
"Behold! I will lift My hand up to the nations
and to the peoples I will lift up a signal.
And they will bring your sons on their chests,
and your daughters will be carried on their shoulders.
49:23 And kings will nurture you
and their queens will wet-nurse you.
They will bow down their faces to the ground toward you.
And the dust of your feet they will lick up.

And you will know that I Myself am **YAHWEH**!
Those waiting for Me will not be put to shame!"

49:24 Is prey taken from the mighty,
or do captives of justice escape?

49:25 Indeed according to this said YAHWEH,
“Even the captives of the mighty will be taken away.
And the prey of the ruthless will escape.

And with your contenders *themselves* ^{תנ} I will contend.
And your children *themselves* ^{תנ} I will set free.
49:26 And I will cause to consume their flesh *itself* ^{תנ}
of those *themselves* ^{תנ} who are oppressing you.
And like wine their blood they will drink.

All flesh will know that I Myself, YAHWEH,
am your Savior and your Redeemer,
The Mighty One of Ya'akob!”

CHAPTER 50

50:1 Thus says YAHWEH,
“Where is this, the writing of your mother's divorce
whom I have sent away?

Or who among My creditors is it
to whom I have sold *you yourselves* ^{תנ}?

Behold! On account of your perversions
you have been sold.
And on account of your rebellions
your mother was put away.

50:2 “I came!
Why was there no one?
I called!
Why did no one respond?
Was My hand short, short from redemption?
Or is there not with Me power to deliver?

Behold! At My rebuke I dry up the sea.
I establish rivers as a wilderness.
Their fish stink because there is no water
and they die in thirst.


50:3 I clothe the skies with blackness
and I place sackcloth as their covering.”

50:4 My Sovereign, YAHWEH,
has given Me the tongue of the learned
for the sake of knowing,
for the sake of encouraging *the weary themselves* ^{תנ}
with a word.
He causes Me to awake at the dawn of morning, at dawn.
He causes to awaken the ear
for the sake of hearing like the learned.

50:5 My Sovereign, YAHWEH, has opened the ear for Me.
And I did not rebel.
The backside I did not turn away.

50:6 I gave My back to those striking Me
and My cheeks to those pulling out the beard.
I did not hide My face from humiliation and spitting.
50:7 And My Sovereign, YAHWEH, is help for Me.

For this reason I am not ashamed.
For this reason I have established My face like a flint.
And I know!
Indeed, I am not ashamed!

50:8 Near is He who is justifying Me.
Who will contend with Me Myself 
We stand together.
Who is My master, My judge?
Let him approach toward Me.

ba'al - a master; hence a husband or owner/possessor.
This is the term used here for "master". It's often translated
as 'lord'. This is a very pointed remark.

50:9 Behold! My Sovereign, **YAHWEH**, is a help for Me.
Who is he that will cause Me to be condemned?

Behold! All of them wear out like a garment.
A moth consumes them.

50:10 Who among you reveres **YAHWEH**,
listening attentively to the voice of His servant.
Who has walked with darkness
and there is no bright illumination for him?
Let him trust in the name of **YAHWEH**.
And let him lean on his Elohim!

50:11 Behold! All you who are lighting a fire,
girding on firebrands,
walk by the light of your fire
and with the firebrands you have lit!

From My hand you will have this for yourselves,
In anguish you will lie down!


CHAPTER 51

51:1 Listen attentively to Me,
you who are pursuing after justice,
who are seeking **YAHWEH**!
Look intently toward The Rock *from which* you were hewn
and to the quarry of the pit *from which* you were dug.

51:2 Look intently to Abraham your father,
and toward Sarah who travailed with you.

Indeed as one I called him.
And I blessed him.
And I increased him.

51:3 Indeed, **YAHWEH** has comforted Tzion!
He has comforted all her waste places.
And He has established her wilderness like Eden
and her desert like the garden of **YAHWEH**.
Joy and gladness will be found in her,
praise and the sound of music.

51:4 Listen attentively to Me, My people,
and give ear to Me, My nation!
Indeed, The Instruction will go forth from Me Myself ,
and My regulations as a light!
The peoples I will cause to rest!

51:5 My justice is near!
My deliverance has gone forth!
And My arms will judge the peoples.
The coastlands will hope for Me,
and for My arm they will wait patiently.

51:6 Lift up your eyes toward the skies

and look intently at the earth beneath
because the skies will disappear like smoke
and the earth will wear out like a garment.
And those dwelling in it will die like as gnats.

But My deliverance will exist to eternity
and My justice will not be broken.

51:7 Listen attentively to Me, those knowing justice,
a people in whose heart is My Instruction!
Do not fear the reproach of mortals
and do not be dismayed by their insults
51:8 because a moth will consume them like a garment
and a worm will consume them like wool!

But My justice is for eternity
and My deliverance to generation after generation.”

51:9 Wake up! Wake up!
Clothe yourself with strength, arm of YAHWEH!
Wake up as in former days, eternal generations!

Were not You Yourself אני The One cutting apart Rahab,
even piercing the monster?

Rahab is symbolic name for Mitsraim. The context clearly refers to the redemption of Yisra'el from bondage there.

51:10 Was it not You Yourself אני drying up the sea,
the abundant waters of the deep,
Who established the depths of the sea
as a way for the passing over of the redeemed?

51:11 And those being ransomed YAHWEH will return!
And they will come to Tzion with singing
and eternal joy over their heads!
They will obtain joy and gladness!
Sorrow and sighing will vanish!

51:12 “I, I am He who is comforting you!
Who are you yourself אני
and *why* are you afraid of a mortal that will die
or of the son of a human being
who is given herbs?

51:13 But you have forgotten YAHWEH,
The One making you,
Who has spread out the skies
and laid the foundations of the earth!

And you are afraid all the day
before the faces of the rage of those causing oppression,
on account of which which
He has caused them to be prepared
for the sake of destroying.
But where is the rage of those oppressing?
51:14 Being captive he hastens to be loosened
and not be put to death, into a pit,
also, that his food will not fail.

51:15 But I am YAHWEH, your Elohim,
stirring up the sea and the roaring of its waves.
YAHWEH of Assemblies is His title!

51:16 And I have placed My Words in your mouth.
And with the shadow of My hand I have covered you,
for the sake of planting the skies

and laying the foundations of the earth,
and for the sake of saying to Tzion,
'You yourselves אנ are My people!' "

51:17 Awaken yourself!

Awaken yourself!

Get up, Yerushalaim,

you who have drunk from the hand of YAHWEH

the cup of His wrath itself אנ!

The cup of the dregs themselves אנ of staggering
you have drunk.

You have drained it.

51:18 No one is leading for her

among all the sons she brought forth.

And no one is grasping her by her hand

among all the sons she has raised up.

51:19 These two are confronting you.

Who will shake the head for you?

The violence and the destruction,

and the famine and the sword,

by whom will I comfort you?

51:20 Your sons have fainted.

They lie at the head of all the streets

like a gazelle in a net,

the fulness of the wrath of YAHWEH,

the rebuke of your Elohim!

51:21 For this reason listen attentively now to this,

you who are afflicted and drunk, but not with wine!

51:22 Thus said your Sovereign, YAHWEH,

even your Elohim, Who contends for His people,

"Behold! I have taken from your hand

the cup of staggering itself אנ,

the dregs themselves אנ of the cup of My wrath!

You will not drink it again any longer.

51:23 And I will place it in the hand of those afflicting you,
who have said to your lives,

'Get down, and we will pass over you!'

And you placed your back like the ground,

even like a street for the sake of passing over."

Chapter 52

52:1 Wake up! Wake up!

Clothe yourself with your strength, Tzion!

Clothe yourself with your beautiful garments, Yerushalaim,

the set apart city!

Indeed, no more will the uncircumcised

and the defiled come into you again!

52:2 Shake yourself from the dust,!

Stand up, captive of Yerushalaim!

Open wide for yourselves the bonds of your neck,

captive daughter of Tzion!

52:3 Indeed, thus said YAHWEH,

"For nothing You were sold.

And not with silver will you be redeemed."

52:4 Indeed, thus said my Sovereign, YAHWEH,

"My people went down into Mitsraim at first

for the sake of sojourning there.
Then Ashshur oppressed them without cause.
52:5 And now what have I here?"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -
"Indeed, My people have been taken away for nothing!
Those who rule over them cause them to wail!"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -
"And continually all the day My name is reviled.

52:6 For this reason My people will know My name,
for this reason *they will know it* in that day,
because I Myself am He,
The One who is speaking.
Behold, here I am!"

52:7 How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of one bringing good news,
causing to hear shalom,
bringing news of goodness,
causing to hear of deliverance,
saying to Tzion,
"Your Elohim reigns!"

52:8 The voice of your watchmen!
They lift up their voices.
Together they shout for joy!
Indeed, eye with eye will see
as YAHWEH returns to Tzion!

52:9 Break forth into joy!
Sing together, you waste places of Yerushalaim!
Indeed, YAHWEH has comforted His people!
He has redeemed Yerushalaim!

52:10 YAHWEH has stripped bare
His set apart arm *itself* ~~FN~~
for the eyes of all the nations!
And all the extremities of the earth
will see the deliverance *itself* ~~FN~~ of our Elohim!

52:11 Depart! Depart!
Go out from there!
The defiled you are not to touch!

Go out from the midst of her!
Be pure, you who are carrying the vessels of YAHWEH!

52:12 Indeed, you will not go out in haste!
And you will not go in retreat
because YAHWEH is going before your faces!
Even The Elohim of Yisra'el is gathering you!

52:13 Behold! My servant will act wisely.
He will be exalted.
And He will be lifted up!
And He will be exceedingly lofty!

Note: This verse, from the standpoint of content, should be the beginning of Chapter 53. It fits more with that chapter than it does with this one. This is another consequence of artificial insertion of chapter and verse headings.

52:14 According to what astonished many concerning You,
according to this was his appearance disfigured
from *that of* a man
and His shape from the children of human beings.

52:15 According to this He will cause to be sprinkled many nations.

On account of Him kings will shut their mouths because what was not reported to them they will see, and what they had not heard they will comprehend. There is much discussion concerning the phrase of "be sprinkled". Some suggest a different meaning, that of being startled. The text presents "be sprinkled". Those suggesting an alternative require that the text be changed. In its present form there are those who consider this to represent the "sprinkling of blood" connected to sacrifices at the slaughter site. It was an act of purification that took place as part of the sacrifice. This makes more sense here, but only if you understand what was involved in that process and its connection to The Messiah, who is obviously in view in this passage of Scripture.

Chapter 53

53:1 Who has been caused to believe
on account of what we have heard?
And against whom has the arm of YAHWEH
been stripped bare?

53:2 And He was raised up like a suckling before His face
and like a root from parched ground.
He has no appearance and no magnificence
that we might look at Him,
nor attractiveness that we might desire Him,
53:3 being despised and rejected by men,
a man of anguish and knowing disease,
and like one hiding the face from us,
being despised.
And we did not regard Him.


53:4 Assuredly our diseases He has lifted up
and our anguish He has carried!

And we regarded Him being struck,
being beaten by The Elohim and being afflicted.


53:5 But He was pierced on account of our rebellions.
He was bruised on account of our perversions.
The chastisement of our well being was upon Him.
And by His welts we have been healed.

53:6 All of us like sheep have wandered away.
Each one has turned to his own way.
And YAHWEH has caused to fall upon Him
the perversion of all of us.

53:7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted.
And He did not open His mouth.
Like a lamb He was brought to the slaughter,
even like a ewe before the face of her shearers,
He was silent.
And He did not open His mouth.

53:8 From prison and from judgment He was taken.
And of His generation *itself* ,
who considered it?

Indeed He was separated from the land of the living
on account of the rebellion of My people.
The wound was for them.

53:9 And He was given His burying place
with the morally wrong *themselves* .

and with the rich *themselves* **FN** at His death
although He had done no violence,
and no deceit was in His mouth.

53:10 But **YAHWEH** was inclined to bruise Him.
He caused Him to become weak
when He established His life as the offense offering.

He will see *His* seed.
His days will be prolonged.
And the desires of **YAHWEH** will prosper in His hand.

53:11 Out of the travail of His life He will look.
He will be satisfied with His knowledge.
He will justify the just servant for the sake of many.
And their perversions He will bear.

53:12 For this reason I will apportion to Him among the great.
And He will divide the spoil with the mighty *themselves* **FN**,
in place of which He exposed His life for the sake of death.

And He was counted with those rebelling *themselves* **FN**.
And He has lifted up the offense of many.
And He for the sake of those rebelling He has intervened.

Chapter 54

54:1 Shout for joy, barren one who has not given birth!
Break forth with joyful singing and cry aloud,
you who have not travailed!
Indeed, the children of the desolate one
are more than the children of the married!" said **YAHWEH**.

54:2 Enlarge the place of your tent
and stretch out the curtains of your dwellings!
You are not to restrain *them*!
Lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes!
54:3 Indeed, you will break out to the right and to the left!
And your seed will dispossess nations
and they will dwell in devastated cities.

54:4 You are not to be afraid
because you will not be put to shame
and you will not be insulted.
Indeed you will not be humiliated.

Indeed the shame of your youth you will forget,
and you will not remember
the reproach of your widowhood any longer.

54:5 Indeed your husband is The One making you.
YAHWEH of Assemblies is His title,
and The Set Apart One of Yisra'el is your Redeemer.
He is called The Elohim of all the earth!

54:6 Indeed like a woman abandoned
YAHWEH has called you,
like a woman forsaken and grieving in nature
YAHWEH has called you,
even *like* a young woman when she is refused."
says your Elohim.

54:7 For a little while I have abandoned you.
But with great compassions I will gather you.
54:8 In an outburst of wrath
I hid My face from you for a moment.

But with eternal kindness I will have compassion on you,"
says your Redeemer, **YAHWEH**.

54:9 Indeed this is as the waters of Noah to Me
which I have sworn against passing over the earth again,
the waters of Noah.

Indeed I have sworn against being enraged against you,
and against rebuking you.

54:10 Indeed the mountains will depart
and the hills will be removed!
But My kindness will not depart from you yourselves **אנ**,
and My Covenant of shalom will not be removed!"
says **YAHWEH**, who is having compassion on you.

54:11 Afflicted one, storm tossed, not comforted, behold!
I am setting you in glistening stones.
And I will lay your foundations in sapphires.
54:12 And I will set your windows of rubies,
your gates of crystal,
and all your boundaries of delightful stones.

54:13 And all your children *will be* taught by **YAHWEH**.
And the well being of your children *will be* abundant.

54:14 With justice you will be established,
you will be far from distress!
indeed you will not be afraid,
even *be far* from ruin,
because it will not come near to you!

54:15 Behold! They will gather against you,
gather against you,
but not from Me Myself **אנ**.
Whoever has gathered against you yourself **אנ**,
to you he will surrender.

54:16 Behold! I, I have created the blacksmith
blowing on the coals of fire
and bringing forth an instrument for his work!
And I, I have created the destroyer
for the sake of destroying!

54:17 Every weapon formed against
you will not succeed!
And every tongue raised up against you yourself **אנ**
for the sake of judgment you will declare wrong.

This is the inheritance of the servants of **YAHWEH**!
And their justice *is* from Me Myself **אנ**!"
- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** -

Chapter 55

55:1 Hey all who are thirsty, come to the waters!
And you who have no silver, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy with no silver and with no price wine and milk!

55:2 Why do you weigh out silver for what is not food
and your labor for what is not satisfaction?
Listen attentively! Listen attentively to Me
and eat what is good!
And delight your life itself with fatness!
55:3 Expand your ear and come to Me!
Listen attentively and your life will live!

And I will cut off an eternal covenant with you,
those trusting the kindnesses of David

55:4 Behold! As a witness to the people I have given Him,
a ruler, even giving direction to the people.

55:5 Behold! A nation you do not know you will call
and a nation that has not known you will run to you
for the sake of **YAHWEH**, your Elohim,
and for the sake of The Set Apart One of Yisra'el!
Indeed, He has honored you."

55:6 Seek **YAHWEH** while He is being found!
Call Him while He is near!

55:7 Let the morally wrong abandon his way
and the unjust man his thoughts!
And let him return to **YAHWEH**
and He will have compassion on him,
even to our Elohim,
because He will multiply it for the sake of pardon.

55:8 Indeed My thoughts are not your thoughts
and your ways are not My ways!"
- An Utterance of **YAHWEH** -

55:9 Indeed as the skies are higher than the earth,
so are My ways higher than your ways,
and My thoughts than your thoughts!

55:10 Indeed like the rain and the snow
comes down from the skies and does not return there,
but instead waters the earth *itself* **nn**
and causes it to bring forth, and sprout,
and give seed to the sower
and bread to the eater,

55:11 according to this is My Word
which goes forth from My mouth!
It will not return to Me without effect!
And it will do whatever *itself* **nn** I desire!
And it will cause to succeed that for which I sent it!

55:12 Indeed with joy you will go out,
and with well being you will be brought in!
The mountains and the hills will break forth
with shouts of joy before your faces,
and all the trees of the field clap their hands for joy!

55:13 Instead of the thorn, the fir tree comes up,
And instead of the nettle, the myrtle comes up.

And it will be for **YAHWEH** a name *of renown*,
for an eternal sign!
It will not be cut off!"

Chapter 56

56:1 Thus said **YAHWEH**,
"Protect judgment and do justice!
Indeed, My deliverance is to come soon
and My justice is going to be revealed!

56:2 Blessed is the mortal who is doing this,
and the son of a human being taking hold on it,
protecting the Sabbath from defiling it,
and protecting his hand from doing any harm.

56:3 And the son of the foreigner
who has joined himself to YAHWEH is not to speak saying,
'YAHWEH has separated, separated me from His people.'

And the eunuch is not to say,
'Behold! I myself am a dried up tree.' "

56:4 Indeed, thus said YAHWEH,
"To the eunuchs who are protecting
My Sabbaths *themselves* ~~in~~,
and are choosing what pleases Me,
and holding fast upon My Covenant,
56:5 even to them I will give
within My house and within My walls
authority and a title better than sons
and better than daughters.
I will give to him an eternal name
which will not be cut off.

56:6 And the children of the foreigner,
those joining themselves to YAHWEH
for the sake of serving Him,
and for the sake of loving
the name *itself* ~~in~~ of YAHWEH,
for the sake of belonging to Him,
for the sake of being His servants,
all who protecting The Sabbath from defiling it
and are holding fast to My covenant,
56:7 even them I will cause to come
to My set apart mountain.
And I will make them joyful in My House of Prayer.

Their olahs and their sacrifices
will be acceptable on My slaughter site
because My House will be called
a House of Prayer for all the peoples."
56:8 - An Utterance of my Sovereign, YAHWEH,
Who is gathering the dispersed of Yisra'el. -

"More I will gather around Him of those gathered for Him."

56:9 All the animals of the field, come to devour,
all the animals in the forest!

56:10 The blind have watched, all of them!

They have not perceived, any of them.

They are mute dogs, not able to bark,

sleeping, lying down, loving to sleep!

56:11 And the dogs are fierce beings.

They never know satisfaction.

And they are shepherding, not knowing understanding.

All of them have turned to their own way,

Each man for his own gain, concerning his own end *saying*,

56:12 "Come! I will bring wine.

A we will be filled with strong drink.

And tomorrow will be like today, great, exceedingly superior!"

Chapter 57

57:1 The just one has perished,

but no man places it upon the heart.

And men of kindness are being taken away

with no one considering that the just one

has been taken away from the face of the bad.

57:2 He will come to well being.

They will rest upon their beds,

ones walking with integrity.

57:3 But you yourselves אנ, come here,
children of a sorceress,
seed of those committing adultery and those prostituting!
57:4 Concerning whom are you yourself taking delight?
Concerning whom do you enlarge your mouth,
sticking out the tongue?
Are you yourselves אנ not children of rebellion, seed of lies,
57:5 being inflamed with oaks under every green tree,
slaughtering the children by the streams
under the clefts of the rocks?

57:6 In the smoothness of the stream is your portion.
They, they, are your lot!
Also to them you have poured out a drink offering,
offered up a grain offering.
Am I comforted by these?

57:7 On a high and lofty mountain you have placed your bed.
There, too, you went up to slaughter a sacrifice.
57:8 And behind the doors and their posts
you have set up your memorial.

Indeed before Me Myself אנ you have been uncovered.
And you have gone up.
You have caused your bed to be enlarged.
And you were cut for them.
By them you have been loved on their bed
You have gazed at their hand.
57:9 And you travelled to the king with oil.
And multiplied your perfumes.
And you sent your ambassadors far off,
And you debased yourself as far as she'ol.

57:10 With the abundance of your ways
you have been exhausted.
But you have not said, 'It is hopeless!'
You have found the life of your hand.
For this reason you were not weakened.

57:11 And of whom himself אנ
have you been anxious and feared,
that you have lied?

But Me Myself אנ you have not remembered.
You have not placed it upon your heart.
Have I Myself not been silent, even from long ago?
But Me Myself אנ you do not revere.

57:12 I Myself will declare your justice
and your actions themselves אנ.
But they will not cause you to benefit.

57:13 As you cry out let your collection of *idols* deliver you.
But all of they themselves אנ the wind will carry away,
emptiness will take them.

But those taking refuge in Me will inherit the land.
And they will occupy My set apart mountain."

57:14 And one will say, "Build it up! Build it up!
Prepare the way!
Lift the stumbling block out of the way of My people!"

57:15 Indeed thus says The One
being high and exalted,
He Who is dwelling for eternity,
even set part is His name,
"I dwell in the high and set apart place,
even *with* the crushed *himself* **HN** and humble of nature,
for the sake of causing to live the breath of the humble
and for the sake of causing to live
the heart of those having been crushed!

57:16 Indeed, I will not contend forever,
And I will not be enraged continually!

Indeed, the breath would grow faint before My face,
even the life breath I have made!

57:17 With the perversion of his unjust gain I was enraged!
And I struck him, hiding.
And I was enraged.
But he went on backsliding in the way of his heart.

57:18 I have seen his ways.
But I will I heal him.
And I will lead him.
And I will restore to him his guidance,
even for his mournings,
57:19 creating the fruit of the lips.
"Shalom! Shalom to him who is far
and to him who is near." says **YAHWEH**.
"And I will heal him."

57:20 But the morally wrong are like the troubled sea.
Indeed, it is not able to rest
and its waters cast up mud and dirt.

57:21 "There is no shalom," said my Elohim,
"for the morally wrong!"

Chapter 58

58:1 Call out from the throat!
Do not hold back!
Lift up your voice like a shofar
and declare to My people their rebellion
and to the house of Ya'akob their offenses!

58:2 And *Me Myself* **HN**,
they will seek Me day after day.
And *in* the knowledge of My ways they will delight
like a nation that does justice and judgment.
Their Elohim they have not abandoned.
They will ask of Me just regulations.
They will delight in drawing near to The Elohim.

58:3 *They will say*,
'Why have we fasted,
but You have not seen,
afflicted our lives,
but You have not known?'

Behold! In the day of your fast you find pleasure
and you drive hard all your laborers.

58:4 Behold! For strife and contention you fast,
and to strike with a fist of moral wrong.

You did not fast like today,
for the sake of your voice being heard on high.

58:5 Is this a fast I have chosen,
a day to afflict the life of a human being?
Is it for bowing down his head like a bulrush,
and spreading out sackcloth and ashes?

Do you call this a fast,
and a day of delight for YAHWEH?

58:6 Is not this the fast that I have chosen,
loosening the bonds of wrong,
releasing of the bundle of the yoke,
sending free the crushed,
and to tear off every yoke?

58:7 Is it not to divide your food to the hungry,
and to bring to your house the afflicted outcast,
when you see the naked and you cover him,
and from your flesh you do not hide yourself?

58:8 Then your light will break forth like the dawn,
your wholeness spout quickly,
and your justice will go before your face.
The splendor of YAHWEH will gather you.

58:9 Then you will call and YAHWEH will answer.
You will cry and He will say, 'I am here.'

If you take away the yoke from your midst,
the pointing of the finger,
and the speaking of nothingness;
58:10 if you extend your life to the hungry,
and you cause the afflicted one to be satisfied,
then your light will radiate in the darkness,
and your darkness will be like noonday.

58:11 And YAHWEH will guide you continually.
And He will cause your life to be satisfied in dry places.
And He will cause your bones to be strengthened.
And you will be like a watered garden
and like a spring of water whose waters do not fail.

58:12 And those from among you
will build the old desolate places.
You will restore the foundations of generation after generation.
And you will be called the repairer of the breach,
restorer of remaining paths.

58:13 If you do turn back your feet from The Sabbath,
from doing your pleasure on My set apart day,
and will call The Sabbath 'a delight,'
the set apart *day* of YAHWEH 'honored,'
and will honor it without doing your own ways,
and not finding your *own* pleasure,
and speaking *your own* words
58:14 then you will delight yourself over YAHWEH.

And I will cause you to ride on the high places of the earth.
And I will feed you with the inheritance
of Ya'akob, your father.
Indeed the mouth of YAHWEH has spoken!"

Chapter 59

59:1 Behold! The hand of YAHWEH

has not been shortened from delivering
nor His ear burdened from listening attentively!

59:2 Indeed, your perversions
have separated from you your Elohim
and your offenses have hidden His face from you,
from listening attentively!

59:3 Indeed, your hands have been defiled with blood,
and your fingers by perversion.
Your lips have spoken lies.
Your tongue mutters injustice.

59:4 No one calls with justice
and no one judges with truth.
They trust on emptiness
and they speak meaninglessness.
They conceive trouble.
And they bring forth moral perversity.
59:5 They have split open vipers' eggs
and they have woven webs of spiders.
One eating from their eggs will die
and that, being crushed, hatches a viper.

59:6 Their webs are not for garments
and they do not cover themselves with their acts.
Their acts are acts of moral perversity
and a work of violence is in their hands.
59:7 Their feet run to harm,
and they hurry to shed innocent blood.
Their thoughts are thoughts of moral perversity.
Violence and destruction are on their highways.

59:8 The way of shalom they have not known
and there is no regulation on their courses.
They have made crooked trails for themselves.

Everyone walking on them will not know shalom.

59:9 For this reason judgment has been removed from us
and justice has not reached us.
We wait for light
but behold, the dark,
for brilliancy,
but we walk in thick darkness!

59:10 We grope the wall like the blind.
Even as with no eyes we grope.
We stumble at noonday the same as at twilight,
in desolate places like being dead.

59:11 All of us growl like bears
and moan, moaning like doves.
We wait for judgment,
but there is none,
for deliverance,
but it is far from us.

59:12 Indeed our rebellions have multiplied in front of You
and our offenses have testified against us.
Indeed our rebellions are with us ourselves את,
and our perversions are known to us,
59:13 rebelling and being deceptive with **YAHWEH**,
and turning back from following our Elohim,
speaking fraud and apostasy,

conceiving and speaking from the heart words of untruth.

59:14 And judgment has been turned away backward.
And justice stands far off.

Indeed, truth has fallen in the street
and integrity is not able to enter!
59:15 And the truth is lacking.
And one turning away from what is bad
causes himself to be plundered.

And YAHWEH saw!
And it was bad in His eyes
that there was no judgment!

59:16 And He saw that there was no man.
And He was appalled because there was no intercessor.

Then His arm caused deliverance for Him
and His justice sustained Him.
59:17 And He put on justice as a breastplate
and a helmet of deliverance on His head.
And He put on garments of revenge for clothing.
And He wrapped Himself with a robe of zeal.

59:18 According to their deeds,
according to this He will repay,
wrath to His enemies,
pay back to His adversaries.
To the coastlands He will repay what's coming to them.

59:19 And they will fear from the west
the name *itself* ^{ru} of YAHWEH,
and from the rising of the sun,
His glory *itself* ^{ru}!
Indeed, He will come, rushing like a river
which the breath of YAHWEH drives on.

59:20 And One redeeming will come to Tzion
and to those turning back rebellion in Ya'akob,"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -

59:21 And I Myself,
this is My covenant with them." says YAHWEH.
"My breath that is within you,
and My Words which I have placed in your mouth,
will not be withdrawn from your mouth,
nor from the mouth of your seed,
nor from the mouth of your seed's seed,"
said YAHWEH, "from now even until eternity!"

ruach - wind; by resemblance breath.

This term is used in both verse 19 and verse 21. Traditional texts use 'spirit' here in both cases. **There is no 'spirit' in the Hebrew language.** The concept did not exist until the Greeks invented it.

The context in v. 19 is clearly related to a rushing river driven by a "wind", in this instance the very breath of YAHWEH which is the source of every wind.

In v. 21 tradition states this as "My Spirit that is upon you". What 'spirit' is this if there was no such concept in Hebrew thought or language? On the other hand, Scripture clearly delineates the breath that is "upon", or "within" every human being has been placed there by YAHWEH Himself. It is out of the mouth that the breath proceeds. It is out of the mouth that the words proceed. The parallelism is profoundly clear.

The misinterpretation of these terms has caused great **deception** in the lives of believers. It's time to correct these lies!

Chapter 60

60:1 Rise! Be a light!

Indeed your light has come
and the splendor of **YAHWEH** has risen over you!

60:2 Indeed behold!

The darkness is covering the earth
and thick darkness the peoples.
But above you **YAHWEH** is rising
and His splendor is being seen over you.

60:3 And nations will come to your light
and kings to the brilliancy of the rising of your light.

60:4 Lift up your eyes and look all around!
All of them have assembled.
They have come to you,
your sons come from afar
and your daughters are cradled on the side.

60:5 Then you will see and be radiant.
And you will be in awe.
And your heart will swell,
because the abundance of the sea is turned over to you,
the wealth of the nations will come to you.
60:6 An abundance of camels will cover you,
the dromedaries of Midyan and Ephah.
All those from Sheba will come with gold and incense.

And the praises of **YAHWEH** they will announce.

60:7 All the flocks of Kedar will be assembled to you.
The rams of Nebayot will serve you.
They will ascend upon acceptance to My slaughter site.
And The House of My splendor I will beautify.

60:8 Who are these?
Like a thick cloud they fly,
even like doves to their windows.

60:9 Indeed, for Me the coastlands are waiting,
even the ships of Tarshish at the beginning
for the sake of bringing your children from afar,
their silver and their gold with they themselves **tn**,
to the name of **YAHWEH**, your Elohim,
and to The Set Apart One of Yisra'el
because He has beautified you.

60:10 And the sons of foreigners will build your walls.
And their kings serve you.

Indeed, in My rage I have caused you to be struck.
But in My delight I will have compassion on you.
60:11 And your gates will be open continually.
Day and night they will not be shut
for the sake of bringing to you the wealth of the nations,
even their kings leading.

60:12 Indeed the nation and the kingdom
that will not serve you will perish
and the nations will be desolate, desolate!

60:13 The splendor of The Lebanon will come to you,
cypress, pine, and the box tree together,
for the sake of beautifying the area of My Set Apart Place.
Even the place of My feet I will glorify.

60:14 And the children of those afflicting you
will come, bowing down to you.
And they will prostrate themselves at the soles of your feet.
And they will call you The City of **YAHWEH**,
Tzion of The Set Apart One of Yisra'el.

60:15 Instead of you being abandoned and hated
and no one passing through you,
I will establish you as an eternal majesty,
a joy of generation after generation.

60:16 And you will nurse of the milk of the nations.
Even at the breast of kings you will nurse.

And you will know that I Myself, **YAHWEH**,
Your Deliverer and your Redeemer,
am The Mighty One of Ya'akob!

60:17 Instead of copper I will bring gold.
And instead of iron I will bring silver,
and copper instead of wood,
and iron instead of stones.

And I will establish your accountings as shalom
and your oppressors as justice.

60:18 Violence will not be heard again in your land
nor destruction and brokenness within your borders!

And you will call your walls deliverance,
and your gates praise.

60:19 The sun will no longer exist for daylight.
And the moon will not give light to you for brightness.

And **YAHWEH** will exist for you as an eternal light
and your Elohim as your splendor!

60:20 Your sun will not go down for eternity
and your moon will not be removed.

Indeed, **YAHWEH** will exist for you as eternal light!


And the days of your mourning will be completed,
60:21 and your people justified, all of them for eternity,
will inherit the earth,
a branch of My planting,
a work of My hands for the sake of being glorified.

60:22 The few will be as a thousand,
and the little one as a powerful nation.

I Myself, **YAHWEH**, will cause it to hasten in its time!"

Chapter 61


61:1 The Divine Nature of my Sovereign, **YAHWEH**,
is upon Me.

Indeed, **YAHWEH** has anointed Me Myself 
to bring good news to the humble.

He has sent Me for the sake of binding up
those with broken hearts,
for the sake of proclaiming freedom
to those being in captivity,
and the opening of the prison for those being bound,
61:2 for the sake of proclaiming
the favorable year of YAHWEH,
and the day of revenge of our Elohim,
for the sake of comforting all who mourn,
61:3 for the sake of placing those mourning in Tzion,
for the sake of giving to them
a wreath of beauty instead of ashes,
oil of joy instead of mourning,
a garment of praise instead of the heaviness of breath.
And they will be called trees of justice,
the planting of YAHWEH for the sake of being glorified.

61:4 And they will rebuild the ancient ruins.
The former desolations they will raise up.
And they will restore the destroyed cities.
being desolated generation after generation.

61:5 And strangers will stand.
And they will pasture your flocks.
And the children of the foreigners
will be your plowmen and your vinedressers.

61:6 And you yourselves  will be called,
'Priests of YAHWEH'.
'Servants of our Elohim' it will be said of you.

You will consume the wealth of the nations
and of their glory you yourselves will speak
61:7 instead of your double shame and disgrace.

They will rejoice in their portion
According to this they will possess their land.
Double joy to eternity will be theirs.

61:8 Indeed I Myself, YAHWEH, am loving judgment,
hating what's stolen for an olah.

And I will give them their wages in faithfulness.
And I will cut an eternal covenant for them.

61:9 And their seed will be known among the nations
and their offspring in the midst of the peoples.
Everyone seeing them will recognize
that they are the seed blessed by YAHWEH.

61:10 I am rejoicing, rejoicing in YAHWEH!
My life will celebrate with my Elohim
because He has clothed me with garments of deliverance!
He has covered me with the robe of justice
like a bridegroom with a priest's turban,
and like a bride being adorned with her jewels.

61:11 Indeed as the earth brings forth sprouts,
and as a sown garden buds,
according to this my Sovereign, YAHWEH,
will cause to sprout justice and praise
in front of all the nations!

Chapter 62

62:1 For the sake of Tzion I will not be quiet
and for the sake of Yerushalaim I not will be still
until her justice goes forth like brilliancy
and her deliverance like a burning lamp!

62:2 And the nations will see your justice
and all the kings your honor.
And you will be called by a new name
which the mouth of **YAHWEH** will designate.

62:3 And you will be a crown of beauty
in the hand of **YAHWEH**
and a royal turban in the hand of your Elohim.

62:4 It will no longer be said to you, "Forsaken!"
And concerning your land,
it will no longer be said, "Desolate!"
Indeed, you will be called "Hephtzi Bah"
and your land "Be'ulah".

Indeed, **YAHWEH** will delight in you
and your land will be married!

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| Hephtzi Bah means my delight is in her. Be'ulah means married. |
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62:5 Indeed, as a young man marries a virgin
your children will marry you.
And as the bridegroom delights over the bride
your Elohim will delight over you.

62:6 Upon your walls, Yerushalaim,
I have appointed watchmen
all the day and all the night continually
They will not be silent.
Those remembering **YAHWEH Himself** nn
will not be silent concerning you.


62:7 And you will not be given His rest
until He establishes it,
and until He appoints Yerushalaim *itself* nn
a praise in the earth.

62:8 **YAHWEH** has sworn by His right hand
and by the arm of His strength,
"No more will I give your grain *itself* nn
as food for your adversaries!
And the children of foreigners will not drink your new wine
for which you have toiled!

62:9 Indeed, those gathering it will eat it!
And they will praise **YAHWEH Himself** nn.
And those collecting it will drink it
in My set apart courtyards."

62:10 Pass over, pass over into the gates!
Turn to the way of the people!
Build up, build up the highway!
Throw out the stones!
Raise a banner over the peoples!

62:11 Behold! **YAHWEH** has caused it to be heard
to the end of the earth!
Say to the daughter of Tzion,
'Behold! Your deliverance is coming!

Behold! His compensation is with He Himself 
and His works are before His face!

Note: There are no "rewards" in Eternity. Rewards is a very selfish concept that seeks "something special" for what you've done. That will NEVER be the case in Eternity! There WILL BE compensation for one's efforts on behalf of YAHWEH. He will provide a form of "wages" for what you did that was for His benefit, not for your own. But it will NOT be a "reward" in the normal sense of the term. YAHWEH's ways are far beyond our comprehension. We, literally, have no idea of what will be involved in His method of compensations.


62:12 And they will be called,
'The set apart people',
those being redeemed by YAHWEH.
And you will be called,
'One being sought out, a city not abandoned.'

Chapter 63

63:1 Who is this coming from Edom,
with stained garments from Botzrah,
this One being honored in His vesture,
striding forward in the abundance of His strength?

'I Myself, speaking with justice.
mighty for the sake of delivering.'

63:2 Why is Your vesture red
and Your garments like one treading in a winepress?

63:3 "I have tread the winepress alone.
And from the peoples no man was with Me Myself 
And I trod them in My anger.
And I trampled them in My rage.
And their blood is sprayed upon My garments,
and I have defiled all My clothing
63:4 because a day of revenge is in My heart,
and the year of My redemption has come.

63:5 And I looked intently,
but no one was helping!
And I was astonished!
But no one was sustaining!
And I caused My deliverance with My arm!
And My rage, it sustained Me.
63:6 And I trampled the peoples in My anger!
And I made them drunk with My rage!
And I caused their blood to go down to the ground!"

63:7 The kindnesses of YAHWEH
I will cause to be remembered,
the praises of YAHWEH,
according to all YAHWEH has done for us
and the abundant goodness to the house of Yisra'el
which He has done for them according to His compassion
and according to the abundance of His kindnesses.

63:8 And He said, "Truly they are My people,
children who will not act falsely."

And He was for them a deliverer.
63:9 In all their distress He was distressed.
And a messenger of His presence delivered them.
In His love and in His pity He Himself redeemed them.
And He picked them up and carried them
all the days of old.

63:10 But they themselves rebelled.
And they grieved His Set Apart Divine Nature *itself* אנ.
And He turned toward them as an adversary.
And He Himself fought against them.

63:11 Then He took note of the days of old,
Moshe, His people.
"Where is He who brought them up out of the sea,
The Shepherd *Himself* אנ of His flock?
Where is He who put His Set Apart Divine Nature within him,
63:12 causing them to go by the right hand of Moshe,
His glorious arm dividing the waters before their faces
for the sake of making for Himself an eternal name,
63:13 causing them to walk in the depths.

Like a horse in the wilderness they did not stumble."
63:14 As an animal goes down into the valley
and the breath of YAHWEH causes him to rest,
according to this You led Your people,
for the sake of making for Yourself a glorious name.

63:15 Look intently from The Heavens
and see from Your dwelling place, set apart and glorious!
Where is Your zeal and Your power,
the stirring of Your inward parts
and Your compassion toward me?
Have they been restrained?

63:16 Indeed *You Yourself* אנ are our Father
though Abraham does not know us
and Yisra'el does not acknowledge us!

You Yourself אנ, YAHWEH, are our Father,
our Redeemer!
Your name is eternal!

63:17 For what reason do You
cause us to stray from Your ways, YAHWEH,
and our heart from Your reverence?

Turn back for the sake of Your servants,
the tribes of Your inheritance!
63:18 For a little while Your set apart people possessed it.
Our adversaries have trampled Your set apart place.
63:19 (H 63:19a) We have been forever
like those over whom You have not ruled.
Among them Your Name is not called over them!

Chapter 64

64:1 (H 63.19b) You called from The Heavens!
You came down!
The mountains shook before Your face

Note: The Hebrew is not clear. Translating what's there is difficult. This appears to be a reference to Sinai.


64:2 (H 64:1) burning like a fire of brushwood
for the sake of boiling water,
for the sake of causing Your Name
to be known to Your enemies.


Before Your face the nations trembled
64:3 (H 64:2) as You were doing fearsome matters
we did not expect!

You came down!

The mountains shook before Your face!

64:4 (H 64:3) Even from eternity past
their ear has not heard,
their eye has not seen
an Elohim apart from You,
Who acts for the sake of those waiting for Him.



64:5 (H 64:4) You will meet with he himself 
who is rejoicing and doing what is right,
according to Your ways.
They will take note of You.

Behold! You Yourself  were enraged!
And we had offended against them forever.
Yet we are being delivered!

64:6 (H 64:5) And all of us have been defiled.
And all our right actions are like menstrual rags.
And all of us have wilted like a leaf.
And our perversions have carried us away like the wind.

64:7 (H 64:6) And no one being called by Your Name
stirs himself up to take hold on You.

Indeed, You have caused Your face to be hidden from us.
And You have caused us to disintegrate
by the hand of our perversions.

64:8 (H 64:7) And now, **YAHWEH**,
You Yourself  are our Father!
We ourselves are the clay.
And You Yourself  are The One fashioning us.
And all of us are the workmanship of Your hand.

64:9 (H 64:8) Do not be enraged, **YAHWEH**, not vehemently!
And do not remember the perversion forever!
Look intently now!
All of us are Your people!

64:10 (H 64:9) Your set apart cities
have become a wilderness.
Tzion has become a wilderness.
Yerushalaim has become a desolation.
64:11 (H 64:10) Our set apart and glorious House
where our fathers praised You
has been as a burning fire.
And all our desirable things have become as a ruin.

64:12 (H 64:11) Why on account of these things
have You restrained Yourself, **YAHWEH**?
You are silent!
And You afflict us to the extreme!

Chapter 65

65:1 I have been inquired of
by those who did not ask.
I have been found
by those who did not seek Me.

I said, 'I am here!, I am here!'
to a nation that did not call on My Name.

65:2 I have spread out My hands all the day
to a rebellious people walking in the way that is not good,

after their interests,
 65:3 the people causing Me Myself אני to be angry,
 before My face continually slaughtering in gardens,
 and burning incense on bricks,
 65:4 sitting among the graves
 and spending the night in concealed places,
 eating flesh of swine,
 and the broth of contaminated meat in their vessels,
 65:5 those saying, 'Keep to yourself!
 Do not come near me because I am set apart from you!'

These are as smoke in My nostrils,
 a fire burning all the day.

65:6 Behold! It is written before Me:
 'I will not hold My peace!
 Of a certainty I will repay!
 And I will repay upon their chest
 65:7 your perversions
 and the perversions of your fathers together',
 said **YAHWEH**,
 "who have burned incense upon the mountains,
 and defamed Me upon the hills!
 And I will measure their former actions upon their chest!"

65:8 Thus said **YAHWEH**,
 'As the new wine is found in the cluster,'
 and one says, 'Do not destroy it
 because there is blessing in it!',
 for the sake of this I will do for My servants' sakes,
 so as not to destroy them all.

65:9 And I will cause to come forth from Ya'akob a seed
 and from Yahudah one to inherit My mountains.
 And My chosen ones will inherit it.
 And My servants will dwell there.
 65:10 And The Sharon will be
 for the sake of a fold of flocks
 and The Valley of Akor
 for the sake of a resting place for herds
 for the sake of My people who have sought Me.

65:11 But you yourselves אתם
 are abandoning **YAHWEH**,
 those forgetting My set apart mountain itself אני,
 who arranging a table for Gad
 and who are filling a libation for Meni.

Gad means fortune. This was a Babylonian deity.
 Meni means destiny, also an idol.

65:12 And I will allot you yourselves אתם to the sword.
 And all of you will kneel down for the sake of slaughter
 because I called,
 but you did not answer.
 I spoke,
 but you did not listen attentively.
 And you did what was bad in My eyes!
 And you chose that in which I did not delight!"

65:13 For this reason thus said my Sovereign, **YAHWEH**,
 "Behold! My servants will eat
 but you yourselves אתם will hunger.
 Behold! My servants will drink
 but you yourselves אתם will thirst.
 Behold! My servants will rejoice

but you yourselves אַתְּ will be put to shame.
65:14 Behold! My servants will sing from joy of heart,
but you yourselves אַתְּ will cry out from sorrow of heart.
And you wail from the breaking of the *human* nature.
65:15 And you will leave your name
for the sake of a curse for My chosen.
And my Sovereign, YAHWEH, will put you to death.

And He will call His servants by another name
65:16 by which the one blessing himself on the earth
will bless himself with The Elohim of Truth.

And he who swears on the earth
will swear by The Elohim of Truth.

Indeed the former distresses will be forgotten!
And indeed they will be concealed from My eyes!

65:17 Indeed behold!
I am creating new skies and a new earth!
And the former will not be remembered,
and they will not rise up within the heart.

65:18 Indeed, be glad and rejoice forever and forever
in what I Myself am creating!
Indeed, behold!
I am creating Yerushalaim *itself* אַתְּ as a rejoicing
and her people as a delight.

65:19 And I will celebrate with Yerushalaim,
and be glad with My people!
And there will not be heard in her
the voice of weeping any longer
nor the voice of crying!

65:20 There will not be from there
an infant of *only a few* days,
or an aged man who does not fulfill his days *themselves* אַתְּ.
Indeed, the youth will die *at* one hundred years old.
And the offender being one hundred years old
will be lightly esteemed.

Note: There is a reference here to an offender (sinner). How can this happen in the New Earth? Many fail to realize that those born during the Millennial Reign of The Messiah will indeed be capable of offending YAHWEH. They are not automatically "redeemed". There is a coming judgment, the Great White Throne Judgment, that must occur AFTER the thousand year reign of The messiah, and AFTER the release of The Adversary, Lucifer, from The Abyss - for a short time. Do your homework! Check this out in Scripture for yourself.

65:21 And they will build houses and inhabit them.
And they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
65:22 They will not build and another inhabit it.
They will not plant and another eat it.

Indeed the days of My people
are going to be as the days of a tree,
And the work of the hands of My chosen ones
will not wear out.


65:23 They will not labor in vain.
And they will not give birth to children
for the sake of terror
because they are the blessed seed of YAHWEH,
and their offspring, they themselves אַתְּ!

65:24 And it will exist that before they call,
I Myself will answer.
And while they are still speaking
I Myself will listen attentively.

65:25 Wolf and lamb will pasture as united.
A lion will eat straw like an ox.
And dust will be the snake's food.
They will not cause harm
and they will not cause destruction
in all My set apart mountain." said YAHWEH.

Chapter 66

66:1 Thus said YAHWEH, "The Heavens are My throne
and the earth is My footstool.
Where is this house that you will build for Me?
And where is this place of My rest?

66:2 Even all these themselves 
My hands have made
and all these exist!"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -

"And toward this I will look,
toward him who is humble,
and broken of nature,
and trembling at My Word.

66:3 One sacrificing an oxen strikes a man.
One sacrificing a lamb breaks a dog's neck.
One offering up a grain offering, the blood of a swine.
One burning incense is blessing an idol.

They have also chosen their ways
and their life delights in their detestable things.

66:4 Even I Myself will choose their delusions.
And I will cause their fears to come to them
because I called,
but no one answered.
I spoke,
and no one listened attentively.
And they did what was bad in My eyes
and chose that with which I was not pleased."

66:5 Listen attentively to the Word of YAHWEH,
you who tremble at His Word!

Your kindred who are hating you,
who are casting you out for the sake of My Name said,
'Let YAHWEH be honored
and we will see it by your joy.'

But they will be put to shame.
66:6 A voice of destruction from the city,
a voice from The Temple,
the voice of YAHWEH
completing the payoff to His adversaries!

66:7 Even before she writhed in pain she gave birth,
even before a birthpang came to her
and a male child was caused to be delivered.

66:8 Who has heard such as this?

Who has seen such as these?
Can a land writhe in pain in one day
or a nation be born at once?

Indeed, as soon as Tzion writhed in pain
she gave birth to her children themselves תנ.

66:9 Will I Myself cause to come to birth
but not give birth?" says YAHWEH.
"Or will I Myself, The One causing one to give birth,
then restrain it?" said your Elohim.

66:10 Rejoice with Yerushalaim itself תנ,
and celebrate with her all those loving her!
Be greatly happy with her herself תנ!
with joy all you who mourn for her,

Note: There are four different Hebrew terms in this verse that reflect the same basic concept, that of rejoicing, being glad. It's difficult to separate the nuances of these terms since in English they're virtually all translated as "rejoice" or "rejoicing".

66:11 in order that you may nurse and will be satisfied
from the breast of her comforts,
in order that you may suck
and delight yourselves from her overflowing glory!"

66:12 Indeed thus said YAHWEH,
"Behold! I am extending to her
shalom like a river,
and the honor of the nations like a rushing river.

And you will nurse.
Upon her side you will be carried.
And upon her knees you will be bounced.
66:13 As one whom his mother comforts,
thus I will comfort you.
Even in Yerushalaim you will be comforted."

66:14 And you will see.
And your heart will rejoice.
And your bones will sprout like grass.

And the hand of YAHWEH will be known
by His servants themselves תנ,
but His indignation by His adversaries themselves תנ.

66:15 Indeed behold!
YAHWEH is coming in fire
and in a hurricane with His chariots
for the sake of returning with rage
His anger and His rebuke with flames of fire!

66:16 Indeed with fire and with His sword
YAHWEH will judge all flesh themselves תנ!
And the slain of YAHWEH will be many.

66:17 Those setting themselves apart
and those cleansing themselves at the gardens
behind the one in the midst,
eating flesh of the swine,
and the detestable things,
and the mouse
will be terminated together!"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -

66:18 And I, *because of* their actions and their intentions,
am coming for the sake of gathering
all the nations and languages *themselves* אנ.
And they will come.
And they will see *My glory itself* אנ.

66:19 And I will place a sign among them.
And will send some of those escaping to the nations,
Tarshish and Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow,
and Tubal, and Yavan, the coastlands afar off,
who have not heard *a report itself* אנ of Me
and have not seen *My glory itself* אנ.
And they will declare *My glory itself* אנ
among the nations.

66:20 And they will bring *all your kindred themselves* אנ
from all the nations as a gift to YAHWEH
on horses, and in chariots, and in litters,
on mules, and on camels
to My set apart mountain, Yerushalaim,"
says YAHWEH,
"according to how the children of Yisra'el
bring *the grain offering itself* אנ
in an undefiled vessel
into The House of YAHWEH.
66:21 And also from them I will take
for priests, for Levites," says YAHWEH.

66:22 Indeed according to the new skies and the new earth
that I Myself am making to stand before My face,"
- An Utterance of YAHWEH -
"according to this your seed and your name will stand!

66:23 And it will be that from New Moon into New Moon,
and from Sabbath into Sabbath,
all flesh will come to worship before My face!"
says YAHWEH.

66:24 "And they will go out.
And they will look at the carcasses of the men
rebellious against Me.
Indeed their maggot will not die
and their fire will not be extinguished.
And they will be abhorrent to all flesh!"