

The Old Testament With The Apocrypha Condensed

King James Version

This is a condensed version of the Old Testament with the Apocrypha.

The challenge to read and understand the Old Testament can be intimidating.

This is an attempt to increase understanding and readability by reducing the shear volume to encourage more readers to become more interested in the Old Testament contents.

Genealogies and section specifically for the Priesthood along with the sacrifice and offering acts have been left out.

Some parts of Jewish history, land descriptions and other portions have been omitted.

Prophecies have been omitted because I do not believe they are set in stone, they can be changed.

Genesis

Creation

[1] In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

[2] And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

[3] And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

[4] And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

[5] And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

[6] And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

[7] And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

[8] And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

[9] And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

[10] And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he

Seas: and God saw that it was good.

[11] And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

[12] And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

[13] And the evening and the morning were the third day.

[14] And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

[15] And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

[16] And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.

[17] And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

[18] And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

[19] And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

[20] And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

[21] And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

[22] And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

[23] And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

[24] And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

[25] And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

[26] And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

[27] So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

[28] And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

[29] And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

[30] And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

[31] And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day. Genesis 1:1-31

[1] Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

[2] And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

[3] And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made. Genesis 2:1-3

Man – Adam

[7] And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

[8] And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Genesis 2:7-8

[16] And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

[17] But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

[18] And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. Genesis 2:16-18

[21] And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

[22] And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

[23] And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Genesis 2:21-23

[1] Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

[2] And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

[3] But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

[4] And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

[5] For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

[6] And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

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

[8] And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

[9] And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

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

[11] And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

[12] And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

[13] And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

[14] And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: Genesis 3:1-14

[17] And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

[18] Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

[19] In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. Genesis 3:17-19

[22] And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

[23] Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. Genesis 3:22-23

Noah

[5] And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

[6] And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

[7] And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

[8] But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

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

[10] And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

[11] The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

[12] And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

[13] And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

[14] Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. Genesis 6:5-14

[17] And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die.

[18] But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. Genesis 6:17-18

[21] And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them.

[22] Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he. Genesis 6:21-22

[1] And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

[2] Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female.

[3] Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

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

[5] And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him. Genesis 7:1-5

[7] And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

[8] Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth,

[9] There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.

[10] And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. Genesis 7:7-10

[12] And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. Genesis 7:12

[21] And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man: Genesis 7:21

[23] Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark. Genesis 7:23 partial

[1] And God remembered Noah, Genesis 8:1 partial

[13] the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry. Genesis 8:13 partial

[15] And God spake unto Noah, saying,

[16] Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.

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

[18] And Noah went forth, Genesis 8:15-18 partial

[20] And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

[21] And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

[22] While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease. Genesis 8:20-22

[1] And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

[2] And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

[3] Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things.

[4] But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

Genesis 9:1-4

[6] Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

[7] And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.

[8] And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,

[9] And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

Genesis 9:6-9

[11] And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.

Genesis 9:11

[13] I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. Genesis 9:13

Language

[1] And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

[2] And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the

land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.

[3] And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.

[4] And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

[5] And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

[6] And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

[7] Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

[8] So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

[9] Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth. Genesis 11:1-9

Abram

[1] Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

[2] And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

[3] And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

[4] So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

[5] And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.

[6] And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.

[7] And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him. Genesis 12:1-7

[1] The word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward. Genesis 15:1 partial

[5] Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

[6] And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness. Genesis 15:5-6 partial

[12] And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

[13] And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

[14] And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

[15] And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.
Genesis 15:12-15

[1] The LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

[2] And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

[3] And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

[4] As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

[5] Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

[6] And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

[7] And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

[8] And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

[9] And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

[10] This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised. Genesis 17:1-10 partial

[12] And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, Genesis 17:12 partial

[14] And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; Genesis 17:14 partial

[15] And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be.

[16] And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of people shall be of her.

[17] Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?

[18] And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee!

[19] And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

[20] And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will

make him a great nation.

[21] But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.

[22] And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham. Genesis 17:15-22

[1] And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;

[2] And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,

[3] And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:

[4] Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

[5] And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.

[6] And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth.

[7] And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

[8] And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.

[9] And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

[10] And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him.

[11] Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

[12] Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?

[13] And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?

[14] Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

[15] Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

[16] And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

[17] And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

[18] Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

[19] For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

[20] And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;

[21] I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry

of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.

[22] And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD.

[23] And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

[24] Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein?

[25] That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

[26] And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.

[27] And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes:

[28] Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy it.

[29] And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for forty's sake.

[30] And he said unto him, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there.

[31] And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord:

Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for twenty's sake.

[32] And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once:

Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten's sake.

[33] And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place. Genesis 18:1-33

[1] And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;

[2] And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night.

[3] And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.

[4] But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

[5] And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.

[6] And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

[7] And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

[8] Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.

[9] And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn,

and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door.

[10] But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.

[11] And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

[12] And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place:

[13] For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.

[14] And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.

[15] And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.

[16] And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

[17] And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

[18] And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:

[19] Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

[20] Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.

[21] And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.

[22] Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

[23] The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

[24] Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

[25] And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

[26] But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

[27] And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD:

[28] And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

[29] And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.

[30] And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with

him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.
Genesis 19:1-30

[1] And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken.

[2] For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

[3] And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

[4] And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.

[5] And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

[6] And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me.

[7] And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? for I have born him a son in his old age.

[8] And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the same day that Isaac was weaned.

[9] And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.

[10] Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac.

[11] And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.

[12] And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.

[13] And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he is thy seed.

[14] And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

[15] And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.

[16] And she went, and sat her down over against him a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against him, and lift up her voice, and wept.

[17] And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is.

[18] Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation.

[19] And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.

[20] And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer.

[21] And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt. Genesis 21:1-21

[1] And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

[2] And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

[3] And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

[4] Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

[5] And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you,

[6] And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.

[7] And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?

[8] And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

[9] And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

[10] And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

[11] And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I.

[12] And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

[13] And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

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

[15] And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

[16] And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

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

[18] And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice. Genesis 22:1-18

Jacob (Israel)

[10] And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.

[11] And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

[12] And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

[13] And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I am the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

[14] And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

[15] And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

[16] And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not.

[17] And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

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

[19] And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first.

[20] And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

[21] So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God:

[22] And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee. Genesis 28:10-22

Joseph

[1] And Jacob dwelt in the land of Canaan. Genesis 37:1 partial

[28] Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: Genesis 32:28 partial

[3] Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: Genesis 37:3 partial

[4] And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, Genesis 37:4 partial

[13] And Israel said unto Joseph,

[14] Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flocks; Genesis 37:13-14

[18] And when his brethren saw him afar off, they conspired against him Genesis 37:17-18 partial

[26] And Judah said
[27] let us sell him to the Ishmeelites,
[28] and the Ishmeelites brought Joseph into Egypt. Genesis 37:26-28 partial

[36] And sold him unto Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, and captain of the guard.
Genesis 37:36 partial

[2] And the LORD was with Joseph,
[3] And his master saw that the LORD was with him,
[4] And he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.
Genesis 39:3-4 partial

[7] And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.
[8] But he refused, Genesis 39:7-8 partial

[11] And it came to pass that Joseph went into the house to do his business;
[12] And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out. Genesis 39:11-12 partial

[16] And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home.
[17] And she spake unto him saying, The Hebrew servant, came in unto me to mock me:
[18] as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.
[19] When his master heard the words of his wife, his wrath was kindled.
[20] And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, Genesis 39:16-20 partial

[21] But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.
[22] And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; Genesis 39:21-22 partial

[1] And it came to pass after these things, that the butler of the king of Egypt and his baker had offended their lord the king of Egypt.
[2] And Pharaoh was wroth
[3] And he put them into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound. Genesis 40:1-3 partial

[5] And they dreamed a dream both of them, Genesis 40:5 partial

[6] And Joseph came in Genesis 40:6 partial

[8] And they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and there is no interpreter of it. And Joseph said unto them, Do not interpretations belong to God? tell me them, I pray you.
[9] And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, Genesis 40:8-9 partial

[12] And Joseph said unto him, This is the interpretation of it: Genesis 40:12 partial

[13] Within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place: and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler.

[14] But think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:
Genesis 40:13-14 partial

[16] The chief baker said unto Joseph, I also was in my dream, Genesis 40:16 partial

[18] And Joseph answered and said, This is the interpretation thereof:

[19] within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree; Genesis 40:18-19 partial

[20] The third day, was Pharaoh's birthday,

[21] And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand:

[22] But he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.
Genesis 40:20-22 partial

[1] And it came to pass that Pharaoh dreamed: Genesis 41:1 partial

[8] And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but there was none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.

[9] Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day:

[10] Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, both me and the chief baker:

[11] And we dreamed a dream

[12] And there was there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and he interpreted to us our dreams;

[13] And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, Genesis 41:8-13 partial

[14] Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph,

[15] And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, that thou canst understand a dream to interpret it.

[16] And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace. Genesis 41:14-16 partial

[25] And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, God hath shewed Pharaoh what he is about to do.
Genesis 41:25 partial

[29] Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:

[30] And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; Genesis 41:29-30 partial

[32] and God will shortly bring it to pass.

[33] Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. Genesis 41:32-33 partial

[39] And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art:

[40] Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou. Genesis 41:39-40

[47] And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.

[48] And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, Genesis 41:47-48 partial

[53] And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of Egypt, were ended.

[54] And the seven years of dearth began to come, Genesis 41:53-54 partial

[56] And the famine was over all the face of the earth: and Joseph opened all the storehouses,

[57] And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn; because that the famine was so sore in all lands. Genesis 41:56-57 partial

[1] Now when Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons,

[2] get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die. Genesis 42:1-2 partial

[5] for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

[6] And Joseph was the governor over the land, and he it was that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, Genesis 42:5-6 partial

[3] And Joseph said unto his brethren,

[4] I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.

[5] Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life. Genesis 45:3-5 partial

[8] So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

[9] Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, Genesis 45:8-9

[2] And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, Genesis 46:2 partial

[3] And he said, I am God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation:

[4] I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up again: Genesis 46:3-4 partial

[5] The sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives,
[6] And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him: Genesis 46:5-6 partial

[27] And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly. Genesis 47:27

Judah

[1] And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

[2] And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name was Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

[3] And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er.

[4] And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan.

[5] And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

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

[7] And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.

[8] And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.

[9] And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

[10] And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.
Genesis 38:1-10

Exodus

Children of Israel

[6] And Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation.

[7] And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.

[8] Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.

[9] And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we:

[10] Come on, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land.

[11] Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh treasure cities, Pithom and Raamses.

[12] But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew. And they were grieved because of the children of Israel.

[13] And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:

[14] And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in mortar, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service, wherein they made them serve, was with rigour.

[15] And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:

[16] And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the stools; if it be a son, then ye shall kill him: but if it be a daughter, then she shall live.

[17] But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the men children alive.

[18] And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?

[19] And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are delivered ere the midwives come in unto them.

[20] Therefore God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty.

[21] And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he made them houses.

[22] And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive. Exodus 1:6-22

Moses – Early Life

[1] And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi.

[2] And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months.

[3] And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink.

[4] And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.

[5] And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash herself at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.

[6] And when she had opened it, she saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the Hebrews' children.

[7] Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?

[8] And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.

[9] And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.

[10] And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became

her son. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.

[11] And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.

[12] And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

[13] And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the Hebrews strove together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?

[14] And he said, Who made thee a prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.

[15] Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well.

[16] Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

[17] And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.

[18] And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that ye are come so soon to day?

[19] And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water enough for us, and watered the flock.

[20] And he said unto his daughters, And where is he? why is it that ye have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread.

[21] And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter.

[22] And she bare him a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he said, I have been a stranger in a strange land.

[23] And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage.

[24] And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.

[25] And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.

Exodus 2:1-25

Moses – Mission

[1] Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.

[2] And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

[3] And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

[4] And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the

midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

[5] And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

[6] Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.

[7] And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

[8] And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

[9] Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

[10] Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

[11] And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

[12] And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.

[13] And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them?

[14] And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

[15] And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.

[16] Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and seen that which is done to you in Egypt:

[17] And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.

[18] And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath met with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.

[19] And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not by a mighty hand.

[20] And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.

[21] And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty:

[22] But every woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her

house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put them upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and ye shall spoil the Egyptians. Exodus 3:1-22

Moses – Resistance – Submission

[1] And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.

[2] And the LORD said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.

[3] And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

[4] And the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:

[5] That they may believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee.

[6] And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous as snow.

[7] And he said, Put thine hand into thy bosom again. And he put his hand into his bosom again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and, behold, it was turned again as his other flesh.

[8] And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.

[9] And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land: and the water which thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land.

[10] And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

[11] And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?

[12] Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

[13] And he said, O my Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou wilt send.

[14] And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.

[15] And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do.

[16] And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be, even he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of God.

[17] And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs.

[18] And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father in law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace.

[19] And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life.

[20] And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass, and he returned to

the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand.

[21] And the LORD said unto Moses, When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have put in thine hand: but I will harden his heart, that he shall not let the people go.

[22] And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel is my son, even my firstborn:

[23] And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, even thy firstborn. Exodus 4:1-23

[27] And the LORD said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and met him in the mount of God, and kissed him.

[28] And Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD who had sent him, and all the signs which he had commanded him.

[29] And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel:

[30] And Aaron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people.

[31] And the people believed: and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped. Exodus 4:27-31

Pharaoh Increases Burdens

[1] And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness.

[2] And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

[3] And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword.

[4] And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.

[5] And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and ye make them rest from their burdens.

[6] And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying,

[7] Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves.

[8] And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God.

[9] Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words.

[10] And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

[11] Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished.

[12] So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

[13] And the taskmasters hasted them, saying, Fulfil your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw.

[14] And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?

[15] Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?

[16] There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, thy servants are beaten; but the fault is in thine own people.

[17] But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go and do sacrifice to the LORD.

[18] Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.

[19] And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were in evil case, after it was said, Ye shall not minish ought from your bricks of your daily task.

[20] And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

[21] And they said unto them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savour to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

[22] And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me?

[23] For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all. Exodus 5:1-23

The Lord Speaks to Moses

[1] Then the LORD said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land.

[2] And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the LORD:

[3] And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.

[4] And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.

[5] And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.

[6] Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

[7] And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know

that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

[8] And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I am the LORD.

[9] And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.

[10] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[11] Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land.

[12] And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncircumcised lips?

[13] And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt. Exodus 6:1-13

[29] That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I am the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee.

[30] And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me? Exodus 6:29-30

[1] And the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.

[2] Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.

[3] And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt.

[4] But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

[5] And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.

[6] And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they. Exodus 7:1-6

Serpent

[8] And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

[9] When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle for you: then thou shalt say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast it before Pharaoh, and it shall become a serpent.

[10] And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

[11] Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.

[12] For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

[13] And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said. Exodus 7:8-13

Water to Blood

[14] And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is hardened, he refuseth to let the people go.

[15] Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt thou take in thine hand.

[16] And thou shalt say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

[17] Thus saith the LORD, In this thou shalt know that I am the LORD: behold, I will smite with the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood.

[18] And the fish that is in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river.

[19] And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; and that there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone.

[20] And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood.

[21] And the fish that was in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

[22] And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the LORD had said.

[23] And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also.

[24] And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river.

[25] And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten the river.

Exodus 7:14-25

Frogs

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

[2] And if thou refuse to let them go, behold, I will smite all thy borders with frogs:

[3] And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs:

[4] And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.

[5] And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt.

[6] And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

[7] And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.

[8] Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Intreat the LORD, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the LORD.

[9] And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, that they may remain in the river only?

[10] And he said, To morrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word: that thou mayest know that there is none like unto the LORD our God.

[11] And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only.

[12] And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the LORD because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh.

[13] And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields.

[14] And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank.

[15] But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said. Exodus 8:1-15

Lice

[16] And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

[17] And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

[18] And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

[19] Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said. Exodus 8:16-19

Flies

[20] And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

[21] Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are.

[22] And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am the LORD in the midst of the earth.

[23] And I will put a division between my people and thy people: to morrow shall this sign be.

[24] And the LORD did so; and there came a grievous swarm of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt: the land was corrupted by reason of the swarm of flies.

[25] And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land.

[26] And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us?

[27] We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God, as he shall command us.

[28] And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the LORD your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: intreat for me.

[29] And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat the LORD that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to morrow: but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the LORD.

[30] And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.

[31] And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

[32] And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.
Exodus 8:20-32

Death of Cattle

[1] Then the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

[2] For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt hold them still,

[3] Behold, the hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which is in the field, upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: there shall be a very grievous murrain.

[4] And the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and there shall nothing die of all that is the children's of Israel.

[5] And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the LORD shall do this thing in the land.

[6] And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

[7] And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go. Exodus 9:1-7

Boils

[8] And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.

[9] And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.

[10] And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast.

[11] And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.

[12] And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken unto Moses. Exodus 9:8-12

Hail

[13] And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

[14] For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth.

[15] For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

[16] And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for to shew in thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.

[17] As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go?

[18] Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

[19] Send therefore now, and gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast in the field; for upon every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.

[20] He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

[21] And he that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

[22] And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt.

[23] And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

[24] So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.

[25] And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field.

[26] Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail.

[27] And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the LORD is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.

[28] Intreat the LORD (for it is enough) that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.

[29] And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the LORD; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how that the earth is the LORD's.

[30] But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God.

[31] And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley was in the ear, and the flax was balled.

[32] But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they were not grown up.

[33] And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto the LORD: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.

[34] And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants.

[35] And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses. Exodus 9:13-35

Locusts

[1] And the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs before him:

[2] And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I am the LORD.

[3] And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me.

[4] Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to morrow will I bring the locusts into thy coast:

[5] And they shall cover the face of the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth: and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field:

[6] And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

[7] And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is

destroyed?

[8] And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go, serve the LORD your God: but who are they that shall go?

[9] And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto the LORD.

[10] And he said unto them, Let the LORD be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for evil is before you.

[11] Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve the LORD; for that ye did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

[12] And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath left.

[13] And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.

[14] And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such.

[15] For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

[16] Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.

[17] Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and intreat the LORD your God, that he may take away from me this death only.

[18] And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.

[19] And the LORD turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt.

[20] But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go. Exodus 10:1-20

Darkness

[21] And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt.

[22] And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days:

[23] They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

[24] And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the LORD; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you.

[25] And Moses said, Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the LORD our God.

[26] Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with what we must serve the LORD, until we come thither.

[27] But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

[28] And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die.

[29] And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.

Exodus 10:21-29

Firstborn Die

[1] And the LORD said unto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague more upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether.

[2] Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold.

[3] And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

[4] And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt:

[5] And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.

[6] And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

[7] But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

[8] And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger.

[9] And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you; that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.

[10] And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

Exodus 11:1-10

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

Exodus 12:1

[12] For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. Exodus 12:12

[21] Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.

[22] And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that is in the bason; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.

[23] For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you. Exodus 12:21-23

[28] And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

[29] And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

[30] And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

[31] And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have said.

[32] Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also.

[33] And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We be all dead men.

[34] And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

[35] And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment:

[36] And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

[37] And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.

[38] And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle.

[39] And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual.

[40] Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.

[41] And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

[42] It is a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations. Exodus 12:28-42

Exodus from Egypt

[51] And it came to pass the selfsame day, that the LORD did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies. Exodus 12:51

[21] And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

[22] He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people. Exodus 13:21-22

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea.

[3] For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They are entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in.

[4] And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I am the LORD. And they did so.

[5] And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?

[6] And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:

[7] And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

[8] And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand.

[9] But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.

[10] And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto the LORD.

[11] And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?

[12] Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

[13] And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

[14] The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace. Exodus 14:1-14

Sea Divided

[15] And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:

[16] But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

[17] And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

[18] And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

[19] And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:

[20] And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.

[21] And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

[22] And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

[23] And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

[24] And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians,

[25] And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

[26] And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

[27] And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

[28] And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them.

[29] But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

[30] Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

[31] And Israel saw that great work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD, and his servant Moses.

Exodus 14:15-31

Manna and Quail

[4] Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no. Exodus 16:4

[11] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[12] I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God.

[13] And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the host.

[14] And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground.

[15] And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna: for they wist not what it was. And Moses said unto them, This is the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat. Exodus 16:11-15

[29] See, for that the LORD hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day. Exodus 16:29

[35] And the children of Israel did eat manna forty years, until they came to a land inhabited; they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan. Exodus 16:35

Water

[1] And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, after their journeys, according to the commandment of the LORD, and pitched in Rephidim: and there was no water for the people to drink. Exodus 17:1

[3] And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, Exodus 17:3 partial

[4] And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, What shall I do unto this people? Exodus 17:4 partial

[5] And the LORD said unto Moses, Go on before the people, and take with thee of the elders of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the river, take in thine hand, and go.

[6] Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. Exodus 17:5-6

The Third Month

[1] In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.

[2] For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

[3] And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

[4] Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

[5] Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

[6] And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

[7] And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

[8] And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

[9] And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD.

[10] And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them to day and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes,

[11] And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

[12] And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, that ye go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death:

[13] There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount.

[14] And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes.

[15] And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day: come not at your wives.

[16] And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled.

[17] And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

[18] And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

[19] And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.

[20] And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

[21] And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break

through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

[22] And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest the LORD break forth upon them.

[23] And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

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

[25] So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them. Exodus 19:1-25

The Ten Commandments

[3] Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

[4] Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

[5] Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

[6] And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

[7] Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

[8] Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

[9] Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

[10] But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

[11] For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

[12] Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

[13] Thou shalt not kill.

[14] Thou shalt not commit adultery.

[15] Thou shalt not steal.

[16] Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

[17] Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's. Exodus 20:3-17

Laws

[22] And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.

[23] Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.

[24] An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.

[25] And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not build it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it.

[26] Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon. Exodus 20:22-26

[1] Now these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.

[2] If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

[3] If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go out with him.

[4] If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.

[5] And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:

[6] Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him for ever.

[7] And if a man sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the menservants do.

[8] If she please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself, then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange nation he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.

[9] And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of daughters.

[10] If he take him another wife; her food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish.

[11] And if he do not these three unto her, then shall she go out free without money.

[12] He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death.

[13] And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver him into his hand; then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.

[14] But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him with guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.

[15] And he that smiteth his father, or his mother, shall be surely put to death.

[16] And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

[17] And he that curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.

[18] And if men strive together, and one smite another with a stone, or with his fist, and he die not, but keepeth his bed:

[19] If he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote him be quit: only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed.

[20] And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand; he

shall be surely punished.

[21] Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he is his money.

[22] If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine.

[23] And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life,

[24] Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,

[25] Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

[26] And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his maid, that it perish; he shall let him go free for his eye's sake.

[27] And if he smite out his manservant's tooth, or his maidservant's tooth; he shall let him go free for his tooth's sake.

[28] If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox shall be quit.

[29] But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.

[30] If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for the ransom of his life whatsoever is laid upon him.

[31] Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment shall it be done unto him.

[32] If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give unto their master thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

[33] And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or an ass fall therein;

[34] The owner of the pit shall make it good, and give money unto the owner of them; and the dead beast shall be his.

[35] And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he die; then they shall sell the live ox, and divide the money of it; and the dead ox also they shall divide.

[36] Or if it be known that the ox hath used to push in time past, and his owner hath not kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own. Exodus 21:1-36

Laws

[1] If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.

[2] If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die, there shall no blood be shed for him.

[3] If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him; for he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

[4] If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall restore double.

[5] If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own

vineyard, shall he make restitution.

[6] If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed therewith; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

[7] If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double.

[8] If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be brought unto the judges, to see whether he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.

[9] For all manner of trespass, whether it be for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, or for any manner of lost thing, which another challengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall come before the judges; and whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his neighbour.

[10] If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing it:

[11] Then shall an oath of the LORD be between them both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept thereof, and he shall not make it good.

[12] And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof.

[13] If it be torn in pieces, then let him bring it for witness, and he shall not make good that which was torn.

[14] And if a man borrow ought of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it good.

[15] But if the owner thereof be with it, he shall not make it good: if it be an hired thing, it came for his hire.

[16] And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

[17] If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money according to the dowry of virgins.

[18] Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live.

[19] Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.

[20] He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

[21] Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

[22] Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.

[23] If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry;

[24] And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

[25] If thou lend money to any of my people that is poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury.

[26] If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down:

[27] For that is his covering only, it is his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious.

[28] Thou shalt not revile the gods, nor curse the ruler of thy people.

[29] Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the

firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.

[30] Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, and with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with his dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give it me.

[31] And ye shall be holy men unto me: neither shall ye eat any flesh that is torn of beasts in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs. Exodus 22:1-31

Laws

[1] Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.

[2] Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment:

[3] Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.

[4] If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

[5] If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.

[6] Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

[7] Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked.

[8] And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous.

[9] Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

[10] And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:

[11] But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard.

[12] Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

[13] And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

[14] Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

[15] Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)

[16] And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

[17] Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD.

[18] Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my sacrifice remain until the morning.

[19] The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk. Exodus 23:1-19

The Lord's Commands (or) Tabernacle Furnishings

[12] And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them. Exodus 24:12

[15] And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.

[16] And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

[17] And the sight of the glory of the LORD was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.

[18] And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights. Exodus 24:15-18

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering. Exodus 25:1-2

[8] And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.

[9] According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it.

[10] And they shall make an ark Exodus 25:8-10 partial

[17] And thou shalt make a mercy seat Exodus 25:17

[21] And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.

[22] And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.

Exodus 25:21-22

[1] And thou shalt make an altar Exodus 27:1 partial

[1] And thou shalt make an altar to burn incense upon: Exodus 30:1 partial

The Sabbath

[12] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[13] Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you.

[14] Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth any work therein, that soul shall be cut

off from among his people.

[15] Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

[16] Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant.

[17] It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

Exodus 31:12-17

Tablets of Stone

[18] And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

Exodus 31:18

Moses' Saving Plea

[7] And the LORD said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves:

[8] They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

[9] And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people:

[10] Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation.

[11] And Moses besought the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

[12] Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people.

[13] Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever.

[14] And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.

[15] And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written.

[16] And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables. Exodus 32:7-16

[19] And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and

brake them beneath the mount.

[20] And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it in the fire, and ground it to powder, and strawed it upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink of it.

Exodus 32:19-20

[30] And it came to pass, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin.

[31] And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold.

[33] And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book. Exodus 32:30-33 partial

[34] In the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them. Exodus 32:34 partial

Tabernacle of the Congregation

[7] And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, that every one which sought the LORD went out unto the tabernacle of the congregation, which was without the camp.

[8] And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the tabernacle, that all the people rose up, and stood every man at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the tabernacle.

[9] And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood at the door of the tabernacle, and the LORD talked with Moses.

[10] And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand at the tabernacle door: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man in his tent door.

[11] And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. Exodus 33:7-11 partial

[13] Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: Exodus 33:13 partial

[1] And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.

[2] And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me in the top of the mount. Exodus 34:1-2

[4] And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

[5] And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. Exodus 34:4-5

[8] And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

[9] And he said, If now I have found grace in thy sight, O Lord, let my Lord, I pray thee, go among us; for it is a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance. Exodus 34:8-9

[14] For thou shalt worship no other god: Exodus 34:14 partial

[21] Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest. Exodus 34:21

[28] And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments. Exodus 34:28 partial

Tabernacle Offering

[1] And Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said unto them, These are the words which the LORD hath commanded, that ye should do them.

[2] Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

[3] Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.

[4] And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

[5] Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD; Exodus 35:1-5 partial

[10] And every wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath commanded;

[11] The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets,

[12] The ark, and the staves thereof, with the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering,

[13] The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the shewbread,

[14] The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,

[15] And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle,

[16] The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

[17] The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the door of the court,

[18] The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

[19] The cloths of service, to do service in the holy place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.

Exodus 35:10-19

The Tabernacle

[32] All the work of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation was finished:
Exodus 39:32 partial

[33] And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the tent, and all his furniture,
Exodus 39:33 partial

[41] The cloths of service to do service in the holy place, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and his sons' garments, to minister in the priest's office. Exodus 39:41

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] On the first day of the first month shalt thou set up the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation. Exodus 40:1-2

[16] Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he.
Exodus 40:16

[34] Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

[35] And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

[36] And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward in all their journeys:

[37] But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up.

[38] For the cloud of the LORD was upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

Exodus 40:34-38

Leviticus

Laws

[17] It shall be a perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that ye eat neither fat nor blood. Leviticus 3:17

[2] If a soul sin, and commit a trespass against the LORD, and lie unto his neighbour in that which was delivered him to keep, or in fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence, or hath deceived his neighbour;

[3] Or have found that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and sweareth falsely; in any of all these that a man doeth, sinning therein:

[4] Then it shall be, because he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which he took violently away, or the thing which he hath deceitfully gotten, or that which was

delivered him to keep, or the lost thing which he found,

[5] Or all that about which he hath sworn falsely; he shall even restore it in the principal, and shall add the fifth part more thereto, and give it unto him to whom it appertaineth, in the day of his trespass offering. Leviticus 6:2-5

[23] Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Ye shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or of sheep, or of goat.

[24] And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts, may be used in any other use: but ye shall in no wise eat of it.

[25] For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth it shall be cut off from his people.

[26] Moreover ye shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of fowl or of beast, in any of your dwellings.

[27] Whatsoever soul it be that eateth any manner of blood, even that soul shall be cut off from his people. Leviticus 7:23-27

[23] And the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the people.

[24] And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: Leviticus 9:23-24 partial

[11] And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses. Leviticus 10:11

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,

[2] Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These are the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth.

[3] Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

[4] Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: as the camel, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

[5] And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

[6] And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

[7] And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you.

[8] Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you.

[9] These shall ye eat of all that are in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.

[10] And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which is in the waters, they shall be an abomination unto you:

[11] They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcasses in abomination.

[12] Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that shall be an abomination unto you.

[13] And these are they which ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,

[14] And the vulture, and the kite after his kind;

[15] Every raven after his kind;

[16] And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

[17] And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl,

[18] And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,

[19] And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

[20] All fowls that creep, going upon all four, shall be an abomination unto you.

[21] Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon all four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;

[22] Even these of them ye may eat; the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.

[23] But all other flying creeping things, which have four feet, shall be an abomination unto you.

[24] And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.

[25] And whosoever beareth ought of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

[26] The carcasses of every beast which divideth the hoof, and is not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, are unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.

[27] And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts that go on all four, those are unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even.

[28] And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you.

[29] These also shall be unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth; the weasel, and the mouse, and the tortoise after his kind,

[30] And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.

[31] These are unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

[32] And upon whatsoever any of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel it be, wherein any work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.

[33] And every earthen vessel, whereinto any of them falleth, whatsoever is in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

[34] Of all meat which may be eaten, that on which such water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every such vessel shall be unclean.

[35] And every thing whereupon any part of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; whether it be oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: for they are unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.

[36] Nevertheless a fountain or pit, wherein there is plenty of water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

[37] And if any part of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it shall be clean.

[38] But if any water be put upon the seed, and any part of their carcase fall thereon, it shall be unclean unto you.

[39] And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.

[40] And he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

[41] And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth shall be an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

[42] Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever hath more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they are an abomination.

[43] Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

[44] For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

[45] For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

[46] This is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:

[47] To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten. Leviticus 11:1-47

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.

[3] And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

[4] And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.

[5] But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days.

Leviticus 12:1-5

[10] And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

[11] For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

[12] Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

[13] And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.

[14] For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.

[15] And every soul that eateth that which died of itself, or that which was torn with beasts, whether it be one of your own country, or a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.

[16] But if he wash them not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear his iniquity.

Leviticus 17:10-16

[4] Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I am the LORD your God.

[5] Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live in them: I am the LORD.

[6] None of you shall approach to any that is near of kin to him, to uncover their nakedness: I am the LORD.

[7] The nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she is thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

[8] The nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it is thy father's nakedness.

[9] The nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, whether she be born at home, or born abroad, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.

[10] The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs is thine own nakedness.

[11] The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she is thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

[12] Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she is thy father's near kinswoman.

[13] Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she is thy mother's near kinswoman.

[14] Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to his wife: she is thine aunt.

[15] Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she is thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

[16] Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it is thy brother's nakedness.

[17] Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; for they are her near kinswomen: it is wickedness.

[18] Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister, to vex her, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time.

[19] Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.

[20] Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with

her.

[21] And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through the fire to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I am the LORD.

[22] Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination.

[23] Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it is confusion.

[24] Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you: Leviticus 18:4-24

[26] Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit any of these abominations; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you: Leviticus 18:26

[2] Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God am holy.

[3] Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths: I am the LORD your God.

[4] Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the LORD your God. Leviticus 19:2-4

[9] And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.

[10] And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather every grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I am the LORD your God.

[11] Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.

[12] And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I am the LORD.

[13] Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob him: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.

[14] Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I am the LORD.

[15] Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.

[16] Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I am the LORD.

[17] Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

[18] Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD.

[19] Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

[20] And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that is a bondmaid, betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; she shall be scourged; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free. Leviticus 19:9-20

[26] Ye shall not eat any thing with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantment, nor observe times.

[27] Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard.

[28] Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you:

[29] Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore;

[30] Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary:

[31] Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them:

[32] Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I am the LORD.

[33] And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him.

[34] But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself;

[35] Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

[36] Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have:

[37] Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: I am the LORD. Leviticus 19:26-37 partial

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] Again, thou shalt say to the children of Israel, Whosoever he be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth any of his seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones.

[3] And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name.

[4] And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from the man, when he giveth of his seed unto Molech, and kill him not:

[5] Then I will set my face against that man, and against his family, and will cut him off, and all that go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their people.

[6] And the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.

[7] Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I am the LORD your God.

[8] And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I am the LORD which sanctify you.

[9] For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood shall be upon him.

[10] And the man that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

[11] And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.

[12] And if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death:

they have wrought confusion; their blood shall be upon them.

[13] If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.

[14] And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.

[15] And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.

[16] And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.

[17] And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it is a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity.

[18] And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he hath discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people.

[19] And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.

[20] And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless.

[21] And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it is an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless. Leviticus 20:1-21

[25] Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean. Leviticus 20:25

[27] A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood shall be upon them.
Leviticus 20:27

[3] Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein: it is the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings. Leviticus 23:3

[13] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[14] Bring forth him that hath cursed without the camp; and let all that heard him lay their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him.

[15] And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Whosoever curseth his God shall bear his sin.

[16] And he that blasphemeth the name of the LORD, he shall surely be put to death, and all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he blasphemeth the name of the LORD, shall be put to death.

[17] And he that killeth any man shall surely be put to death.

[18] And he that killeth a beast shall make it good; beast for beast.

[19] And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as he hath done, so shall it be done to him;

[20] Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be done to him again.

[21] And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that killeth a man, he shall be put to death.

[22] Ye shall have one manner of law, as well for the stranger, as for one of your own country: for I am the LORD your God. Leviticus 24:13-22

[1] Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God.

[2] Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD.
Leviticus 26:1-2

Rewards and Punishments

[3] If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them;

[4] Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

[5] And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.

[6] And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid: and I will rid evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land.

[7] And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

[8] And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

[9] For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you.

[10] And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of the new.

[11] And I will set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor you.

[12] And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people.

[13] I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright.

[14] But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments;

[15] And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant:

[16] I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

[17] And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you.

[18] And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins.

[19] And I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass:

[20] And your strength shall be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.

[21] And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

[22] I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your highways shall be desolate.

[23] And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;

[24] Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins.

[25] And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of my covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities, I will send the pestilence among you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy.

[26] And when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver you your bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.

[27] And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me;

[28] Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins.

[29] And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

[30] And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your carcasses upon the carcasses of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you.

[31] And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours.

[32] And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

[33] And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

[34] Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.

[35] As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it.

[36] And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.

[37] And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.

[38] And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up.

[39] And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.

[40] If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their

trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;

[41] And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:

[42] Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.

[43] The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.

[44] And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their God.

[45] But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the LORD.

[46] These are the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses. Leviticus 26:3-46

Numbers

Count the People

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses

[2] Take ye the sum of the children of Israel, after their families, every male

[3] Twenty years old and upward, that are able to go forth to war: thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies. Numbers 1:1-3 partial

[19] As the LORD commanded Moses, so he numbered them Numbers 1:19 partial

[47] But the Levites were not numbered Numbers 1:47 partial

[50] Thou shalt appoint the Levites over the tabernacle Numbers 1:50 partial

[49] According to the commandment of the LORD they were numbered by the hand of Moses, every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as the LORD commanded Moses. Numbers 4:49

Laws

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] Command the children of Israel, that they put out of the camp every leper, and every one that hath an issue, and whosoever is defiled by the dead:

[3] Both male and female shall ye put out, without the camp shall ye put them; that they defile not their camps, in the midst whereof I dwell. Numbers 5:1-3

[5] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[6] Speak unto the children of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be guilty;

[7] Then they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall recompense his trespass with the principal thereof, and add unto it the fifth part thereof, and give it unto him against whom he hath trespassed. Numbers 5:5-7

Speak Unto Aaron

[22] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[23] Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them,

[24] The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:

[25] The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

[26] The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

[27] And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them.

Numbers 6:22-27

Moses and God Speak

[89] And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.

Numbers 7:89

From Fire to Plague

[23] At the commandment of the LORD they rested in the tents, and at the commandment of the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of the LORD, at the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses. Numbers 9:23

[1] And when the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard it; and his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed them that were in the uttermost parts of the camp.

[2] And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the LORD, the fire was quenched.

[3] And he called the name of the place Taberah: because the fire of the LORD burnt among them.

[4] And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?

[5] We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick:

[6] But our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes.

[7] And the manna was as coriander seed, and the colour thereof as the colour of bdellium.

[8] And the people went about, and gathered it, and ground it in mills, or beat it in a mortar, and baked it in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil.

[9] And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it.

[10] Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.

[11] And Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me?

[12] Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers?

[13] Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat.

[14] I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me.

[15] And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness.

[16] And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee.

[17] And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone.

[18] And say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.

[19] Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days;

[20] But even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the LORD which is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?

[21] And Moses said, The people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen; and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.

[22] Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?

[23] And the LORD said unto Moses, Is the LORD's hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not.

[24] And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tabernacle.

[25] And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that

was upon him, and gave it unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease.

[26] But there remained two of the men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they were of them that were written, but went not out unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp.

[27] And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp.

[28] And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, one of his young men, answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them.

[29] And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? would God that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!

[30] And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

[31] And there went forth a wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, as it were a day's journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits high upon the face of the earth.

[32] And the people stood up all that day, and all that night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp.

[33] And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

[34] And he called the name of that place Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried the people that lusted.

[35] And the people journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah unto Hazeroth; and abode at Hazeroth. Numbers 11:1-35

The Lord Pardons

[1] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[2] Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: Numbers 13:1-2 partial

[17] And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, Numbers 13:17 partial

[25] And they returned from searching of the land after forty days.

[26] And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel,

[27] And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey;

[28] Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled, Numbers 13:25-28 partial

[30] And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

[31] But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we.

[32] And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature.

[33] And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight. Numbers 13:30-33

[1] And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

[2] And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness!

[3] And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?

[4] And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.

[5] Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel.

[6] And Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of them that searched the land, rent their clothes:

[7] And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it, is an exceeding good land.

[8] If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

[9] Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not.

[10] But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel.

[11] And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?

[12] I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they.

[13] And Moses said unto the LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear it, (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;)

[14] And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land: for they have heard that thou LORD art among this people, that thou LORD art seen face to face, and that thy cloud standeth over them, and that thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.

[15] Now if thou shalt kill all this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying,

[16] Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he swore unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.

[17] And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying,

[18] The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.

[19] Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now.

[20] And the LORD said, I have pardoned according to thy word:

[21] But as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.

[22] Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice; Numbers 14:1-22

[11] Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly followed me:

[12] Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed the LORD.

[13] And the LORD's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed. Numbers 32:11-13

Laws

[15] One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before the LORD.

[16] One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you. Numbers 15:15-16

[29] Ye shall have one law for him that sinneth through ignorance, both for him that is born among the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them.

[30] But the soul that doeth ought presumptuously, whether he be born in the land, or a stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

[31] Because he hath despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity shall be upon him. Numbers 15:29-31

[38] Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:

[39] And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:

[40] That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God. Numbers 15:38-40

Miracles

[28] And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind.

[29] If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; then the LORD hath not sent me.

[30] But if the LORD make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the LORD.

[31] And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them:

[32] And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods.

[33] They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.

[34] And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also.

[35] And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense. Numbers 16:28-35

[40] No stranger, which is not of the seed of Aaron, come near to offer incense before the LORD; Numbers 16:40 partial

[7] And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in the tabernacle of witness.

[8] And it came to pass, that on the morrow Moses went into the tabernacle of witness; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds. Numbers 17:7-8

[7] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

[8] Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.

[9] And Moses took the rod from before the LORD, as he commanded him.

[10] And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?

[11] And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts also.

Numbers 20:7-11

[6] And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

[7] Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents

from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

[8] And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

[9] And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

Numbers 21:6-9

[28] And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times? Numbers 22:28

Laws

[6] And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Numbers 27:6

[8] And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die, and have no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter.

[9] And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren.

[10] And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren.

[11] And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of Israel a statute of judgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.

Numbers 27:8-11

[2] If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.

[3] If a woman also vow a vow unto the LORD, and bind herself by a bond, being in her father's house in her youth;

[4] And her father hear her vow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul, and her father shall hold his peace at her: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand.

[5] But if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not any of her vows, or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul, shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive her, because her father disallowed her.

[6] And if she had at all an husband, when she vowed, or uttered ought out of her lips, wherewith she bound her soul;

[7] And her husband heard it, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard it: then her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

[8] But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard it; then he shall make her vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips, wherewith she bound her soul, of none effect: and the LORD shall forgive her.

[9] But every vow of a widow, and of her that is divorced, wherewith they have bound their souls, shall stand against her.

[10] And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath;

[11] And her husband heard it, and held his peace at her, and disallowed her not: then all

her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

[12] But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard them; then whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her.

[13] Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void.

[14] But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which are upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard them.

[15] But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard them; then he shall bear her iniquity.

[16] These are the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, being yet in her youth in her father's house.

Numbers 30:2-16

[16] And if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

[17] And if he smite him with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

[18] Or if he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die, and he die, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

[19] The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.

[20] But if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laying of wait, that he die;

[21] Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote him shall surely be put to death; for he is a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he meeteth him.

[22] But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without laying of wait,

[23] Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing him not, and cast it upon him, that he die, and was not his enemy, neither sought his harm:

[24] Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments:

[25] And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.

[26] But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge, whither he was fled;

[27] And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:

[28] Because he should have remained in the city of his refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

[29] So these things shall be for a statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

- [30] Whoso killeth any person, the murderer shall be put to death by the mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person to cause him to die.
- [31] Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the life of a murderer, which is guilty of death: but he shall be surely put to death.
- [32] And ye shall take no satisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest.
- [33] So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye are: for blood it defileth the land: and the land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed it.
- [34] Defile not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I dwell: for I the LORD dwell among the children of Israel. Numbers 35:16-34

Deuteronomy

The Commandments

- [6] I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.
- [7] Thou shalt have none other gods before me.
- [8] Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth:
- [9] Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me,
- [10] And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.
- [11] Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
- [12] Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.
- [13] Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work:
- [14] But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.
- [15] And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and that the LORD thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.
- [16] Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- [17] Thou shalt not kill.
- [18] Neither shalt thou commit adultery.
- [19] Neither shalt thou steal.
- [20] Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.
- [21] Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy

neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

[22] These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

Deuteronomy 5:6-22

Laws

[4] Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

[5] And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

[6] And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

[7] And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

[8] And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

[9] And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

[13] Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name.

[14] Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you;

[15] (For the LORD thy God is a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

[16] Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted him in Massah.

[17] Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

[18] And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers,

[19] To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.

Deuteronomy 6:13-19

[25] The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to the LORD thy God.

[26] Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing. Deuteronomy 7:25-26

[3] And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man

doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live. Deuteronomy 8:3

[19] And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish. Deuteronomy 8:19

Molten Calf

[10] And the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them was written according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

[11] And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, that the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, even the tables of the covenant.

[12] And the LORD said unto me, Arise, get thee down quickly from hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted themselves; they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image.

[13] Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people:

[14] Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.

[15] So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the two tables of the covenant were in my two hands.

[16] And I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your God, and had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded you.

[17] And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before your eyes.

[18] And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I did neither eat bread, nor drink water, because of all your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

[19] For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith the LORD was wroth against you to destroy you. But the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also.

[20] And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

[21] And I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, and ground it very small, even until it was as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the brook that descended out of the mount. Deuteronomy 9:10-21

[23] Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice.

[24] Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you.

[25] Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days and forty nights, as I fell down at the

first; because the LORD had said he would destroy you.

[26] I prayed therefore unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

[27] Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin:

[28] Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness.

[29] Yet they are thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty power and by thy stretched out arm. Deuteronomy 9:23-29

Tables of Stone

[1] At that time the LORD said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood.

[2] And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark.

[3] And I made an ark of shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand.

[4] And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.

[5] And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they be, as the LORD commanded me.

Deuteronomy 10:1-5

God Requires

[12] What doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

[13] To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes,

[14] Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the LORD's thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is. Deuteronomy 10:12-14 partial

[17] For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: Deuteronomy 10:17

[20] Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, and swear by his name.

[21] He is thy praise, and he is thy God, Deuteronomy 10:20-21 partial

[19] And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Deuteronomy 11:19

[26] Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;

[27] A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:

[28] And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known. Deuteronomy 11:26-28

[16] Only ye shall not eat the blood; Deuteronomy 12:16 partial

[22] Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat of them alike.

[23] Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood is the life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh.

[24] Thou shalt not eat it; thou

[25] Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD. Deuteronomy 12:22-25 partial

False Prophet

[1] If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder,

[2] And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them;

[3] Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

[4] Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him.

[5] And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath spoken to turn you away from the LORD your God, So shalt thou put the evil away from the midst of thee. Deuteronomy 13:1-5 partial

Laws

[3] Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing.

[4] These are the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat,

[5] The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow deer, and the wild goat, and the pygarg, and the wild ox, and the chamois.

[6] And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, and

cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat.

[7] Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the cloven hoof; as the camel, and the hare, and the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof; therefore they are unclean unto you.

[8] And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it is unclean unto you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor touch their dead carcase.

[9] These ye shall eat of all that are in the waters: all that have fins and scales shall ye eat:

[10] And whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat; it is unclean unto you.

[11] Of all clean birds ye shall eat.

[12] But these are they of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and ossifrage, and the ospray,

[13] And the glede, and the kite, and the vulture after his kind,

[14] And every raven after his kind,

[15] And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

[16] The little owl, and the great owl, and the swan,

[17] And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant,

[18] And the stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

[19] And every creeping thing that flieth is unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten.

[20] But of all clean fowls ye may eat.

[21] Ye shall not eat of any thing that dieth of itself: thou shalt give it unto the stranger that is in thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

[22] Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year. Deuteronomy 14:3-22

The Needy

[10] Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.

[11] For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land. Deuteronomy 15:10-11

Laws

[23] Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; Deuteronomy 15:23 partial

[10] There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch,

[11] Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.

[12] For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

Deuteronomy 18:10-12

Prophet

[15] The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; Deuteronomy 18:15

[18] I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

[19] And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.

[20] But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.

[21] And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?

[22] When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him. Deuteronomy 18:18-22

[10] And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, Deuteronomy 34:10

Laws

[1] Thou shalt not see the brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt in any case bring them again unto thy brother.

[2] And if thy brother be not nigh unto thee, or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring it unto thine own house, and it shall be with thee until thy brother seek after it, and thou shalt restore it to him again.

[3] In like manner shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and with all lost thing of thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself.

[4] Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fall down by the way, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift them up again.

[5] The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

[6] If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way in any tree, or on the ground, whether they be young ones, or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, thou shalt not take the dam with the young:

[7] But thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, and take the young to thee; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days.

[8] When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence.

[9] Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which

thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be defiled.

[10] Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together.

[11] Thou shalt not wear a garment of divers sorts, as of woollen and linen together.

[12] Thou shalt make thee fringes upon the four quarters of thy vesture, wherewith thou coverest thyself.

[13] If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her,

[14] And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:

[15] Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate:

[16] And the damsel's father shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hateth her;

[17] And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech against her, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these are the tokens of my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city.

[18] And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him;

[19] And they shall amerce him in an hundred shekels of silver, and give them unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days.

[20] But if this thing be true, and the tokens of virginity be not found for the damsel:

[21] Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou put evil away from among you.

[22] If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, both the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away evil from Israel.

[23] If a damsel that is a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;

[24] Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among you.

[25] But if a man find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man force her, and lie with her: then the man only that lay with her shall die:

[26] But unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; there is in the damsel no sin worthy of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth him, even so is this matter:

[27] For he found her in the field, and the betrothed damsel cried, and there was none to save her.

[28] If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found;

[29] Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days.

[30] A man shall not take his father's wife, nor discover his father's skirt.

Deuteronomy 22:1-30

[1] When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house.

[2] And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife.

[3] And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth it in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her to be his wife;

[4] Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

[5] When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: but he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken.

[6] No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh a man's life to pledge.

[7] If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you. Deuteronomy 24:1-7

[10] When thou dost lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go into his house to fetch his pledge.

[11] Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring out the pledge abroad unto thee.

[12] And if the man be poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge:

[13] In any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.

[14] Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy land within thy gates:

[15] At his day thou shalt give him his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee.

[16] The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

[17] Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, nor of the fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge: Deuteronomy 24:10-17

[19] When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.

[20] When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

[21] When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean it afterward: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. Deuteronomy 24:19-21

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

[2] And it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.

[3] Forty stripes he may give him, and not exceed: lest, if he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.

[4] Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn.

[5] If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.

[6] And it shall be, that the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.

[7] And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.

[8] Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and if he stand to it, and say, I like not to take her;

[9] Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

[10] And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

[11] When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

[12] Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity her.

[13] Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.

[14] Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small.

[15] But thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

[16] For all that do such things, and all that do unrighteously, are an abomination unto the LORD thy God. Deuteronomy 25:1-16

[17] Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his voice: Deuteronomy 26:17

[15] Cursed be the man that maketh any graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth it in a secret place. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen.

[16] Cursed be he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[17] Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[18] Cursed be he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[19] Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[20] Cursed be he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[21] Cursed be he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[22] Cursed be he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[23] Cursed be he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[24] Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[25] Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[26] Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen. Deuteronomy 27:15-26

Joshua

Crossing the Jordan

[1] Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying,

[2] Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel. Joshua 1:1-2

[5] There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

[6] Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give them.

[7] Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

[8] This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

[9] Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. Joshua 1:5-9

[13] And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon an heap.

[14] And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people;

[15] And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that

bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the time of harvest,)

[16] That the waters which came down from above stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that is beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho.

[17] And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan. Joshua 3:13-17

[22] Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.

[23] For the LORD your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over: Joshua 4:22-23

The Sun Stood Still

[12] Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.

[13] And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

[14] And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel. Joshua 10:12-14 partial

Judges

Samson

[16] And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men.

[17] And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the jawbone out of his hand,

[18] And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said, Thou hast given this great deliverance into the hand of thy servant: and now shall I die for thirst?

[19] But God clave an hollow place that was in the jaw, and there came water thereout; and when he had drunk, his spirit came again, and he revived: Judges 15:16-19 partial

I Samuel

Hannah Prayed

[1] And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.

[2] There is none holy as the LORD: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God.

[3] Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

[4] The bows of the mighty men are broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength.

[5] They that were full have hired out themselves for bread; and they that were hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble.

[6] The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.

[7] The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up.

[8] He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and he hath set the world upon them.

[9] He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.

[10] The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed. I Samuel 2:1-10

Other

[21] And turn ye not aside: for then should ye go after vain things, which cannot profit nor deliver; for they are vain. I Samuel 12:21

[22] And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

[23] For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king. I Samuel 15:22-23

[15] And Saul's servants said unto him, Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee. I Samuel 16:15

[9] And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, I Samuel 19:9 partial

[9] For who can stretch forth his hand against the LORD's anointed, and be guiltless? I Samuel 26:9 partial

II Samuel

Song of David

[1] And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

[2] And he said, The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;

[3] The God of my rock; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.

[4] I will call on the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

[5] When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;

[6] The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

[7] In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears.

[8] Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations of heaven moved and shook, because he was wroth.

[9] There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

[10] He bowed the heavens also, and came down; and darkness was under his feet.

[11] And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind.

[12] And he made darkness pavilions round about him, dark waters, and thick clouds of the skies.

[13] Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.

[14] The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice.

[15] And he sent out arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and discomfited them.

[16] And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were discovered, at the rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of the breath of his nostrils.

[17] He sent from above, he took me; he drew me out of many waters;

[18] He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them that hated me: for they were too strong for me.

[19] They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

[20] He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

[21] The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

[22] For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.

[23] For all his judgments were before me: and as for his statutes, I did not depart from them.

[24] I was also upright before him, and have kept myself from mine iniquity.

[25] Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according to my cleanness in his eye sight.

[26] With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful, and with the upright man thou

wilt shew thyself upright.

[27] With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself unsavoury.

[28] And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eyes are upon the haughty, that thou mayest bring them down.

[29] For thou art my lamp, O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my darkness.

[30] For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall.

[31] As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all them that trust in him.

[32] For who is God, save the LORD? and who is a rock, save our God?

[33] God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect.

[34] He maketh my feet like hinds' feet: and setteth me upon my high places.

[35] He teacheth my hands to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

[36] Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath made me great.

[37] Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my feet did not slip.

[38] I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had consumed them.

[39] And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise: yea, they are fallen under my feet.

[40] For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou subdued under me.

[41] Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.

[42] They looked, but there was none to save; even unto the LORD, but he answered them not.

[43] Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did stamp them as the mire of the street, and did spread them abroad.

[44] Thou also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me to be head of the heathen: a people which I knew not shall serve me.

[45] Strangers shall submit themselves unto me: as soon as they hear, they shall be obedient unto me.

[46] Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their close places.

[47] The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.

[48] It is God that avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me,

[49] And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.

[50] Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name.

[51] He is the tower of salvation for his king: and sheweth mercy to his anointed, unto David, and to his seed for evermore. II Samuel 22:1-51

David's Decision

[10] And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.

[11] For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came unto the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying,

[12] Go and say unto David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things; choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee.

[13] So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me.

[14] And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD; for his mercies are great: and let me not fall into the hand of man.

[15] So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men.

[16] And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.

[17] And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house. II Samuel 24:10-17

I Kings

Solomon

[1] Now the days of David drew nigh that he should die; and he charged Solomon his son, saying,

[2] I go the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and shew thyself a man;

[3] And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:

[4] That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, If thy children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, there shall not fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel. I Kings 2:1-4

[5] In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee. I Kings 3:5

[9] Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?
I Kings 3:9

[11] And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment;

[12] Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

[13] And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.

[14] And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days. I Kings 3:11-14

[16] Then came there two women, that were harlots, unto the king, and stood before him.

[17] And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house.

[18] And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and we were together; there was no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house.

[19] And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it.

[20] And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom.

[21] And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear.

[22] And the other woman said, Nay; but the living is my son, and the dead is thy son. And this said, No; but the dead is thy son, and the living is my son. Thus they spake before the king.

[23] Then said the king, The one saith, This is my son that liveth, and thy son is the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son is the dead, and my son is the living.

[24] And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king.

[25] And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.

[26] Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, but divide it.

[27] Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof.

[28] And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him, to do judgment. I Kings 3:16-28

[1] And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of the LORD.
I Kings 6:1

[14] So Solomon built the house, and finished it. I Kings 6:14

[38] So was he seven years in building it. I Kings 6:38 partial

[1] But Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he finished all his house. I Kings 7:1

[3] And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the ark.

[4] And they brought up the ark of the LORD, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that were in the tabernacle, even those did the priests and the Levites bring up. I Kings 8:3-4

[6] And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubims. I Kings 8:6

[10] And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy place, that the cloud filled the house of the LORD,

[11] So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of the LORD.

[12] Then spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell in thick darkness.

[13] I have surely built thee an house to dwell in, a settled place for thee to abide in for ever. I Kings 8:10-13

[22] And Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven:

[23] And he said, LORD God of Israel, there is no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart:

[24] Who hast kept with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as it is this day.

[25] Therefore now, LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him, saying, There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast walked before me.

[26] And now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father.

[27] But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?

[28] Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee to day:

[29] That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there: that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make toward this place.

[30] And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place: and when thou hearest, forgive.

[31] If any man trespass against his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and the oath come before thine altar in this house:

[32] Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.

[33] When thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee, and shall turn again to thee, and confess thy name, and pray, and make supplication unto thee in this house:

[34] Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest unto their fathers.

[35] When heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee; if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou afflictest them:

[36] Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, that thou teach them the good way wherein they should walk, and give rain upon thy land, which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance.

[37] If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blasting, mildew, locust, or if there be caterpillar; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their cities; whatsoever plague, whatsoever sickness there be;

[38] What prayer and supplication soever be made by any man, or by all thy people Israel, which shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

[39] Then hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and do, and give to every man according to his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou, even thou only, knowest the hearts of all the children of men;)

[40] That they may fear thee all the days that they live in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.

[41] Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake;

[42] (For they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house;

[43] Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for: that all people of the earth may know thy name, to fear thee, as do thy people Israel; and that they may know that this house, which I have builded, is called by thy name.

[44] If thy people go out to battle against their enemy, whithersoever thou shalt send them, and shall pray unto the LORD toward the city which thou hast chosen, and toward the house that I have built for thy name:

[45] Then hear thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause.

[46] If they sin against thee, (for there is no man that sinneth not,) and thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy, far or near;

[47] Yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;

[48] And so return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and pray unto thee toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, the city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name:

[49] Then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling place, and maintain their cause,

[50] And forgive thy people that have sinned against thee and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against thee, and give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:

[51] For they be thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron:

[52] That thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy servant, and unto the supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto thee.

[53] For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be thine inheritance, as thou spakest by the hand of Moses thy servant, when thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord GOD.

[54] And it was so, that when Solomon had made an end of praying all this prayer and supplication unto the LORD, he arose from before the altar of the LORD, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread up to heaven.

[55] And he stood, and blessed all the congregation of Israel with a loud voice, saying,

[56] Blessed be the LORD, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.

[57] The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us:

[58] That he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.

[59] And let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before the LORD, be nigh unto the LORD our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people Israel at all times, as the matter shall require:

[60] That all the people of the earth may know that the LORD is God, and that there is none else.

[61] Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

[62] And the king, and all Israel with him, offered sacrifice before the LORD.

[63] And Solomon offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he offered unto the LORD, two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the children of Israel dedicated the house of the LORD. I Kings 8:22-63

[1] And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the LORD, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do,

[2] That the LORD appeared to Solomon the second time, as he had appeared unto him at

Gibeon.

[3] And the LORD said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

[4] And if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments:

[5] Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, as I promised to David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.

[6] But if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my commandments and my statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other gods, and worship them:

[7] Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them; and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all people:

[8] And at this house, which is high, every one that passeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and to this house?

[9] And they shall answer, Because they forsook the LORD their God, who brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and have taken hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath the LORD brought upon them all this evil. I Kings 9:1-9

Man of God

[4] And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God, which had cried against the altar in Bethel, that he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him. And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it in again to him.

[5] The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of God had given by the word of the LORD.

[6] And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Intreat now the face of the LORD thy God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again. And the man of God besought the LORD, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as it was before. I Kings 13:4-6

Elijah

[8] And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

[9] Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.

[10] So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.

[11] And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand.

[12] And she said, As the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

[13] And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.

[14] For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth.

[15] And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days.

[16] And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.

[17] And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.

[18] And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son?

[19] And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed.

[20] And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?

[21] And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again.

[22] And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. I Kings 17:8-22

[17] And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel?

[18] And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.

[19] Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.

[20] So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together unto mount Carmel.

[21] And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.

[22] Then said Elijah unto the people, I, even I only, remain a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men.

[23] Let them therefore give us two bullocks; and let them choose one bullock for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay it on wood, and put no fire under: and I will dress the other bullock, and lay it on wood, and put no fire under:

[24] And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken.

[25] And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one bullock for yourselves, and dress it first; for ye are many; and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire under.

[26] And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, hear us. But there was no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made.

[27] And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked.

[28] And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out upon them.

[29] And it came to pass, when midday was past, and they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that there was neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that regarded.

[30] And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD that was broken down.

[31] And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came, saying, Israel shall be thy name:

[32] And with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

[33] And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and laid him on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.

[34] And he said, Do it the second time. And they did it the second time. And he said, Do it the third time. And they did it the third time.

[35] And the water ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.

[36] And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word.

[37] Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the LORD God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

[38] Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

[39] And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he is the God; the LORD, he is the God.

[40] And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there. I Kings 18:17-40

II Kings

Ahaziah

[2] And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that was in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron whether I shall recover of this disease.

[3] But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?

[4] Now therefore thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.

[5] And when the messengers turned back unto him, he said unto them, Why are ye now turned back?

[6] And they said unto him, There came a man up to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that thou sendest to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron? therefore thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. II Kings 1:2-6

[9] Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and, behold, he sat on the top of an hill. And he spake unto him, Thou man of God, the king hath said, Come down.

[10] And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I be a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

[11] Again also he sent unto him another captain of fifty with his fifty. And he answered and said unto him, O man of God, thus hath the king said, Come down quickly.

[12] And Elijah answered and said unto them, If I be a man of God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And the fire of God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

[13] And he sent again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, be precious in thy sight.

[14] Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and burnt up the two captains of the former fifties with their fifties: therefore let my life now be precious in thy sight.

[15] And the angel of the LORD said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not afraid of him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.

[16] And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, is it not because there is no God in Israel to inquire of his word? therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

[17] So he died according to the word of the LORD which Elijah had spoken. II Kings 1:9-17 partial

Elijah

[8] And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground. II Kings 2:8

[11] And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. II Kings 2:11

Elisha

[14] And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where is the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over.

[15] And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him. II Kings 2:14-15

[19] And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water is naught, and the ground barren.

[20] And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought it to him.

[21] And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land.

[22] So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

[23] And he went up from thence unto Bethel: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

[24] And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them. II Kings 2:19-24

[14] And Elisha said,

[15] But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him.

[16] And he said, Thus saith the LORD, Make this valley full of ditches.

[17] For thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.

[18] And this is but a light thing in the sight of the LORD: he will deliver the Moabites also into your hand. II Kings 3:14-18 partial

[20] And it came to pass in the morning, when the meat offering was offered, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water. II Kings 3:20

[1] Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.

[2] And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.

[3] Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even empty vessels; borrow not a few.

[4] And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.

[5] So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out.

[6] And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.

[7] Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest. II Kings 4:1-7

[14] And he said, What then is to be done for her? And Gehazi answered, Verily she hath no child, and her husband is old.

[15] And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door.

[16] And he said, About this season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son. And she said, Nay, my lord, thou man of God, do not lie unto thine handmaid.

[17] And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season that Elisha had said unto her, according to the time of life.

[18] And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the reapers.

[19] And he said unto his father, My head, my head. And he said to a lad, Carry him to his mother.

[20] And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till noon, and then died. II Kings 4:14-20

[32] And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, and laid upon his bed.

[33] He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the LORD.

[34] And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm.

[35] Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes. II Kings 4:32-35

Naaman

[1] Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a leper. II Kings 5:1
partial

[5] And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel.

[6] And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

[7] And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy?

[8] When Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

[9] So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

[10] And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean. II Kings 5:5-10 partial

[14] Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. II Kings 5:14

The Axe

[1] And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too strait for us.

[2] Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye. II Kings 6:1-2 partial

[4] So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood.

[5] But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed.

[6] And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And he cut down a stick, and cast it in thither; and the iron did swim. II Kings 6:4-6

Blindness

[15] And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do?

[16] And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.

[17] And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

[18] And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha. II Kings 6:15-18

Laws

[6] The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin. II Kings 14:6 partial

[35] With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them saying, Ye shall not fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:

[36] But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and a stretched out arm, him shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.

[37] And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the commandment, which he wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.

[38] And the covenant that I have made with you ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear other gods.

[39] But the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies. II Kings 17:35-39

Hezekiah Prayer

[19] Now therefore, O LORD our God, I beseech thee, save thou us out of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the LORD God, even thou only. II Kings 19:19

Another Hezekiah Prayer

[1] In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live.

[2] Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the LORD, saying,

[3] I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore.

[4] And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle court, that the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

[5] Turn again, and tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD.

[6] And I will add unto thy days fifteen years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria;

[7] And Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid it on the boil, and he recovered.

[8] And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, What shall be the sign that the LORD will heal me, and that I shall go up into the house of the LORD the third day?

[9] And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forth ten degrees, or go back ten degrees?

[10] And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees.

[11] And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the LORD: and he brought the shadow ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the dial of Ahaz. II Kings 20:1-11 partial

I Chronicles

Er

And Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD; and he slew him. I Chronicles 2:3 partial

Jabez

[10] And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested. I Chronicles 4:10

Uzza

[9] And when they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled.

[10] And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God. I Chronicles 13:9-10

Give Thanks

[8] Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people.

[9] Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

[10] Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

[11] Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

[12] Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth; I Chronicles 16:8-12

[14] He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

[15] Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded to a thousand generations; I Chronicles 16:14-15

Praise the Lord

[22] Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

[23] Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation.

[24] Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.

[25] For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also is to be feared above all gods.

[26] The LORD made the heavens.

[27] Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place.

[28] Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

[29] Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

[30] Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.

[31] Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

[32] Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein.

[33] Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

[34] O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

[35] And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and glory in thy praise.

[36] Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD. I Chronicles 16:22-36 partial

[41] Give thanks to the LORD, because his mercy endureth for ever; I Chronicles 16:41 partial

[20] O LORD, there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears. I Chronicles 17:20

[27] Now therefore let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou blessest, O LORD, and it shall be blessed for ever. I Chronicles 17:27

David's Pestilence

[14] The LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

[15] And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.

[16] And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders of Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.

[17] And David said unto God, Is it not I that commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but as for these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued. I Chronicles 21:14-17 partial

Perfect Heart

[9] And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever. I Chronicles 28:9

Fear Not

[20] And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, even my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD. I Chronicles 28:20

Bless the Lord

[10] Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed be thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

[11] Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

[12] Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all.

[13] Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

[14] For all things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. I Chronicles 29:10-14 partial

[16] O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy name cometh of thine hand, and is all thine own.

[17] I know also, my God, that thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things:

[18] O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee: I Chronicles 29:16-18 partial

[20] And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your God. And all the congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshipped the LORD, and the king. I Chronicles 29:20

II Chronicles

Solomon

[7] In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give thee. II Chronicles 1:7

[10] Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people, that is so great?

[11] And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:

[12] Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that have been before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like. II Chronicles 1:10-12

Temple

[14] for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God. II Chronicles 5:14 partial

[13] For Solomon

[14] said, O LORD God of Israel, there is no God like thee in the heaven, nor in the earth; which keepest covenant, and shewest mercy unto thy servants, that walk before thee with all their hearts: II Chronicles 6:13-14 partial

[18] But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house which I have built! II Chronicles 6:18

[32] Moreover concerning the stranger, if they come and pray in this house;

[33] Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear thee, as doth thy people Israel, and may know that this house which I have built is called by thy name. II Chronicles 6:32-33 partial

[1] Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.

[2] And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD's house. II Chronicles 7:1-2

[12] And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice.

[13] If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people;

[14] If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

[15] Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place. II Chronicles 7:12-15

Prophets

[19] Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD; and they testified against them:

[20] because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you. II Chronicles 24:19-20 partial

Law

[4] The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin. II Chronicles 25:4 partial

Power

[8] God hath power to help, and to cast down. II Chronicles 25:8 partial

Uzziah

[16] for he transgressed against the LORD his God, and went into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense. II Chronicles 26:16 partial

[18] And they withstood Uzziah the king, and said unto him, It appertaineth not unto thee, Uzziah, to burn incense unto the LORD, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast trespassed; neither shall it be for thine honour from the LORD God.

[19] Then Uzziah was wroth, and had a censer in his hand to burn incense: and while he

was wroth with the priests, the leprosy even rose up in his forehead before the priests in the house of the LORD, from beside the incense altar.

[20] And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, behold, he was leprous in his forehead,

[21] And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, II Chronicles 26:18-21 partial

Covenant

[10] Now it is in mine heart to make a covenant with the LORD God of Israel, that his fierce wrath may turn away from us. II Chronicles 29:10

Hezekiah

[20] Hezekiah

[21] And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered. II Chronicles 31:20-21 partial

Angel

[21] And the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. II Chronicles 32:21 partial

The King

[31] And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book. II Chronicles 34:31

Ezra

House of the Lord

[2] Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

[3] Who is there among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel, (he is the

God,) which is in Jerusalem.

[4] And whosoever remaineth in any place where he sojourneth, let the men of his place help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, beside the freewill offering for the house of God that is in Jerusalem.

[5] Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, with all them whose spirit God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem.

[6] And all they that were about them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all that was willingly offered.

[7] Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the LORD, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods; Ezra 1:2-7

[11] All the vessels of gold and of silver were five thousand and four hundred. Ezra 1:11
partial

Ezra

[10] For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments. Ezra 7:10

[26] And whosoever will not do the law of thy God, and the law of the king, let judgment be executed speedily upon him, whether it be unto death, or to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to imprisonment. Ezra 7:26

Nehemiah

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[5] And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:

[6] Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of thy servant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the children of Israel thy servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's house have sinned.

[7] We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou commandedst thy servant Moses.

[8] Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy servant Moses, saying, If ye transgress, I will scatter you abroad among the nations:

[9] But if ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name there. Nehemiah 1:5-9

[11] O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. Nehemiah 1:11 partial

Statements

[10] For the joy of the LORD is your strength. Nehemiah 8:10 partial

[6] Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee. Nehemiah 9:6

Tobit

Tobit Prayer

[2] O Lord, thou art just, and all thy works and all thy ways are mercy and truth, and thou judgest truly and justly for ever.

[3] Remember me, and look on me, punish me not for my sins and ignorances, and the sins of my fathers, who have sinned before thee: Tobit 3:2-3

[11] Blessed art thou, O Lord my God, and thine holy and glorious name is blessed and honourable for ever: let all thy works praise thee for ever.

[12] And now, O Lord, I set I mine eyes and my face toward thee, Tobit 3:11-12 partial

Laws

[3] Despise not thy mother, but honour her all the days of thy life, and do that which shall please her, and grieve her not. Tobit 4:3 partial

[5] My son, be mindful of the Lord our God all thy days, and let not thy will be set to sin, or to transgress his commandments: do uprightly all thy life long, and follow not the ways of unrighteousness.

[6] For if thou deal truly, thy doings shall prosperously succeed to thee, and to all them that live justly.

[7] Give alms of thy substance; and when thou givest alms, let not thine eye be envious, neither turn thy face from any poor, and the face of God shall not be turned away from thee.

[8] If thou hast abundance give alms accordingly: if thou have but a little, be not afraid to give according to that little:

[9] For thou layest up a good treasure for thyself against the day of necessity.

[10] Because that alms do deliver from death, and suffereth not to come into darkness.

[11] For alms is a good gift unto all that give it in the sight of the most High.

Tobit 4:5-11

[13] Love thy brethren, and despise not in thy heart thy brethren, Tobit4:13 partial

[15] Do that to no man which thou hatest: drink not wine to make thee drunken: neither let drunkenness go with thee in thy journey.

[16] Give of thy bread to the hungry, and of thy garments to them that are naked; and according to thine abundance give alms: and let not thine eye be envious, when thou givest alms. Tobit 4:15-16

[18] Ask counsel of all that are wise, and despise not any counsel that is profitable. Tobit 4:18

[21] And fear not, my son, that we are made poor: for thou hast much wealth, if thou fear God, and depart from all sin, and do that which is pleasing in his sight. Tobit 4:21

The Angel

[6] Then he took them both apart, and said unto them, Bless God, praise him, and magnify him, and praise him for the things which he hath done unto you in the sight of all that live. It is good to praise God, and exalt his name, and honourably to shew forth the works of God; therefore be not slack to praise him.

[7] It is good to keep close the secret of a king, but it is honourable to reveal the works of God. Do that which is good, and no evil shall touch you.

[8] Prayer is good with fasting and alms and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with unrighteousness. It is better to give alms than to lay up gold:

[9] For alms doth deliver from death, and shall purge away all sin. Those that exercise alms and righteousness shall be filled with life:

[10] But they that sin are enemies to their own life. Tobit 12:6-10

Let All Praise Him

[8] Let all praise him Tobit 13:8 partial

[7] So shall all nations praise the Lord, and his people shall confess God, and the Lord shall exalt his people; and all those which love the Lord God in truth and justice shall rejoice, shewing mercy to our brethren. Tobit 14:7

[9] But keep thou the law and the commandments, and shew thyself merciful and just, that it may go well with thee. Tobit 14:9

II Maccabees

We Hope

[17] We hope that the God, that delivered all his people, and gave them all an heritage, and the kingdom, and the priesthood, and the sanctuary,

[18] As he promised in the law, will shortly have mercy upon us, and gather us together out of every land under heaven into the holy place: II Maccabees 2:17-18 partial

Job

Satan Takes all

[1] There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil. Job 1:1

[6] Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. Job 1:6

[7] And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

[8] And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?

[9] Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?

[10] Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.

[11] But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face.

[12] And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

[13] And there was a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

[14] And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them:

[15] And the Sabeans fell upon them, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

[16] While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

[17] While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

[18] While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

[19] And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

[20] Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped,

[21] And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

[22] In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly. Job 1:7-22

[1] Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD. Job 2:1

[3] And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

[4] And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

[5] But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

[6] And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life.

[7] So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

[8] And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.

[9] Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

[10] But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips. Job 2:3-10

I Have Sinned

[20] I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?

[21] And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I shall not be. Job 7:20-21

Job on God

[2] I know it is so of a truth: but how should man be just with God?

[3] If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand.

[4] He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened himself against him, and hath prospered?

[5] Which removeth the mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his anger.

[6] Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble.

[7] Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and seaeth up the stars.

[8] Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the waves of the sea.

[9] Which maketh Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south.

[10] Which doeth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders without number.

[11] Lo, he goeth by me, and I see him not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not.

[12] Behold, he taketh away, who can hinder him? who will say unto him, What doest thou?

[13] If God will not withdraw his anger, the proud helpers do stoop under him.

[14] How much less shall I answer him,

[15] Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not answer, but I would make supplication to my judge.

[16] If I had called, and he had answered me; yet would I not believe that he had hearkened unto my voice.

[17] For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause. Job 9:2-17 partial

[19] If I speak of strength, lo, he is strong: Job 9:19 partial

[34] Let him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify me:

[35] Then would I speak, and not fear him; Job 9:34-35 partial

[2] I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me.

[3] Is it good unto thee that thou shouldest despise the work of thine hands, Job 10:2-3 partial

[7] Thou knowest that I am not wicked;

[8] Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about;

[9] Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me Job 10:7-9 partial

[12] Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit. Job 10:12

[15] And if I be righteous, yet will I not lift up my head. I am full of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction;

[16] Shewest thyself marvellous upon me. Job 10:15-16 partial

[3] Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God. Job 13:3

[15] Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him:

[16] He also shall be my salvation: Job 13:15-16

[22] Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer thou me.

[23] How many are mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my sin.

[24] Wherefore hidest thou thy face, Job 13:22-24 partial

[25] For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

[26] And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

[27] Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; Job 19:25-27 partial

[29] Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath bringeth the punishments of the sword, that ye may know there is a judgment. Job 19:29

[23] God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.

[24] For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven;

[25] To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.

[26] When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

[27] Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

[28] And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding. Job 28:23-28

Job Self Description

[2] Oh that I were as in months past, as in the days when God preserved me;

[3] When his candle shined upon my head, and when by his light I walked through darkness;

[4] As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God was upon my tabernacle;

[5] When the Almighty was yet with me, when my children were about me;

[6] When I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured me out rivers of oil;

[7] When I went out to the gate through the city, when I prepared my seat in the street!

[8] The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, and stood up.

[9] The princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.

[10] The nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.

[11] When the ear heard me, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw me, it gave witness to me:

[12] Because I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and him that had none to help him.

[13] The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

[14] I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment was as a robe and a diadem.

[15] I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame.

[16] I was a father to the poor: and the cause which I knew not I searched out.

[17] And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.

[18] Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply my days as the sand.
[19] My root was spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch.
[20] My glory was fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand.
[21] Unto me men gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.
[22] After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.
[23] And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide as for the latter rain.
[24] If I laughed on them, they believed it not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.
[25] I chose out their way, and sat chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one that comforteth the mourners. Job 29:2-25

Salvation

[14] What then shall I do when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall I answer him? Job 31:14

[8] But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

[9] Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment. Job 32:8-9

[14] For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not. Job 33:14

[25] His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:

[26] He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.

[27] He looketh upon men, and if any say, I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not;

[28] He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light. Job 33:25-28

[10] Far be it from God, that he should do wickedness; and from the Almighty, that he should commit iniquity. Job 34:10 partial

[12] Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty pervert judgment. Job 34:12

[21] For his eyes are upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings. Job 34:21

If You Are So Smart

[1] Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

[2] Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?

[3] Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.

- [4] Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.
- [5] Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?
- [6] Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;
- [7] When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
- [8] Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it had issued out of the womb?
- [9] When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it,
- [10] And brake up for it my decreed place, and set bars and doors,
- [11] And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed?
- [12] Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; and caused the dayspring to know his place;
- [13] That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken out of it?
- [14] It is turned as clay to the seal; and they stand as a garment.
- [15] And from the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arm shall be broken.
- [16] Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?
- [17] Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?
- [18] Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all.
- [19] Where is the way where light dwelleth? and as for darkness, where is the place thereof,
- [20] That thou shouldest take it to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths to the house thereof?
- [21] Knowest thou it, because thou wast then born? or because the number of thy days is great?
- [22] Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,
- [23] Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?
- [24] By what way is the light parted, which scattereth the east wind upon the earth?
- [25] Who hath divided a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the lightning of thunder;
- [26] To cause it to rain on the earth, where no man is; on the wilderness, wherein there is no man;
- [27] To satisfy the desolate and waste ground; and to cause the bud of the tender herb to spring forth?
- [28] Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew?
- [29] Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?
- [30] The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.
- [31] Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?
- [32] Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with

his sons?

[33] Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?

[34] Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?

[35] Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go, and say unto thee, Here we are?

[36] Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?

[37] Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can stay the bottles of heaven,

[38] When the dust groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?

[39] Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions,

[40] When they couch in their dens, and abide in the covert to lie in wait?

[41] Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat. Job 38:1-41

[1] Knowest thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? or canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?

[2] Canst thou number the months that they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?

[3] They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.

[4] Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up with corn; they go forth, and return not unto them.

[5] Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?

[6] Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the barren land his dwellings.

[7] He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the driver.

[8] The range of the mountains is his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.

[9] Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?

[10] Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys after thee?

[11] Wilt thou trust him, because his strength is great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?

[12] Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather it into thy barn?

[13] Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings and feathers unto the ostrich?

[14] Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,

[15] And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.

[16] She is hardened against her young ones, as though they were not hers: her labour is in vain without fear;

[17] Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her understanding.

[18] What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.

[19] Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?

[20] Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper? the glory of his nostrils is terrible.

[21] He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in his strength: he goeth on to meet the armed men.

[22] He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword.

[23] The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.

[24] He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither believeth he that it is the sound of the trumpet.

[25] He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.

[26] Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward the south?

[27] Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?

[28] She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.

[29] From thence she seeketh the prey, and her eyes behold afar off.

[30] Her young ones also suck up blood: and where the slain are, there is she. Job 39:1-30

Job Answers

[1] Then Job answered the LORD, and said,

[2] I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.

[3] Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.

[4] Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

[5] I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.

[6] Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes. Job 42:1-6

Job's End Days

[10] And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

[11] Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

[12] So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

[13] He had also seven sons and three daughters. Job 42:10-13

[16] After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, even four generations.

[17] So Job died, being old and full of days. Job 42:16-17

Psalms

Blessed

[1] Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

[2] But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

[3] And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

[4] The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

[5] Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

[6] For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish. Psalm 1:1-6

Serve

[11] Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

[12] Blessed are all they that put their trust in him. Psalm 2:11-12 partial

[8] Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: Psalm 3:8 partial

[1] Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer. Psalm 4:1 partial

[3] But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.

[4] Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.

[5] Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD. Psalm 4:3-5

Give Ear

[1] Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.

[2] Harken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.

[3] My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

[4] For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.

[5] The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

[6] Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.

[7] But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

[8] Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way

straight before my face.

[9] For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is very wickedness; their throat is an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.

[10] Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.

[11] But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.

[12] For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield. Psalm 5:1-12

[9] The LORD will receive my prayer. Psalm 6:9 partial

[1] O Lord my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me: Psalm 7:1

[8] The LORD shall judge the people: judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity that is in me.

[9] Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.

[10] My defence is of God, which saveth the upright in heart.

[11] God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day. Psalm 7:8-11

[17] I will praise the LORD according to his righteousness: and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high. Psalm 7:17

[1] O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens. Psalm 8:1

[3] When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;

[4] What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

[5] For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

[6] Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: Psalm 8:3-6

[9] O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! Psalm 8:9

[1] I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.

[2] I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High. Psalm 9:1-2

[7] But the LORD shall endure for ever:

[8] And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the

people in uprightness.

[9] The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.

[10] And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.

[11] Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings. Psalm 9:7-11 partial

[17] The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God. Psalm 9:17

[19] Arise, O LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.

[20] Put them in fear, O LORD: that the nations may know themselves to be but men. Selah. Psalm 9:19-20

[1] Why standest thou afar off, O LORD? why hidest thou thyself in times of trouble? Psalm 10:1

[4] The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD's throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

[5] The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth. Psalm 11:4-5

[7] For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright. Psalm 11:7

How Long?

[1] How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

[2] How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall mine enemy be exalted over me?

[3] Consider and hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death;

[4] Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; and those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

[5] But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.

[6] I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with me. Psalm 13:1-6

Holy Hill

[1] LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?

[2] He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

[3] He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.

[4] In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

[5] He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved. Psalm 15:1-5

Preserve Me

[1] Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

[2] Thou art my Lord: Psalm 16:1-2 partial

[7] I will bless the LORD,

[8] because he is at my right hand, Psalm 16:7-8 partial

[11] At thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. Psalm 16:11 partial

Hear the Right

[1] Hear the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

[2] Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.

[3] Thou has proved mine heart; thou hast visited me in the night; thou has tried me, and shalt find nothing; I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress.

[4] Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer.

[5] Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.

[6] I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God: incline thine ear unto me, and hear my speech.

[7] Shew thy marvellous lovingkindness, O thou that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust in thee from those that rise up against them.

[8] Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

[9] From the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who compass me about.

[10] They are inclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak proudly.

[11] They have now compassed us in our steps: they have set their eyes bowing down to the earth;

[12] Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.

[13] Arise, O LORD, disappoint him, cast him down: deliver my soul from the wicked, which is thy sword:

[14] From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

[15] As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness. Psalm 17:1-15

The Lord Delivers David

[1] I will love thee, O LORD, my strength.

[2] The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

[3] I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

[4] The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

[5] The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me.

[6] In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.

[7] Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.

[8] There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

[9] He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness was under his feet.

[10] And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.

[11] He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

[12] At the brightness that was before him his thick clouds passed, hail stones and coals of fire.

[13] The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail stones and coals of fire.

[14] Yea, he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.

[15] Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.

[16] He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of many waters.

[17] He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

[18] They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

[19] He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

[20] The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

[21] For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.

[22] For all his judgments were before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.

[23] I was also upright before him, and I kept myself from mine iniquity.

[24] Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.

[25] With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright;

[26] With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew

thysself froward.

[27] For thou wilt save the afflicted people; but wilt bring down high looks.

[28] For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.

[29] For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall.

[30] As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

[31] For who is God save the LORD? or who is a rock save our God?

[32] It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.

[33] He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places.

[34] He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

[35] Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand hath holden me up, and thy gentleness hath made me great.

[36] Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.

[37] I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I turn again till they were consumed.

[38] I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.

[39] For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me.

[40] Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might destroy them that hate me.

[41] They cried, but there was none to save them: even unto the LORD, but he answered them not.

[42] Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in the streets.

[43] Thou hast delivered me from the strivings of the people; and thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people whom I have not known shall serve me.

[44] As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: the strangers shall submit themselves unto me.

[45] The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.

[46] The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

[47] It is God that avengeth me, and subdueth the people under me.

[48] He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.

[49] Therefore will I give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and sing praises unto thy name.

[50] Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore. Psalm 18:1-50

The Heavens Declare

[1] The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

[2] Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

[3] There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

[4] Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In

them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

[5] Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

[6] His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

[7] The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

[8] The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

[9] The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

[10] More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

[11] Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

[12] Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults.

[13] Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

[14] Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer. Psalm 19:1-14

The Lord Hear

[1] The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee;

[2] Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion;

[3] Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice; Selah.

[4] Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel.

[5] We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.

[6] Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand.

[7] Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God.

[8] They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright.

[9] Save, LORD: let the king hear us when we call. Psalm 20:1-9

Salvation

[1] The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!

[2] Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

[3] For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.

[4] He asked life of thee, and thou gavest it him, even length of days for ever and ever.
[5] His glory is great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.
[6] For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance. Psalm 21:1-6

[13] Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.
Psalm 21:13

My God

[1] My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?

[2] O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.

[3] But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel. Psalm 22:1-3

[22] I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

[23] Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.

[24] For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.

[25] My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.

[26] The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.

[27] All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

[28] For the kingdom is the LORD's: and he is the governor among the nations.

[29] All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.

[30] A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

[31] They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this. Psalm 22:22-31

My Shepard

[1] The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

[2] He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

[3] He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

[4] Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

[5] Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

[6] Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. Psalm 23:1-6

Lord of Hosts

- [1] The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.
- [2] For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.
- [3] Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?
- [4] He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- [5] He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- [6] This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.
- [7] Lift up your head, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
- [8] Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- [9] Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
- [10] Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.
- Psalm 24:1-10

Lift Up My Soul

- [1] Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.
- [2] O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.
- [3] Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.
- [4] Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.
- [5] Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.
- [6] Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they have been ever of old.
- [7] Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.
- [8] Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
- [9] The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.
- [10] All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- [11] For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it is great.
- [12] What man is he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.
- [13] His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth.

[14] The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.
[15] Mine eyes are ever toward the LORD; for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.
[16] Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and afflicted.
[17] The troubles of my heart are enlarged: O bring thou me out of my distresses.
[18] Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins.
[19] Consider mine enemies; for they are many; and they hate me with cruel hatred.
[20] O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee.
[21] Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.
[22] Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles. Psalm 25:1-22

Judge Me

[1] Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; therefore I shall not slide.
[2] Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.
[3] For thy lovingkindness is before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.
[4] I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.
[5] I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.
[6] I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O LORD:
[7] That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.
[8] LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.
[9] Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloody men:
[10] In whose hands is mischief, and their right hand is full of bribes.
[11] But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be merciful unto me.
[12] My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I bless the LORD.
Psalm 26:1-12

My Light

[1] The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
[2] When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.
[3] Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.
[4] One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.
[5] For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.
[6] And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the

LORD.

[7] Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

[8] When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.

[9] Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

[10] When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.

[11] Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

[12] Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

[13] I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

[14] Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD. Psalm 27:1-14

Unto Thee Will I Cry

[1] Unto thee will I cry, O LORD my rock; be not silent to me: lest, if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.

[2] Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle.

[3] Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief is in their hearts.

[4] Give them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedness of their endeavours: give them after the work of their hands; render to them their desert.

[5] Because they regard not the works of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands, he shall destroy them, and not build them up.

[6] Blessed be the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.

[7] The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.

[8] The LORD is their strength, and he is the saving strength of his anointed.

[9] Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever. Psalm 28:1-9

Voice of the Lord

[1] Give unto the LORD, O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

[2] Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

[3] The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters.

[4] The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

[5] The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

[6] He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.
[7] The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire.
[8] The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.
[9] The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.
[10] The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.
[11] The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace. Psalm 29:1-11

O Lord

[1] I will extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.
[2] O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.
[3] O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.
[4] Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.
[5] For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.
[6] And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.
[7] LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.
[8] I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication.
[9] What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?
[10] Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.
[11] Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;
[12] To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever. Psalm 30:1-12

I Put My Trust

[1] In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.
[2] Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou my strong rock, for an house of defence to save me.
[3] For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.
[4] Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou art my strength.
[5] Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.
[6] I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD.

[7] I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;

[8] And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.

[9] Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, yea, my soul and my belly.

[10] For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

[11] I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.

[12] I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel.

[13] For I have heard the slander of many: fear was on every side: while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life.

[14] But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my God.

[15] My times are in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

[16] Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake.

[17] Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be ashamed, and let them be silent in the grave.

[18] Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.

[19] Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

[20] Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

[21] Blessed be the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a strong city.

[22] For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes: nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.

[23] O love the LORD, all ye his saints: for the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.

[24] Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD. Psalm 31:1-24

Blessed Is He

[1] Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

[2] Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

[3] When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

[4] For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.

[5] I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

[6] For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.
[7] Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.
[8] I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.
[9] Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.
[10] Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.
[11] Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart. Psalm 32:1-11

Rejoice in the Lord

[1] Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.
[2] Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings.
[3] Sing unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.
[4] For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are done in truth.
[5] He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.
[6] By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.
[7] He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.
[8] Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.
[9] For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast.
[10] The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.
[11] The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.
[12] Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD: and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.
[13] The LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.
[14] From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.
[15] He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their works.
[16] There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.
[17] An horse is a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver any by his great strength.
[18] Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy;
[19] To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.
[20] Our soul waiteth for the LORD: he is our help and our shield.

[21] For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.
[22] Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee. Psalm 33:1-22

Bless the Lord

[1] I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
[2] My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
[3] O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.
[4] I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
[5] They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
[6] This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.
[7] The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.
[8] O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
[9] O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.
[10] The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.
[11] Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
[12] What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?
[13] Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.
[14] Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.
[15] The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.
[16] The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
[17] The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
[18] The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.
[19] Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.
[20] He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.
[21] Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.
[22] The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate. Psalm 34:1-22

Plead My Cause

[1] Plead my cause, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me.
[2] Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.
[3] Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy salvation.
[4] Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul: let them be turned

back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.

[5] Let them be as chaff before the wind: and let the angel of the LORD chase them.

[6] Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD persecute them.

[7] For without cause have they hid for me their net in a pit, which without cause they have digged for my soul.

[8] Let destruction come upon him at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.

[9] And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation.

[10] All my bones shall say, LORD, who is like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?

[11] False witnesses did rise up; they laid to my charge things that I knew not.

[12] They rewarded me evil for good to the spoiling of my soul.

[13] But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.

[14] I behaved myself as though he had been my friend or brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

[15] But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the objects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not:

[16] With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth.

[17] Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, my darling from the lions.

[18] I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among much people.

[19] Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: neither let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.

[20] For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against them that are quiet in the land.

[21] Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, and said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seen it.

[22] This thou hast seen, O LORD: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me.

[23] Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, even unto my cause, my God and my Lord.

[24] Judge me, O LORD my God, according to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice over me.

[25] Let them not say in their hearts, Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, We have swallowed him up.

[26] Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that rejoice at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonour that magnify themselves against me.

[27] Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

[28] And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness and of thy praise all the day long.

Psalm 35:1-28

The Wicked

- [1] The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there is no fear of God before his eyes.
- [2] For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be found to be hateful.
- [3] The words of his mouth are iniquity and deceit: he hath left off to be wise, and to do good.
- [4] He deviseth mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way that is not good; he abhorreth not evil.
- [5] Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.
- [6] Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.
- [7] How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
- [8] They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.
- [9] For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.
- [10] O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.
- [11] Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.
- [12] There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rise. Psalm 36:1-12

The Meek

- [1] Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.
- [2] For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.
- [3] Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
- [4] Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.
- [5] Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.
- [6] And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.
- [7] Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.
- [8] Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.
- [9] For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.
- [10] For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.
- [11] But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.
- [12] The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

[13] The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.

[14] The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as be of upright conversation.

[15] Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.

[16] A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.

[17] For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.

[18] The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.

[19] They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

[20] But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.

[21] The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.

[22] For such as be blessed of him shall inherit the earth; and they that be cursed of him shall be cut off.

[23] The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.

[24] Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.

[25] I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

[26] He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.

[27] Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.

[28] For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

[29] The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.

[30] The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.

[31] The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.

[32] The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

[33] The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.

[34] Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.

[35] I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

[36] Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

[37] Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace.

[38] But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

[39] But the salvation of the righteous is of the LORD: he is their strength in the time of trouble.

[40] And the LORD shall help them and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him. Psalm 37:1-40

Flesh Wounds

- [1] O LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.
- [2] For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.
- [3] There is no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither is there any rest in my bones because of my sin.
- [4] For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.
- [5] My wounds stink and are corrupt because of my foolishness.
- [6] I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.
- [7] For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease: and there is no soundness in my flesh.
- [8] I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.
- [9] Lord, all my desire is before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.
- [10] My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me.
- [11] My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.
- [12] They also that seek after my life lay snares for me: and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.
- [13] But I, as a deaf man, heard not; and I was as a dumb man that openeth not his mouth.
- [14] Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth are no reproofs.
- [15] For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.
- [16] For I said, Hear me, lest otherwise they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify themselves against me.
- [17] For I am ready to halt, and my sorrow is continually before me.
- [18] For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.
- [19] But mine enemies are lively, and they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.
- [20] They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries; because I follow the thing that good is.
- [21] Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.
- [22] Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation. Psalm 38:1-22

Dumb With Silence

- [1] I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.
- [2] I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good; and my sorrow was stirred.
- [3] My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned: then spake I with my tongue,
- [4] LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am.
- [5] Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Selah.
- [6] Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.

[7] And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee.
[8] Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.
[9] I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst it.
[10] Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.
[11] When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man is vanity. Selah.
[12] Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.
[13] O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more. Psalm 39:1-13

Hear My Cry

[1] I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.
[2] He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.
[3] And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.
[4] Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.
[5] Many, O LORD my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.
[6] Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.
[7] Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me,
[8] I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.
[9] I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.
[10] I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.
[11] Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.
[12] For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me.
[13] Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me.
[14] Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.
[15] Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me, Aha, aha.
[16] Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.
[17] But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God. Psalm 40:1-17

Consider the Poor

- [1] Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.
[2] The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.
[3] The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.
[4] I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.
[5] Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish?
[6] And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth iniquity to itself; when he goeth abroad, he telleth it.
[7] All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise my hurt.
[8] An evil disease, say they, cleaveth fast unto him: and now that he lieth he shall rise up no more.
[9] Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.
[10] But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.
[11] By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me.
[12] And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.
[13] Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen. Psalm 41:1-13

Thirst For God

- [1] As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.
[2] My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?
[3] My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?
[4] When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.
[5] Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance.
[6] O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.
[7] Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.
[8] Yet the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.
[9] I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning

because of the oppression of the enemy?

[10] As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?

[11] Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God. Psalm 42:1-11

Hope In God

[1] Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.

[2] For thou art the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

[3] O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.

[4] Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.

[5] Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God. Psalm 43:1-5

Awake

[1] We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

[2] How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.

[3] For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them.

[4] Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.

[5] Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.

[6] For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

[7] But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.

[8] In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah.

[9] But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.

[10] Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for themselves.

[11] Thou hast given us like sheep appointed for meat; and hast scattered us among the heathen.

[12] Thou sellest thy people for nought, and dost not increase thy wealth by their price.

[13] Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are round about us.

- [14] Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head among the people.
- [15] My confusion is continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me,
- [16] For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and avenger.
- [17] All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.
- [18] Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined from thy way;
- [19] Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.
- [20] If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;
- [21] Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.
- [22] Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.
- [23] Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast us not off for ever.
- [24] Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and forgettest our affliction and our oppression?
- [25] For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth.
- [26] Arise for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake. Psalm 44:1-26

Daughter

- [1] My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.
- [2] Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.
- [3] Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O most mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.
- [4] And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.
- [5] Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; whereby the people fall under thee.
- [6] Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
- [7] Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
- [8] All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.
- [9] Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.
- [10] Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;
- [11] So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord; and worship thou him.
- [12] And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.
- [13] The king's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold.
- [14] She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her

companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.

[15] With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.

[16] Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.

[17] I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever. Psalm 45:1-17

Be Still

[1] God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

[2] Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

[3] Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

[4] There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High.

[5] God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

[6] The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

[7] The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

[8] Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

[9] He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

[10] Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

[11] The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Psalm 46:1-11

Sing Praises

[1] O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

[2] For the LORD most high is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth.

[3] He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

[4] He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.

[5] God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

[6] Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

[7] For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.

[8] God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

[9] The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth belong unto God: he is greatly exalted. Psalm 47:1-

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Mount Zion

[1] Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness.
[2] Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.
[3] God is known in her palaces for a refuge.
[4] For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.
[5] They saw it, and so they marvelled; they were troubled, and hasted away.
[6] Fear took hold upon them there, and pain, as of a woman in travail.
[7] Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.
[8] As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever. Selah.
[9] We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.
[10] According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.
[11] Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.
[12] Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.
[13] Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following.
[14] For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death.
Psalm 48:1-14

Hear This

[1] Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the world:
[2] Both low and high, rich and poor, together.
[3] My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.
[4] I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp.
[5] Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, when the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?
[6] They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;
[7] None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him:
[8] (For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)
[9] That he should still live for ever, and not see corruption.
[10] For he seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others.
[11] Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever, and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names.
[12] Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish.
[13] This their way is their folly: yet their posterity approve their sayings. Selah.
[14] Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their beauty shall consume in the grave

from their dwelling.

[15] But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me. Selah.

[16] Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;

[17] For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him.

[18] Though while he lived he blessed his soul: and men will praise thee, when thou doest well to thyself.

[19] He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light.

[20] Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish. Psalm 49:1-20

I Will Deliver Thee

[1] The mighty God, even the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

[2] Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.

[3] Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.

[4] He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.

[5] Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.

[6] And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge himself. Selah.

[7] Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I am God, even thy God.

[8] I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, to have been continually before me.

[9] I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds.

[10] For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills.

[11] I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine.

[12] If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof.

[13] Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

[14] Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High:

[15] And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

[16] But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth?

[17] Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee.

[18] When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.

[19] Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.

[20] Thou sittest and speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son.

[21] These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself: but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes.

[22] Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to

deliver.

[23] Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God. Psalm 50:1-23

Have Mercy

- [1] Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- [2] Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
- [3] For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.
- [4] Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.
- [5] Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- [6] Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.
- [7] Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- [8] Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.
- [9] Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.
- [10] Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
- [11] Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.
- [12] Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- [13] Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- [14] Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.
- [15] O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
- [16] For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering.
- [17] The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.
- [18] Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
- [19] Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar. Psalm 51:1-19

O Mighty Man

- [1] Why boastest thou thyself in mischief, O mighty man? the goodness of God endureth continually.
- [2] Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.
- [3] Thou lovest evil more than good; and lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah.
- [4] Thou lovest all devouring words, O thou deceitful tongue.
- [5] God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah.
- [6] The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:
- [7] Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his

riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

[8] But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

[9] I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done it: and I will wait on thy name; for it is good before thy saints. Psalm 52:1-9

Save Me

[1] Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.

[2] Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

[3] For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.

[4] Behold, God is mine helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

[5] He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth.

[6] I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O LORD; for it is good.

[7] For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies. Psalm 54:1-7

Be Merciful

[1] Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast.

[2] I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me.

[3] He shall send from heaven, and save from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.

[4] My soul is among lions: and I lie even among them that are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

[5] Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be above all the earth.

Psalm 57:1-5

[7] My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.

[8] Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early.

[9] I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations.

[10] For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.

[11] Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth.

Psalm 57:7-11

Hear My Cry

[1] Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

[2] From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

[3] For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy.

[4] I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah.
[5] For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given me the heritage of those that fear thy name. Psalm 61:1-5

[8] So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily perform my vows.
Psalm 61:8

Truly My Soul

[1] Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him cometh my salvation.
[2] He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defence; I shall not be greatly moved.
Psalm 62:1-2

[5] My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him.
[6] He only is my rock and my salvation: he is my defence; I shall not be moved.
[7] In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.
[8] Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us. Selah.
[9] Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a lie: to be laid in the balance, they are altogether lighter than vanity.
[10] Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.
[11] God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God.
[12] Also unto thee, O Lord, belongeth mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work. Psalm 62:5-12

Thou Art My God

[1] O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;
[2] To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.
[3] Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.
[4] Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.
[5] My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips:
[6] When I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches.
[7] Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.
[8] My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me. Psalm 63:1-8

[1] Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy. Psalm 64:1

[9] And all men shall fear, and shall declare the work of God; for they shall wisely consider of his doing.

[10] The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in heart shall glory. Psalm 64:9-10

God Actions

[1] Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

[2] O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

[3] Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.

[4] Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

[5] By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea:

[6] Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; being girded with power:

[7] Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.

[8] They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.

[9] Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

[10] Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.

[11] Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

[12] They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.

[13] The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing. Psalm 65:1-13

Make a Joyful Noise

[1] Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands:

[2] Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.

[3] Say unto God, How terrible art thou in thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee.

[4] All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing to thy name. Selah.

[5] Come and see the works of God: he is terrible in his doing toward the children of men.

[6] He turned the sea into dry land: they went through the flood on foot: there did we rejoice in him.

[7] He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.

[8] O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:
[9] Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.
[10] For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.
[11] Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins.
[12] Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.
[13] I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vows,
[14] Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.
[15] I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.
[16] Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.
[17] I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue.
[18] If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:
[19] But verily God hath heard me; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.
[20] Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.
Psalm 66:1-20

God Be Merciful

[1] God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.
[2] That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.
[3] Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
[4] O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah.
[5] Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
[6] Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.
[7] God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. Psalm 67:1-7

JAH

[1] Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.
[2] As smoke is driven away, so drive them away: as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
[3] But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.
[4] Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.
[5] A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation.
[6] God setteth the solitary in families: he bringeth out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry land.
[7] O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness; Selah:
[8] The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: even Sinai itself

was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

[9] Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.

[10] Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor.

[11] The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it.

[12] Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.

[13] Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

[14] When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was white as snow in Salmon.

[15] The hill of God is as the hill of Bashan; an high hill as the hill of Bashan.

[16] Why leap ye, ye high hills? this is the hill which God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell in it for ever.

[17] The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place.

[18] Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.

[19] Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah.

[20] He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto God the Lord belong the issues from death.

[21] But God shall wound the head of his enemies, and the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth on still in his trespasses.

[22] The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring my people again from the depths of the sea:

[23] That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies, and the tongue of thy dogs in the same.

[24] They have seen thy goings, O God; even the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.

[25] The singers went before, the players on instruments followed after; among them were the damsels playing with timbrels.

[26] Bless ye God in the congregations, even the Lord, from the fountain of Israel.

[27] There is little Benjamin with their ruler, the princes of Judah and their council, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of Naphtali.

[28] Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which thou hast wrought for us.

[29] Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.

[30] Rebuke the company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the people, till every one submit himself with pieces of silver: scatter thou the people that delight in war.

[31] Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

[32] Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord; Selah:

[33] To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, which were of old; lo, he doth send out his voice, and that a mighty voice.

[34] Ascribe ye strength unto God: his excellency is over Israel, and his strength is in the clouds.

[35] O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God. Psalm 68:1-35

Hear Me

[1] Save me, O God; Psalm 69:1 partial

[13] My prayer is unto thee, O LORD, in an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation.

[14] Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, Psalm 69:13-14 partial

[16] Hear me, O LORD; for thy lovingkindness is good: turn unto me according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

[17] And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily.

[18] Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies.

[19] Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries are all before thee. Psalm 69:16-19

[29] But I am poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.

[30] I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.

[31] This also shall please the LORD better than an ox or bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

[32] The humble shall see this, and be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God.

[33] For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not his prisoners.

[34] Let the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, and everything that moveth therein.

[35] For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

[36] The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein. Psalm 69:29-36

Make Haste

[1] Make haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O LORD.

[2] Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.

[3] Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.

[4] Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

[5] But I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou art my help and my deliverer; O LORD, make no tarrying. Psalm 70:1-5

Forsake Me Not

- [1] In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.
- [2] Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me, and save me.
- [3] Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress.
- [4] Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- [5] For thou art my hope, O Lord GOD: thou art my trust from my youth.
- [6] By thee have I been holden up from the womb: thou art he that took me out of my mother's bowels: my praise shall be continually of thee.
- [7] I am as a wonder unto many; but thou art my strong refuge.
- [8] Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honour all the day.
- [9] Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.
- [10] For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my soul take counsel together,
- [11] Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him; for there is none to deliver him.
- [12] O God, be not far from me: O my God, make haste for my help.
- [13] Let them be confounded and consumed that are adversaries to my soul; let them be covered with reproach and dishonour that seek my hurt.
- [14] But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.
- [15] My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof.
- [16] I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only.
- [17] O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.
- [18] Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come.
- [19] Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, who hast done great things: O God, who is like unto thee!
- [20] Thou, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth.
- [21] Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.
- [22] I will also praise thee with the psaltery, even thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing with the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.
- [23] My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast redeemed.
- [24] My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded, for they are brought unto shame, that seek my hurt. Psalm 71:1-24

Wondrous Works

- [13] Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: Psalm 74:13 partial

[15] Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood: thou driedst up mighty rivers.
[16] The day is thine, the night also is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
[17] Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter. Psalm 74:15-17

[1] Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks: for that thy name is near thy wondrous works declare. Psalm 75:1

[7] Thou, even thou, art to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry? Psalm 76:7

David's Cry

[1] I cried unto God with my voice, even unto God with my voice; and he gave ear unto me.
[2] In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord: my sore ran in the night, and ceased not: my soul refused to be comforted.
[3] I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed. Selah.
[4] Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot speak.
[5] I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.
[6] I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine own heart: and my spirit made diligent search.
[7] Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favourable no more?
[8] Is his mercy clean gone for ever? doth his promise fail for evermore?
[9] Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah.
[10] And I said, This is my infirmity: but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most High.
[11] I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.
[12] I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.
[13] Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God?
[14] Thou art the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.
[15] Thou hast with thine arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.
[16] The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.
[17] The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.
[18] The voice of thy thunder was in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.
[19] Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.

[20] Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Psalm 77:1-20

History

- [1] Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
[2] I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:
[3] Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.
[4] We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.
[5] For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children:
[6] That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children:
[7] That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:
[8] And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.
[9] The children of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.
[10] They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;
[11] And forgot his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.
[12] Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
[13] He divided the sea, and caused them to pass through; and he made the waters to stand as an heap.
[14] In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire.
[15] He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink as out of the great depths.
[16] He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.
[17] And they sinned yet more against him by provoking the most High in the wilderness.
[18] And they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their lust.
[19] Yea, they spake against God; they said, Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?
[20] Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed; can he give bread also? can he provide flesh for his people?
[21] Therefore the LORD heard this, and was wroth: so a fire was kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel;
[22] Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:
[23] Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven,
[24] And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven.
[25] Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full.
[26] He caused an east wind to blow in the heaven: and by his power he brought in the south wind.
[27] He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea:

[28] And he let it fall in the midst of their camp, round about their habitations.
[29] So they did eat, and were well filled: for he gave them their own desire;
[30] They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat was yet in their mouths,
[31] The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the fattest of them, and smote down the chosen men of Israel.
[32] For all this they sinned still, and believed not for his wondrous works.
[33] Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years in trouble.
[34] When he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and inquired early after God.
[35] And they remembered that God was their rock, and the high God their redeemer.
[36] Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their tongues.
[37] For their heart was not right with him, neither were they stedfast in his covenant.
[38] But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and destroyed them not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath.
[39] For he remembered that they were but flesh; a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.
[40] How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him in the desert!
[41] Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.
[42] They remembered not his hand, nor the day when he delivered them from the enemy.
[43] How he had wrought his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the field of Zoan:
[44] And had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that they could not drink.
[45] He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and frogs, which destroyed them.
[46] He gave also their increase unto the caterpillar, and their labour unto the locust.
[47] He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycamore trees with frost.
[48] He gave up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to hot thunderbolts.
[49] He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels among them.
[50] He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence;
[51] And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of their strength in the tabernacles of Ham:
[52] But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.
[53] And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea overwhelmed their enemies.
[54] And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, even to this mountain, which his right hand had purchased.
[55] He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.
[56] Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies:
[57] But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow.

[58] For they provoked him to anger with their high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images.
[59] When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:
[60] So that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent which he placed among men;
[61] And delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into the enemy's hand.
[62] He gave his people over also unto the sword; and was wroth with his inheritance.
[63] The fire consumed their young men; and their maidens were not given to marriage.
[64] Their priests fell by the sword; and their widows made no lamentation.
[65] Then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, and like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine.
[66] And he smote his enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a perpetual reproach.
[67] Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim:
[68] But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.
[69] And he built his sanctuary like high palaces, like the earth which he hath established for ever.
[70] He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds:
[71] From following the ewes great with young he brought him to feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.
[72] So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands. Psalm 78:1-72

Gods

[9] There shall no strange god be in thee; neither shalt thou worship any strange god.
Psalm 81:9

[1] God standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the gods.
[2] How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.
[3] Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.
[4] Deliver the poor and needy: rid them out of the hand of the wicked.
[5] They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.
[6] I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High.
[7] But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.
[8] Arise, O God, judge the earth: for thou shalt inherit all nations. Psalm 82:1-8

[1] Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.
[2] For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head.
Psalm 83:1-2

[8] O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah.
[9] Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed. Psalm 84:8-9

[11] For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

[12] O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee. Psalm 84:11-12

Thine Anger

[1] LORD, thou hast been favourable unto thy land: thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob.

[2] Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people, thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.

[3] Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast turned thyself from the fierceness of thine anger.

[4] Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease.

[5] Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations?

[6] Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?

[7] Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.

[8] I will hear what God the LORD will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints: but let them not turn again to folly.

[9] Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.

[10] Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

[11] Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

[12] Yea, the LORD shall give that which is good; and our land shall yield her increase.

[13] Righteousness shall go before him; and shall set us in the way of his steps. Psalm 85:1-13

Thou Art Great

[1] Bow down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy.

[2] Preserve my soul; for I am holy: O thou my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee.

[3] Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee daily.

[4] Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

[5] For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

[6] Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications.

[7] In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt answer me.

[8] Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord; neither are there any works like unto thy works.

[9] All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.

[10] For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.

[11] Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.

[12] I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.

[13] For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest

hell.

[14] O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent men have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them.

[15] But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.

[16] O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.

[17] Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me. Psalm 86:1-17

O Lord

[1] O LORD God of my salvation,

[2] Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;

[3] For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave. Psalm 88:1-3 partial

[9] I have stretched out my hands unto thee. Psalm 88:9 partial

[13] But unto thee have I cried, O LORD;

[14] LORD, why hidest thou thy face from me? Psalm 88:13-14 partial

Mighty Arm

[1] I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

[2] For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

[3] I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant,

[4] Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations. Selah.

[5] And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.

[6] For who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?

[7] God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him.

[8] O LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?

[9] Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.

[10] Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm.

[11] The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.

[12] The north and the south thou hast created them: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in

thy name.

[13] Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

[14] Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

[15] Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

[16] In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

[17] For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted.

[18] For the LORD is our defence; and the Holy One of Israel is our king.

[19] Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

[20] I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him:

[21] With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him.

[22] The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.

[23] And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.

[24] But my faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

[25] I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.

[26] He shall cry unto me, Thou art my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.

[27] Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.

[28] My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

[29] His seed also will I make to endure for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven.

[30] If his children forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments;

[31] If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments;

[32] Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes.

[33] Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail.

[34] My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

[35] Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.

[36] His seed shall endure forever, and his throne as the sun before me.

[37] It shall be established for ever as the moon, and as a faithful witness in heaven.
Selah.

[38] But thou hast cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with thine anointed.

[39] Thou hast made void the covenant of thy servant: thou hast profaned his crown by casting it to the ground.

[40] Thou hast broken down all his hedges; thou hast brought his strong holds to ruin.

[41] All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his neighbours.

[42] Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries; thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.

[43] Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle.

[44] Thou hast made his glory to cease, and cast his throne down to the ground.

[45] The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.

[46] How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire?

- [47] Remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men in vain?
[48] What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.
[49] Lord, where are thy former lovingkindnesses, which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?
[50] Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; how I do bear in my bosom the reproach of all the mighty people;
[51] Wherewith thine enemies have reproached, O LORD; wherewith they have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed.
[52] Blessed be the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen. Psalm 89:1-52

Thou Art God

- [1] LORD, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.
[2] Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God. Psalm 90:1-2

[12] So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.
[13] Return, O LORD, Psalm 90:12-13 partial

[17] And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: Psalm 90:17 partial

My Refuge

- [1] He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
[2] I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
[3] Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.
[4] He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
[5] Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
[6] Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.
[7] A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.
[8] Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
[9] Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;
[10] There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
[11] For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
[12] They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
[13] Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

[14] Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

[15] He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

[16] With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation. Psalm 91:1-16

Great Art Thy Works

[1] It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:

[2] To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night,

[3] Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound.

[4] For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.

[5] O LORD, how great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep.

[6] A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this.

[7] When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever:

[8] But thou, LORD, art most high for evermore.

[9] For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

[10] But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil.

[11] Mine eye also shall see my desire on mine enemies, and mine ears shall hear my desire of the wicked that rise up against me.

[12] The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

[13] Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

[14] They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing;

[15] To shew that the LORD is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him. Psalm 92:1-15

The Lord Reigneth

[1] The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.

[2] Thy throne is established of old: thou art from everlasting.

[3] The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

[4] The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea.

[5] Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O LORD, for ever. Psalm 93:1-5

Vengeance

[1] O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.

[2] Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.

[3] LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?

[4] How long shall they utter and speak hard things? and all the workers of iniquity boast themselves?

[5] They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage.

[6] They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.

[7] Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.

[8] Understand, ye brutish among the people: and ye fools, when will ye be wise?

[9] He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?

[10] He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he know?

[11] The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.

[12] Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

[13] That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked.

[14] For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.

[15] But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow it.

[16] Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? or who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?

[17] Unless the LORD had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence.

[18] When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.

[19] In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.

[20] Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law?

[21] They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.

[22] But the LORD is my defence; and my God is the rock of my refuge.

[23] And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; yea, the LORD our God shall cut them off. Psalm 94:1-23

Let Us Sing

[1] O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

[2] Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

[3] For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

[4] In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also.
[5] The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.
[6] O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.
[7] For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
Psalm 95:1-7 partial

Sing Unto the Lord

[1] O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.
[2] Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.
[3] Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.
[4] For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to be feared above all gods.
[5] For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.
[6] Honour and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
[7] Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.
[8] Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.
[9] O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.
[10] Say among the heathen that the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously.
[11] Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.
[12] Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice
[13] Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth. Psalm 96:1-13

Let the Earth Rejoice

[1] The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.
[2] Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.
[3] A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.
[4] His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.
[5] The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
[6] The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people see his glory.
[7] Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him, all ye gods.
[8] Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.
[9] For thou, LORD, art high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.
[10] Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth

them out of the hand of the wicked.

[11] Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.

[12] Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness. Psalm 97:1-12

Joyful Noise

[1] O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.

[2] The LORD hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

[3] He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

[4] Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.

[5] Sing unto the LORD with the harp; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.

[6] With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King.

[7] Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

[8] Let the floods clap their hands: let the hills be joyful together

[9] Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity. Psalm 98:1-9

Exalt the Lord

[1] The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

[2] The LORD is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people.

[3] Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy.

[4] The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

[5] Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.

[6] Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that call upon his name; they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

[7] He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar: they kept his testimonies, and the ordinance that he gave them.

[8] Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.

[9] Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God is holy. Psalm 99:1-9

Serve with Gladness

- [1] Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.
[2] Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
[3] Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
[4] Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.
[5] For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. Psalm 100:1-5

I Will

- [1] I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.
[2] I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.
[3] I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.
[4] A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked person.
[5] Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.
[6] Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.
[7] He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.
[8] I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD. Psalm 101:1-8

Prayer

- [1] Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.
[2] Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day when I call answer me speedily. Psalm 102:1-2

Bless the Lord

- [1] Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
[2] Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
[3] Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
[4] Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
[5] Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.
[6] The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.
[7] He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

[8] The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.
[9] He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever.
[10] He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.
[11] For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.
[12] As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.
[13] Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him.
[14] For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.
[15] As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.
[16] For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.
[17] But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;
[18] To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.
[19] The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.
[20] Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.
[21] Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.
[22] Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul. Psalm 103:1-22

Manifold Works

[1] Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty.
[2] Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain:
[3] Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind:
[4] Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:
[5] Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever.
[6] Thou coveredst it with the deep as with a garment: the waters stood above the mountains.
[7] At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.
[8] They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast founded for them.
[9] Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they turn not again to cover the earth.
[10] He sendeth the springs into the valleys, which run among the hills.
[11] They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses quench their thirst.
[12] By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation, which sing among the branches.
[13] He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy

works.

[14] He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;

[15] And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart.

[16] The trees of the LORD are full of sap; the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted;

[17] Where the birds make their nests: as for the stork, the fir trees are her house.

[18] The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks for the conies.

[19] He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down.

[20] Thou makest darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep forth.

[21] The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God.

[22] The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.

[23] Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening.

[24] O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.

[25] So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

[26] There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein.

[27] These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat in due season.

[28] That thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good.

[29] Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.

[30] Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

[31] The glory of the LORD shall endure for ever: the LORD shall rejoice in his works.

[32] He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.

[33] I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

[34] My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD.

[35] Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 104:1-35

Seek the Lord

[1] O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people.

[2] Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works.

[3] Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

[4] Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore.

[5] Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

[6] O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen.

[7] He is the LORD our God: his judgments are in all the earth.

[8] He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations.

[9] Which covenant he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;

[10] And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant:

[11] Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance:

[12] When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.

[13] When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people;

[14] He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reprov'd kings for their sakes;

[15] Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

[16] Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the whole staff of bread.

[17] He sent a man before them, even Joseph, who was sold for a servant:

[18] Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

[19] Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.

[20] The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.

[21] He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:

[22] To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

[23] Israel also came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.

[24] And he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.

[25] He turned their heart to hate his people, to deal subtilly with his servants.

[26] He sent Moses his servant; and Aaron whom he had chosen.

[27] They shewed his signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham.

[28] He sent darkness, and made it dark; and they rebelled not against his word.

[29] He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.

[30] Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of their kings.

[31] He spake, and there came divers sorts of flies, and lice in all their coasts.

[32] He gave them hail for rain, and flaming fire in their land.

[33] He smote their vines also and their fig trees; and brake the trees of their coasts.

[34] He spake, and the locusts came, and caterpillers, and that without number,

[35] And did eat up all the herbs in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

[36] He smote also all the firstborn in their land, the chief of all their strength.

[37] He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

[38] Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them fell upon them.

[39] He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.

[40] The people asked, and he brought quails, and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.

[41] He opened the rock, and the waters gushed out; they ran in the dry places like a river.

[42] For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham his servant.

[43] And he brought forth his people with joy, and his chosen with gladness:

[44] And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people;

[45] That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 105:1-45

Praise Ye the Lord

- [1] Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.
- [2] Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? who can shew forth all his praise?
- [3] Blessed are they that keep judgment, and he that doeth righteousness at all times.
- [4] Remember me, O LORD, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people: O visit me with thy salvation;
- [5] That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance.
- [6] We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.
- [7] Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt; they remembered not the multitude of thy mercies; but provoked him at the sea, even at the Red sea.
- [8] Nevertheless he saved them for his name's sake, that he might make his mighty power to be known.
- [9] He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them through the depths, as through the wilderness.
- [10] And he saved them from the hand of him that hated them, and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.
- [11] And the waters covered their enemies: there was not one of them left.
- [12] Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.
- [13] They soon forgot his works; they waited not for his counsel:
- [14] But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in the desert.
- [15] And he gave them their request; but sent leanness into their soul.
- [16] They envied Moses also in the camp, and Aaron the saint of the LORD.
- [17] The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, and covered the company of Abiram.
- [18] And a fire was kindled in their company; the flame burned up the wicked.
- [19] They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image.
- [20] Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass.
- [21] They forgot God their saviour, which had done great things in Egypt;
- [22] Wondrous works in the land of Ham, and terrible things by the Red sea.
- [23] Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy them.
- [24] Yea, they despised the pleasant land, they believed not his word:
- [25] But murmured in their tents, and hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.
- [26] Therefore he lifted up his hand against them, to overthrow them in the wilderness:
- [27] To overthrow their seed also among the nations, and to scatter them in the lands.
- [28] They joined themselves also unto Baal-peor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead.
- [29] Thus they provoked him to anger with their inventions: and the plague brake in upon them.
- [30] Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment: and so the plague was stayed.
- [31] And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all generations for evermore.
- [32] They angered him also at the waters of strife, so that it went ill with Moses for their sakes:
- [33] Because they provoked his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.

[34] They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD commanded them:
[35] But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.
[36] And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them.
[37] Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto devils,
[38] And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood.
[39] Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions.
[40] Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.
[41] And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them.
[42] Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand.
[43] Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked him with their counsel, and were brought low for their iniquity.
[44] Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry:
[45] And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies.
[46] He made them also to be pitied of all those that carried them captives.
[47] Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto thy holy name, and to triumph in thy praise.
[48] Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 106:1-48

Oh, That Men Would Praise the Lord

[1] O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.
[2] Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;
[3] And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.
[4] They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.
[5] Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.
[6] Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.
[7] And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.
[8] Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!
[9] For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.
[10] Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron;
[11] Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the most High:
[12] Therefore he brought down their heart with labour; they fell down, and there was

none to help.

[13] Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them out of their distresses.

[14] He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.

[15] Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

[16] For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.

[17] Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted.

[18] Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death.

[19] Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses.

[20] He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

[21] Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

[22] And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.

[23] They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters;

[24] These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.

[25] For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

[26] They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble.

[27] They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wits' end.

[28] Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.

[29] He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

[30] Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

[31] Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

[32] Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

[33] He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into dry ground;

[34] A fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

[35] He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings.

[36] And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation;

[37] And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase.

[38] He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

[39] Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.

[40] He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the wilderness, where there is no way.

[41] Yet setteth he the poor on high from affliction, and maketh him families like a flock.

[42] The righteous shall see it, and rejoice: and all iniquity shall stop her mouth.

[43] Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the LORD. Psalm 107:1-43

I Will Praise Thee

[1] O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.

[2] Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early.

[3] I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

[4] For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

[5] Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth;

[6] That thy beloved may be delivered: save with thy right hand, and answer me.

[7] God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, Psalm 108:1-7 partial

[12] Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man.

[13] Through God we shall do valiantly: for he it is that shall tread down our enemies.
Psalm 108:12-13

[1] Hold not thy peace, O God of my praise; Psalm 109:1

Fear of the Lord

[1] Praise ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

[2] The works of the LORD are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

[3] His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

[4] He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

[5] He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

[6] He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

[7] The works of his hands are verity and judgment; all his commandments are sure.

[8] They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.

[9] He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend is his name.

[10] The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever. Psalm 111:1-10

A Good Man

[1] Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

[2] His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

[3] Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
[4] Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.
[5] A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.
[6] Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.
[7] He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.
[8] His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies.
[9] He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.
[10] The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish. Psalm 112:1-10

Praise the Lord

[1] Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.
[2] Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.
[3] From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD's name is to be praised.
[4] The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.
[5] Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high,
[6] Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth!
[7] He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill;
[8] That he may set him with princes, even with the princes of his people.
[9] He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.
Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 113:1-9

Trust in the Lord

[1] Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.
[2] Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is now their God?
[3] But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased. Psalm 115:1-3

[9] O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he is their help and their shield.
[10] O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he is their help and their shield.
[11] Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he is their help and their shield.
[12] The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.
[13] He will bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great.
[14] The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

[15] Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

[16] The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men. Psalm 115:9-16

[18] But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD. Psalm 115:18

Gracious is the Lord

[1] I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications.

[2] Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

[3] The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.

[4] Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

[5] Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful.

[6] The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.

[7] Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.

[8] For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

[9] I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

[10] I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted:

[11] I said in my haste, All men are liars.

[12] What shall I render unto the LORD for all his benefits toward me?

[13] I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

[14] I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.

[15] Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

[16] O LORD, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.

[17] I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.

[18] I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people,

[19] In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 116:1-19

Praise Him

[1] O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.

[2] For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 117:1-2

Give Thanks

[1] O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever.

[2] Let Israel now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

[3] Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

[4] Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

[5] I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place.

[6] The LORD is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?

[7] The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see my desire upon them that hate me.

[8] It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

[9] It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes. Psalm 118:1-9

[13] Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me.

[14] The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation.

[15] The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

[16] The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

[17] I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

[18] The LORD hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death.

[19] Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and I will praise the LORD:

[20] This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.

[21] I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

[22] The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

[23] This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

[24] This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

[25] Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.

[26] Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

[27] God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

[28] Thou art my God, and I will praise thee: thou art my God, I will exalt thee.

[29] O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Psalm 118:13-29

Teach Me Thy Statutes

[1] Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.

[2] Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.

[3] They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

[4] Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

[5] O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!

[6] Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.

[7] I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.

- [8] I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.
- [9] Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.
- [10] With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.
- [11] Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.
- [12] Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.
- [13] With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.
- [14] I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as much as in all riches.
- [15] I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.
- [16] I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.
- [17] Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word.
- [18] Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.
- [19] I am a stranger in the earth: hide not thy commandments from me.
- [20] My soul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto thy judgments at all times.
- [21] Thou hast rebuked the proud that are cursed, which do err from thy commandments.
- [22] Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy testimonies.
- [23] Princes also did sit and speak against me: but thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.
- [24] Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.
- [25] My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.
- [26] I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me: teach me thy statutes.
- [27] Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.
- [28] My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.
- [29] Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.
- [30] I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid before me.
- [31] I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.
- [32] I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart.
- [33] Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.
- [34] Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.
- [35] Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.
- [36] Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.
- [37] Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way.
- [38] Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.
- [39] Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments are good.
- [40] Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.
- [41] Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, even thy salvation, according to thy word.
- [42] So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word.
- [43] And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy judgments.
- [44] So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.
- [45] And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.
- [46] I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.
- [47] And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved.

[48] My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.

[49] Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

[50] This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.

[51] The proud have had me greatly in derision: yet have I not declined from thy law.

[52] I remembered thy judgments of old, O LORD; and have comforted myself.

[53] Horror hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that forsake thy law.

[54] Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

[55] I have remembered thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept thy law.

[56] This I had, because I kept thy precepts.

[57] Thou art my portion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep thy words.

[58] I intreated thy favour with my whole heart: be merciful unto me according to thy word.

[59] I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

[60] I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.

[61] The bands of the wicked have robbed me: but I have not forgotten thy law.

[62] At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous judgments.

[63] I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts.

[64] The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.

[65] Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto thy word.

[66] Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.

[67] Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.

[68] Thou art good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.

[69] The proud have forged a lie against me: but I will keep thy precepts with my whole heart.

[70] Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in thy law.

[71] It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.

[72] The law of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

[73] Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

[74] They that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word.

[75] I know, O LORD, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.

[76] Let, I pray thee, thy merciful kindness be for my comfort, according to thy word unto thy servant.

[77] Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight.

[78] Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: but I will meditate in thy precepts.

[79] Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.

[80] Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

[81] My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

[82] Mine eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?

[83] For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; yet do I not forget thy statutes.

[84] How many are the days of thy servant? when wilt thou execute judgment on them that persecute me?

[85] The proud have digged pits for me, which are not after thy law.
[86] All thy commandments are faithful: they persecute me wrongfully; help thou me.
[87] They had almost consumed me upon earth; but I forsook not thy precepts.
[88] Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth.
[89] For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.
[90] Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.
[91] They continue this day according to thine ordinances: for all are thy servants.
[92] Unless thy law had been my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.
[93] I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.
[94] I am thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.
[95] The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: but I will consider thy testimonies.
[96] I have seen an end of all perfection: but thy commandment is exceeding broad.
[97] O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.
[98] Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.
[99] I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies are my meditation.
[100] I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.
[101] I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.
[102] I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.
[103] How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
[104] Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.
[105] Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
[106] I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.
[107] I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.
[108] Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.
[109] My soul is continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.
[110] The wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts.
[111] Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they are the rejoicing of my heart.
[112] I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes alway, even unto the end.
[113] I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.
[114] Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.
[115] Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.
[116] Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me not be ashamed of my hope.
[117] Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.
[118] Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit is falsehood.
[119] Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.
[120] My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judgments.
[121] I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors.

[122] Be surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress me.
[123] Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy righteousness.
[124] Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy statutes.
[125] I am thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.
[126] It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void thy law.
[127] Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.
[128] Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way.
[129] Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.
[130] The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.
[131] I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy commandments.
[132] Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.
[133] Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.
[134] Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts.
[135] Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.
[136] Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.
[137] Righteous art thou, O LORD, and upright are thy judgments.
[138] Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded are righteous and very faithful.
[139] My zeal hath consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.
[140] Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.
[141] I am small and despised: yet do not I forget thy precepts.
[142] Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law is the truth.
[143] Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: yet thy commandments are my delights.
[144] The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live.
[145] I cried with my whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.
[146] I cried unto thee; save me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.
[147] I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in thy word.
[148] Mine eyes prevent the night watches, that I might meditate in thy word.
[149] Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD, quicken me according to thy judgment.
[150] They draw nigh that follow after mischief: they are far from thy law.
[151] Thou art near, O LORD; and all thy commandments are truth.
[152] Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them for ever.
[153] Consider mine affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.
[154] Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.
[155] Salvation is far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes.
[156] Great are thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to thy judgments.
[157] Many are my persecutors and mine enemies; yet do I not decline from thy testimonies.
[158] I beheld the transgressors, and was grieved; because they kept not thy word.
[159] Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.

[160] Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.
[161] Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.
[162] I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.
[163] I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love.
[164] Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.
[165] Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.
[166] LORD, I have hoped for thy salvation, and done thy commandments.
[167] My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.
[168] I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my ways are before thee.
[169] Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me understanding according to thy word.
[170] Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.
[171] My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.
[172] My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments are righteousness.
[173] Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts.
[174] I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law is my delight.
[175] Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me.
[176] I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments. Psalm 119:1-176

He Heard Me

[1] In my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he heard me.
[2] Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, and from a deceitful tongue.
[3] What shall be given unto thee? or what shall be done unto thee, thou false tongue?
Psalm 120:1-3

[7] I am for peace: Psalm 120:7 partial

Thy Keeper

[1] I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
[2] My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.
[3] He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
[4] Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
[5] The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.
[6] The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
[7] The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
[8] The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Psalm 121:1-8

[1] Unto thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens. Psalm 123:1

[3] Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us: Psalm 123:3 partial

[8] Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth. Psalm 124:8

Children

[1] Blessed is every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways.

[2] For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.

[3] Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.

[4] Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the LORD.

[5] The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

[6] Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, and peace upon Israel. Psalm 128:1-6

[3] Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. Psalm 127:3

Hear My Voice

[1] Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD.

[2] Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

[3] If thou, LORD, shouldst mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?

[4] But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.

[5] I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.

[6] My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

[7] Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.

[8] And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities. Psalm 130:1-8

Who

[1] Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD; praise him, O ye servants of the LORD.

[2] Ye that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God,

[3] Praise the LORD; for the LORD is good: sing praises unto his name; for it is pleasant.

[4] For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and Israel for his peculiar treasure.

[5] For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

[6] whatsoever the LORD pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.

[7] He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings for the rain; he bringeth the wind out of his treasures.

[8] Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, both of man and beast.

[9] Who sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants.

[10] Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings;

[11] Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan:

[12] And gave their land for an heritage, an heritage unto Israel his people.

[13] Thy name, O LORD, endureth for ever; and thy memorial, O LORD, throughout all generations.

[14] For the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants. Psalm 135:1-14

His Mercy Endureth Forever

[1] O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[2] O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[3] O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[4] To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[5] To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[6] To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[7] To him that made great lights: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[8] The sun to rule by day: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[9] The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[10] To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[11] And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[12] With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[13] To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[14] And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[15] But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[16] To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[17] To him which smote great kings: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[18] And slew famous kings: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[19] Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[20] And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[21] And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[22] Even an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[23] Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy endureth for ever:

[24] And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[25] Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[26] O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy endureth for ever. Psalm 136:1-26

Thou Answeredst Me

- [1] I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
- [2] I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.
- [3] In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul.
- [4] All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of thy mouth.
- [5] Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great is the glory of the LORD.
- [6] Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.
- [7] Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.
- [8] The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands. Psalm 138:1-8

Thou Hast Searched Me

- [1] O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me.
- [2] Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.
- [3] Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.
- [4] For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.
- [5] Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.
- [6] Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.
- [7] Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
- [8] If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.
- [9] If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
- [10] Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.
- [11] If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.
- [12] Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.
- [13] For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
- [14] I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.
- [15] My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
- [16] Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.
- [17] How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!
- [18] If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.
- [19] Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.

[20] For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain.
[21] Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?
[22] I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.
[23] Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:
[24] And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.
Psalm 139:1-24

Deliver Me

[1] Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man;
[2] Which imagine mischiefs in their heart; continually are they gathered together for war.
[3] They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison is under their lips. Selah.
[4] Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.
[5] The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.
[6] I said unto the LORD, Thou art my God: hear the voice of my supplications, O LORD.
[7] O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.
[8] Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device; lest they exalt themselves. Selah.
[9] As for the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lips cover them.
[10] Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up again.
[11] Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow him.
[12] I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the right of the poor.
[13] Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence. Psalm 140:1-13

I Cry Unto Thee

[1] LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.
[2] Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.
[3] Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.
[4] Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work

iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.

[5] Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.

[6] When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.

[7] Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth wood upon the earth.

[8] But mine eyes are unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute.

[9] Keep me from the snares which they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity. Psalm 141:1-10

I Cried Unto the Lord

[1] I cried unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.

[2] I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble.

[3] When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

[4] I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul.

[5] I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living.

[6] Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.

[7] Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me. Psalm 142:1-7

Teach Me To Do Thy Will

[1] Hear my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness.

[2] And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

[3] For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead.

[4] Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate.

[5] I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

[6] I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul thirsteth after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.

[7] Hear me speedily, O LORD: my spirit faileth: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

[8] Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust: cause me

to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

[9] Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to hide me.

[10] Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

[11] Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake: for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

[12] And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I am thy servant. Psalm 143:1-12

What Is Man?

[1] Blessed be the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

[2] My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.

[3] LORD, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him!

[4] Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that passeth away.

[5] Bow thy heavens, O LORD, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

[6] Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.

[7] Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children;

[8] Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood.

[9] I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

[10] It is he that giveth salvation unto kings: who delivereth David his servant from the hurtful sword.

[11] Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood:

[12] That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace:

[13] That our garners may be full, affording all manner of store: that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets:

[14] That our oxen may be strong to labour; that there be no breaking in, nor going out; that there be no complaining in our streets.

[15] Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is that people, whose God is the LORD. Psalm 144:1-15

The Lord is Good to All

[1] I will extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever.

[2] Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

[3] Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable.

[4] One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.
[5] I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works.
[6] And men shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I will declare thy greatness.
[7] They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness, and shall sing of thy righteousness.
[8] The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.
[9] The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.
[10] All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.
[11] They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;
[12] To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.
[13] Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.
[14] The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down.
[15] The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.
[16] Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.
[17] The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.
[18] The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.
[19] He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.
[20] The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.
[21] My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever. Psalm 145:1-21

The Lord Shall Reign Forever

[1] Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.
[2] While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.
[3] Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.
[4] His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.
[5] Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God:
[6] Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever:
[7] Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The LORD looseth the prisoners:
[8] The LORD openeth the eyes of the blind: the LORD raiseth them that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:
[9] The LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.
[10] The LORD shall reign for ever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 146:1-10

Praise is Comely

- [1] Praise ye the LORD: for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.
- [2] The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.
- [3] He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.
- [4] He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.
- [5] Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.
- [6] The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.
- [7] Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:
- [8] Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.
- [9] He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which cry.
- [10] He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.
- [11] The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.
- [12] Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.
- [13] For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee.
- [14] He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.
- [15] He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: his word runneth very swiftly.
- [16] He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.
- [17] He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?
- [18] He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow.
- [19] He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.
- [20] He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 147:1-20

Praise Ye Him

- [1] Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.
- [2] Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.
- [3] Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.
- [4] Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.
- [5] Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.
- [6] He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.
- [7] Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:
- [8] Fire, and hail; snow, and vapour; stormy wind fulfilling his word:
- [9] Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:
- [10] Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and flying fowl:
- [11] Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth:
- [12] Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:
- [13] Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is

above the earth and heaven.

[14] He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 148:1-14

Sing a New Song

[1] Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.

[2] Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

[3] Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.

[4] For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.

[5] Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

[6] Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand;

[7] To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;

[8] To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;

[9] To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 149:1-9

Praise Ye the Lord, Praise Him

[1] Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

[2] Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

[3] Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.

[4] Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

[5] Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

[6] Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 150:1-6

Proverbs

Of Solomon

[1] The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;

[2] To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

[3] To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

[4] To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

[5] A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

[6] To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

[7] The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

[8] My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

[9] For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

[10] My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. Proverbs 1:1-10

Receive My Words

[1] My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

[2] So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;

[3] Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;

[4] If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

[5] Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

[6] For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

[7] He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

[8] He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.

[9] Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yea, every good path.

[10] When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

[11] Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee: Proverbs 2:1-11

Forget Not My Law

[1] My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

[2] For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

[3] Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:

[4] So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

[5] Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

[6] In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

[7] Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

[8] It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

[9] Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

[10] So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

[11] My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:

[12] For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

[13] Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

[14] For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain

thereof than fine gold.

[15] She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

[16] Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.

[17] Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

[18] She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her.

[19] The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

[20] By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

[21] My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:

[22] So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.

[23] Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.

[24] When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

[25] Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

[26] For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

[27] Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.

[28] Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.

[29] Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.

[30] Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm.

[31] Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

[32] For the froward is abomination to the LORD: but his secret is with the righteous.

[33] The curse of the LORD is in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.

[34] Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly.

[35] The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools. Proverbs 3:1-35

Get Wisdom

[1] Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding.

[2] For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.

[3] For I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of my mother.

[4] He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.

[5] Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.

[6] Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee.

[7] Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

[8] Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.

- [9] She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.
- [10] Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life shall be many.
- [11] I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right paths.
- [12] When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble.
- [13] Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her; for she is thy life.
- [14] Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.
- [15] Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.
- [16] For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall.
- [17] For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.
- [18] But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.
- [19] The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.
- [20] My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.
- [21] Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.
- [22] For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.
- [23] Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.
- [24] Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.
- [25] Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.
- [26] Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.
- [27] Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil. Proverbs 4:1-27

Six Things, Seven

- [16] These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him:
- [17] A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,
- [18] An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,
- [19] A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.
- [20] My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
- [21] Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.
- [22] When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.
- [23] For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:
- [24] To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.
- [25] Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.
- [26] For by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of bread: and the adulteress will hunt for the precious life.
- [27] Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?
- [28] Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned?
- [29] So he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her shall not be innocent.

- [30] Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;
[31] But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.
[32] But whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh understanding: he that doeth it destroyeth his own soul.
[33] A wound and dishonour shall he get; and his reproach shall not be wiped away.
[34] For jealousy is the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.
[35] He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest many gifts. Proverbs 6:16-35

Keep My Words

- [1] My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.
[2] Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.
[3] Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.
[4] Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy kinswoman:
Proverbs 7:1-4

I Wisdom

- [13] The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.
[14] Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.
[15] By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.
[16] By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth.
[17] I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.
[18] Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.
[19] My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.
[20] I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:
[21] That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.
[22] The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.
[23] I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.
[24] When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water.
[25] Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:
[26] While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.
[27] When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:
[28] When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:
[29] When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his

commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth:

[30] Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him;

[31] Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

[32] Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed are they that keep my ways.

[33] Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

[34] Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

[35] For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the LORD.

[36] But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death. Proverbs 8:13-36

[10] The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding. Proverbs 9:10

A Wise Son

[1] The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

[2] Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death.

[3] The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away the substance of the wicked.

[4] He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

[5] He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame.

[6] Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

[7] The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

[8] The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.

[9] He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.

[10] He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.

[11] The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

[12] Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

[13] In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found: but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.

[14] Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

[15] The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.

[16] The labour of the righteous tendeth to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

[17] He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.

[18] He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool.

[19] In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.
[20] The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.
[21] The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.
[22] The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.
[23] It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.
[24] The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be granted.
[25] As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.
[26] As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them that send him.
[27] The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.
[28] The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.
[29] The way of the LORD is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.
[30] The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.
[31] The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.
[32] The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked speaketh frowardness. Proverbs 10:1-32

A Just Weight

[1] A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight.
[2] When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.
[3] The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.
[4] Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death.
[5] The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.
[6] The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but transgressors shall be taken in their own naughtiness.
[7] When a wicked man dieth, his expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust men perisheth.
[8] The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh in his stead.
[9] An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.
[10] When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and when the wicked perish, there is shouting.
[11] By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.
[12] He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace.
[13] A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.

[14] Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety.

[15] He that is surety for a stranger shall smart for it: and he that hateth suretiship is sure.

[16] A gracious woman retaineth honour: and strong men retain riches.

[17] The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but he that is cruel troubleth his own flesh.

[18] The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth righteousness shall be a sure reward.

[19] As righteousness tendeth to life: so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own death.

[20] They that are of a froward heart are abomination to the LORD: but such as are upright in their way are his delight.

[21] Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.

[22] As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion.

[23] The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of the wicked is wrath.

[24] There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

[25] The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.

[26] He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it.

[27] He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: but he that seeketh mischief, it shall come unto him.

[28] He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch.

[29] He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart.

[30] The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.

[31] Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner. Proverbs 11:1-31

Love Instruction

[1] Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish.

[2] A good man obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.

[3] A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.

[4] A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.

[5] The thoughts of the righteous are right: but the counsels of the wicked are deceit.

[6] The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.

[7] The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.

[8] A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is of a perverse heart shall be despised.

[9] He that is despised, and hath a servant, is better than he that honoureth himself, and

lacketh bread.

[10] A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.

[11] He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding.

[12] The wicked desireth the net of evil men: but the root of the righteous yieldeth fruit.

[13] The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.

[14] A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.

[15] The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

[16] A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covereth shame.

[17] He that speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.

[18] There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.

[19] The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

[20] Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace is joy.

[21] There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.

[22] Lying lips are abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly are his delight.

[23] A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.

[24] The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.

[25] Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.

[26] The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.

[27] The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.

[28] In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

Proverbs 12:1-28

Father's Instruction

[1] A wise son heareth his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

[2] A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth: but the soul of the transgressors shall eat violence.

[3] He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

[4] The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

[5] A righteous man hateth lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and cometh to shame.

[6] Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

[7] There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches.

[8] The ransom of a man's life are his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

[9] The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

- [10] Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.
- [11] Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase.
- [12] Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but when the desire cometh, it is a tree of life.
- [13] Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.
- [14] The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
- [15] Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.
- [16] Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.
- [17] A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.
- [18] Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.
- [19] The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is abomination to fools to depart from evil.
- [20] He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.
- [21] Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.
- [22] A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.
- [23] Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is destroyed for want of judgment.
- [24] He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.
- [25] The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want. Proverbs 13:1-25

Wise Woman

- [1] Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.
- [2] He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: but he that is perverse in his ways despiseth him.
- [3] In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.
- [4] Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox.
- [5] A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.
- [6] A scorner seeketh wisdom, and findeth it not: but knowledge is easy unto him that understandeth.
- [7] Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not in him the lips of knowledge.
- [8] The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way: but the folly of fools is deceit.
- [9] Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous there is favour.
- [10] The heart knoweth his own bitterness; and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his joy.
- [11] The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.

- [12] There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.
- [13] Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth is heaviness.
- [14] The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.
- [15] The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going.
- [16] A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.
- [17] He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.
- [18] The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.
- [19] The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.
- [20] The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but the rich hath many friends.
- [21] He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he.
- [22] Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good.
- [23] In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.
- [24] The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools is folly.
- [25] A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful witness speaketh lies.
- [26] In the fear of the LORD is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.
- [27] The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
- [28] In the multitude of people is the king's honour: but in the want of people is the destruction of the prince.
- [29] He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.
- [30] A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.
- [31] He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.
- [32] The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.
- [33] Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but that which is in the midst of fools is made known.
- [34] Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.
- [35] The king's favour is toward a wise servant: but his wrath is against him that causeth shame. Proverbs 14:1-35

Soft Answer

- [1] A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.
- [2] The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.
- [3] The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.
- [4] A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.
- [5] A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent.
- [6] In the house of the righteous is much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is

trouble.

[7] The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish doeth not so.

[8] The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his delight.

[9] The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

[10] Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die.

[11] Hell and destruction are before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?

[12] A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.

[13] A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

[14] The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.

[15] All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast.

[16] Better is little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.

[17] Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.

[18] A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.

[19] The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous is made plain.

[20] A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.

[21] Folly is joy to him that is destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh uprightly.

[22] Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

[23] A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!

[24] The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

[25] The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.

[26] The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but the words of the pure are pleasant words.

[27] He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live.

[28] The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.

[29] The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

[30] The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.

[31] The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

[32] He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.

[33] The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.

Proverbs 15:1-33

Heart In Man

- [1] The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD.
- [2] All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits.
- [3] Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.
- [4] The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.
- [5] Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.
- [6] By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil.
- [7] When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.
- [8] Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.
- [9] A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.
- [10] A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment.
- [11] A just weight and balance are the LORD's: all the weights of the bag are his work.
- [12] It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness.
- [13] Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right.
- [14] The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.
- [15] In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain.
- [16] How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!
- [17] The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul.
- [18] Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.
- [19] Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.
- [20] He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.
- [21] The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.
- [22] Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools is folly.
- [23] The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.
- [24] Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.
- [25] There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.
- [26] He that laboreth laboreth for himself; for his mouth craveth it of him.
- [27] An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.
- [28] A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.
- [29] A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.
- [30] He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.

[31] The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness.
[32] He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.
[33] The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the LORD.
Proverbs 16:1-33

Dry Morsel

[1] Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.
[2] A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.
[3] The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the LORD trieth the hearts.
[4] A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.
[5] Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: and he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.
[6] Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.
[7] Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.
[8] A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth.
[9] He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends.
[10] A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.
[11] An evil man seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.
[12] Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.
[13] Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.
[14] The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.
[15] He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are abomination to the LORD.
[16] Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing he hath no heart to it?
[17] A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.
[18] A man void of understanding striketh hands, and becometh surety in the presence of his friend.
[19] He loveth transgression that loveth strife: and he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.
[20] He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath a perverse tongue falleth into mischief.
[21] He that begetteth a fool doeth it to his sorrow: and the father of a fool hath no joy.
[22] A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.
[23] A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.
[24] Wisdom is before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a fool are in the ends

of the earth.

[25] A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

[26] Also to punish the just is not good, nor to strike princes for equity.

[27] He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

[28] Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding. Proverbs 17:1-28

Through Desire

[1] Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom.

[2] A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

[3] When the wicked cometh, then cometh also contempt, and with ignominy reproach.

[4] The words of a man's mouth are as deep waters, and the wellspring of wisdom as a flowing brook.

[5] It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.

[6] A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.

[7] A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul.

[8] The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

[9] He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

[10] The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

[11] The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as a high wall in his own conceit.

[12] Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility.

[13] He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

[14] The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

[15] The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

[16] A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.

[17] He that is first in his own cause seemeth just; but his neighbour cometh and searcheth him.

[18] The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.

[19] A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.

[20] A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.

[21] Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

[22] Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.

[23] The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth roughly.

[24] A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:1-24

Better is the Poor

[1] Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

[2] Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hasteth with his feet sinneth.

[3] The foolishness of man perverteth his way: and his heart fretteth against the LORD.

[4] Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.

[5] A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall not escape.

[6] Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a friend to him that giveth gifts.

[7] All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursueth them with words, yet they are wanting to him.

[8] He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good.

[9] A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall perish.

[10] Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.

[11] The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

[12] The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion; but his favour is as dew upon the grass.

[13] A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.

[14] House and riches are the inheritance of fathers and a prudent wife is from the LORD.

[15] Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

[16] He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; but he that despiseth his ways shall die.

[17] He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.

[18] Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying.

[19] A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliver him, yet thou must do it again.

[20] Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

[21] There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.

[22] The desire of a man is his kindness: and a poor man is better than a liar.

[23] The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.

[24] A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.

[25] Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, and he will understand knowledge.

[26] He that wasteth his father, and chaseth away his mother, is a son that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.

[27] Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of

knowledge.

[28] An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.

[29] Judgments are prepared for scorers, and stripes for the back of fools. Proverbs 19:1-29

Wine is a Mocker

[1] Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

[2] The fear of a king is as the roaring of a lion: whoso provoketh him to anger sinneth against his own soul.

[3] It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.

[4] The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

[5] Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.

[6] Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?

[7] The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

[8] A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.

[9] Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

[10] Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike abomination to the LORD.

[11] Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.

[12] The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them.

[13] Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

[14] It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.

[15] There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel.

[16] Take his garment that is surety for a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

[17] Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.

[18] Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.

[19] He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips.

[20] Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.

[21] An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed.

[22] Say not thou, I will recompense evil; but wait on the LORD, and he shall save thee.

[23] Divers weights are an abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance is not good.
[24] Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?
[25] It is a snare to the man who devoureth that which is holy, and after vows to make inquiry.
[26] A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.
[27] The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.
[28] Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.
[29] The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the gray head.
[30] The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so do stripes the inward parts of the belly. Proverbs 20:1-30

The King's Heart

[1] The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.
[2] Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.
[3] To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.
[4] An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin.
[5] The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.
[6] The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.
[7] The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.
[8] The way of man is froward and strange: but as for the pure, his work is right.
[9] It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house.
[10] The soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour findeth no favour in his eyes.
[11] When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge.
[12] The righteous man wisely considereth the house of the wicked: but God overthroweth the wicked for their wickedness.
[13] Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.
[14] A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.
[15] It is joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.
[16] The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.
[17] He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.
[18] The wicked shall be a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.
[19] It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.
[20] There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.
[21] He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and

honour.

[22] A wise man scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.

[23] Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

[24] Proud and haughty scorner is his name, who dealeth in proud wrath.

[25] The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.

[26] He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.

[27] The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination: how much more, when he bringeth it with a wicked mind?

[28] A false witness shall perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.

[29] A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the upright, he directeth his way.

[30] There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.

[31] The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of the LORD. Proverbs 21:1-31

A Good Name

[1] A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.

[2] The rich and poor meet together: the LORD is the maker of them all.

[3] A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

[4] By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life.

[5] Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward: he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them.

[6] Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

[7] The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.

[8] He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.

[9] He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.

[10] Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.

[11] He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.

[12] The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the words of the transgressor.

[13] The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

[14] The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall therein.

[15] Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

[16] He that oppresseth the poor to increase his riches, and he that giveth to the rich, shall surely come to want.

[17] Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge.

[18] For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips.

[19] That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, even to thee.
[20] Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,
[21] That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?
[22] Rob not the poor, because he is poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate:
[23] For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.
[24] Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go:
[25] Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.
[26] Be not thou one of them that strike hands, or of them that are sureties for debts.
[27] If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?
[28] Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.
[29] Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men. Proverbs 22:1-29

Eat With a Ruler

[1] When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what is before thee:
[2] And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite.
[3] Be not desirous of his dainties: for they are deceitful meat.
[4] Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.
[5] Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.
[6] Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats:
[7] For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.
[8] The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.
[9] Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.
[10] Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless:
[11] For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee.
[12] Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.
[13] Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die.
[14] Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.
[15] My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine.
[16] Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.
[17] Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the LORD all the day long.
[18] For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.
[19] Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.
[20] Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:
[21] For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.
[22] Harken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.

[23] Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.
[24] The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.
[25] Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.
[26] My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.
[27] For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit.
[28] She also lieth in wait as for a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men.
[29] Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?
[30] They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.
[31] Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.
[32] At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.
[33] Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.
[34] Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.
[35] They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again. Proverbs 23:1-35

Be Not Envious

[1] Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them.
[2] For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.
[3] Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established:
[4] And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.
[5] A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength.
[6] For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors there is safety.
[7] Wisdom is too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.
[8] He that deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.
[9] The thought of foolishness is sin: and the scorner is an abomination to men.
[10] If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.
[11] If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain;
[12] If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth not he know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his works?
[13] My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to thy taste:
[14] So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto thy soul: when thou hast found it, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off.
[15] Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place:
[16] For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

[17] Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:
[18] Lest the LORD see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.
[19] Fret not thyself because of evil men, neither be thou envious at the wicked;
[20] For there shall be no reward to the evil man; the candle of the wicked shall be put out.
[21] My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change:
[22] For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?
[23] These things also belong to the wise. It is not good to have respect of persons in judgment.
[24] He that saith unto the wicked, Thou are righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:
[25] But to them that rebuke him shall be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them.
[26] Every man shall kiss his lips that giveth a right answer.
[27] Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.
[28] Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive not with thy lips.
[29] Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.
[30] I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;
[31] And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.
[32] Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction.
[33] Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:
[34] So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

Proverbs 24:1-34

Conceal a Thing

[1] These are also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.
[2] It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.
[3] The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings is unsearchable.
[4] Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer.
[5] Take away the wicked from before the king, and his throne shall be established in righteousness.
[6] Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great men:
[7] For better it is that it be said unto thee, Come up hither; than that thou shouldest be put lower in the presence of the prince whom thine eyes have seen.
[8] Go not forth hastily to strive, lest thou know not what to do in the end thereof, when

thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.

[9] Debate thy cause with thy neighbour himself; and discover not a secret to another:

[10] Lest he that heareth it put thee to shame, and thine infamy turn not away.

[11] A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

[12] As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover upon an obedient ear.

[13] As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters.

[14] Whoso boasteth himself of a false gift is like clouds and wind without rain.

[15] By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

[16] Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

[17] Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee.

[18] A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour is a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.

[19] Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble is like a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

[20] As he that taketh away a garment in cold weather, and as vinegar upon nitre, so is he that singeth songs to an heavy heart.

[21] If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:

[22] For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

[23] The north wind driveth away rain: so doth an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.

[24] It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in a wide house.

[25] As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.

[26] A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.

[27] It is not good to eat much honey: so for men to search their own glory is not glory.

[28] He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls. Proverbs 25:1-28

Snow in Summer

[1] As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.

[2] As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.

[3] A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.

[4] Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.

[5] Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.

[6] He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, and drinketh damage.

[7] The legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.

- [8] As he that bindeth a stone in a sling, so is he that giveth honour to a fool.
- [9] As a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so is a parable in the mouth of fools.
- [10] The great God that formed all things both rewardeth the fool, and rewardeth transgressors.
- [11] As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly.
- [12] Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him.
- [13] The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the streets.
- [14] As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his bed.
- [15] The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.
- [16] The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.
- [17] He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.
- [18] As a mad man who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death,
- [19] So is the man that deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?
- [20] Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth.
- [21] As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife.
- [22] The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.
- [23] Burning lips and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with silver dross.
- [24] He that hateth dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit within him;
- [25] When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for there are seven abominations in his heart.
- [26] Whose hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the whole congregation.
- [27] Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him.
- [28] A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin. Proverbs 26:1-28

Boast Not Thyself

- [1] Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.
- [2] Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.
- [3] A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both.
- [4] Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?
- [5] Open rebuke is better than secret love.
- [6] Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.
- [7] The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.
- [8] As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that wandereth from his place.
- [9] Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by

hearty counsel.

[10] Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.

[11] My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him that reproacheth me.

[12] A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.

[13] Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

[14] He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

[15] A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

[16] Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, which bewrayeth itself.

[17] Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

[18] Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

[19] As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man.

[20] Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

[21] As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so is a man to his praise.

[22] Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, yet will not his foolishness depart from him.

[23] Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well to thy herds.

[24] For riches are not for ever: and doth the crown endure to every generation?

[25] The hay appeareth, and the tender grass sheweth itself, and herbs of the mountains are gathered.

[26] The lambs are for thy clothing, and the goats are the price of the field.

[27] And thou shalt have goats' milk enough for thy food, for the food of thy household, and for the maintenance for thy maidens. Proverbs 27:1-27

The Wicked Flee

[1] The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.

[2] For the transgression of a land many are the princes thereof: but by a man of understanding and knowledge the state thereof shall be prolonged.

[3] A poor man that oppresseth the poor is like a sweeping rain which leaveth no food.

[4] They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.

[5] Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things.

[6] Better is the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than he that is perverse in his ways, though he be rich.

[7] Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous men shameth his father.

- [8] He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor.
- [9] He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.
- [10] Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession.
- [11] The rich man is wise in his own conceit; but the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.
- [12] When righteous men do rejoice, there is great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is hidden.
- [13] He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.
- [14] Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief.
- [15] As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; so is a wicked ruler over the poor people.
- [16] The prince that wanteth understanding is also a great oppressor: but he that hateth covetousness shall prolong his days.
- [17] A man that doeth violence to the blood of any person shall flee to the pit; let no man stay him.
- [18] Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but he that is perverse in his ways shall fall at once.
- [19] He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vain persons shall have poverty enough.
- [20] A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.
- [21] To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread that man will transgress.
- [22] He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him.
- [23] He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue.
- [24] Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, It is no transgression; the same is the companion of a destroyer.
- [25] He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.
- [26] He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.
- [27] He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.
- [28] When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous increase. Proverbs 28:1-28

Hardeneth His Neck

- [1] He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.
- [2] When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.
- [3] Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth his substance.
- [4] The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.
- [5] A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.
- [6] In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare: but the righteous doth sing and rejoice.
- [7] The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: but the wicked regardeth not to know it.
- [8] Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise men turn away wrath.
- [9] If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest.
- [10] The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.
- [11] A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards.
- [12] If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked.
- [13] The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the LORD lighteneth both their eyes.
- [14] The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be established for ever.
- [15] The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.
- [16] When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.
- [17] Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.
- [18] Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.
- [19] A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer.
- [20] Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him.
- [21] He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have him become his son at the length.
- [22] An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.
- [23] A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.
- [24] Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth it not.
- [25] The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.
- [26] Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judgment cometh from the LORD.
- [27] An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked. Proverbs 29:1-27

Every Word

[5] Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.
[6] Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar. Proverbs 30:5-6

[9] Open thy mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.
Proverbs 31:9

Ecclesiastes

One Generation

[4] One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.

[5] The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.

[6] The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.

[7] All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again. Ecclesiastes 1:4-7

[9] The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun. Ecclesiastes 1:9

[15] That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is wanting cannot be numbered. Ecclesiastes 1:15

[18] For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow. Ecclesiastes 1:18

There is a Season

[1] To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

[2] A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

[3] A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

[4] A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

[5] A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

[6] A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

[7] A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

[8] A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

[17] God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work. Ecclesiastes 3:17 partial

Vow

[4] When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed.

[5] Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay. Ecclesiastes 5:4-5

[7] Fear thou God. Ecclesiastes 5:7 partial

Fear God

[13] Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

[14] For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 partial

Wisdom of Solomon

Immortal

[23] For God created man to be immortal, and made him to be an image of his own eternity. Wisdom of Solomon 2:23

[1] The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. Wisdom of Solomon 3:1

I Prayed

[7] Wherefore I prayed, and understanding was given me: I called upon God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. Wisdom of Solomon 7:7

Wisdom

[21] Nevertheless, when I perceived that I could not otherwise obtain her, except God gave her me; and that was a point of wisdom also to know whose gift she was; I prayed unto the Lord, and besought him, and with my whole heart I said, Wisdom of Solomon 8:21

[1] O God of my fathers, and Lord of mercy, who hast made all things with thy word,
[2] And ordained man through thy wisdom, that he should have dominion over the

creatures which thou hast made,

[3] And order the world according to equity and righteousness, and execute judgment with an upright heart:

[4] Give me wisdom, that sitteth by thy throne; and reject me not from among thy children: Wisdom of Solomon 9:1-4

[10] O send her out of thy holy heavens, and from the throne of thy glory, that being present she may labour with me, that I may know what is pleasing unto thee.

[11] For she knoweth and understandeth all things, and she shall lead me soberly in my doings, and preserve me in her power. Wisdom of Solomon 9:10-11

[17] And thy counsel who hath known, except thou give wisdom, and send thy Holy Spirit from above?

[18] For so the ways of them which lived on the earth were reformed, and men were taught the things that are pleasing unto thee, and were saved through wisdom. Wisdom of Solomon 9:17-18

Vain Are All Men

[1] Surely vain are all men by nature, who are ignorant of God, and could not out of the good things that are seen know him that is: neither by considering the works did they acknowledge the workmaster;

[2] But deemed either fire, or wind, or the swift air, or the circle of the stars, or the violent water, or the lights of heaven, to be the gods which govern the world.

[3] With whose beauty if they being delighted took them to be gods; let them know how much better the Lord of them is: for the first author of beauty hath created them.

[4] But if they were astonished at their power and virtue, let them understand by them, how much mightier he is that made them.

[5] For by the greatness and beauty of the creatures proportionably the maker of them is seen.

[6] But yet for this they are the less to be blamed: for they peradventure err, seeking God, and desirous to find him.

[7] For being conversant in his works they search him diligently, and believe their sight: because the things are beautiful that are seen.

[8] Howbeit neither are they to be pardoned.

[9] For if they were able to know so much, that they could aim at the world; how did they not sooner find out the Lord thereof?

[10] But miserable are they, and in dead things is their hope, who call them gods, which are the works of men's hands, gold and silver, to shew art in, and resemblances of beasts, or a stone good for nothing, the work of an ancient hand.

[11] Now a carpenter that felleth timber, after he hath sawn down a tree meet for the purpose, and taken off all the bark skilfully round about, and hath wrought it handsomely, and made a vessel thereof fit for the service of man's life;

[12] And after spending the refuse of his work to dress his meat, hath filled himself;

[13] And taking the very refuse among those which served to no use, being a crooked

piece of wood, and full of knots, hath carved it diligently, when he had nothing else to do, and formed it by the skill of his understanding, and fashioned it to the image of a man;

[14] Or made it like some vile beast, laying it over with vermilion, and with paint colouring it red, and covering every spot therein;

[15] And when he had made a convenient room for it, set it in a wall, and made it fast with iron:

[16] For he provided for it that it might not fall, knowing that it was unable to help itself; for it is an image, and hath need of help:

[17] Then maketh he prayer for his goods, for his wife and children, and is not ashamed to speak to that which hath no life.

[18] For health he calleth upon that which is weak: for life prayeth to that which is dead; for aid humbly beseecheth that which hath least means to help: and for a good journey he asketh of that which cannot set a foot forward:

[19] And for gaining and getting, and for good success of his hands, asketh ability to do of him, that is most unable to do any thing. Wisdom of Solomon 13:1-19

[8] But that which is made with hands is cursed, as well it, as he that made it: he, because he made it; and it, because, being corruptible, it was called god.

[9] For the ungodly and his ungodliness are both alike hateful unto God.

[10] For that which is made shall be punished together with him that made it.

[11] Therefore even upon the idols of the Gentiles shall there be a visitation: because in the creature of God they are become an abomination, and stumblingblocks to the souls of men, and a snare to the feet of the unwise.

[12] For the devising of idols was the beginning of spiritual fornication, and the invention of them the corruption of life.

[13] For neither were they from the beginning, neither shall they be for ever.

[14] For by the vain glory of men they entered into the world, and therefore shall they come shortly to an end. Wisdom of Solomon 14:8-14

Idols

[1] But thou, O God, art gracious and true, longsuffering, and in mercy ordering all things,

[2] For if we sin, we are thine, knowing thy power: but we will not sin, knowing that we are counted thine.

[3] For to know thee is perfect righteousness: yea, to know thy power is the root of immortality.

[4] For neither did the mischievous invention of men deceive us, nor an image spotted with divers colours, the painter's fruitless labour;

[5] The sight whereof enticeth fools to lust after it, and so they desire the form of a dead image, that hath no breath.

[6] Both they that make them, they that desire them, and they that worship them, are lovers of evil things, and are worthy to have such things to trust upon.

[7] For the potter, tempering soft earth, fashioneth every vessel with much labour for our service: yea, of the same clay he maketh both the vessels that serve for clean uses, and

likewise also all such as serve to the contrary: but what is the use of either sort, the potter himself is the judge.

[8] And employing his labours lewdly, he maketh a vain god of the same clay, even he which a little before was made of earth himself, and within a little while after returneth to the same, out when his life which was lent him shall be demanded.

[9] Notwithstanding his care is, not that he shall have much labour, nor that his life is short: but striveth to excel goldsmiths and silversmiths, and endeavoureth to do like the workers in brass, and counteth it his glory to make counterfeit things.

[10] His heart is ashes, his hope is more vile than earth, and his life of less value than clay:

[11] Forasmuch as he knew not his Maker, and him that inspired into him an active soul, and breathed in a living spirit.

[12] But they counted our life a pastime, and our time here a market for gain: for, say they, we must be getting every way, though it be by evil means.

[13] For this man, that of earthly matter maketh brittle vessels and graven images, knoweth himself to offend above all others.

[14] And all the enemies of thy people, that hold them in subjection, are most foolish, and are more miserable than very babes.

[15] For they counted all the idols of the heathen to be gods: which neither have the use of eyes to see, nor noses to draw breath, nor ears to hear, nor fingers of hands to handle; and as for their feet, they are slow to go.

[16] For man made them, and he that borrowed his own spirit fashioned them: but no man can make a god like unto himself.

[17] For being mortal, he worketh a dead thing with wicked hands: for he himself is better than the things which he worshippeth: whereas he lived once, but they never.

[18] Yea, they worshipped those beasts also that are most hateful: for being compared together, some are worse than others.

[19] Neither are they beautiful, so much as to be desired in respect of beasts: but they went without the praise of God and his blessing. Wisdom of Solomon 15:1-19

Isaiah

Message to Israel

[15] And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.

[16] Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

[17] Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

[18] Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

[19] If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

[20] But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it. Isaish 1:15-20

Judah and Jerusalem

[1] the word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

[2] And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

[3] And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

[4] And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

[5] O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD. Isaiah 2:1-5

Evil Good

[20] Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Isaiah 5:20

I Saw

[1] I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, Isaiah 6:1 partial

[6] Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

[7] And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

[8] Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

[9] And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, and see ye indeed,

[10] Lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed. Isaiah 6:6-10 partial

Immanuel

[14] Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

[15] Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good. Isaiah 7:14-15 partial

[6] For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

[7] Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this. Isaiah 9:6-7

[1] And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

[2] And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

[3] And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

[4] But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

[5] And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

[6] The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

[7] And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

[8] And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

[9] They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

[10] And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious. Isaiah 11:1-10

[1] And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.

[2] Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

[3] Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

[4] And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.

[5] Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.

[6] Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee. Isaiah 12:1-6

[19] Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. Isaiah 26:19

[21] The earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain. Isaiah 26:21 partial

[19] He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee. Isaiah 30:19 partial

[22] Graven images of silver, molten images of gold: thou shalt cast them away as a menstruous cloth; Isaiah 30:22 partial

[22] For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us. Isaiah 33:22

The Wilderness

[1] The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

[2] It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God.

[3] Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.

[4] Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and save you.

[5] Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

[6] Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

[7] And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.

[8] And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

[9] No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there:

[10] And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. Isaiah 35:1-10

The Angel

[35] For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

[36] Then the angel of the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: Isaiah 37:35-36 partial

Hezekiah Prays

[1] In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Set thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live.

[2] Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto the LORD,

[3] And said, Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore.

[4] Then came the word of the LORD to Isaiah, saying,

[5] Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years.

Isaiah 38:1-5

Wings As Eagles

[28] Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

[29] He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

[30] Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

[31] But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isaiah 40:28-31

[10] Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. Isaiah 41:10

[13] For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

[14] Fear not, I will help thee, saith the LORD, Isaiah 41:13-14 partial

[16] And thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, and shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 41:16 partial

[8] I am the LORD: that is my name: Isaiah 42:8 partial

Hear

[18] Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.

[19] Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as

he that is perfect, and blind as the LORD's servant?

[20] Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not.

[21] The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make it honourable. Isaiah 42:18-21

[3] For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: Isaiah 43:3 partial

[11] I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour. Isaiah 43:11

[7] I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things. Isaiah 45:7

[12] I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded. Isaiah 45:12

[18] For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else. Isaiah 45:18

[21] Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

[22] Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

[23] I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. Isaiah 45:21-23

[22] Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, Isaiah 49:22 partial

[25] and I will save thy children. Isaiah 49:25 partial

[12] I, even I, am he that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man which shall be made as grass;

[13] And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor? Isaiah 51:12-13

[7] How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! Isaiah 52:7

[10] The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. Isaiah 52:10

Seek Ye the Lord

[6] Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

[7] Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

[8] For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

[9] For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:6-9

For All People

[1] Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.

[2] Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil.

[3] Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree.

[4] For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose the things that please me, and take hold of my covenant;

[5] Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

[6] Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;

[7] Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. Isaiah 56:1-7

A Fast

[5] A fast? a day for a man to afflict his soul? is it to bow down his head, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? an acceptable day to the LORD?

[6] The fast is to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?

[7] Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him?

[8] Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy

rereward.

[9] Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I am. Isaiah 58:5-9 partial

[11] And the LORD shall guide thee continually, Isaiah 58:11 partial

[13] If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:

[14] Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it. Isaiah 58:13-14

Where

[1] Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest? Isaiah 66:1

Jeremiah

I Formed Thee

[4] Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

[5] Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; Jeremiah 1:4-5 partial

Pastors

[1] Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD. Jeremiah 23:1

Teach No More

[34] And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more. Jeremiah 31:34

Lamentations

My Portion

[24] The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

[25] The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

[26] It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD. Lamentations 3:24-26

[40] Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

[41] Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens. Lamentations 3:40-41

Baruch

Baruch Prayer

[5] Thus we were cast down, and not exalted, because we have sinned against the Lord our God, and have not been obedient unto his voice. Baruch 2:5

[7] For all these plagues are come upon us, which the Lord hath pronounced against us

[8] Yet have we not prayed before the Lord, that we might turn every one from the imaginations of his wicked heart.

[9] Wherefore the Lord watched over us for evil, and the Lord hath brought it upon us: for the Lord is righteous in all his works which he hath commanded us.

[10] Yet we have not hearkened unto his voice, to walk in the commandments of the Lord, that he hath set before us. Baruch 2:7-10

[12] O Lord our God, we have sinned, we have done ungodly, we have dealt unrighteously in all thine ordinances.

[13] Let thy wrath turn from us: for we are but a few left among the heathen, where thou hast scattered us.

[14] Hear our prayers, O Lord, and our petitions, and deliver us for thine own sake, and give us favour in the sight of them which have led us away:

[15] That all the earth may know that thou art the Lord our God, because Israel and his posterity is called by thy name.

[16] O Lord, look down from thine holy house, and consider us: bow down thine ear, O Lord, to hear us.

[17] Open thine eyes, and behold; for the dead that are in the graves, whose souls are taken from their bodies, will give unto the Lord neither praise nor righteousness:

[18] But the soul that is greatly vexed, which goeth stooping and feeble, and the eyes that fail, and the hungry soul, will give thee praise and righteousness, O Lord. Baruch 2:12-18

[31] And shall know that I am the Lord their God: for I will give them an heart, and ears to hear: Baruch 2:31

- [1] O Lord Almighty, God of Israel, the soul in anguish the troubled spirit, crieth unto thee.
- [2] Hear, O Lord, and have mercy; for thou art merciful: and have pity upon us, because we have sinned before thee.
- [3] For thou endurest for ever, and we perish utterly.
- [4] O Lord Almighty, thou God of Israel, hear now the prayers
- [5] Remember not the iniquities of our forefathers:
- [6] For thou art the Lord our God, and thee, O Lord, will we praise. Baruch 3:1-6 partial

This Is The Book

- [1] This is the book of the commandments of God, and the law that endureth for ever: all they that keep it shall come to life; but such as leave it shall die.
- [2] Turn thee, and take hold of it: walk in the presence of the light thereof, that thou mayest be illuminated.
- [3] Give not thine honour to another,
- [4] Happy are we: for things that are pleasing to God are made known unto us.
- [5] Be of good cheer, my people, Baruch 4:1-5 partial
- [21] Be of good cheer, cry unto the Lord, and he will deliver you from the power and hand of the enemies.
- [22] For my hope is in the Everlasting, that he will save you; and joy is come unto me from the Holy One, because of the mercy which shall soon come unto you from the Everlasting our Saviour. Baruch 4:21-22 partial
- [27] Be of good comfort, and cry unto God: for ye shall be remembered of him. Baruch 4:27 partial
- [29] For he shall bring you everlasting joy with your salvation.
- [30] Take a good heart, Baruch 4:29-30 partial
- [36] behold the joy that cometh unto thee from God.
- [37] rejoicing in the glory of God. Baruch 4:36-37 partial

- [1] Put on the comeliness of the glory that cometh from God for ever. Baruch 5:1 partial

Epistle of Jeremiah

- [5] But say ye in your hearts, O Lord, we must worship thee.
- [6] For mine angel is with you, and I myself caring for your souls. Epistle of Jeremiah 5-6

Ezekiel

When I Say

[18] When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

[19] Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

[20] Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

[21] Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

Ezekiel 3:18-21

Law

[1] The word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Ezekiel 18:1 partial

[4] Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.

[5] But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right,

[6] And hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman,

[7] And hath not oppressed any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;

[8] He that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man,

[9] Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD.

[10] If he beget a son that is a robber, a shedder of blood, and that doeth the like to any one of these things,

[11] And that doeth not any of those duties, but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and defiled his neighbour's wife,

[12] Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath spoiled by violence, hath not restored the pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols, hath committed abomination,

[13] Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.

[14] Now, lo, if he beget a son, that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done, and considereth, and doeth not such like,

[15] That hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of

the house of Israel, hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,

[16] Neither hath oppressed any, hath not withholden the pledge, neither hath spoiled by violence, but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment,

[17] That hath taken off his hand from the poor, that hath not received usury nor increase, hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes; he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.

[18] As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did that which is not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.

[19] Yet say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath done that which is lawful and right, and hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely live.

[20] The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

[21] But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

[22] All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.

[23] Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?

[24] But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

[25] Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?

[26] When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.

[27] Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

[28] Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

[29] Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?

[30] Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

[31] Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

[32] For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye. Ezekiel 18:4-32

Valley of Bones

[1] The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,
[2] And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry.
[3] And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest.
[4] Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.
[5] Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:
[6] And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.
[7] So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.
[8] And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them.
[9] Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.
[10] So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.
[11] Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.
[12] Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.
[13] And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,
[14] And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken it, and performed it, saith the LORD. Ezekiel 37:1-14

Daniel And Additions to Daniel

Daniel Blessed

[19] Daniel blessed the God of heaven.
[20] Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:
[21] And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:
[22] He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

[23] I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, Daniel 2:19-23 partial

Shadrack, Meshack, Aded-nego

[1] Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, Daniel 3:1 partial

[4] Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, Daniel 3:4 partial

[5] That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

[6] And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. Daniel 3:5-6

[8] Certain Chaldeans came near, Daniel 3:8 partial

[9] and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, Daniel 3:9 partial

[12] There are certain Jews, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up. Daniel 3:12 partial

[13] Then they brought these men before the king. Daniel 3:13 partial

[14] Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up? Daniel 3:14

[16] Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, answered Daniel 3:16 partial

[18] We will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up. Daniel 3:18 partial

[19] Nebuchadnezzar

[20] commanded the most mighty men that were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace. Daniel 3:19-20 partial

[1] And they walked in the midst of the fire, praising God, and blessing the Lord.

[2] Then Azarias stood up, and prayed on this manner; and opening his mouth in the midst of the fire said,

[3] Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: thy name is worthy to be praised and glorified for evermore:

[4] For thou art righteous in all the things that thou hast done to us: yea, true are all thy works, thy ways are right, and all thy judgments truth.

[5] In all the things that thou hast brought upon us, and upon the holy city of our fathers,

even Jerusalem, thou hast executed true judgment: for according to truth and judgment didst thou bring all these things upon us because of our sins.

[6] For we have sinned and committed iniquity, departing from thee.

[7] In all things have we trespassed, and not obeyed thy commandments, nor kept them, neither done as thou hast commanded us, that it might go well with us.

[8] Wherefore all that thou hast brought upon us, and every thing that thou hast done to us, thou hast done in true judgment.

[9] And thou didst deliver us into the hands of lawless enemies, most hateful forsakers of God, and to an unjust king, and the most wicked in all the world.

[10] And now we cannot open our mouths, we are become a shame and reproach to thy servants; and to them that worship thee.

[11] Yet deliver us not up wholly, for thy name's sake, neither disannul thou thy covenant:

[12] And cause not thy mercy to depart from us, for thy beloved Abraham's sake, for thy servant Issac's sake, and for thy holy Israel's sake;

[13] To whom thou hast spoken and promised, that thou wouldest multiply their seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand that lieth upon the seashore.

[14] For we, O Lord, are become less than any nation, and be kept under this day in all the world because of our sins.

[15] Neither is there at this time prince, or prophet, or leader, or burnt offering, or sacrifice, or oblation, or incense, or place to sacrifice before thee, and to find mercy.

[16] Nevertheless in a contrite heart and an humble spirit let us be accepted.

[17] Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks, and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs: so let our sacrifice be in thy sight this day, and grant that we may wholly go after thee: for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in thee.

[18] And now we follow thee with all our heart, we fear thee, and seek thy face.

[19] Put us not to shame: but deal with us after thy lovingkindness, and according to the multitude of thy mercies.

[20] Deliver us also according to thy marvellous works, and give glory to thy name, O Lord: and let all them that do thy servants hurt be ashamed;

[21] And let them be confounded in all their power and might, and let their strength be broken;

[22] And let them know that thou art God, the only God, and glorious over the whole world.

[23] And the king's servants, that put them in, ceased not to make the oven hot with rosin, pitch, tow, and small wood;

[24] So that the flame streamed forth above the furnace forty and nine cubits.

[25] And it passed through, and burned those Chaldeans it found about the furnace.

[26] But the angel of the Lord came down into the oven together with Azarias and his fellows, and smote the flame of the fire out of the oven;

[27] And made the midst of the furnace as it had been a moist whistling wind, so that the fire touched them not at all, neither hurt nor troubled them.

[28] Then the three, as out of one mouth, praised, glorified, and blessed, God in the furnace, saying,

[29] Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and to be praised and exalted above all for ever.

- [30] And blessed is thy glorious and holy name: and to be praised and exalted above all for ever.
- [31] Blessed art thou in the temple of thine holy glory: and to be praised and glorified above all for ever.
- [32] Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and sittest upon the cherubims: and to be praised and exalted above all for ever.
- [33] Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom: and to be praised and glorified above all for ever.
- [34] Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven: and above ail to be praised and glorified for ever.
- [35] O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise and exalt him above all for ever,
- [36] O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord : praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [37] O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [38] O all ye waters that be above the heaven, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [39] O all ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [40] O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [41] O ye stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [42] O every shower and dew, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [43] O all ye winds, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever,
- [44] O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [45] O ye winter and summer, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [46] O ye dews and storms of snow, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [47] O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord: bless and exalt him above all for ever.
- [48] O ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [49] O ye ice and cold, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [50] O ye frost and snow, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [51] O ye lightnings and clouds, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [52] O let the earth bless the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [53] O ye mountains and little hills, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [54] O all ye things that grow in the earth, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [55] O ye mountains, bless ye the Lord: Praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [56] O ye seas and rivers, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [57] O ye whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [58] O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [59] O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [60] O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [61] O Israel, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [62] O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

[63] O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

[64] O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

[65] O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

[66] O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever: far he hath delivered us from hell, and saved us from the hand of death, and delivered us out of the midst of the furnace and burning flame: even out of the midst of the fire hath he delivered us.

[67] O give thanks unto the Lord, because he is gracious: for his mercy endureth for ever.

[68] O all ye that worship the Lord, bless the God of gods, praise him, and give him thanks: for his mercy endureth for ever. Additions to Daniel 1:1-68

[24] Then Nebuchadnezzar the king said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king. Daniel 3:24 partial

[25] He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

[26] Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, and spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come hither. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

[27] And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

[28] Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God. Daniel 3:25-28

[29] There is no other God that can deliver after this sort. Daniel 3:29 partial

Nebuchadnezzar

[28] King Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel 4:28 partial

[29] walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

[30] The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?

[31] While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.

[32] And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until

thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

[33] The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

[34] And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation:

[35] And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

[36] At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.

[37] Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.
Daniel 4:29-37 partial

Daniel

[12] Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree; Hast thou not signed a decree, that every man that shall ask a petition of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.

[13] Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, which is of the children of the captivity of Judah, regardeth not thee, O king, nor the decree that thou hast signed, but maketh his petition three times a day.

[14] Then the king, when he heard these words, was sore displeased with himself, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

[15] Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians is, That no decree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed.

[16] Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee.

[17] And a stone was brought and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.

[18] Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were instruments of musick brought before him: and his sleep went from him.

[19] Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of

lions.

[20] And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: and the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?

[21] Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.

[22] My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt.

[23] Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

[24] And the king commanded, and they brought those men which had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; and the lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces or ever they came at the bottom of the den.

[25] Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

[26] I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: for he is the living God, and stedfast for ever, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall be even unto the end.

[27] He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions. Daniel 6:12-27

Daniel's Prayer

[3] And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplication, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

[4] And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;

[5] We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments: Daniel 9:3-5

[6] Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets,

[7] O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee,

[8] O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, because we have sinned against thee.

[9] To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him;

[10] Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

[11] Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.

[12] And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been

done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.

[13] As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.

[14] Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD our God is righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice.

[15] We have sinned, we have done wickedly. Daniel 9:6-15 partial

[17] Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.

[18] O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies.

[19] O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, Daniel 9:17-19 partial

[21] Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

[22] And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. Daniel 9:21-22 partial

Many of Them

[2] And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Daniel 12:2

Hosea

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[4] Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me. Hosea 13:4

[14] I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes. Hosea 13:14

Joel

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[12] Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

[13] And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. Joel 2:12-13

[28] And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: Joel 2:28

[32] And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: Joel 2:32 partial

Amos

Woe Unto You

[18] Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end is it for you? the day of the LORD is darkness, and not light. Amos 5:18

The Lord Repented

[1] Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings.

[2] And it came to pass, that when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.

[3] The LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.

[4] Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.

[5] Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.

[6] The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD. Amos 7:1-6

Famine in the Land

[11] Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:

[12] And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it. Amos 8:11-12

Jonah

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[10] And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not. Jonah 3:10

Micah

The Last Days

[1] But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.

[2] And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

[3] And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

[4] But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

[5] For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

[6] In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

[7] And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever. Micah 4:1-7

What is Good

[7] Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

[8] He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God? Micah 6:7-8

[7] I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

[8] When I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.

[9] I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness. Micah 7:7-9 partial

[18] Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy.

[19] He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea. Micah 7:18-19

Nahum

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[2] God is jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.

[3] The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

[4] He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers:

[5] The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

[6] Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

[7] The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

[8] But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

[9] What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time. Nahum 1:2-9 partial

[11] There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor.

[12] Thus saith the LORD: Though they be quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.

[13] For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.

[14] And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.

[15] Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off. Nahum 1:11-15

Habakkuk

The Burden

[1] The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.

[2] O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! even cry out unto thee of violence, and thou wilt not save!

[3] Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause me to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence are before me: and there are that raise up strife and contention.

[4] Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.

[5] Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvellously: for I will work a work in your days, which ye will not believe, though it be told you. Habakkuk 1:1-5

We Shall Not Die

[12] Art thou not from everlasting, O LORD my God, mine Holy One? we shall not die. O LORD, thou hast ordained them for judgment; and, O mighty God, thou hast established them for correction. Habakkuk 1:12

Prayer of Habakkuk

[1] A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon Shigionoth.

[2] O LORD, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O LORD, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.

[3] God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.

[4] And his brightness was as the light; he had horns coming out of his hand: and there was the hiding of his power.

[5] Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at his feet.

[6] He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways are everlasting.

[7] I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction: and the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble.

[8] Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? was thine anger against the rivers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation?

[9] Thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word. Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers.

[10] The mountains saw thee, and they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, and lifted up his hands on high.

[11] The sun and moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they

went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear.

[12] Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.

[13] Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, even for salvation with thine anointed; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.

[14] Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing was as to devour the poor secretly.

[15] Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters.

[16] When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops.

[17] Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

[18] Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

[19] The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments. Habakkuk 3:1-19

Zephaniah

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[11] The LORD will be terrible unto them: for he will famish all the gods of the earth; and men shall worship him, every one from his place, even all the isles of the heathen. Zephaniah 2:11

[9] For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent. Zephaniah 3:9

Zechariah

Lord of Hosts

[3] Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.

[4] Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith the LORD. Zechariah 1:3-4

Sing and Rejoice

[10] Sing and rejoice, for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.

[11] And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee,

[12] And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.

[13] Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out of his holy habitation. Zechariah 2:10-13 partial

Laws

[3] For every one that stealeth shall be cut off as on this side according to it; and every one that sweareth shall be cut off as on that side according to it. Zechariah 5:3 partial

[16] Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:

[17] And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no false oath: for all these are things that I hate, saith the LORD. Zechariah 8:16-17 partial

[19] Therefore love the truth and peace. Zechariah 8:19 partial

Malachi

Gentiles

[11] For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts. Malachi 1:11

Laws

[15] Take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

[16] Take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously. Malachi 2:15-16 partial

[10] Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. Malachi 3:10

Elijah

[5] Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

[6] And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse. Malichi 4:5-6

Sirach

Prologue to Sirach

(a Prologue made by an uncertain Author)

This Jesus was the son of Sirach, and grandchild to Jesus of the same name with him: this man therefore lived in the latter times, after the people had been led away captive, and called home again, and almost after all the prophets. Now his grandfather Jesus, as he himself witnesseth, was a man of great diligence and wisdom among the Hebrews, who did not only gather the grave and short sentences of wise men, that had been before him, but himself also uttered some of his own, full of much understanding and wisdom. When as therefore the first Jesus died, leaving this book almost perfected, Sirach his son receiving it after him left it to his own son Jesus, who, having gotten it into his hands, compiled it all orderly into one volume, and called it Wisdom, intituling it both by his own name, his father's name, and his grandfather's; alluring the hearer by the very name of Wisdom to have a greater love to the study of this book. It containeth therefore wise sayings, dark sentences, and parables, and certain particular ancient godly stories of men that pleased God; also his prayer and song; moreover, what benefits God had vouchsafed his people, and what plagues he had heaped upon their enemies. This Jesus did imitate Solomon, and was no less famous for wisdom and learning, both being indeed a man of great learning, and so reputed also. [The Prologue of the Wisdom of Jesus the Son of Sirach.] Whereas many and great things have been delivered unto us by the law and the prophets, and by others that have followed their steps, for the which things Israel ought to be commended for learning and wisdom; and whereof not only the readers must needs become skilful themselves, but also they that desire to learn be able to profit them which are without, both by speaking and writing: my grandfather Jesus, when he had much given himself to the reading of the law, and the prophets, and other books of our fathers, and had gotten therein good judgment, was drawn on also himself to write something pertaining to learning and wisdom; to the intent that those which are desirous to learn, and are addicted to these things, might profit much more in living according to the law. Wherefore let me intreat you to read it with favour and attention, and to pardon us, wherein we may seem to come short of some words, which we have laboured to interpret. For the same things uttered in Hebrew, and translated into another tongue, have not the same force in them: and not only these things, but the law itself, and the prophets, and the rest of the books, have no small difference, when they are spoken in their own language. For in the eight and thirtieth year coming into Egypt, when Euergetes was king, and

continuing there some time, I found a book of no small learning: therefore I thought it most necessary for me to bestow some diligence and travail to interpret it; using great watchfulness and skill in that space to bring the book to an end, and set it forth for them also, which in a strange country are willing to learn, being prepared before in manners to live after the law.

Chapter 1

[1] All wisdom cometh from the Lord, and is with him for ever.

[2] Who can number the sand of the sea, and the drops of rain, and the days of eternity?

[3] Who can find out the height of heaven, and the breadth of the earth, and the deep, and wisdom?

[4] Wisdom hath been created before all things, and the understanding of prudence from everlasting.

[5] The word of God most high is the fountain of wisdom; and her ways are everlasting commandments.

[6] To whom hath the root of wisdom been revealed? or who hath known her wise counsels?

[7] [Unto whom hath the knowledge of wisdom been made manifest? and who hath understood her great experience?]

[8] There is one wise and greatly to be feared, the Lord sitting upon his throne.

[9] He created her, and saw her, and numbered her, and poured her out upon all his works.

[10] She is with all flesh according to his gift, and he hath given her to them that love him.

[11] The fear of the Lord is honour, and glory, and gladness, and a crown of rejoicing.

[12] The fear of the Lord maketh a merry heart, and giveth joy, and gladness, and a long life.

[13] Whoso feareth the Lord, it shall go well with him at the last, and he shall find favour in the day of his death.

[14] To fear the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and it was created with the faithful in the womb.

[15] She hath built an everlasting foundation with men, and she shall continue with their seed.

[16] To fear the Lord is fulness of wisdom, and filleth men with her fruits.

[17] She filleth all their house with things desirable, and the garners with her increase.

[18] The fear of the Lord is a crown of wisdom, making peace and perfect health to flourish; both which are the gifts of God: and it enlargeth their rejoicing that love him.

[19] Wisdom raineth down skill and knowledge of understanding standing, and exalteth them to honour that hold her fast.

[20] The root of wisdom is to fear the Lord, and the branches thereof are long life.

[21] The fear of the Lord driveth away sins: and where it is present, it turneth away wrath.

[22] A furious man cannot be justified; for the sway of his fury shall be his destruction.

[23] A patient man will tear for a time, and afterward joy shall spring up unto him.

- [24] He will hide his words for a time, and the lips of many shall declare his wisdom.
- [25] The parables of knowledge are in the treasures of wisdom: but godliness is an abomination to a sinner.
- [26] If thou desire wisdom, keep the commandments, and the Lord shall give her unto thee.
- [27] For the fear of the Lord is wisdom and instruction: and faith and meekness are his delight.
- [28] Distrust not the fear of the Lord when thou art poor: and come not unto him with a double heart.
- [29] Be not an hypocrite in the sight of men, and take good heed what thou speakest.
- [30] Exalt not thyself, lest thou fall, and bring dishonour upon thy soul, and so God discover thy secrets, and cast thee down in the midst of the congregation, because thou camest not in truth to the fear of the Lord, but thy heart is full of deceit.

Chapter 2

- [1] My son, if thou come to serve the Lord, prepare thy soul for temptation.
- [2] Set thy heart aright, and constantly endure, and make not haste in time of trouble.
- [3] Cleave unto him, and depart not away, that thou mayest be increased at thy last end.
- [4] Whatsoever is brought upon thee take cheerfully, and be patient when thou art changed to a low estate.
- [5] For gold is tried in the fire, and acceptable men in the furnace of adversity.
- [6] Believe in him, and he will help thee; order thy way aright, and trust in him.
- [7] Ye that fear the Lord, wait for his mercy; and go not aside, lest ye fall.
- [8] Ye that fear the Lord, believe him; and your reward shall not fail.
- [9] Ye that fear the Lord, hope for good, and for everlasting joy and mercy.
- [10] Look at the generations of old, and see; did ever any trust in the Lord, and was confounded? or did any abide in his fear, and was forsaken? or whom did he ever despise, that called upon him?
- [11] For the Lord is full of compassion and mercy, longsuffering, and very pitiful, and forgiveth sins, and saveth in time of affliction.
- [12] Woe be to fearful hearts, and faint hands, and the sinner that goeth two ways!
- [13] Woe unto him that is fainthearted! for he believeth not; therefore shall he not be defended.
- [14] Woe unto you that have lost patience! and what will ye do when the Lord shall visit you?
- [15] They that fear the Lord will not disobey his Word; and they that love him will keep his ways.
- [16] They that fear the Lord will seek that which is well, pleasing unto him; and they that love him shall be filled with the law.
- [17] They that fear the Lord will prepare their hearts, and humble their souls in his sight,
- [18] Saying, We will fall into the hands of the Lord, and not into the hands of men: for as his majesty is, so is his mercy.

Chapter 3

- [1] Hear me your father, O children, and do thereafter, that ye may be safe.
- [2] For the Lord hath given the father honour over the children, and hath confirmed the authority of the mother over the sons.
- [3] Whoso honoureth his father maketh an atonement for his sins:
- [4] And he that honoureth his mother is as one that layeth up treasure.
- [5] Whoso honoureth his father shall have joy of his own children; and when he maketh his prayer, he shall be heard.
- [6] He that honoureth his father shall have a long life; and he that is obedient unto the Lord shall be a comfort to his mother.
- [7] He that feareth the Lord will honour his father, and will do service unto his parents, as to his masters.
- [8] Honour thy father and mother both in word and deed, that a blessing may come upon thee from them.
- [9] For the blessing of the father establisheth the houses of children; but the curse of the mother rooteth out foundations.
- [10] Glory not in the dishonour of thy father; for thy father's dishonour is no glory unto thee.
- [11] For the glory of a man is from the honour of his father; and a mother in dishonour is a reproach to the children.
- [12] My son, help thy father in his age, and grieve him not as long as he liveth.
- [13] And if his understanding fail, have patience with him; and despise him not when thou art in thy full strength.
- [14] For the relieving of thy father shall not be forgotten: and instead of sins it shall be added to build thee up.
- [15] In the day of thine affliction it shall be remembered; thy sins also shall melt away, as the ice in the fair warm weather.
- [16] He that forsaketh his father is as a blasphemer; and he that angereth his mother is cursed: of God.
- [17] My son, go on with thy business in meekness; so shalt thou be beloved of him that is approved.
- [18] The greater thou art, the more humble thyself, and thou shalt find favour before the Lord.
- [19] Many are in high place, and of renown: but mysteries are revealed unto the meek.
- [20] For the power of the Lord is great, and he is honoured of the lowly.
- [21] Seek not out things that are too hard for thee, neither search the things that are above thy strength.
- [22] But what is commanded thee, think thereupon with reverence, for it is not needful for thee to see with thine eyes the things that are in secret.
- [23] Be not curious in unnecessary matters: for more things are shewed unto thee than men understand.
- [24] For many are deceived by their own vain opinion; and an evil suspicion hath overthrown their judgment.
- [25] Without eyes thou shalt want light: profess not the knowledge therefore that thou hast not.

- [26] A stubborn heart shall fare evil at the last; and he that loveth danger shall perish therein.
- [27] An obstinate heart shall be laden with sorrows; and the wicked man shall heap sin upon sin.
- [28] In the punishment of the proud there is no remedy; for the plant of wickedness hath taken root in him.
- [29] The heart of the prudent will understand a parable; and an attentive ear is the desire of a wise man.
- [30] Water will quench a flaming fire; and alms maketh an atonement for sins.
- [31] And he that requiteth good turns is mindful of that which may come hereafter; and when he falleth, he shall find a stay.

Chapter 4

- [1] My son, defraud not the poor of his living, and make not the needy eyes to wait long.
- [2] Make not an hungry soul sorrowful; neither provoke a man in his distress.
- [3] Add not more trouble to an heart that is vexed; and defer not to give to him that is in need.
- [4] Reject not the supplication of the afflicted; neither turn away thy face from a poor man.
- [5] Turn not away thine eye from the needy, and give him none occasion to curse thee:
- [6] For if he curse thee in the bitterness of his soul, his prayer shall be heard of him that made him.
- [7] Get thyself the love of the congregation, and bow thy head to a great man.
- [8] Let it not grieve thee to bow down thine ear to the poor, and give him a friendly answer with meekness.
- [9] Deliver him that suffereth wrong from the hand of the oppressor; and be not fainthearted when thou sittest in judgment.
- [10] Be as a father unto the fatherless, and instead of an husband unto their mother: so shalt thou be as the son of the most High, and he shall love thee more than thy mother doth.
- [11] Wisdom exalteth her children, and layeth hold of them that seek her.
- [12] He that loveth her loveth life; and they that seek to her early shall be filled with joy.
- [13] He that holdeth her fast shall inherit glory; and wheresoever she entereth, the Lord will bless.
- [14] They that serve her shall minister to the Holy One: and them that love her the Lord doth love.
- [15] Whoso giveth ear unto her shall judge the nations: and he that attendeth unto her shall dwell securely.
- [16] If a man commit himself unto her, he shall inherit her; and his generation shall hold her in possession.
- [17] For at the first she will walk with him by crooked ways, and bring fear and dread upon him, and torment him with her discipline, until she may trust his soul, and try him by her laws.
- [18] Then will she return the straight way unto him, and comfort him, and shew him her

secrets.

[19] But if he go wrong, she will forsake him, and give him over to his own ruin.

[20] Observe the opportunity, and beware of evil; and be not ashamed when it concerneth thy soul.

[21] For there is a shame that bringeth sin; and there is a shame which is glory and grace.

[22] Accept no person against thy soul, and let not the reverence of any man cause thee to fall.

[23] And refrain not to speak, when there is occasion to do good, and hide not thy wisdom in her beauty.

[24] For by speech wisdom shall be known: and learning by the word of the tongue.

[25] In no wise speak against the truth; but be abashed of the error of thine ignorance.

[26] Be not ashamed to confess thy sins; and force not the course of the river.

[27] Make not thyself an underling to a foolish man; neither accept the person of the mighty.

[28] Strive for the truth unto death, and the Lord shall fight for thee.

[29] Be not hasty in thy tongue, and in thy deeds slack and remiss.

[30] Be not as a lion in thy house, nor frantick among thy servants.

[31] Let not thine hand be stretched out to receive, and shut when thou shouldest repay.

Chapter 5

[1] Set thy heart upon thy goods; and say not, I have enough for my life.

[2] Follow not thine own mind and thy strength, to walk in the ways of thy heart:

[3] And say not, Who shall controul me for my works? for the Lord will surely revenge thy pride.

[4] Say not, I have sinned, and what harm hath happened unto me? for the Lord is longsuffering, he will in no wise let thee go.

[5] Concerning propitiation, be not without fear to add sin unto sin:

[6] And say not His mercy is great; he will be pacified for the multitude of my sins: for mercy and wrath come from him, and his indignation resteth upon sinners.

[7] Make no tarrying to turn to the Lord, and put not off from day to day: for suddenly shall the wrath of the Lord come forth, and in thy security thou shalt be destroyed, and perish in the day of vengeance.

[8] Set not thine heart upon goods unjustly gotten, for they shall not profit thee in the day of calamity.

[9] Winnow not with every wind, and go not into every way: for so doth the sinner that hath a double tongue.

[10] Be stedfast in thy understanding; and let thy word be the same.

[11] Be swift to hear; and let thy life be sincere; and with patience give answer.

[12] If thou hast understanding, answer thy neighbour; if not, lay thy hand upon thy mouth.

[13] Honour and shame is in talk: and the tongue of man is his fall.

[14] Be not called a whisperer, and lie not in wait with thy tongue: for a foul shame is upon the thief, and an evil condemnation upon the double tongue.

[15] Be not ignorant of any thing in a great matter or a small.

Chapter 6

[1] Instead of a friend become not an enemy; for [thereby] thou shalt inherit an ill name, shame, and reproach: even so shall a sinner that hath a double tongue.

[2] Extol not thyself in the counsel of thine own heart; that thy soul be not torn in pieces as a bull [straying alone.]

[3] Thou shalt eat up thy leaves, and lose thy fruit, and leave thyself as a dry tree.

[4] A wicked soul shall destroy him that hath it, and shall make him to be laughed to scorn of his enemies.

[5] Sweet language will multiply friends: and a fairspeaking tongue will increase kind greetings.

[6] Be in peace with many: nevertheless have but one counsellor of a thousand.

[7] If thou wouldest get a friend, prove him first and be not hasty to credit him.

[8] For some man is a friend for his own occasion, and will not abide in the day of thy trouble.

[9] And there is a friend, who being turned to enmity, and strife will discover thy reproach.

[10] Again, some friend is a companion at the table, and will not continue in the day of thy affliction.

[11] But in thy prosperity he will be as thyself, and will be bold over thy servants.

[12] If thou be brought low, he will be against thee, and will hide himself from thy face.

[13] Separate thyself from thine enemies, and take heed of thy friends.

[14] A faithful friend is a strong defence: and he that hath found such an one hath found a treasure.

[15] Nothing doth countervail a faithful friend, and his excellency is invaluable.

[16] A faithful friend is the medicine of life; and they that fear the Lord shall find him.

[17] Whoso feareth the Lord shall direct his friendship aright: for as he is, so shall his neighbour be also.

[18] My son, gather instruction from thy youth up: so shalt thou find wisdom till thine old age.

[19] Come unto her as one that ploweth and soweth, and wait for her good fruits: for thou shalt not toil much in labouring about her, but thou shalt eat of her fruits right soon.

[20] She is very unpleasant to the unlearned: he that is without understanding will not remain with her.

[21] She will lie upon him as a mighty stone of trial; and he will cast her from him ere it be long.

[22] For wisdom is according to her name, and she is not manifest unto many.

[23] Give ear, my son, receive my advice, and refuse not my counsel,

[24] And put thy feet into her fetters, and thy neck into her chain.

[25] Bow down thy shoulder, and bear her, and be not grieved with her bonds.

[26] Come unto her with thy whole heart, and keep her ways with all thy power.

[27] Search, and seek, and she shall be made known unto thee: and when thou hast got hold of her, let her not go.

[28] For at the last thou shalt find her rest, and that shall be turned to thy joy.

- [29] Then shall her fetters be a strong defence for thee, and her chains a robe of glory.
- [30] For there is a golden ornament upon her, and her bands are purple lace.
- [31] Thou shalt put her on as a robe of honour, and shalt put her about thee as a crown of joy.
- [32] My son, if thou wilt, thou shalt be taught: and if thou wilt apply thy mind, thou shalt be prudent.
- [33] If thou love to hear, thou shalt receive understanding: and if thou bow thine ear, thou shalt be wise,
- [34] Stand in the multitude of the elders; and cleave unto him that is wise.
- [35] Be willing to hear every godly discourse; and let not the parables of understanding escape thee.
- [36] And if thou seest a man of understanding, get thee betimes unto him, and let thy foot wear the steps of his door.
- [37] Let thy mind be upon the ordinances of the Lord and meditate continually in his commandments: he shall establish thine heart, and give thee wisdom at thine own desire.

Chapter 7

- [1] Do no evil, so shall no harm come unto thee.
- [2] Depart from the unjust, and iniquity shall turn away from thee.
- [3] My son, sow not upon the furrows of unrighteousness, and thou shalt not reap them sevenfold.
- [4] Seek not of the Lord preeminence, neither of the king the seat of honour.
- [5] justify not thyself before the Lord; and boast not of thy wisdom before the king.
- [6] Seek not to be judge, being not able to take away iniquity; lest at any time thou fear the person of the mighty, an stumblingblock in the way of thy uprightness.
- [7] Offend not against the multitude of a city, and then thou shalt not cast thyself down among the people.
- [8] Bind not one sin upon another; for in one thou shalt not be unpunished.
- [9] Say not, God will look upon the multitude of my oblations, and when I offer to the most high God, he will accept it.
- [10] Be not fainthearted when thou makest thy prayer, and neglect not to give alms.
- [11] Laugh no man to scorn in the bitterness of his soul: for there is one which humbleth and exalteth.
- [12] Devise not a lie against thy brother; neither do the like to thy friend.
- [13] Use not to make any manner of lie: for the custom thereof is not good.
- [14] Use not many words in a multitude of elders, and make not much babbling when thou prayest.
- [15] Hate not laborious work, neither husbandry, which the most High hath ordained.
- [16] Number not thyself among the multitude of sinners, but remember that wrath will not tarry long.
- [17] Humble thyself greatly: for the vengeance of the ungodly is fire and worms.
- [18] Change not a friend for any good by no means; neither a faithful brother for the gold of Ophir.
- [19] Forego not a wise and good woman: for her grace is above gold.

- [20] Whereas thy servant worketh truly, entreat him not evil. nor the hireling that bestoweth himself wholly for thee.
- [21] Let thy soul love a good servant, and defraud him not of liberty.
- [22] Hast thou cattle? have an eye to them: and if they be for thy profit, keep them with thee.
- [23] Hast thou children? instruct them, and bow down their neck from their youth.
- [24] Hast thou daughters? have a care of their body, and shew not thyself cheerful toward them.
- [25] Marry thy daughter, and so shalt thou have performed a weighty matter: but give her to a man of understanding.
- [26] Hast thou a wife after thy mind? forsake her not: but give not thyself over to a light woman.
- [27] Honour thy father with thy whole heart, and forget not the sorrows of thy mother.
- [28] Remember that thou wast begotten of them; and how canst thou recompense them the things that they have done for thee?
- [29] Fear the Lord with all thy soul, and reverence his priests.
- [30] Love him that made thee with all thy strength, and forsake not his ministers.
- [31] Fear the Lord, and honor the priest; and give him his portion, as it is commanded thee; the firstfruits, and the trespass offering, and the gift of the shoulders, and the sacrifice of sanctification, and the firstfruits of the holy things.
- [32] And stretch thine hand unto the poor, that thy blessing may be perfected.
- [33] A gift hath grace in the sight of every man living; and for the dead detain it not.
- [34] Fail not to be with them that weep, and mourn with them that mourn.
- [35] Be not slow to visit the sick: for that shall make thee to be beloved.
- [36] Whatsoever thou takest in hand, remember the end, and thou shalt never do amiss.

Chapter 8

- [1] Strive not with a mighty man' lest thou fall into his hands.
- [2] Be not at variance with a rich man, lest he overweigh thee: for gold hath destroyed many, and perverted the hearts of kings.
- [3] Strive not with a man that is full of tongue, and heap not wood upon his fire.
- [4] Jest not with a rude man, lest thy ancestors be disgraced.
- [5] Reproach not a man that turneth from sin, but remember that we are all worthy of punishment.
- [6] Dishonour not a man in his old age: for even some of us wax old.
- [7] Rejoice not over thy greatest enemy being dead, but remember that we die all.
- [8] Despise not the discourse of the wise, but acquaint thyself with their proverbs: for of them thou shalt learn instruction, and how to serve great men with ease.
- [9] Miss not the discourse of the elders: for they also learned of their fathers, and of them thou shalt learn understanding, and to give answer as need requireth.
- [10] Kindle not the coals of a sinner, lest thou be burnt with the flame of his fire.
- [11] Rise not up [in anger] at the presence of an injurious person, lest he lie in wait to entrap thee in thy words
- [12] Lend not unto him that is mightier than thyself; for if thou lendest him, count it but

lost.

[13] Be not surety above thy power: for if thou be surety, take care to pay it.

[14] Go not to law with a judge; for they will judge for him according to his honour.

[15] Travel not by the way with a bold fellow, lest he become grievous unto thee: for he will do according to his own will, and thou shalt perish with him through his folly.

[16] Strive not with an angry man, and go not with him into a solitary place: for blood is as nothing in his sight, and where there is no help, he will overthrow thee.

[17] Consult not with a fool; for he cannot keep counsel.

[18] Do no secret thing before a stranger; for thou knowest not what he will bring forth.

[19] Open not thine heart to every man, lest he requite thee with a shrewd turn.

Chapter 9

[1] Be not jealous over the wife of thy bosom, and teach her not an evil lesson against thyself.

[2] Give not thy soul unto a woman to set her foot upon thy substance.

[3] Meet not with an harlot, lest thou fall into her snares.

[4] Use not much the company of a woman that is a singer, lest thou be taken with her attempts.

[5] Gaze not on a maid, that thou fall not by those things that are precious in her.

[6] Give not thy soul unto harlots, that thou lose not thine inheritance.

[7] Look not round about thee in the streets of the city, neither wander thou in the solitary place thereof.

[8] Turn away thine eye from a beautiful woman, and look not upon another's beauty; for many have been deceived by the beauty of a woman; for herewith love is kindled as a fire.

[9] Sit not at all with another man's wife, nor sit down with her in thine arms, and spend not thy money with her at the wine; lest thine heart incline unto her, and so through thy desire thou fall into destruction.

[10] Forsake not an old friend; for the new is not comparable to him: a new friend is as new wine; when it is old, thou shalt drink it with pleasure.

[11] Envy not the glory of a sinner: for thou knowest not what shall be his end.

[12] Delight not in the thing that the ungodly have pleasure in; but remember they shall not go unpunished unto their grave.

[13] Keep thee far from the man that hath power to kill; so shalt thou not doubt the fear of death: and if thou come unto him, make no fault, lest he take away thy life presently: remember that thou goest in the midst of snares, and that thou walkest upon the battlements of the city.

[14] As near as thou canst, guess at thy neighbour, and consult with the wise.

[15] Let thy talk be with the wise, and all thy communication in the law of the most High.

[16] And let just men eat and drink with thee; and let thy glorying be in the fear of the Lord.

[17] For the hand of the artificer the work shall be commended: and the wise ruler of the people for his speech.

[18] A man of an ill tongue is dangerous in his city; and he that is rash in his talk shall be hated.

Chapter 10

[1] A wise judge will instruct his people; and the government of a prudent man is well ordered.

[2] As the judge of the people is himself, so are his officers; and what manner of man the ruler of the city is, such are all they that dwell therein.

[3] An unwise king destroyeth his people; but through the prudence of them which are in authority the city shall be inhabited.

[4] The power of the earth is in the hand of the Lord, and in due time he will set over it one that is profitable.

[5] In the hand of God is the prosperity of man: and upon the person of the scribe shall he lay his honour.

[6] Bear not hatred to thy neighbour for every wrong; and do nothing at all by injurious practices.

[7] Pride is hateful before God and man: and by both doth one commit iniquity.

[8] Because of unrighteous dealings, injuries, and riches got by deceit, the kingdom is translated from one people to another.

[9] Why is earth and ashes proud? There is not a more wicked thing than a covetous man: for such an one setteth his own soul to sale; because while he liveth he casteth away his bowels.

[10] The physician cutteth off a long disease; and he that is to day a king to morrow shall die.

[11] For when a man is dead, he shall inherit creeping things, beasts, and worms.

[12] The beginning of pride is when one departeth from God, and his heart is turned away from his Maker.

[13] For pride is the beginning of sin, and he that hath it shall pour out abomination: and therefore the Lord brought upon them strange calamities, and overthrew them utterly.

[14] The Lord hath cast down the thrones of proud princes, and set up the meek in their stead.

[15] The Lord hath plucked up the roots of the proud nations, and planted the lowly in their place.

[16] The Lord overthrew countries of the heathen, and destroyed them to the foundations of the earth.

[17] He took some of them away, and destroyed them, and hath made their memorial to cease from the earth.

[18] Pride was not made for men, nor furious anger for them that are born of a woman.

[19] They that fear the Lord are a sure seed, and they that love him an honourable plant: they that regard not the law are a dishonourable seed; they that transgress the commandments are a deceivable seed.

[20] Among brethren he that is chief is honorable; so are they that fear the Lord in his eyes.

[21] The fear of the Lord goeth before the obtaining of authority: but roughness and pride

is the losing thereof.

[22] Whether he be rich, noble, or poor, their glory is the fear of the Lord.

[23] It is not meet to despise the poor man that hath understanding; neither is it convenient to magnify a sinful man.

[24] Great men, and judges, and potentates, shall be honoured; yet is there none of them greater than he that feareth the Lord.

[25] Unto the servant that is wise shall they that are free do service: and he that hath knowledge will not grudge when he is reformed.

[26] Be not overwise in doing thy business; and boast not thyself in the time of thy distress.

[27] Better is he that laboureth, and aboundeth in all things, than he that boasteth himself, and wanteth bread.

[28] My son, glorify thy soul in meekness, and give it honour according to the dignity thereof.

[29] Who will justify him that sinneth against his own soul? and who will honour him that dishonoureth his own life?

[30] The poor man is honoured for his skill, and the rich man is honoured for his riches.

[31] He that is honoured in poverty, how much more in riches? and he that is dishonourable in riches, how much more in poverty?

Chapter 11

[1] Wisdom lifteth up the head of him that is of low degree, and maketh him to sit among great men.

[2] Commend not a man for his beauty; neither abhor a man for his outward appearance.

[3] The bee is little among such as fly; but her fruit is the chief of sweet things.

[4] Boast not of thy clothing and raiment, and exalt not thyself in the day of honour: for the works of the Lord are wonderful, and his works among men are hidden.

[5] Many kings have sat down upon the ground; and one that was never thought of hath worn the crown.

[6] Many mighty men have been greatly disgraced; and the honourable delivered into other men's hands.

[7] Blame not before thou hast examined the truth: understand first, and then rebuke.

[8] Answer not before thou hast heard the cause: neither interrupt men in the midst of their talk.

[9] Strive not in a matter that concerneth thee not; and sit not in judgment with sinners.

[10] My son, meddle not with many matters: for if thou meddle much, thou shalt not be innocent; and if thou follow after, thou shalt not obtain, neither shalt thou escape by fleeing.

[11] There is one that laboureth, and taketh pains, and maketh haste, and is so much the more behind.

[12] Again, there is another that is slow, and hath need of help, wanting ability, and full of poverty; yet the eye of the Lord looked upon him for good, and set him up from his low estate,

[13] And lifted up his head from misery; so that many that saw from him is peace over all

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[14] Prosperity and adversity, life and death, poverty and riches, come of the Lord.

[15] Wisdom, knowledge, and understanding of the law, are of the Lord: love, and the way of good works, are from him.

[16] Error and darkness had their beginning together with sinners: and evil shall wax old with them that glory therein.

[17] The gift of the Lord remaineth with the ungodly, and his favour bringeth prosperity for ever.

[18] There is that waxeth rich by his wariness and pinching, and this his the portion of his reward:

[19] Whereas he saith, I have found rest, and now will eat continually of my goods; and yet he knoweth not what time shall come upon him, and that he must leave those things to others, and die.

[20] Be stedfast in thy covenant, and be conversant therein, and wax old in thy work.

[21] Marvel not at the works of sinners; but trust in the Lord, and abide in thy labour: for it is an easy thing in the sight of the Lord on the sudden to make a poor man rich.

[22] The blessing of the Lord is in the reward of the godly, and suddenly he maketh his blessing flourish.

[23] Say not, What profit is there of my service? and what good things shall I have hereafter?

[24] Again, say not, I have enough, and possess many things, and what evil shall I have hereafter?

[25] In the day of prosperity there is a forgetfulness of affliction: and in the day of affliction there is no more remembrance of prosperity.

[26] For it is an easy thing unto the Lord in the day of death to reward a man according to his ways.

[27] The affliction of an hour maketh a man forget pleasure: and in his end his deeds shall be discovered.

[28] Judge none blessed before his death: for a man shall be known in his children.

[29] Bring not every man into thine house: for the deceitful man hath many trains.

[30] Like as a partridge taken [and kept] in a cage, so is the heart of the proud; and like as a spy, watcheth he for thy fall:

[31] For he lieth in wait, and turneth good into evil, and in things worthy praise will lay blame upon thee.

[32] Of a spark of fire a heap of coals is kindled: and a sinful man layeth wait for blood.

[33] Take heed of a mischievous man, for he worketh wickedness; lest he bring upon thee a perpetual blot.

[34] Receive a stranger into thine house, and he will disturb thee, and turn thee out of thine own.

Chapter 12

[1] When thou wilt do good know to whom thou doest it; so shalt thou be thanked for thy benefits.

[2] Do good to the godly man, and thou shalt find a recompence; and if not from him, yet

from the most High.

[3] There can no good come to him that is always occupied in evil, nor to him that giveth no alms.

[4] Give to the godly man, and help not a sinner.

[5] Do well unto him that is lowly, but give not to the ungodly: hold back thy bread, and give it not unto him, lest he overmaster thee thereby: for [else] thou shalt receive twice as much evil for all the good thou shalt have done unto him.

[6] For the most High hateth sinners, and will repay vengeance unto the ungodly, and keepeth them against the mighty day of their punishment.

[7] Give unto the good, and help not the sinner.

[8] A friend cannot be known in prosperity: and an enemy cannot be hidden in adversity.

[9] In the prosperity of a man enemies will be grieved: but in his adversity even a friend will depart.

[10] Never trust thine enemy: for like as iron rusteth, so is his wickedness.

[11] Though he humble himself, and go crouching, yet take good heed and beware of him, and thou shalt be unto him as if thou hadst wiped a lookingglass, and thou shalt know that his rust hath not been altogether wiped away.

[12] Set him not by thee, lest, when he hath overthrown thee, he stand up in thy place; neither let him sit at thy right hand, lest he seek to take thy seat, and thou at the last remember my words, and be pricked therewith.

[13] Who will pity a charmer that is bitten with a serpent, or any such as come nigh wild beasts?

[14] So one that goeth to a sinner, and is defiled with him in his sins, who will pity?

[15] For a while he will abide with thee, but if thou begin to fall, he will not tarry.

[16] An enemy speaketh sweetly with his lips, but in his heart he imagineth how to throw thee into a pit: he will weep with his eyes, but if he find opportunity, he will not be satisfied with blood.

[17] If adversity come upon thee, thou shalt find him there first; and though he pretend to help thee, yet shall he undermine thee.

[18] He will shake his head, and clap his hands, and whisper much, and change his countenance.

Chapter 13

[1] He that toucheth pitch shall be defiled therewith; and he that hath fellowship with a proud man shall be like unto him.

[2] Burden not thyself above thy power while thou livest; and have no fellowship with one that is mightier and richer than thyself: for how agree the kettle and the earthen pot together? for if the one be smitten against the other, it shall be broken.

[3] The rich man hath done wrong, and yet he threateneth withal: the poor is wronged, and he must intreat also.

[4] If thou be for his profit, he will use thee: but if thou have nothing, he will forsake thee.

[5] If thou have any thing, he will live with thee: yea, he will make thee bare, and will not be sorry for it.

- [6] If he have need of thee, he will deceive thee, and smile upon thee, and put thee in hope; he will speak thee fair, and say, What wantest thou?
- [7] And he will shame thee by his meats, until he have drawn thee dry twice or thrice, and at the last he will laugh thee to scorn afterward, when he seeth thee, he will forsake thee, and shake his head at thee.
- [8] Beware that thou be not deceived and brought down in thy jollity.
- [9] If thou be invited of a mighty man, withdraw thyself, and so much the more will he invite thee.
- [10] Press thou not upon him, lest thou be put back; stand not far off, lest thou be forgotten.
- [11] Affect not to be made equal unto him in talk, and believe not his many words: for with much communication will he tempt thee, and smiling upon thee will get out thy secrets:
- [12] But cruelly he will lay up thy words, and will not spare to do thee hurt, and to put thee in prison.
- [13] Observe, and take good heed, for thou walkest in peril of thy overthrowing: when thou hearest these things, awake in thy sleep.
- [14] Love the Lord all thy life, and call upon him for thy salvation.
- [15] Every beast loveth his like, and every man loveth his neighbor.
- [16] All flesh consorteth according to kind, and a man will cleave to his like.
- [17] What fellowship hath the wolf with the lamb? so the sinner with the godly.
- [18] What agreement is there between the hyena and a dog? and what peace between the rich and the poor?
- [19] As the wild ass is the lion's prey in the wilderness: so the rich eat up the poor.
- [20] As the proud hate humility: so doth the rich abhor the poor.
- [21] A rich man beginning to fall is held up of his friends: but a poor man being down is thrust away by his friends.
- [22] When a rich man is fallen, he hath many helpers: he speaketh things not to be spoken, and yet men justify him: the poor man slipped, and yet they rebuked him too; he spake wisely, and could have no place.
- [23] When a rich man speaketh, every man holdeth his tongue, and, look, what he saith, they extol it to the clouds: but if the poor man speak, they say, What fellow is this? and if he stumble, they will help to overthrow him.
- [24] Riches are good unto him that hath no sin, and poverty is evil in the mouth of the ungodly.
- [25] The heart of a man changeth his countenance, whether it be for good or evil: and a merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance.
- [26] A cheerful countenance is a token of a heart that is in prosperity; and the finding out of parables is a wearisome labour of the mind.

Chapter 14

- [1] Blessed is the man that hath not slipped with his mouth, and is not pricked with the multitude of sins.
- [2] Blessed is he whose conscience hath not condemned him, and who is not fallen from

his hope in the Lord.

[3] Riches are not comely for a niggard: and what should an envious man do with money?

[4] He that gathereth by defrauding his own soul gathereth for others, that shall spend his goods riotously.

[5] He that is evil to himself, to whom will he be good? he shall not take pleasure in his goods.

[6] There is none worse than he that envieth himself; and this is a recompence of his wickedness.

[7] And if he doeth good, he doeth it unwillingly; and at the last he will declare his wickedness.

[8] The envious man hath a wicked eye; he turneth away his face, and despiseth men.

[9] A covetous man's eye is not satisfied with his portion; and the iniquity of the wicked drieth up his soul.

[10] A wicked eye envieth [his] bread, and he is a niggard at his table.

[11] My son, according to thy ability do good to thyself, and give the Lord his due offering.

[12] Remember that death will not be long in coming, and that the covenant of the grave is not shewed unto thee.

[13] Do good unto thy friend before thou die, and according to thy ability stretch out thy hand and give to him.

[14] Defraud not thyself of the good day, and let not the part of a good desire overpass thee.

[15] Shalt thou not leave thy travails unto another? and thy labours to be divided by lot?

[16] Give, and take, and sanctify thy soul; for there is no seeking of dainties in the grave.

[17] All flesh waxeth old as a garment: for the covenant from the beginning is, Thou shalt die the death.

[18] As of the green leaves on a thick tree, some fall, and some grow; so is the generation of flesh and blood, one cometh to an end, and another is born.

[19] Every work rotteth and consumeth away, and the worker thereof shall go withal.

[20] Blessed is the man that doth meditate good things in wisdom, and that reasoneth of holy things by his understanding.

[21] He that considereth her ways in his heart shall also have understanding in her secrets.

[22] Go after her as one that traceth, and lie in wait in her ways.

[23] He that prieth in at her windows shall also hearken at her doors.

[24] He that doth lodge near her house shall also fasten a pin in her walls.

[25] He shall pitch his tent nigh unto her, and shall lodge in a lodging where good things are.

[26] He shall set his children under her shelter, and shall lodge under her branches.

[27] By her he shall be covered from heat, and in her glory shall he dwell.

Chapter 15

[1] He that feareth the Lord will do good, and he that hath the knowledge of the law shall obtain her.

[2] And as a mother shall she meet him, and receive him as a wife married of a virgin.
[3] With the bread of understanding shall she feed him, and give him the water of wisdom to drink.
[4] He shall be stayed upon her, and shall not be moved; and shall rely upon her, and shall not be confounded.
[5] She shall exalt him above his neighbours, and in the midst of the congregation shall she open his mouth.
[6] He shall find joy and a crown of gladness, and she shall cause him to inherit an everlasting name.
[7] But foolish men shall not attain unto her, and sinners shall not see her.
[8] For she is far from pride, and men that are liars cannot remember her.
[9] Praise is not seemly in the mouth of a sinner, for it was not sent him of the Lord.
[10] For praise shall be uttered in wisdom, and the Lord will prosper it.
[11] Say not thou, It is through the Lord that I fell away: for thou oughtest not to do the things that he hateth.
[12] Say not thou, He hath caused me to err: for he hath no need of the sinful man.
[13] The Lord hateth all abomination; and they that fear God love it not.
[14] He himself made man from the beginning, and left him in the hand of his counsel;
[15] If thou wilt, to keep the commandments, and to perform acceptable faithfulness.
[16] He hath set fire and water before thee: stretch forth thy hand unto whether thou wilt.
[17] Before man is life and death; and whether him liketh shall be given him.
[18] For the wisdom of the Lord is great, and he is mighty in power, and beholdeth all things:
[19] And his eyes are upon them that fear him, and he knoweth every work of man.
[20] He hath commanded no man to do wickedly, neither hath he given any man licence to sin.

Chapter 16

[1] Desire not a multitude of unprofitable children, neither delight in ungodly sons.
[2] Though they multiply, rejoice not in them, except the fear of the Lord be with them.
[3] Trust not thou in their life, neither respect their multitude: for one that is just is better than a thousand; and better it is to die without children, than to have them that are ungodly.
[4] For by one that hath understanding shall the city be replenished: but the kindred of the wicked shall speedily become desolate.
[5] Many such things have I seen with mine eyes, and mine ear hath heard greater things than these.
[6] In the congregation of the ungodly shall a fire be kindled; and in a rebellious nation wrath is set on fire.
[7] He was not pacified toward the old giants, who fell away in the strength of their foolishness.
[8] Neither spared he the place where Lot sojourned, but abhorred them for their pride.
[9] He pitied not the people of perdition, who were taken away in their sins:
[10] Nor the six hundred thousand footmen, who were gathered together in the hardness

of their hearts.

[11] And if there be one stiffnecked among the people, it is marvel if he escape unpunished: for mercy and wrath are with him; he is mighty to forgive, and to pour out displeasure.

[12] As his mercy is great, so is his correction also: he judgeth a man according to his works

[13] The sinner shall not escape with his spoils: and the patience of the godly shall not be frustrate.

[14] Make way for every work of mercy: for every man shall find according to his works.

[15] The Lord hardened Pharaoh, that he should not know him, that his powerful works might be known to the world.

[16] His mercy is manifest to every creature; and he hath separated his light from the darkness with an adamant.

[17] Say not thou, I will hide myself from the Lord: shall any remember me from above? I shall not be remembered among so many people: for what is my soul among such an infinite number of creatures?

[18] Behold, the heaven, and the heaven of heavens, the deep, and the earth, and all that therein is, shall be moved when he shall visit.

[19] The mountains also and foundations of the earth be shaken with trembling, when the Lord looketh upon them.

[20] No heart can think upon these things worthily: and who is able to conceive his ways?

[21] It is a tempest which no man can see: for the most part of his works are hid.

[22] Who can declare the works of his justice? or who can endure them? for his covenant is afar off, and the trial of all things is in the end.

[23] He that wanteth understanding will think upon vain things: and a foolish man erring imagineth follies.

[24] by son, hearken unto me, and learn knowledge, and mark my words with thy heart.

[25] I will shew forth doctrine in weight, and declare his knowledge exactly.

[26] The works of the Lord are done in judgment from the beginning: and from the time he made them he disposed the parts thereof.

[27] He garnished his works for ever, and in his hand are the chief of them unto all generations: they neither labour, nor are weary, nor cease from their works.

[28] None of them hindereth another, and they shall never disobey his word.

[29] After this the Lord looked upon the earth, and filled it with his blessings.

[30] With all manner of living things hath he covered the face thereof; and they shall return into it again.

Chapter 17

[1] The Lord created man of the earth, and turned him into it again.

[2] He gave them few days, and a short time, and power also over the things therein.

[3] He endued them with strength by themselves, and made them according to his image,

[4] And put the fear of man upon all flesh, and gave him dominion over beasts and fowls.

[5] They received the use of the five operations of the Lord, and in the sixth place he imparted them understanding, and in the seventh speech, an interpreter of the cogitations

thereof.]

[6] Counsel, and a tongue, and eyes, ears, and a heart, gave he them to understand.

[7] Withal he filled them with the knowledge of understanding, and shewed them good and evil.

[8] He set his eye upon their hearts, that he might shew them the greatness of his works.

[9] He gave them to glory in his marvellous acts for ever, that they might declare his works with understanding.

[10] And the elect shall praise his holy name.

[11] Beside this he gave them knowledge, and the law of life for an heritage.

[12] He made an everlasting covenant with them, and shewed them his judgments.

[13] Their eyes saw the majesty of his glory, and their ears heard his glorious voice.

[14] And he said unto them, Beware of all unrighteousness; and he gave every man commandment concerning his neighbour.

[15] Their ways are ever before him, and shall not be hid from his eyes.

[16] Every man from his youth is given to evil; neither could they make to themselves fleshy hearts for stony.

[17] For in the division of the nations of the whole earth he set a ruler over every people; but Israel is the Lord's portion:

[18] Whom, being his firstborn, he nourisheth with discipline, and giving him the light of his love doth not forsake him.

[19] Therefore all their works are as the sun before him, and his eyes are continually upon their ways.

[20] None of their unrighteous deeds are hid from him, but all their sins are before the Lord

[21] But the Lord being gracious and knowing his workmanship, neither left nor forsook them, but spared them.

[22] The alms of a man is as a signet with him, and he will keep the good deeds of man as the apple of the eye, and give repentance to his sons and daughters.

[23] Afterwards he will rise up and reward them, and render their recompence upon their heads.

[24] But unto them that repent, he granted them return, and comforted those that failed in patience.

[25] Return unto the Lord, and forsake thy sins, make thy prayer before his face, and offend less.

[26] Turn again to the most High, and turn away from iniquity: for he will lead thee out of darkness into the light of health, and hate thou abomination vehemently.

[27] Who shall praise the most High in the grave, instead of them which live and give thanks?

[28] Thanksgiving perisheth from the dead, as from one that is not: the living and sound in heart shall praise the Lord.

[29] How great is the lovingkindness of the Lord our God, and his compassion unto such as turn unto him in holiness!

[30] For all things cannot be in men, because the son of man is not immortal.

[31] What is brighter than the sun? yet the light thereof faileth; and flesh and blood will imagine evil.

[32] He vieweth the power of the height of heaven; and all men are but earth and ashes.

Chapter 18

- [1] He that liveth for ever Hath created all things in general.
- [2] The Lord only is righteous, and there is none other but he,
- [3] Who governeth the world with the palm of his hand, and all things obey his will: for he is the King of all, by his power dividing holy things among them from profane.
- [4] To whom hath he given power to declare his works? and who shall find out his noble acts?
- [5] Who shall number the strength of his majesty? and who shall also tell out his mercies?
- [6] As for the wondrous works of the Lord, there may nothing be taken from them, neither may any thing be put unto them, neither can the ground of them be found out.
- [7] When a man hath done, then he beginneth; and when he leaveth off, then he shall be doubtful.
- [8] What is man, and whereto serveth he? what is his good, and what is his evil?
- [9] The number of a man's days at the most are an hundred years.
- [10] As a drop of water unto the sea, and a gravelstone in comparison of the sand; so are a thousand years to the days of eternity.
- [11] Therefore is God patient with them, and poureth forth his mercy upon them.
- [12] He saw and perceived their end to be evil; therefore he multiplied his compassion.
- [13] The mercy of man is toward his neighbour; but the mercy of the Lord is upon all flesh: he reproveth, and nurtureth, and teacheth and bringeth again, as a shepherd his flock.
- [14] He hath mercy on them that receive discipline, and that diligently seek after his judgments.
- [15] My son, blemish not thy good deeds, neither use uncomfortable words when thou givest any thing.
- [16] Shall not the dew asswage the heat? so is a word better than a gift.
- [17] Lo, is not a word better than a gift? but both are with a gracious man.
- [18] A fool will upbraid churlishly, and a gift of the envious consumeth the eyes.
- [19] Learn before thou speak, and use physick or ever thou be sick.
- [20] Before judgment examine thyself, and in the day of visitation thou shalt find mercy.
- [21] Humble thyself before thou be sick, and in the time of sins shew repentance.
- [22] Let nothing hinder thee to pay thy vow in due time, and defer not until death to be justified.
- [23] Before thou prayest, prepare thyself; and be not as one that tempteth the Lord.
- [24] Think upon the wrath that shall be at the end, and the time of vengeance, when he shall turn away his face.
- [25] When thou hast enough, remember the time of hunger: and when thou art rich, think upon poverty and need.
- [26] From the morning until the evening the time is changed, and all things are soon done before the Lord.
- [27] A wise man will fear in every thing, and in the day of sinning he will beware of offence: but a fool will not observe time.
- [28] Every man of understanding knoweth wisdom, and will give praise unto him that

found her.

[29] They that were of understanding in sayings became also wise themselves, and poured forth exquisite parables.

[30] Go not after thy lusts, but refrain thyself from thine appetites.

[31] If thou givest thy soul the desires that please her, she will make thee a laughingstock to thine enemies that malign thee.

[32] Take not pleasure in much good cheer, neither be tied to the expence thereof.

[33] Be not made a beggar by banqueting upon borrowing, when thou hast nothing in thy purse: for thou shalt lie in wait for thine own life, and be talked on.

Chapter 19

[1] A labouring man that A is given to drunkenness shall not be rich: and he that contemneth small things shall fall by little and little.

[2] Wine and women will make men of understanding to fall away: and he that cleaveth to harlots will become impudent.

[3] Moths and worms shall have him to heritage, and a bold man shall be taken away.

[4] He that is hasty to give credit is lightminded; and he that sinneth shall offend against his own soul.

[5] Whoso taketh pleasure in wickedness shall be condemned: but he that resisteth pleasures crowneth his life.

[6] He that can rule his tongue shall live without strife; and he that hateth babbling shall have less evil.

[7] Rehearse not unto another that which is told unto thee, and thou shalt fare never the worse.

[8] Whether it be to friend or foe, talk not of other men's lives; and if thou canst without offence, reveal them not.

[9] For he heard and observed thee, and when time cometh he will hate thee.

[10] If thou hast heard a word, let it die with thee; and be bold, it will not burst thee.

[11] A fool travaileth with a word, as a woman in labour of a child.

[12] As an arrow that sticketh in a man's thigh, so is a word within a fool's belly.

[13] Admonish a friend, it may be he hath not done it: and if he have done it, that he do it no more.

[14] Admonish thy friend, it may be he hath not said it: and if he have, that he speak it not again.

[15] Admonish a friend: for many times it is a slander, and believe not every tale.

[16] There is one that slippeth in his speech, but not from his heart; and who is he that hath not offended with his tongue?

[17] Admonish thy neighbour before thou threaten him; and not being angry, give place to the law of the most High.

[18] The fear of the Lord is the first step to be accepted [of him,] and wisdom obtaineth his love.

[19] The knowledge of the commandments of the Lord is the doctrine of life: and they that do things that please him shall receive the fruit of the tree of immortality.

[20] The fear of the Lord is all wisdom; and in all wisdom is the performance of the law,

and the knowledge of his omnipotency.

[21] If a servant say to his master, I will not do as it pleaseth thee; though afterward he do it, he angereth him that nourisheth him.

[22] The knowledge of wickedness is not wisdom, neither at any time the counsel of sinners prudence.

[23] There is a wickedness, and the same an abomination; and there is a fool wanting in wisdom.

[24] He that hath small understanding, and feareth God, is better than one that hath much wisdom, and transgresseth the law of the most High.

[25] There is an exquisite subtilty, and the same is unjust; and there is one that turneth aside to make judgment appear; and there is a wise man that justifieth in judgment.

[26] There is a wicked man that hangeth down his head sadly; but inwardly he is full of deceit,

[27] Casting down his countenance, and making as if he heard not: where he is not known, he will do thee a mischief before thou be aware.

[28] And if for want of power he be hindered from sinning, yet when he findeth opportunity he will do evil.

[29] A man may be known by his look, and one that hath understanding by his countenance, when thou meetest him.

[30] A man's attire, and excessive laughter, and gait, shew what he is.

Chapter 20

[1] There is a reproof that is not comely: again, some man holdeth his tongue, and he is wise.

[2] It is much better to reprove, than to be angry secretly: and he that confesseth his fault shall be preserved from hurt.

[3] How good is it, when thou art reproved, to shew repentance! for so shalt thou escape wilful sin.

[4] As is the lust of an eunuch to deflower a virgin; so is he that executeth judgment with violence.

[5] There is one that keepeth silence, and is found wise: and another by much babbling becometh hateful.

[6] Some man holdeth his tongue, because he hath not to answer: and some keepeth silence, knowing his time.

[7] A wise man will hold his tongue till he see opportunity: but a babbler and a fool will regard no time.

[8] He that useth many words shall be abhorred; and he that taketh to himself authority therein shall be hated.

[9] There is a sinner that hath good success in evil things; and there is a gain that turneth to loss.

[10] There is a gift that shall not profit thee; and there is a gift whose recompence is double.

[11] There is an abasement because of glory; and there is that lifteth up his head from a low estate.

- [12] There is that buyeth much for a little, and repayeth it sevenfold.
- [13] A wise man by his words maketh him beloved: but the graces of fools shall be poured out.
- [14] The gift of a fool shall do thee no good when thou hast it; neither yet of the envious for his necessity: for he looketh to receive many things for one.
- [15] He giveth little, and upbraideth much; he openeth his mouth like a crier; to day he lendeth, and to morrow will he ask it again: such an one is to be hated of God and man.
- [16] The fool saith, I have no friends, I have no thank for all my good deeds, and they that eat my bread speak evil of me.
- [17] How oft, and of how many shall he be laughed to scorn! for he knoweth not aright what it is to have; and it is all one unto him as if he had it not.
- [18] To slip upon a pavement is better than to slip with the tongue: so the fall of the wicked shall come speedily.
- [19] An unseasonable tale will always be in the mouth of the unwise.
- [20] A wise sentence shall be rejected when it cometh out of a fool's mouth; for he will not speak it in due season.
- [21] There is that is hindered from sinning through want: and when he taketh rest, he shall not be troubled.
- [22] There is that destroyeth his own soul through bashfulness, and by accepting of persons overthroweth himself.
- [23] There is that for bashfulness promiseth to his friend, and maketh him his enemy for nothing.
- [24] A lie is a foul blot in a man, yet it is continually in the mouth of the untaught.
- [25] A thief is better than a man that is accustomed to lie: but they both shall have destruction to heritage.
- [26] The disposition of a liar is dishonourable, and his shame is ever with him.
- [27] A wise man shall promote himself to honour with his words: and he that hath understanding will please great men.
- [28] He that tilleth his land shall increase his heap: and he that pleaseth great men shall get pardon for iniquity.
- [29] Presents and gifts blind the eyes of the wise, and stop up his mouth that he cannot reprove.
- [30] Wisdom that is hid, and treasure that is hoarded up, what profit is in them both?
- [31] Better is he that hideth his folly than a man that hideth his wisdom.
- [32] Necessary patience in seeking ing the Lord is better than he that leadeth his life without a guide.

Chapter 21

- [1] My son, hast thou sinned? do so no more, but ask pardon for thy former sins.
- [2] Flee from sin as from the face of a serpent: for if thou comest too near it, it will bite thee: the teeth thereof are as the teeth of a lion, slaying the souls of men.
- [3] All iniquity is as a two edged sword, the wounds whereof cannot be healed.
- [4] To terrify and do wrong will waste riches: thus the house of proud men shall be made desolate.

- [5] A prayer out of a poor man's mouth reacheth to the ears of God, and his judgment cometh speedily.
- [6] He that hateth to be reprov'd is in the way of sinners: but he that feareth the Lord will repent from his heart.
- [7] An eloquent man is known far and near; but a man of understanding knoweth when he slippeth.
- [8] He that buildeth his house with other men's money is like one that gathereth himself stones for the tomb of his burial.
- [9] The congregation of the wicked is like tow wrapped together: and the end of them is a flame of fire to destroy them.
- [10] The way of sinners is made plain with stones, but at the end thereof is the pit of hell.
- [11] He that keepeth the law of the Lord getteth the understanding thereof: and the perfection of the fear of the Lord is wisdom.
- [12] He that is not wise will not be taught: but there is a wisdom which multiplieth bitterness.
- [13] The knowledge of a wise man shall abound like a flood: and his counsel is like a pure fountain of life.
- [14] The inner parts of a fool are like a broken vessel, and he will hold no knowledge as long as he liveth.
- [15] If a skilful man hear a wise word, he will commend it, and add unto it: but as soon as one of no understanding heareth it, it displeaseth him, and he casteth it behind his back.
- [16] The talking of a fool is like a burden in the way: but grace shall be found in the lips of the wise.
- [17] They enquire at the mouth of the wise man in the congregation, and they shall ponder his words in their heart.
- [18] As is a house that is destroyed, so is wisdom to a fool: and the knowledge of the unwise is as talk without sense.
- [19] Doctrine unto fools is as fetters on the feet, and like manacles on the right hand.
- [20] A fool lifteth up his voice with laughter; but a wise man doth scarce smile a little.
- [21] Learning is unto a wise man as an ornament of gold, and like a bracelet upon his right arm.
- [22] A foolish man's foot is soon in his [neighbour's] house: but a man of experience is ashamed of him.
- [23] A fool will peep in at the door into the house: but he that is well nurtured will stand without.
- [24] It is the rudeness of a man to hearken at the door: but a wise man will be grieved with the disgrace.
- [25] The lips of talkers will be telling such things as pertain not unto them: but the words of such as have understanding are weighed in the balance.
- [26] The heart of fools is in their mouth: but the mouth of the wise is in their heart.
- [27] When the ungodly curseth Satan, he curseth his own soul.
- [28] A whisperer defileth his own soul, and is hated wheresoever he dwelleth.

Chapter 22

- [1] A slothful man is compared to a filthy stone, and every one will hiss him out to his disgrace.
- [2] A slothful man is compared to the filth of a dunghill: every man that takes it up will shake his hand.
- [3] An evilnurtured man is the dishonour of his father that begat him: and a [foolish] daughter is born to his loss.
- [4] A wise daughter shall bring an inheritance to her husband: but she that liveth dishonestly is her father's heaviness.
- [5] She that is bold dishonoureth both her father and her husband, but they both shall despise her.
- [6] A tale out of season [is as] musick in mourning: but stripes and correction of wisdom are never out of time.
- [7] Whoso teacheth a fool is as one that glueth a potsherd together, and as he that waketh one from a sound sleep.
- [8] He that telleth a tale to a fool speaketh to one in a slumber: when he hath told his tale, he will say, What is the matter?
- [9] If children live honestly, and have wherewithal, they shall cover the baseness of their parents.
- [10] But children, being haughty, through disdain and want of nurture do stain the nobility of their kindred.
- [11] Weep for the dead, for he hath lost the light: and weep for the fool, for he wanteth understanding: make little weeping for the dead, for he is at rest: but the life of the fool is worse than death.
- [12] Seven days do men mourn for him that is dead; but for a fool and an ungodly man all the days of his life.
- [13] Talk not much with a fool, and go not to him that hath no understanding: beware of him, lest thou have trouble, and thou shalt never be defiled with his fooleries: depart from him, and thou shalt find rest, and never be disquieted with madness.
- [14] What is heavier than lead? and what is the name thereof, but a fool?
- [15] Sand, and salt, and a mass of iron, is easier to bear, than a man without understanding.
- [16] As timber girt and bound together in a building cannot be loosed with shaking: so the heart that is stablished by advised counsel shall fear at no time.
- [17] A heart settled upon a thought of understanding is as a fair plaistering on the wall of a gallery.
- [18] Pales set on an high place will never stand against the wind: so a fearful heart in the imagination of a fool cannot stand against any fear.
- [19] He that pricketh the eye will make tears to fall: and he that pricketh the heart maketh it to shew her knowledge.
- [20] Whoso casteth a stone at the birds frayeth them away: and he that upbraideth his friend breaketh friendship.
- [21] Though thou drewest a sword at thy friend, yet despair not: for there may be a returning [to favour.]
- [22] If thou hast opened thy mouth against thy friend, fear not; for there may be a reconciliation: except for upbraiding, or pride, or disclosing of secrets, or a treacherous wound: for for these things every friend will depart.

[23] Be faithful to thy neighbour in his poverty, that thou mayest rejoice in his prosperity: abide stedfast unto him in the time of his trouble, that thou mayest be heir with him in his heritage: for a mean estate is not always to be contemned: nor the rich that is foolish to be had in admiration.

[24] As the vapour and smoke of a furnace goeth before the fire; so reviling before blood.

[25] I will not be ashamed to defend a friend; neither will I hide myself from him.

[26] And if any evil happen unto me by him, every one that heareth it will beware of him.

[27] Who shall set a watch before my mouth, and a seal of wisdom upon my lips, that I fall not suddenly by them, and that my tongue destroy me not?

Chapter 23

[1] O Lord, Father and Governor of all my whole life, leave me not to their counsels, and let me not fall by them.

[2] Who will set scourges over my thoughts, and the discipline of wisdom over mine heart? that they spare me not for mine ignorances, and it pass not by my sins:

[3] Lest mine ignorances increase, and my sins abound to my destruction, and I fall before mine adversaries, and mine enemy rejoice over me, whose hope is far from thy mercy.

[4] O Lord, Father and God of my life, give me not a proud look, but turn away from thy servants always a haughty mind.

[5] Turn away from me vain hopes and concupiscence, and thou shalt hold him up that is desirous always to serve thee.

[6] Let not the greediness of the belly nor lust of the flesh take hold of me; and give not over me thy servant into an impudent mind.

[7] Hear, O ye children, the discipline of the mouth: he that keepeth it shall never be taken in his lips.

[8] The sinner shall be left in his foolishness: both the evil speaker and the proud shall fall thereby.

[9] Accustom not thy mouth to swearing; neither use thyself to the naming of the Holy One.

[10] For as a servant that is continually beaten shall not be without a blue mark: so he that sweareth and nameth God continually shall not be faultless.

[11] A man that useth much swearing shall be filled with iniquity, and the plague shall never depart from his house: if he shall offend, his sin shall be upon him: and if he acknowledge not his sin, he maketh a double offence: and if he swear in vain, he shall not be innocent, but his house shall be full of calamities.

[12] There is a word that is clothed about with death: God grant that it be not found in the heritage of Jacob; for all such things shall be far from the godly, and they shall not wallow in their sins.

[13] Use not thy mouth to intemperate swearing, for therein is the word of sin.

[14] Remember thy father and thy mother, when thou sittest among great men. Be not forgetful before them, and so thou by thy custom become a fool, and wish that thou hadst not been born, and curse they day of thy nativity.

[15] The man that is accustomed to opprobrious words will never be reformed all the

days of his life.

[16] Two sorts of men multiply sin, and the third will bring wrath: a hot mind is as a burning fire, it will never be quenched till it be consumed: a fornicator in the body of his flesh will never cease till he hath kindled a fire.

[17] All bread is sweet to a whoremonger, he will not leave off till he die.

[18] A man that breaketh wedlock, saying thus in his heart, Who seeth me? I am compassed about with darkness, the walls cover me, and no body seeth me; what need I to fear? the most High will not remember my sins:

[19] Such a man only feareth the eyes of men, and knoweth not that the eyes of the Lord are ten thousand times brighter than the sun, beholding all the ways of men, and considering the most secret parts.

[20] He knew all things ere ever they were created; so also after they were perfected he looked upon them all.

[21] This man shall be punished in the streets of the city, and where he suspecteth not he shall be taken.

[22] Thus shall it go also with the wife that leaveth her husband, and bringeth in an heir by another.

[23] For first, she hath disobeyed the law of the most High; and secondly, she hath trespassed against her own husband; and thirdly, she hath played the whore in adultery, and brought children by another man.

[24] She shall be brought out into the congregation, and inquisition shall be made of her children.

[25] Her children shall not take root, and her branches shall bring forth no fruit.

[26] She shall leave her memory to be cursed, and her reproach shall not be blotted out.

[27] And they that remain shall know that there is nothing better than the fear of the Lord, and that there is nothing sweeter than to take heed unto the commandments of the Lord.

[28] It is great glory to follow the Lord, and to be received of him is long life.

Chapter 24

[1] Wisdom shall praise herself, and shall glory in the midst of her people.

[2] In the congregation of the most High shall she open her mouth, and triumph before his power.

[3] I came out of the mouth of the most High, and covered the earth as a cloud.

[4] I dwelt in high places, and my throne is in a cloudy pillar.

[5] I alone compassed the circuit of heaven, and walked in the bottom of the deep.

[6] In the waves of the sea and in all the earth, and in every people and nation, I got a possession.

[7] With all these I sought rest: and in whose inheritance shall I abide?

[8] So the Creator of all things gave me a commandment, and he that made me caused my tabernacle to rest, and said, Let thy dwelling be in Jacob, and thine inheritance in Israel.

[9] He created me from the beginning before the world, and I shall never fail.

[10] In the holy tabernacle I served before him; and so was I established in Sion.

[11] Likewise in the beloved city he gave me rest, and in Jerusalem was my power.

[12] And I took root in an honourable people, even in the portion of the Lord's

inheritance.

[13] I was exalted like a cedar in Libanus, and as a cypress tree upon the mountains of Hermon.

[14] I was exalted like a palm tree in En-gaddi, and as a rose plant in Jericho, as a fair olive tree in a pleasant field, and grew up as a plane tree by the water.

[15] I gave a sweet smell like cinnamon and aspalathus, and I yielded a pleasant odour like the best myrrh, as galbanum, and onyx, and sweet storax, and as the fume of frankincense in the tabernacle.

[16] As the turpentine tree I stretched out my branches, and my branches are the branches of honour and grace.

[17] As the vine brought I forth pleasant savour, and my flowers are the fruit of honour and riches.

[18] I am the mother of fair love, and fear, and knowledge, and holy hope: I therefore, being eternal, am given to all my children which are named of him.

[19] Come unto me, all ye that be desirous of me, and fill yourselves with my fruits.

[20] For my memorial is sweeter than honey, and mine inheritance than the honeycomb.

[21] They that eat me shall yet be hungry, and they that drink me shall yet be thirsty.

[22] He that obeyeth me shall never be confounded, and they that work by me shall not do amiss.

[23] All these things are the book of the covenant of the most high God, even the law which Moses commanded for an heritage unto the congregations of Jacob.

[24] Faint not to be strong in the Lord; that he may confirm you, cleave unto him: for the Lord Almighty is God alone, and beside him there is no other Saviour.

[25] He filleth all things with his wisdom, as Phison and as Tigris in the time of the new fruits.

[26] He maketh the understanding to abound like Euphrates, and as Jordan in the time of the harvest.

[27] He maketh the doctrine of knowledge appear as the light, and as Geon in the time of vintage.

[28] The first man knew her not perfectly: no more shall the last find her out.

[29] For her thoughts are more than the sea, and her counsels profounder than the great deep.

[30] I also came out as a brook from a river, and as a conduit into a garden.

[31] I said, I will water my best garden, and will water abundantly my garden bed: and, lo, my brook became a river, and my river became a sea.

[32] I will yet make doctrine to shine as the morning, and will send forth her light afar off.

[33] I will yet pour out doctrine as prophecy, and leave it to all ages for ever.

[34] Behold that I have not laboured for myself only, but for all them that seek wisdom.

Chapter 25

[1] In three things I was beautified, and stood up beautiful both before God and men: the unity of brethren, the love of neighbours, a man and a wife that agree together.

[2] Three sorts of men my soul hateth, and I am greatly offended at their life: a poor man

that is proud, a rich man that is a liar, and an old adulterer that doateth.

[3] If thou hast gathered nothing in thy youth, how canst thou find any thing in thine age?

[4] O how comely a thing is judgment for gray hairs, and for ancient men to know counsel!

[5] O how comely is the wisdom of old men, and understanding and counsel to men of honour.

[6] Much experience is the crown of old men, and the fear of God is their glory.

[7] There be nine things which I have judged in mine heart to be happy, and the tenth I will utter with my tongue: A man that hath joy of his children; and he that liveth to see the fall of his enemy:

[8] Well is him that dwelleth with a wife of understanding, and that hath not slipped with his tongue, and that hath not served a man more unworthy than himself:

[9] Well is him that hath found prudence, and he that speaketh in the ears of them that will hear:

[10] O how great is he that findeth wisdom! yet is there none above him that feareth the Lord.

[11] But the love of the Lord passeth all things for illumination: he that holdeth it, whereto shall he be likened?

[12] The fear of the Lord is the beginning of his love: and faith is the beginning of cleaving unto him.

[13] [Give me] any plague, but the plague of the heart: and any wickedness, but the wickedness of a woman:

[14] And any affliction, but the affliction from them that hate me: and any revenge, but the revenge of enemies.

[15] There is no head above the head of a serpent; and there is no wrath above the wrath of an enemy.

[16] I had rather dwell with a lion and a dragon, than to keep house with a wicked woman.

[17] The wickedness of a woman changeth her face, and darkeneth her countenance like sackcloth.

[18] Her husband shall sit among his neighbours; and when he heareth it shall sigh bitterly.

[19] All wickedness is but little to the wickedness of a woman: let the portion of a sinner fall upon her.

[20] As the climbing up a sandy way is to the feet of the aged, so is a wife full of words to a quiet man.

[21] Stumble not at the beauty of a woman, and desire her not for pleasure.

[22] A woman, if she maintain her husband, is full of anger, impudence, and much reproach.

[23] A wicked woman abateth the courage, maketh an heavy countenance and a wounded heart: a woman that will not comfort her husband in distress maketh weak hands and feeble knees.

[24] Of the woman came the beginning of sin, and through her we all die.

[25] Give the water no passage; neither a wicked woman liberty to gad abroad.

[26] If she go not as thou wouldest have her, cut her off from thy flesh, and give her a bill of divorce, and let her go.

Chapter 26

- [1] Blessed is the man that hath a virtuous wife, for the number of his days shall be double.
- [2] A virtuous woman rejoiceth her husband, and he shall fulfil the years of his life in peace.
- [3] A good wife is a good portion, which shall be given in the portion of them that fear the Lord.
- [4] Whether a man be rich or poor, if he have a good heart toward the Lord, he shall at all times rejoice with a cheerful countenance.
- [5] There be three things that mine heart feareth; and for the fourth I was sore afraid: the slander of a city, the gathering together of an unruly multitude, and a false accusation: all these are worse than death.
- [6] But a grief of heart and sorrow is a woman that is jealous over another woman, and a scourge of the tongue which communicateth with all.
- [7] An evil wife is a yoke shaken to and fro: he that hath hold of her is as though he held a scorpion.
- [8] A drunken woman and a gadder abroad causeth great anger, and she will not cover her own shame.
- [9] The whoredom of a woman may be known in her haughty looks and eyelids.
- [10] If thy daughter be shameless, keep her in straitly, lest she abuse herself through overmuch liberty.
- [11] Watch over an impudent eye: and marvel not if she trespass against thee.
- [12] She will open her mouth, as a thirsty traveller when he hath found a fountain, and drink of every water near her: by every hedge will she sit down, and open her quiver against every arrow.
- [13] The grace of a wife delighteth her husband, and her discretion will fatten his bones.
- [14] A silent and loving woman is a gift of the Lord; and there is nothing so much worth as a mind well instructed.
- [15] A shamefaced and faithful woman is a double grace, and her continent mind cannot be valued.
- [16] As the sun when it ariseth in the high heaven; so is the beauty of a good wife in the ordering of her house.
- [17] As the clear light is upon the holy candlestick; so is the beauty of the face in ripe age.
- [18] As the golden pillars are upon the sockets of silver; so are the fair feet with a constant heart.
- [19] My son, keep the flower of thine age sound; and give not thy strength to strangers.
- [20] When thou hast gotten a fruitful possession through all the field, sow it with thine own seed, trusting in the goodness of thy stock.
- [21] So thy race which thou leavest shall be magnified, having the confidence of their good descent.
- [22] An harlot shall be accounted as spittle; but a married woman is a tower against death to her husband.

[23] A wicked woman is given as a portion to a wicked man: but a godly woman is given to him that feareth the Lord.

[24] A dishonest woman contemneth shame: but an honest woman will reverence her husband.

[25] A shameless woman shall be counted as a dog; but she that is shamefaced will fear the Lord.

[26] A woman that honoureth her husband shall be judged wise of all; but she that dishonoureth him in her pride shall be counted ungodly of all.

[27] A loud crying woman and a scold shall be sought out to drive away the enemies.

[28] There be two things that grieve my heart; and the third maketh me angry: a man of war that suffereth poverty; and men of understanding that are not set by; and one that returneth from righteousness to sin; the Lord prepareth such an one for the sword.

[29] A merchant shall hardly keep himself from doing wrong; and an huckster shall not be freed from sin.

Chapter 27

[1] Many have sinned for a small matter; and he that seeketh for abundance will turn his eyes away.

[2] As a nail sticketh fast between the joinings of the stones; so doth sin stick close between buying and selling.

[3] Unless a man hold himself diligently in the fear of the Lord, his house shall soon be overthrown.

[4] As when one sifteth with a sieve, the refuse remaineth; so the filth of man in his talk.

[5] The furnace proveth the potter's vessels; so the trial of man is in his reasoning.

[6] The fruit declareth if the tree have been dressed; so is the utterance of a conceit in the heart of man.

[7] Praise no man before thou hearest him speak; for this is the trial of men.

[8] If thou followest righteousness, thou shalt obtain her, and put her on, as a glorious long robe.

[9] The birds will resort unto their like; so will truth return unto them that practise in her.

[10] As the lion lieth in wait for the prey; so sin for them that work iniquity.

[11] The discourse of a godly man is always with wisdom; but a fool changeth as the moon.

[12] If thou be among the indiscreet, observe the time; but be continually among men of understanding.

[13] The discourse of fools is irksome, and their sport is the wantonness of sin.

[14] The talk of him that sweareth much maketh the hair stand upright; and their brawls make one stop his ears.

[15] The strife of the proud is bloodshedding, and their revilings are grievous to the ear.

[16] Whoso discovereth secrets loseth his credit; and shall never find friend to his mind.

[17] Love thy friend, and be faithful unto him: but if thou betrayest his secrets, follow no more after him.

[18] For as a man hath destroyed his enemy; so hast thou lost the love of thy neighbor.

[19] As one that letteth a bird go out of his hand, so hast thou let thy neighbour go, and

shalt not get him again

[20] Follow after him no more, for he is too far off; he is as a roe escaped out of the snare.

[21] As for a wound, it may be bound up; and after reviling there may be reconciliation: but he that betrayeth secrets is without hope.

[22] He that winketh with the eyes worketh evil: and he that knoweth him will depart from him.

[23] When thou art present, he will speak sweetly, and will admire thy words: but at the last he will writhe his mouth, and slander thy sayings.

[24] I have hated many things, but nothing like him; for the Lord will hate him.

[25] Whoso casteth a stone on high casteth it on his own head; and a deceitful stroke shall make wounds.

[26] Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that setteth a trap shall be taken therein.

[27] He that worketh mischief, it shall fall upon him, and he shall not know whence it cometh.

[28] Mockery and reproach are from the proud; but vengeance, as a lion, shall lie in wait for them.

[29] They that rejoice at the fall of the righteous shall be taken in the snare; and anguish shall consume them before they die.

[30] Malice and wrath, even these are abominations; and the sinful man shall have them both.

Chapter 28

[1] He that revengeth shall find vengeance from the Lord, and he will surely keep his sins [in remembrance.]

[2] Forgive thy neighbour the hurt that he hath done unto thee, so shall thy sins also be forgiven when thou prayest.

[3] One man beareth hatred against another, and doth he seek pardon from the Lord?

[4] He sheweth no mercy to a man, which is like himself: and doth he ask forgiveness of his own sins?

[5] If he that is but flesh nourish hatred, who will intreat for pardon of his sins?

[6] Remember thy end, and let enmity cease; [remember] corruption and death, and abide in the commandments.

[7] Remember the commandments, and bear no malice to thy neighbour: [remember] the covenant of the Highest, and wink at ignorance.

[8] Abstain from strife, and thou shalt diminish thy sins: for a furious man will kindle strife,

[9] A sinful man disquieteth friends, and maketh debate among them that be at peace.

[10] As the matter of the fire is, so it burneth: and as a man's strength is, so is his wrath; and according to his riches his anger riseth; and the stronger they are which contend, the more they will be inflamed.

[11] An hasty contention kindleth a fire: and an hasty fighting sheddeth blood.

[12] If thou blow the spark, it shall burn: if thou spit upon it, it shall be quenched: and

both these come out of thy mouth.

[13] Curse the whisperer and doubletongued: for such have destroyed many that were at peace.

[14] A backbiting tongue hath disquieted many, and driven them from nation to nation: strong cities hath it pulled down, and overthrown the houses of great men.

[15] A backbiting tongue hath cast out virtuous women, and deprived them of their labours.

[16] Whoso hearkeneth unto it shall never find rest, and never dwell quietly.

[17] The stroke of the whip maketh marks in the flesh: but the stroke of the tongue breaketh the bones.

[18] Many have fallen by the edge of the sword: but not so many as have fallen by the tongue.

[19] Well is he that is defended through the venom thereof; who hath not drawn the yoke thereof, nor hath been bound in her bands.

[20] For the yoke thereof is a yoke of iron, and the bands thereof are bands of brass.

[21] The death thereof is an evil death, the grave were better than it.

[22] It shall not have rule over them that fear God, neither shall they be burned with the flame thereof.

[23] Such as forsake the Lord shall fall into it; and it shall burn in them, and not be quenched; it shall be sent upon them as a lion, and devour them as a leopard.

[24] Look that thou hedge thy possession about with thorns, and bind up thy silver and gold,

[25] And weigh thy words in a balance, and make a door and bar for thy mouth.

[26] Beware thou slide not by it, lest thou fall before him that lieth in wait.

Chapter 29

[1] He that is merciful will lend unto his neighbour; and he that strengtheneth his hand keepeth the commandments.

[2] Lend to thy neighbour in time of his need, and pay thou thy neighbour again in due season.

[3] Keep thy word, and deal faithfully with him, and thou shalt always find the thing that is necessary for thee.

[4] Many, when a thing was lent them, reckoned it to be found, and put them to trouble that helped them.

[5] Till he hath received, he will kiss a man's hand; and for his neighbour's money he will speak submissly: but when he should repay, he will prolong the time, and return words of grief, and complain of the time.

[6] If he prevail, he shall hardly receive the half, and he will count as if he had found it: if not, he hath deprived him of his money, and he hath gotten him an enemy without cause: he payeth him with cursings and railings; and for honour he will pay him disgrace.

[7] Many therefore have refused to lend for other men's ill dealing, fearing to be defrauded.

[8] Yet have thou patience with a man in poor estate, and delay not to shew him mercy.

[9] Help the poor for the commandment's sake, and turn him not away because of his

poverty.

[10] Lose thy money for thy brother and thy friend, and let it not rust under a stone to be lost.

[11] Lay up thy treasure according to the commandments of the most High, and it shall bring thee more profit than gold.

[12] Shut up alms in thy storehouses: and it shall deliver thee from all affliction.

[13] It shall fight for thee against thine enemies better than a mighty shield and strong spear.

[14] An honest man is surety for his neighbour: but he that is impudent will forsake him.

[15] Forget not the friendship of thy surety, for he hath given his life for thee.

[16] A sinner will overthrow the good estate of his surety:

[17] And he that is of an unthankful mind will leave him [in danger] that delivered him.

[18] Suretiship hath undone many of good estate, and shaken them as a wave of the sea: mighty men hath it driven from their houses, so that they wandered among strange nations.

[19] A wicked man transgressing the commandments of the Lord shall fall into suretiship: and he that undertaketh and followeth other men's business for gain shall fall into suits.

[20] Help thy neighbour according to thy power, and beware that thou thyself fall not into the same.

[21] The chief thing for life is water, and bread, and clothing, and an house to cover shame.

[22] Better is the life of a poor man in a mean cottage, than delicate fare in another man's house.

[23] Be it little or much, hold thee contented, that thou hear not the reproach of thy house.

[24] For it is a miserable life to go from house to house: for where thou art a stranger, thou darest not open thy mouth.

[25] Thou shalt entertain, and feast, and have no thanks: moreover thou shalt hear bitter words:

[26] Come, thou stranger, and furnish a table, and feed me of that thou hast ready.

[27] Give place, thou stranger, to an honourable man; my brother cometh to be lodged, and I have need of mine house.

[28] These things are grievous to a man of understanding; the upbraiding of houserom, and reproaching of the lender.

Chapter 30

[1] He that loveth his son causeth him oft to feel the rod, that he may have joy of him in the end.

[2] He that chastiseth his son shall have joy in him, and shall rejoice of him among his acquaintance.

[3] He that teacheth his son grieveth the enemy: and before his friends he shall rejoice of him.

[4] Though his father die, yet he is as though he were not dead: for he hath left one behind him that is like himself.

- [5] While he lived, he saw and rejoiced in him: and when he died, he was not sorrowful.
- [6] He left behind him an avenger against his enemies, and one that shall requite kindness to his friends.
- [7] He that maketh too much of his son shall bind up his wounds; and his bowels will be troubled at every cry.
- [8] An horse not broken becometh headstrong: and a child left to himself will be wilful.
- [9] Cocker thy child, and he shall make thee afraid: play with him, and he will bring thee to heaviness.
- [10] Laugh not with him, lest thou have sorrow with him, and lest thou gnash thy teeth in the end.
- [11] Give him no liberty in his youth, and wink not at his follies.
- [12] Bow down his neck while he is young, and beat him on the sides while he is a child, lest he wax stubborn, and be disobedient unto thee, and so bring sorrow to thine heart.
- [13] Chastise thy son, and hold him to labour, lest his lewd behaviour be an offence unto thee.
- [14] Better is the poor, being sound and strong of constitution, than a rich man that is afflicted in his body.
- [15] Health and good estate of body are above all gold, and a strong body above infinite wealth.
- [16] There is no riches above a sound body, and no joy above the joy of the heart.
- [17] Death is better than a bitter life or continual sickness.
- [18] Delicates poured upon a mouth shut up are as messes of meat set upon a grave.
- [19] What good doeth the offering unto an idol? for neither can it eat nor smell: so is he that is persecuted of the Lord.
- [20] He seeth with his eyes and groaneth, as an eunuch that embraceth a virgin and sigheth.
- [21] Give not over thy mind to heaviness, and afflict not thyself in thine own counsel.
- [22] The gladness of the heart is the life of man, and the joyfulness of a man prolongeth his days.
- [23] Love thine own soul, and comfort thy heart, remove sorrow far from thee: for sorrow hath killed many, and there is no profit therein.
- [24] Envy and wrath shorten the life, and carefulness bringeth age before the time.
- [25] A cheerful and good heart will have a care of his meat and diet.

Chapter 31

- [1] Watching for riches consumeth the flesh, and the care thereof driveth away sleep.
- [2] Watching care will not let a man slumber, as a sore disease breaketh sleep,
- [3] The rich hath great labour in gathering riches together; and when he resteth, he is filled with his delicates.
- [4] The poor laboureth in his poor estate; and when he leaveth off, he is still needy.
- [5] He that loveth gold shall not be justified, and he that followeth corruption shall have enough thereof.
- [6] Gold hath been the ruin of many, and their destruction was present.
- [7] It is a stumblingblock unto them that sacrifice unto it, and every fool shall be taken

therewith.

[8] Blessed is the rich that is found without blemish, and hath not gone after gold.

[9] Who is he? and we will call him blessed: for wonderful things hath he done among his people.

[10] Who hath been tried thereby, and found perfect? then let him glory. Who might offend, and hath not offended? or done evil, and hath not done it?

[11] His goods shall be established, and the congregation shall declare his alms.

[12] If thou sit at a bountiful table, be not greedy upon it, and say not, There is much meat on it.

[13] Remember that a wicked eye is an evil thing: and what is created more wicked than an eye? therefore it weepeth upon every occasion.

[14] Stretch not thine hand whithersoever it looketh, and thrust it not with him into the dish.

[15] Judge not thy neighbour by thyself: and be discreet in every point.

[16] Eat as it becometh a man, those things which are set before thee; and devour note, lest thou be hated.

[17] Leave off first for manners' sake; and be not unsatiable, lest thou offend.

[18] When thou sittest among many, reach not thine hand out first of all.

[19] A very little is sufficient for a man well nurtured, and he fetcheth not his wind short upon his bed.

[20] Sound sleep cometh of moderate eating: he riseth early, and his wits are with him: but the pain of watching, and choler, and pangs of the belly, are with an unsatiable man.

[21] And if thou hast been forced to eat, arise, go forth, vomit, and thou shalt have rest.

[22] My son, hear me, and despise me not, and at the last thou shalt find as I told thee: in all thy works be quick, so shall there no sickness come unto thee.

[23] Whoso is liberal of his meat, men shall speak well of him; and the report of his good housekeeping will be believed.

[24] But against him that is a niggard of his meat the whole city shall murmur; and the testimonies of his niggardness shall not be doubted of.

[25] Shew not thy valiantness in wine; for wine hath destroyed many.

[26] The furnace proveth the edge by dipping: so doth wine the hearts of the proud by drunkenness.

[27] Wine is as good as life to a man, if it be drunk moderately: what life is then to a man that is without wine? for it was made to make men glad.

[28] Wine measurably drunk and in season bringeth gladness of the heart, and cheerfulness of the mind:

[29] But wine drunken with excess maketh bitterness of the mind, with brawling and quarrelling.

[30] Drunkenness increaseth the rage of a fool till he offend: it diminisheth strength, and maketh wounds.

[31] Rebuke not thy neighbour at the wine, and despise him not in his mirth: give him no despiteful words, and press not upon him with urging him [to drink.]

Chapter 32

- [1] If thou be made the master [of a feast,] lift not thyself up, but be among them as one of the rest; take diligent care for them, and so sit down.
- [2] And when thou hast done all thy office, take thy place, that thou mayest be merry with them, and receive a crown for thy well ordering of the feast.
- [3] Speak, thou that art the elder, for it becometh thee, but with sound judgment; and hinder not musick.
- [4] Pour not out words where there is a musician, and shew not forth wisdom out of time.
- [5] A concert of musick in a banquet of wine is as a signet of carbuncle set in gold.
- [6] As a signet of an emerald set in a work of gold, so is the melody of musick with pleasant wine.
- [7] Speak, young man, if there be need of thee: and yet scarcely when thou art twice asked.
- [8] Let thy speech be short, comprehending much in few words; be as one that knoweth and yet holdeth his tongue.
- [9] If thou be among great men, make not thyself equal with them; and when ancient men are in place, use not many words.
- [10] Before the thunder goeth lightning; and before a shamefaced man shall go favour.
- [11] Rise up betimes, and be not the last; but get thee home without delay.
- [12] There take thy pastime, and do what thou wilt: but sin not by proud speech.
- [13] And for these things bless him that made thee, and hath replenished thee with his good things.
- [14] Whoso feareth the Lord will receive his discipline; and they that seek him early shall find favour.
- [15] He that seeketh the law shall be filled therewith: but the hypocrite will be offended thereat.
- [16] They that fear the Lord shall find judgment, and shall kindle justice as a light.
- [17] A sinful man will not be reprov'd, but findeth an excuse according to his will.
- [18] A man of counsel will be considerate; but a strange and proud man is not daunted with fear, even when of himself he hath done without counsel.
- [19] Do nothing without advice; and when thou hast once done, repent not.
- [20] Go not in a way wherein thou mayest fall, and stumble not among the stones.
- [21] Be not confident in a plain way.
- [22] And beware of thine own children.
- [23] In every good work trust thy own soul; for this is the keeping of the commandments.
- [24] He that believeth in the Lord taketh heed to the commandment; and he that trusteth in him shall fare never the worse.

Chapter 33

- [1] There shall no evil happen unto him that feareth the Lord; but in temptation even again he will deliver him.
- [2] A wise man hateth not the law; but he that is an hypocrite therein is as a ship in a storm.
- [3] A man of understanding trusteth in the law; and the law is faithful unto him, as an oracle.

- [4] Prepare what to say, and so thou shalt be heard: and bind up instruction, and then make answer.
- [5] The heart of the foolish is like a cartwheel; and his thoughts are like a rolling axletree.
- [6] A stallion horse is as a mocking friend, he neigheth under every one that sitteth upon him.
- [7] Why doth one day excel another, when as all the light of every day in the year is of the sun?
- [8] By the knowledge of the Lord they were distinguished: and he altered seasons and feasts.
- [9] Some of them hath he made high days, and hallowed them, and some of them hath he made ordinary days.
- [10] And all men are from the ground, and Adam was created of earth:
- [11] In much knowledge the Lord hath divided them, and made their ways diverse.
- [12] Some of them hath he blessed and exalted and some of them he sanctified, and set near himself: but some of them hath he cursed and brought low, and turned out of their places.
- [13] As the clay is in the potter's hand, to fashion it at his pleasure: so man is in the hand of him that made him, to render to them as liketh him best.
- [14] Good is set against evil, and life against death: so is the godly against the sinner, and the sinner against the godly.
- [15] So look upon all the works of the most High; and there are two and two, one against another.
- [16] I awaked up last of all, as one that gathereth after the grapegatherers: by the blessing of the Lord I profited, and tred my winepress like a gatherer of grapes.
- [17] Consider that I laboured not for myself only, but for all them that seek learning.
- [18] Hear me, O ye great men of the people, and hearken with your ears, ye rulers of the congregation.
- [19] Give not thy son and wife, thy brother and friend, power over thee while thou livest, and give not thy goods to another: lest it repent thee, and thou intreat for the same again.
- [20] As long as thou livest and hast breath in thee, give not thyself over to any.
- [21] For better it is that thy children should seek to thee, than that thou shouldest stand to their courtesy.
- [22] In all thy works keep to thyself the preeminence; leave not a stain in thine honour.
- [23] At the time when thou shalt end thy days, and finish thy life, distribute thine inheritance.
- [24] Fodder, a wand, and burdens, are for the ass; and bread, correction, and work, for a servant. .
- [25] If thou set thy servant to labour, thou shalt find rest: but if thou let him go idle, he shall seek liberty.
- [26] A yoke and a collar do bow the neck: so are tortures and torments for an evil servant.
- [27] Send him to labour, that he be not idle; for idleness teacheth much evil.
- [28] Set him to work, as is fit for him: if he be not obedient, put on more heavy fetters.
- [29] But be not excessive toward any; and without discretion do nothing.
- [30] If thou have a servant, let him be unto thee as thyself, because thou hast bought him with a price.
- [31] If thou have a servant, entreat him as a brother: for thou hast need of him, as of thine

own soul: if thou entreat him evil, and he run from thee, which way wilt thou go to seek him?

Chapter 34

[1] The hopes of a man void of understanding are vain and false: and dreams lift up fools.

[2] Whoso regardeth dreams is like him that catcheth at a shadow, and followeth after the wind.

[3] The vision of dreams is the resemblance of one thing to another, even as the likeness of a face to a face.

[4] Of an unclean thing what can be cleansed? and from that thing which is false what truth can come?

[5] Divinations, and soothsayings, and dreams, are vain: and the heart fancieth, as a woman's heart in travail.

[6] If they be not sent from the most High in thy visitation, set not thy heart upon them.

[7] For dreams have deceived many, and they have failed that put their trust in them.

[8] The law shall be found perfect without lies: and wisdom is perfection to a faithful mouth.

[9] A man that hath travelled knoweth many things; and he that hath much experience will declare wisdom.

[10] He that hath no experience knoweth little: but he that hath travelled is full of prudence.

[11] When I travelled, I saw many things; and I understand more than I can express.

[12] I was oftentimes in danger of death: yet I was delivered because of these things.

[13] The spirit of those that fear the Lord shall live; for their hope is in him that saveth them.

[14] Whoso feareth the Lord shall not fear nor be afraid; for he is his hope.

[15] Blessed is the soul of him that feareth the Lord: to whom doth he look? and who is his strength?

[16] For the eyes of the Lord are upon them that love him, he is their mighty protection and strong stay, a defence from heat, and a cover from the sun at noon, a preservation from stumbling, and an help from falling.

[17] He raiseth up the soul, and lighteneth the eyes: he giveth health, life, and blessing.

[18] He that sacrificeth of a thing wrongfully gotten, his offering is ridiculous; and the gifts of unjust men are not accepted.

[19] The most High is not pleased with the offerings of the wicked; neither is he pacified for sin by the multitude of sacrifices.

[20] Whoso bringeth an offering of the goods of the poor doeth as one that killeth the son before his father's eyes.

[21] The bread of the needy is their life: he that defraudeth him thereof is a man of blood.

[22] He that taketh away his neighbour's living slayeth him; and he that defraudeth the labourer of his hire is a bloodshedder.

[23] When one buildeth, and another pulleth down, what profit have they then but labour?

[24] When one prayeth, and another curseth, whose voice will the Lord hear?

[25] He that washeth himself after the touching of a dead body, if he touch it again, what

availeth his washing?

[26] So is it with a man that fasteth for his sins, and goeth again, and doeth the same: who will hear his prayer? or what doth his humbling profit him?

Chapter 35

[1] He that keepeth the law bringeth offerings enough: he that taketh heed to the commandment offereth a peace offering.

[2] He that requiteth a goodturn offereth fine flour; and he that giveth alms sacrificeth praise.

[3] To depart from wickedness is a thing pleasing to the Lord; and to forsake unrighteousness is a propitiation.

[4] Thou shalt not appear empty before the Lord.

[5] For all these things [are to be done] because of the commandment.

[6] The offering of the righteous maketh the altar fat, and the sweet savour thereof is before the most High.

[7] The sacrifice of a just man is acceptable. and the memorial thereof shall never be forgotten.

[8] Give the Lord his honour with a good eye, and diminish not the firstfruits of thine hands.

[9] In all thy gifts shew a cheerful countenance, and dedicate thy tithes with gladness.

[10] Give unto the most High according as he hath enriched thee; and as thou hast gotten, give with a cheerful eye.

[11] For the Lord recompenseth, and will give thee seven times as much.

[12] Do not think to corrupt with gifts; for such he will not receive: and trust not to unrighteous sacrifices; for the Lord is judge, and with him is no respect of persons.

[13] He will not accept any person against a poor man, but will hear the prayer of the oppressed.

[14] He will not despise the supplication of the fatherless; nor the widow, when she poureth out her complaint.

[15] Do not the tears run down the widow's cheeks? and is not her cry against him that causeth them to fall?

[16] He that serveth the Lord shall be accepted with favour, and his prayer shall reach unto the clouds.

[17] The prayer of the humble pierceth the clouds: and till it come nigh, he will not be comforted; and will not depart, till the most High shall behold to judge righteously, and execute judgment.

[18] For the Lord will not be slack, neither will the Mighty be patient toward them, till he have smitten in sunder the loins of the unmerciful, and repayed vengeance to the heathen; till he have taken away the multitude of the proud, and broken the sceptre of the unrighteous;

[19] Till he have rendered to every man according to his deeds, and to the works of men according to their devices; till he have judged the cause of his people, and made them to rejoice in his mercy.

[20] Mercy is seasonable in the time of affliction, as clouds of rain in the time of drought.

Chapter 36

- [1] Have mercy upon us, O Lord God of all, and behold us:
[2] And send thy fear upon all the nations that seek not after thee.
[3] Lift up thy hand against the strange nations, and let them see thy power.
[4] As thou wast sanctified in us before them: so be thou magnified among them before us.
[5] And let them know thee, as we have known thee, that there is no God but only thou, O God.
[6] Shew new signs, and make other strange wonders: glorify thy hand and thy right arm, that they may set forth thy wondrous works.
[7] Raise up indignation, and pour out wrath: take away the adversary, and destroy the enemy.
[8] Sake the time short, remember the covenant, and let them declare thy wonderful works.
[9] Let him that escapeth be consumed by the rage of the fire; and let them perish that oppress the people.
[10] Smite in sunder the heads of the rulers of the heathen, that say, There is none other but we.
[11] Gather all the tribes of Jacob together, and inherit thou them, as from the beginning.
[12] O Lord, have mercy upon the people that is called by thy name, and upon Israel, whom thou hast named thy firstborn.
[13] O be merciful unto Jerusalem, thy holy city, the place of thy rest.
[14] Fill Sion with thine unspeakable oracles, and thy people with thy glory:
[15] Give testimony unto those that thou hast possessed from the beginning, and raise up prophets that have been in thy name.
[16] Reward them that wait for thee, and let thy prophets be found faithful.
[17] O Lord, hear the prayer of thy servants, according to the blessing of Aaron over thy people, that all they which dwell upon the earth may know that thou art the Lord, the eternal God.
[18] The belly devoureth all meats, yet is one meat better than another.
[19] As the palate tasteth divers kinds of venison: so doth an heart of understanding false speeches.
[20] A froward heart causeth heaviness: but a man of experience will recompense him.
[21] A woman will receive every man, yet is one daughter better than another.
[22] The beauty of a woman cheereth the countenance, and a man loveth nothing better.
[23] If there be kindness, meekness, and comfort, in her tongue, then is not her husband like other men.
[24] He that getteth a wife beginneth a possession, a help like unto himself, and a pillar of rest.
[25] Where no hedge is, there the possession is spoiled: and he that hath no wife will wander up and down mourning.
[26] Who will trust a thief well appointed, that skippeth from city to city? so [who will believe] a man that hath no house, and lodgeth wheresoever the night taketh him?

Chapter 37

[1] Every friend saith, I am his friend also: but there is a friend, which is only a friend in name.

[2] Is it not a grief unto death, when a companion and friend is turned to an enemy?

[3] O wicked imagination, whence camest thou in to cover the earth with deceit?

[4] There is a companion, which rejoiceth in the prosperity of a friend, but in the time of trouble will be against him.

[5] There is a companion, which helpeth his friend for the belly, and taketh up the buckler against the enemy.

[6] Forget not thy friend in thy mind, and be not unmindful of him in thy riches.

[7] Every counsellor extolleth counsel; but there is some that counselleth for himself.

[8] Beware of a counsellor, and know before what need he hath; for he will counsel for himself; lest he cast the lot upon thee,

[9] And say unto thee, Thy way is good: and afterward he stand on the other side, to see what shall befall thee.

[10] Consult not with one that suspecteth thee: and hide thy counsel from such as envy thee.

[11] Neither consult with a woman touching her of whom she is jealous; neither with a coward in matters of war; nor with a merchant concerning exchange; nor with a buyer of selling; nor with an envious man of thankfulness; nor with an unmerciful man touching kindness; nor with the slothful for any work; nor with an hireling for a year of finishing work; nor with an idle servant of much business: hearken not unto these in any matter of counsel.

[12] But be continually with a godly man, whom thou knowest to keep the commandments of the Lord, whose, mind is according to thy mind, and will sorrow with thee, if thou shalt miscarry.

[13] And let the counsel of thine own heart stand: for there is no man more faithful unto thee than it.

[14] For a man's mind is sometime wont to tell him more than seven watchmen, that sit above in an high tower.

[15] And above all this pray to the most High, that he will direct thy way in truth.

[16] Let reason go before every enterprize, and counsel before every action.

[17] The countenance is a sign of changing of the heart.

[18] Four manner of things appear: good and evil, life and death: but the tongue ruleth over them continually.

[19] There is one that is wise and teacheth many, and yet is unprofitable to himself.

[20] There is one that sheweth wisdom in words, and is hated: he shall be destitute of all food.

[21] For grace is not given, him from the Lord, because he is deprived of all wisdom.

[22] Another is wise to himself; and the fruits of understanding are commendable in his mouth.

[23] A wise man instructeth his people; and the fruits of his understanding fail not.

[24] A wise man shall be filled with blessing; and all they that see him shall count him

happy.

[25] The days of the life of man may be numbered: but the days of Israel are innumerable.

[26] A wise man shall inherit glory among his people, and his name shall be perpetual.

[27] My son, prove thy soul in thy life, and see what is evil for it, and give not that unto it.

[28] For all things are not profitable for all men, neither hath every soul pleasure in every thing.

[29] Be not unsatiated in any dainty thing, nor too greedy upon meats:

[30] For excess of meats bringeth sickness, and surfeiting will turn into cholera.

[31] By surfeiting have many perished; but he that taketh heed prolongeth his life.

Chapter 38

[1] Honour a physician with the honour due unto him for the uses which ye may have of him: for the Lord hath created him.

[2] For of the most High cometh healing, and he shall receive honour of the king.

[3] The skill of the physician shall lift up his head: and in the sight of great men he shall be in admiration.

[4] The Lord hath created medicines out of the earth; and he that is wise will not abhor them.

[5] Was not the water made sweet with wood, that the virtue thereof might be known?

[6] And he hath given men skill, that he might be honoured in his marvellous works.

[7] With such doth he heal [men,] and taketh away their pains.

[8] Of such doth the apothecary make a confection; and of his works there is no end; and from him is peace over all the earth,

[9] My son, in thy sickness be not negligent: but pray unto the Lord, and he will make thee whole.

[10] Leave off from sin, and order thine hands aright, and cleanse thy heart from all wickedness.

[11] Give a sweet savour, and a memorial of fine flour; and make a fat offering, as not being.

[12] Then give place to the physician, for the Lord hath created him: let him not go from thee, for thou hast need of him.

[13] There is a time when in their hands there is good success.

[14] For they shall also pray unto the Lord, that he would prosper that, which they give for ease and remedy to prolong life.

[15] He that sinneth before his Maker, let him fall into the hand of the physician.

[16] My son, let tears fall down over the dead, and begin to lament, as if thou hadst suffered great harm thyself; and then cover his body according to the custom, and neglect not his burial.

[17] Weep bitterly, and make great moan, and use lamentation, as he is worthy, and that a day or two, lest thou be evil spoken of: and then comfort thyself for thy heaviness.

[18] For of heaviness cometh death, and the heaviness of the heart breaketh strength.

[19] In affliction also sorrow remaineth: and the life of the poor is the curse of the heart.

- [20] Take no heaviness to heart: drive it away, and member the last end.
- [21] Forget it not, for there is no turning again: thou shalt not do him good, but hurt thyself.
- [22] Remember my judgment: for thine also shall be so; yesterday for me, and to day for thee.
- [23] When the dead is at rest, let his remembrance rest; and be comforted for him, when his Spirit is departed from him.
- [24] The wisdom of a learned man cometh by opportunity of leisure: and he that hath little business shall become wise.
- [25] How can he get wisdom that holdeth the plough, and that glorieth in the goad, that driveth oxen, and is occupied in their labours, and whose talk is of bullocks?
- [26] He giveth his mind to make furrows; and is diligent to give the kine fodder.
- [27] So every carpenter and workmaster, that laboureth night and day: and they that cut and grave seals, and are diligent to make great variety, and give themselves to counterfeit imagery, and watch to finish a work:
- [28] The smith also sitting by the anvil, and considering the iron work, the vapour of the fire wasteth his flesh, and he fighteth with the heat of the furnace: the noise of the hammer and the anvil is ever in his ears, and his eyes look still upon the pattern of the thing that he maketh; he setteth his mind to finish his work, and watcheth to polish it perfectly:
- [29] So doth the potter sitting at his work, and turning the wheel about with his feet, who is always carefully set at his work, and maketh all his work by number;
- [30] He fashioneth the clay with his arm, and boweth down his strength before his feet; he applieth himself to lead it over; and he is diligent to make clean the furnace:
- [31] All these trust to their hands: and every one is wise in his work.
- [32] Without these cannot a city be inhabited: and they shall not dwell where they will, nor go up and down:
- [33] They shall not be sought for in publick counsel, nor sit high in the congregation: they shall not sit on the judges' seat, nor understand the sentence of judgment: they cannot declare justice and judgment; and they shall not be found where parables are spoken.
- [34] But they will maintain the state of the world, and [all] their desire is in the work of their craft.

Chapter 39

- [1] But he that giveth his mind to the law of the most High, and is occupied in the meditation thereof, will seek out the wisdom of all the ancient, and be occupied in prophecies.
- [2] He will keep the sayings of the renowned men: and where subtil parables are, he will be there also.
- [3] He will seek out the secrets of grave sentences, and be conversant in dark parables.
- [4] He shall serve among great men, and appear before princes: he will travel through strange countries; for he hath tried the good and the evil among men.
- [5] He will give his heart to resort early to the Lord that made him, and will pray before

the most High, and will open his mouth in prayer, and make supplication for his sins.

[6] When the great Lord will, he shall be filled with the spirit of understanding: he shall pour out wise sentences, and give thanks unto the Lord in his prayer.

[7] He shall direct his counsel and knowledge, and in his secrets shall he meditate.

[8] He shall shew forth that which he hath learned, and shall glory in the law of the covenant of the Lord.

[9] Many shall commend his understanding; and so long as the world endureth, it shall not be blotted out; his memorial shall not depart away, and his name shall live from generation to generation.

[10] Nations shall shew forth his wisdom, and the congregation shall declare his praise.

[11] If he die, he shall leave a greater name than a thousand: and if he live, he shall increase it.

[12] Yet have I more to say, which I have thought upon; for I am filled as the moon at the full.

[13] Harken unto me, ye holy children, and bud forth as a rose growing by the brook of the field:

[14] And give ye a sweet savour as frankincense, and flourish as a lily, send forth a smell, and sing a song of praise, bless the Lord in all his works.

[15] Magnify his name, and shew forth his praise with the songs of your lips, and with harps, and in praising him ye shall say after this manner:

[16] All the works of the Lord are exceeding good, and whatsoever he commandeth shall be accomplished in due season.

[17] And none may say, What is this? wherefore is that? for at time convenient they shall all be sought out: at his commandment the waters stood as an heap, and at the words of his mouth the receptacles of waters.

[18] At his commandment is done whatsoever pleaseth him; and none can hinder, when he will save.

[19] The works of all flesh are before him, and nothing can be hid from his eyes.

[20] He seeth from everlasting to everlasting; and there is nothing wonderful before him.

[21] A man need not to say, What is this? wherefore is that? for he hath made all things for their uses.

[22] His blessing covered the dry land as a river, and watered it as a flood.

[23] As he hath turned the waters into saltness: so shall the heathen inherit his wrath.

[24] As his ways are plain unto the holy; so are they stumblingblocks unto the wicked.

[25] For the good are good things created from the beginning: so evil things for sinners.

[26] The principal things for the whole use of man's life are water, fire, iron, and salt, flour of wheat, honey, milk, and the blood of the grape, and oil, and clothing.

[27] All these things are for good to the godly: so to the sinners they are turned into evil.

[28] There be spirits that are created for vengeance, which in their fury lay on sore strokes; in the time of destruction they pour out their force, and appease the wrath of him that made them.

[29] Fire, and hail, and famine, and death, all these were created for vengeance;

[30] Teeth of wild beasts, and scorpions, serpents, and the sword punishing the wicked to destruction.

[31] They shall rejoice in his commandment, and they shall be ready upon earth, when need is; and when their time is come, they shall not transgress his word.

[32] Therefore from the beginning I was resolved, and thought upon these things, and have left them in writing.

[33] All the works of the Lord are good: and he will give every needful thing in due season.

[34] So that a man cannot say, This is worse than that: for in time they shall all be well approved.

[35] And therefore praise ye the Lord with the whole heart and mouth, and bless the name of the Lord.

Chapter 40

[1] Great travail is created for every man, and an heavy yoke is upon the sons of Adam, from the day that they go out of their mother's womb, till the day that they return to the mother of all things.

[2] Their imagination of things to come, and the day of death, [trouble] their thoughts, and [cause] fear of heart;

[3] From him that sitteth on a throne of glory, unto him that is humbled in earth and ashes;

[4] From him that weareth purple and a crown, unto him that is clothed with a linen frock.

[5] Wrath, and envy, trouble, and unquietness, fear of death, and anger, and strife, and in the time of rest upon his bed his night sleep, do change his knowledge.

[6] A little or nothing is his rest, and afterward he is in his sleep, as in a day of keeping watch, troubled in the vision of his heart, as if he were escaped out of a battle.

[7] When all is safe, he awaketh, and marvelleth that the fear was nothing.

[8] [Such things happen] unto all flesh, both man and beast, and that is sevenfold more upon sinners.

[9] Death, and bloodshed, strife, and sword, calamities, famine, tribulation, and the scourge;

[10] These things are created for the wicked, and for their sakes came the flood.

[11] All things that are of the earth shall turn to the earth again: and that which is of the waters doth return into the sea.

[12] All bribery and injustice shall be blotted out: but true dealing shall endure for ever.

[13] The goods of the unjust shall be dried up like a river, and shall vanish with noise, like a great thunder in rain.

[14] While he openeth his hand he shall rejoice: so shall transgressors come to nought.

[15] The children of the ungodly shall not bring forth many branches: but are as unclean roots upon a hard rock.

[16] The weed growing upon every water and bank of a river shall be pulled up before all grass.

[17] Bountifulness is as a most fruitful garden, and mercifulness endureth for ever.

[18] To labour, and to be content with that a man hath, is a sweet life: but he that findeth a treasure is above them both.

[19] Children and the building of a city continue a man's name: but a blameless wife is counted above them both.

[20] Wine and musick rejoice the heart: but the love of wisdom is above them both.

[21] The pipe and the psaltery make sweet melody: but a pleasant tongue is above them both.

[22] Thine eye desireth favour and beauty: but more than both corn while it is green.

[23] A friend and companion never meet amiss: but above both is a wife with her husband.

[24] Brethren and help are against time of trouble: but alms shall deliver more than them both.

[25] Gold and silver make the foot stand sure: but counsel is esteemed above them both.

[26] Riches and strength lift up the heart: but the fear of the Lord is above them both: there is no want in the fear of the Lord, and it needeth not to seek help.

[27] The fear of the Lord is a fruitful garden, and covereth him above all glory.

[28] My son, lead not a beggar's life; for better it is to die than to beg.

[29] The life of him that dependeth on another man's table is not to be counted for a life; for he polluteth himself with other men's meat: but a wise man well nurtured will beware thereof.

[30] Begging is sweet in the mouth of the shameless: but in his belly there shall burn a fire.

Chapter 41

[1] O death, how bitter is the remembrance of thee to a man that liveth at rest in his possessions, unto the man that hath nothing to vex him, and that hath prosperity in all things: yea, unto him that is yet able to receive meat!

[2] O death, acceptable is thy sentence unto the needy, and unto him whose strength faileth, that is now in the last age, and is vexed with all things, and to him that despaireth, and hath lost patience!

[3] Fear not the sentence of death, remember them that have been before thee, and that come after; for this is the sentence of the Lord over all flesh.

[4] And why art thou against the pleasure of the most High? there is no inquisition in the grave, whether thou have lived ten, or an hundred, or a thousand years.

[5] The children of sinners are abominable children, and they that are conversant in the dwelling of the ungodly.

[6] The inheritance of sinners' children shall perish, and their posterity shall have a perpetual reproach.

[7] The children will complain of an ungodly father, because they shall be reproached for his sake.

[8] Woe be unto you, ungodly men, which have forsaken the law of the most high God! for if ye increase, it shall be to your destruction:

[9] And if ye be born, ye shall be born to a curse: and if ye die, a curse shall be your portion.

[10] All that are of the earth shall turn to earth again: so the ungodly shall go from a curse to destruction.

[11] The mourning of men is about their bodies: but an ill name of sinners shall be blotted out.

[12] Have regard to thy name; for that shall continue with thee above a thousand great

treasures of gold.

[13] A good life hath but few days: but a good name endureth for ever.

[14] My children, keep discipline in peace: for wisdom that is hid, and a treasure that is not seen, what profit is in them both?

[15] A man that hideth his foolishness is better than a man that hideth his wisdom.

[16] Therefore be shamefaced according to my word: for it is not good to retain all shamefacedness; neither is it altogether approved in every thing.

[17] Be ashamed of whoredom before father and mother: and of a lie before a prince and a mighty man;

[18] Of an offence before a judge and ruler; of iniquity before a congregation and people; of unjust dealing before thy partner and friend;

[19] And of theft in regard of the place where thou sojournest, and in regard of the truth of God and his covenant; and to lean with thine elbow upon the meat; and of scorning to give and take;

[20] And of silence before them that salute thee; and to look upon an harlot;

[21] And to turn away thy face from thy kinsman; or to take away a portion or a gift; or to gaze upon another man's wife.

[22] Or to be overbusy with his maid, and come not near her bed; or of upbraiding speeches before friends; and after thou hast given, upbraid not;

[23] Or of iterating and speaking again that which thou hast heard; and of revealing of secrets.

[24] So shalt thou be truly shamefaced and find favour before all men.

Chapter 42

[1] Of these things be not thou ashamed, and accept no person to sin thereby:

[2] Of the law of the most High, and his covenant; and of judgment to justify the ungodly;

[3] Of reckoning with thy partners and travellers; or of the gift of the heritage of friends;

[4] Of exactness of balance and weights; or of getting much or little;

[5] And of merchants' indifferent selling; of much correction of children; and to make the side of an evil servant to bleed.

[6] Sure keeping is good, where an evil wife is; and shut up, where many hands are.

[7] Deliver all things in number and weight; and put all in writing that thou givest out, or receivest in.

[8] Be not ashamed to inform the unwise and foolish, and the extreme aged that contendeth with those that are young: thus shalt thou be truly learned, and approved of all men living.

[9] The father waketh for the daughter, when no man knoweth; and the care for her taketh away sleep: when she is young, lest she pass away the flower of her age; and being married, lest she should be hated:

[10] In her virginity, lest she should be defiled and gotten with child in her father's house; and having an husband, lest she should misbehave herself; and when she is married, lest she should be barren.

[11] Keep a sure watch over a shameless daughter, lest she make thee a laughingstock to

thine enemies, and a byword in the city, and a reproach among the people, and make thee ashamed before the multitude.

[12] Behold not every body's beauty, and sit not in the midst of women.

[13] For from garments cometh a moth, and from women wickedness.

[14] Better is the churlishness of a man than a courteous woman, a woman, I say, which bringeth shame and reproach.

[15] I will now remember the works of the Lord, and declare the things that I have seen: In the words of the Lord are his works.

[16] The sun that giveth light looketh upon all things, and the work thereof is full of the glory of the Lord.

[17] The Lord hath not given power to the saints to declare all his marvellous works, which the Almighty Lord firmly settled, that whatsoever is might be established for his glory.

[18] He seeketh out the deep, and the heart, and considereth their crafty devices: for the Lord knoweth all that may be known, and he beholdeth the signs of the world.

[19] He declareth the things that are past, and for to come, and revealeth the steps of hidden things.

[20] No thought escapeth him, neither any word is hidden from him.

[21] He hath garnished the excellent works of his wisdom, and he is from everlasting to everlasting: unto him may nothing be added, neither can he be diminished, and he hath no need of any counsellor.

[22] Oh how desirable are all his works! and that a man may see even to a spark.

[23] All these things live and remain for ever for all uses, and they are all obedient.

[24] All things are double one against another: and he hath made nothing imperfect.

[25] One thing establisheth the good or another: and who shall be filled with beholding his glory?

Chapter 43

[1] The pride of the height, the clear firmament, the beauty of heaven, with his glorious shew;

[2] The sun when it appeareth, declaring at his rising a marvellous instrument, the work of the most High:

[3] At noon it parcheth the country, and who can abide the burning heat thereof?

[4] A man blowing a furnace is in works of heat, but the sun burneth the mountains three times more; breathing out fiery vapours, and sending forth bright beams, it dimmeth the eyes.

[5] Great is the Lord that made it; and at his commandment runneth hastily.

[6] He made the moon also to serve in her season for a declaration of times, and a sign of the world.

[7] From the moon is the sign of feasts, a light that decreaseth in her perfection.

[8] The month is called after her name, increasing wonderfully in her changing, being an instrument of the armies above, shining in the firmament of heaven;

[9] The beauty of heaven, the glory of the stars, an ornament giving light in the highest places of the Lord.

[10] At the commandment of the Holy One they will stand in their order, and never faint in their watches.

[11] Look upon the rainbow, and praise him that made it; very beautiful it is in the brightness thereof.

[12] It compasseth the heaven about with a glorious circle, and the hands of the most High have bended it.

[13] By his commandment he maketh the snow to fall apace, and sendeth swiftly the lightnings of his judgment.

[14] Through this the treasures are opened: and clouds fly forth as fowls.

[15] By his great power he maketh the clouds firm, and the hailstones are broken small.

[16] At his sight the mountains are shaken, and at his will the south wind bloweth.

[17] The noise of the thunder maketh the earth to tremble: so doth the northern storm and the whirlwind: as birds flying he scattereth the snow, and the falling down thereof is as the lighting of grasshoppers:

[18] The eye marvelleth at the beauty of the whiteness thereof, and the heart is astonished at the raining of it.

[19] The hoarfrost also as salt he poureth on the earth, and being congealed, it lieth on the top of sharp stakes.

[20] When the cold north wind bloweth, and the water is congealed into ice, it abideth upon every gathering together of water, and clotheth the water as with a breastplate.

[21] It devoureth the mountains, and burneth the wilderness, and consumeth the grass as fire.

[22] A present remedy of all is a mist coming speedily, a dew coming after heat refresheth.

[23] By his counsel he appeaseth the deep, and planteth islands therein.

[24] They that sail on the sea tell of the danger thereof; and when we hear it with our ears, we marvel thereat.

[25] For therein be strange and wondrous works, variety of all kinds of beasts and whales created.

[26] By him the end of them hath prosperous success, and by his word all things consist.

[27] We may speak much, and yet come short: wherefore in sum, he is all.

[28] How shall we be able to magnify him? for he is great above all his works.

[29] The Lord is terrible and very great, and marvellous is his power.

[30] When ye glorify the Lord, exalt him as much as ye can; for even yet will he far exceed: and when ye exalt him, put forth all your strength, and be not weary; for ye can never go far enough.

[31] Who hath seen him, that he might tell us? and who can magnify him as he is?

[32] There are yet hid greater things than these be, for we have seen but a few of his works.

[33] For the Lord hath made all things; and to the godly hath he given wisdom.

Chapter 44

[1] Let us now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat us.

[2] The Lord hath wrought great glory by them through his great power from the

beginning.

[3] Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power, giving counsel by their understanding, and declaring prophecies:

[4] Leaders of the people by their counsels, and by their knowledge of learning meet for the people, wise and eloquent are their instructions:

[5] Such as found out musical tunes, and recited verses in writing:

[6] Rich men furnished with ability, living peaceably in their habitations:

[7] All these were honoured in their generations, and were the glory of their times.

[8] There be of them, that have left a name behind them, that their praises might be reported.

[9] And some there be, which have no memorial; who are perished, as though they had never been; and are become as though they had never been born; and their children after them.

[10] But these were merciful men, whose righteousness hath not been forgotten.

[11] With their seed shall continually remain a good inheritance, and their children are within the covenant.

[12] Their seed standeth fast, and their children for their sakes.

[13] Their seed shall remain for ever, and their glory shall not be blotted out.

[14] Their bodies are buried in peace; but their name liveth for evermore.

[15] The people will tell of their wisdom, and the congregation will shew forth their praise.

[16] Enoch pleased the Lord, and was translated, being an example of repentance to all generations.

[17] Noah was found perfect and righteous; in the time of wrath he was taken in exchange [for the world;] therefore was he left as a remnant unto the earth, when the flood came.

[18] An everlasting covenant was made with him, that all flesh should perish no more by the flood.

[19] Abraham was a great father of many people: in glory was there none like unto him;

[20] Who kept the law of the most High, and was in covenant with him: he established the covenant in his flesh; and when he was proved, he was found faithful.

[21] Therefore he assured him by an oath, that he would bless the nations in his seed, and that he would multiply him as the dust of the earth, and exalt his seed as the stars, and cause them to inherit from sea to sea, and from the river unto the utmost part of the land.

[22] With Isaac did he establish likewise [for Abraham his father's sake] the blessing of all men, and the covenant, And made it rest upon the head of Jacob. He acknowledged him in his blessing, and gave him an heritage, and divided his portions; among the twelve tribes did he part them.

Chapter 45

[1] And he brought out of him a merciful man, which found favour in the sight of all flesh, even Moses, beloved of God and men, whose memorial is blessed.

[2] He made him like to the glorious saints, and magnified him, so that his enemies stood in fear of him.

[3] By his words he caused the wonders to cease, and he made him glorious in the sight of kings, and gave him a commandment for his people, and shewed him part of his glory.

[4] He sanctified him in his faithfulness and meekness, and chose him out of all men.

[5] He made him to hear his voice, and brought him into the dark cloud, and gave him commandments before his face, even the law of life and knowledge, that he might teach Jacob his covenants, and Israel his judgments.

[6] He exalted Aaron, an holy man like unto him, even his brother, of the tribe of Levi.

[7] An everlasting covenant he made with him and gave him the priesthood among the people; he beautified him with comely ornaments, and clothed him with a robe of glory.

[8] He put upon him perfect glory; and strengthened him with rich garments, with breeches, with a long robe, and the ephod.

[9] And he compassed him with pomegranates, and with many golden bells round about, that as he went there might be a sound, and a noise made that might be heard in the temple, for a memorial to the children of his people;

[10] With an holy garment, with gold, and blue silk, and purple, the work of the embroiderer, with a breastplate of judgment, and with Urim and Thummim;

[11] With twisted scarlet, the work of the cunning workman, with precious stones graven like seals, and set in gold, the work of the jeweller, with a writing engraved for a memorial, after the number of the tribes of Israel.

[12] He set a crown of gold upon the mitre, wherein was engraved Holiness, an ornament of honour, a costly work, the desires of the eyes, goodly and beautiful.

[13] Before him there were none such, neither did ever any stranger put them on, but only his children and his children's children perpetually.

[14] Their sacrifices shall be wholly consumed every day twice continually.

[15] Moses consecrated him, and anointed him with holy oil: this was appointed unto him by an everlasting covenant, and to his seed, so long as the heavens should remain, that they should minister unto him, and execute the office of the priesthood, and bless the people in his name.

[16] He chose him out of all men living to offer sacrifices to the Lord, incense, and a sweet savour, for a memorial, to make reconciliation for his people.

[17] He gave unto him his commandments, and authority in the statutes of judgments, that he should teach Jacob the testimonies, and inform Israel in his laws.

[18] Strangers conspired together against him, and maligned him in the wilderness, even the men that were of Dathan's and Abiron's side, and the congregation of Core, with fury and wrath.

[19] This the Lord saw, and it displeased him, and in his wrathful indignation were they consumed: he did wonders upon them, to consume them with the fiery flame.

[20] But he made Aaron more honourable, and gave him an heritage, and divided unto him the firstfruits of the increase; especially he prepared bread in abundance:

[21] For they eat of the sacrifices of the Lord, which he gave unto him and his seed.

[22] Howbeit in the land of the people he had no inheritance, neither had he any portion among the people: for the Lord himself is his portion and inheritance.

[23] The third in glory is Phinees the son of Eleazar, because he had zeal in the fear of the Lord, and stood up with good courage of heart: when the people were turned back, and made reconciliation for Israel.

[24] Therefore was there a covenant of peace made with him, that he should be the chief

of the sanctuary and of his people, and that he and his posterity should have the dignity of the priesthood for ever:

[25] According to the covenant made with David son of Jesse, of the tribe of Juda, that the inheritance of the king should be to his posterity alone: so the inheritance of Aaron should also be unto his seed.

[26] God give you wisdom in your heart to judge his people in righteousness, that their good things be not abolished, and that their glory may endure for ever.

Chapter 46

[1] Jesus the son a Nave was valiant in the wars, and was the successor of Moses in prophecies, who according to his name was made great for the saving of the elect of God, and taking vengeance of the enemies that rose up against them, that he might set Israel in their inheritance.

[2] How great glory gat he, when he did lift up his hands, and stretched out his sword against the cities!

[3] Who before him so stood to it? for the Lord himself brought his enemies unto him.

[4] Did not the sun go back by his means? and was not one day as long as two?

[5] He called upon the most high Lord, when the enemies pressed upon him on every side; and the great Lord heard him.

[6] And with hailstones of mighty power he made the battle to fall violently upon the nations, and in the descent [of Beth-horon] he destroyed them that resisted, that the nations might know all their strength, because he fought in the sight of the Lord, and he followed the Mighty One.

[7] In the time of Moses also he did a work of mercy, he and Caleb the son of Jephunne, in that they withstood the congregation, and withheld the people from sin, and appeased the wicked murmuring.

[8] And of six hundred thousand people on foot, they two were preserved to bring them in to the heritage, even unto the land that floweth with milk and honey.

[9] The Lord gave strength also unto Caleb, which remained with him unto his old age: so that he entered upon the high places of the land, and his seed obtained it for an heritage:

[10] That all the children of Israel might see that it is good to follow the Lord.

[11] And concerning the judges, every one by name, whose heart went not a whoring, nor departed from the Lord, let their memory be blessed.

[12] Let their bones flourish out of their place, and let the name of them that were honoured be continued upon their children.

[13] Samuel, the prophet of the Lord, beloved of his Lord, established a kingdom, and anointed princes over his people.

[14] By the law of the Lord he judged the congregation, and the Lord had respect unto Jacob.

[15] By his faithfulness he was found a true prophet, and by his word he was known to be faithful in vision.

[16] He called upon the mighty Lord, when his enemies pressed upon him on every side, when he offered the sucking lamb.

[17] And the Lord thundered from heaven, and with a great noise made his voice to be heard.

[18] And he destroyed the rulers of the Tyrians, and all the princes of the Philistines.

[19] And before his long sleep he made protestations in the sight of the Lord and his anointed, I have not taken any man's goods, so much as a shoe: and no man did accuse him.

[20] And after his death he prophesied, and shewed the king his end, and lifted up his voice from the earth in prophecy, to blot out the wickedness of the people.

Chapter 47

[1] And after him rose up Nathan to prophesy in the time of David.

[2] As is the fat taken away from the peace offering, so was David chosen out of the children of Israel.

[3] He played with lions as with kids, and with bears as with lambs.

[4] Slew he not a giant, when he was yet but young? and did he not take away reproach from the people, when he lifted up his hand with the stone in the sling, and beat down the boasting of Goliath?

[5] For he called upon the most high Lord; and he gave him strength in his right hand to slay that mighty warrior, and set up the horn of his people.

[6] So the people honoured him with ten thousands, and praised him in the blessings of the Lord, in that he gave him a crown of glory.

[7] For he destroyed the enemies on every side, and brought to nought the Philistines his adversaries, and brake their horn in sunder unto this day.

[8] In all his works he praised the Holy One most high with words of glory; with his whole heart he sung songs, and loved him that made him.

[9] He set singers also before the altar, that by their voices they might make sweet melody, and daily sing praises in their songs.

[10] He beautified their feasts, and set in order the solemn times until the end, that they might praise his holy name, and that the temple might sound from morning.

[11] The Lord took away his sins, and exalted his horn for ever: he gave him a covenant of kings, and a throne of glory in Israel.

[12] After him rose up a wise son, and for his sake he dwelt at large.

[13] Solomon reigned in a peaceable time, and was honoured; for God made all quiet round about him, that he might build an house in his name, and prepare his sanctuary for ever.

[14] How wise wast thou in thy youth and, as a flood, filled with understanding!

[15] Thy soul covered the whole earth, and thou filledst it with dark parables.

[16] Thy name went far unto the islands; and for thy peace thou wast beloved.

[17] The countries marvelled at thee for thy songs, and proverbs, and parables, and interpretations.

[18] By the name of the Lord God, which is called the Lord God of Israel, thou didst gather gold as tin and didst multiply silver as lead.

[19] Thou didst bow thy loins unto women, and by thy body thou wast brought into subjection.

[20] Thou didst stain thy honour, and pollute thy seed: so that thou broughtest wrath upon thy children, and wast grieved for thy folly.

[21] So the kingdom was divided, and out of Ephraim ruled a rebellious kingdom.

[22] But the Lord will never leave off his mercy, neither shall any of his works perish, neither will he abolish the posterity of his elect, and the seed of him that loveth him he will not take away: wherefore he gave a remnant unto Jacob, and out of him a root unto David.

[23] Thus rested Solomon with his fathers, and of his seed he left behind him Roboam, even the foolishness of the people, and one that had no understanding, who turned away the people through his counsel. There was also Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who caused Israel to sin, and shewed Ephraim the way of sin:

[24] And their sins were multiplied exceedingly, that they were driven out of the land.

[25] For they sought out all wickedness, till the vengeance came upon them.

Chapter 48

[1] Then stood up Elias the prophet as fire, and his word burned like a lamp.

[2] He brought a sore famine upon them, and by his zeal he diminished their number.

[3] By the word of the Lord he shut up the heaven, and also three times brought down fire.

[4] O Elias, how wast thou honoured in thy wondrous deeds! and who may glory like unto thee!

[5] Who didst raise up a dead man from death, and his soul from the place of the dead, by the word of the most High:

[6] Who broughtest kings to destruction, and honorable men from their bed:

[7] Who heardest the rebuke of the Lord in Sinai, and in Horeb the judgment of vengeance:

[8] Who annointedst kings to take revenge, and prophets to succeed after him:

[9] Who was taken up in a whirlwind of fire, and in a chariot of fiery horses:

[10] Who wast ordained for reproofs in their times, to pacify the wrath of the Lord's judgment, before it brake forth into fury, and to turn the heart of the father unto the son, and to restore the tribes of Jacob.

[11] Blessed are they that saw thee, and slept in love; for we shall surely live.

[12] Elias it was, who was covered with a whirlwind: and Eliseus was filled with his spirit: whilst he lived, he was not moved with the presence of any prince, neither could any bring him into subjection.

[13] No word could overcome him; and after his death his body prophesied.

[14] He did wonders in his life, and at his death were his works marvellous.

[15] For all this the people repented not, neither departed they from their sins, till they were spoiled and carried out of their land, and were scattered through all the earth: yet there remained a small people, and a ruler in the house of David:

[16] Of whom some did that which was pleasing to God, and some multiplied sins.

[17] Ezekias fortified his city, and brought in water into the midst thereof: he digged the hard rock with iron, and made wells for waters.

[18] In his time Sennacherib came up, and sent Rabsaces, and lifted up his hand against

Sion, and boasted proudly.

[19] Then trembled their hearts and hands, and they were in pain, as women in travail.

[20] But they called upon the Lord which is merciful, and stretched out their hands toward him: and immediately the Holy One heard them out of heaven, and delivered them by the ministry of Esay.

[21] He smote the host of the Assyrians, and his angel destroyed them.

[22] For Ezekias had done the thing that pleased the Lord, and was strong in the ways of David his father, as Esay the prophet, who was great and faithful in his vision, had commanded him.

[23] In his time the sun went backward, and he lengthened the king's life.

[24] He saw by an excellent spirit what should come to pass at the last, and he comforted them that mourned in Sion.

[25] He shewed what should come to pass for ever, and secret things or ever they came.

Chapter 49

[1] The remembrance of Josias is like the composition of the perfume that is made by the art of the apothecary: it is sweet as honey in all mouths, and as musick at a banquet of wine.

[2] He behaved himself uprightly in the conversion of the people, and took away the abominations of iniquity.

[3] He directed his heart unto the Lord, and in the time of the ungodly he established the worship of God.

[4] All, except David and Ezekias and Josias, were defective: for they forsook the law of the most High, even the kings of Juda failed.

[5] Therefore he gave their power unto others, and their glory to a strange nation.

[6] They burnt the chosen city of the sanctuary, and made the streets desolate, according to the prophecy of Jeremias.

[7] For they entreated him evil, who nevertheless was a prophet, sanctified in his mother's womb, that he might root out, and afflict, and destroy; and that he might build up also, and plant.

[8] It was Ezekiel who saw the glorious vision, which was shewed him upon the chariot of the cherubims.

[9] For he made mention of the enemies under the figure of the rain, and directed them that went right.

[10] And of the twelve prophets let the memorial be blessed, and let their bones flourish again out of their place: for they comforted Jacob, and delivered them by assured hope.

[11] How shall we magnify Zorobabel? even he was as a signet on the right hand:

[12] So was Jesus the son of Josedec: who in their time builded the house, and set up an holy temple to the Lord, which was prepared for everlasting glory.

[13] And among the elect was Neemias, whose renown is great, who raised up for us the walls that were fallen, and set up the gates and the bars, and raised up our ruins again.

[14] But upon the earth was no man created like Enoch; for he was taken from the earth.

[15] Neither was there a young man born like Joseph, a governor of his brethren, a stay of the people, whose bones were regarded of the Lord.

[16] Sem and Seth were in great honour among men, and so was Adam above every living thing in creation.

Chapter 50

[1] Simon the high priest, the son of Onias, who in his life repaired the house again, and in his days fortified the temple:

[2] And by him was built from the foundation the double height, the high fortress of the wall about the temple:

[3] In his days the cistern to receive water, being in compass as the sea, was covered with plates of brass:

[4] He took care of the temple that it should not fall, and fortified the city against besieging:

[5] How was he honoured in the midst of the people in his coming out of the sanctuary!

[6] He was as the morning star in the midst of a cloud, and as the moon at the full:

[7] As the sun shining upon the temple of the most High, and as the rainbow giving light in the bright clouds:

[8] And as the flower of roses in the spring of the year, as lilies by the rivers of waters, and as the branches of the frankincense tree in the time of summer:

[9] As fire and incense in the censer, and as a vessel of beaten gold set with all manner of precious stones:

[10] And as a fair olive tree budding forth fruit, and as a cypress tree which groweth up to the clouds.

[11] When he put on the robe of honour, and was clothed with the perfection of glory, when he went up to the holy altar, he made the garment of holiness honourable.

[12] When he took the portions out of the priests' hands, he himself stood by the hearth of the altar, compassed about, as a young cedar in Libanus; and as palm trees compassed they him round about.

[13] So were all the sons of Aaron in their glory, and the oblations of the Lord in their hands, before all the congregation of Israel.

[14] And finishing the service at the altar, that he might adorn the offering of the most high Almighty,

[15] He stretched out his hand to the cup, and poured of the blood of the grape, he poured out at the foot of the altar a sweetsmelling savour unto the most high King of all.

[16] Then shouted the sons of Aaron, and sounded the silver trumpets, and made a great noise to be heard, for a remembrance before the most High.

[17] Then all the people together hasted, and fell down to the earth upon their faces to worship their Lord God Almighty, the most High.

[18] The singers also sang praises with their voices, with great variety of sounds was there made sweet melody.

[19] And the people besought the Lord, the most High, by prayer before him that is merciful, till the solemnity of the Lord was ended, and they had finished his service.

[20] Then he went down, and lifted up his hands over the whole congregation of the children of Israel, to give the blessing of the Lord with his lips, and to rejoice in his name.

[21] And they bowed themselves down to worship the second time, that they might receive a blessing from the most High.

[22] Now therefore bless ye the God of all, which only doeth wondrous things every where, which exalteth our days from the womb, and dealeth with us according to his mercy.

[23] He grant us joyfulness of heart, and that peace may be in our days in Israel for ever:

[24] That he would confirm his mercy with us, and deliver us at his time!

[25] There be two manner of nations which my heart abhorreth, and the third is no nation:

[26] They that sit upon the mountain of Samaria, and they that dwell among the Philistines, and that foolish people that dwell in Sichem.

[27] Jesus the son of Sirach of Jerusalem hath written in this book the instruction of understanding and knowledge, who out of his heart poured forth wisdom.

[28] Blessed is he that shall be exercised in these things; and he that layeth them up in his heart shall become wise.

[29] For if he do them, he shall be strong to all things: for the light of the Lord leadeth him, who giveth wisdom to the godly. Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever. Amen, Amen.

Chapter 51

[A Prayer of Jesus the son of Sirach.]

[1] I will thank thee, O Lord and King, and praise thee, O God my Saviour: I do give praise unto thy name:

[2] For thou art my defender and helper, and has preserved my body from destruction, and from the snare of the slanderous tongue, and from the lips that forge lies, and has been mine helper against mine adversaries:

[3] And hast delivered me, according to the multitude of they mercies and greatness of thy name, from the teeth of them that were ready to devour me, and out of the hands of such as sought after my life, and from the manifold afflictions which I had;

[4] From the choking of fire on every side, and from the midst of the fire which I kindled not;

[5] From the depth of the belly of hell, from an unclean tongue, and from lying words.

[6] By an accusation to the king from an unrighteous tongue my soul drew near even unto death, my life was near to the hell beneath.

[7] They compassed me on every side, and there was no man to help me: I looked for the succour of men, but there was none.

[8] Then thought I upon thy mercy, O Lord, and upon thy acts of old, how thou deliverest such as wait for thee, and savest them out of the hands of the enemies.

[9] Then lifted I up my supplications from the earth, and prayed for deliverance from death.

[10] I called upon the Lord, the Father of my Lord, that he would not leave me in the days of my trouble, and in the time of the proud, when there was no help.

[11] I will praise thy name continually, and will sing praises with thanksgiving; and so my prayer was heard:

[12] For thou savedst me from destruction, and deliveredst me from the evil time: therefore will I give thanks, and praise thee, and bless they name, O Lord.
[13] When I was yet young, or ever I went abroad, I desired wisdom openly in my prayer.
[14] I prayed for her before the temple, and will seek her out even to the end.
[15] Even from the flower till the grape was ripe hath my heart delighted in her: my foot went the right way, from my youth up sought I after her.
[16] I bowed down mine ear a little, and received her, and gat much learning.
[17] I profited therein, therefore will I ascribe glory unto him that giveth me wisdom.
[18] For I purposed to do after her, and earnestly I followed that which is good; so shall I not be confounded.
[19] My soul hath wrestled with her, and in my doings I was exact: I stretched forth my hands to the heaven above, and bewailed my ignorances of her.
[20] I directed my soul unto her, and I found her in pureness: I have had my heart joined with her from the beginning, therefore shall I not be foresaken.
[21] My heart was troubled in seeking her: therefore have I gotten a good possession.
[22] The Lord hath given me a tongue for my reward, and I will praise him therewith.
[23] Draw near unto me, ye unlearned, and dwell in the house of learning.
[24] Wherefore are ye slow, and what say ye to these things, seeing your souls are very thirsty?
[25] I opened my mouth, and said, Buy her for yourselves without money.
[26] Put your neck under the yoke, and let your soul receive instruction: she is hard at hand to find.
[27] Behold with your eyes, how that I have but little labour, and have gotten unto me much rest.
[28] Get learning with a great sum of money, and get much gold by her.
[29] Let your soul rejoice in his mercy, and be not ashamed of his praise.
[30] Work your work betimes, and in his time he will give you your reward.

Basic Laws

Ye shall honor the Lord your God.

Ye shall have no other gods.

Ye shall not make an image of any god.

Ye shall not bow down to any image.

Ye shall not make any wrongful use of the name of the Lord.

Ye shall remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Ye shall honor your father and mother.
