

Isaiah

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11. What is the multitude of *your* sacrifices to me? says the LORD. I am gluttoned with burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fatlings, and I take no pleasure in the blood of bullocks, and young rams, and he-goats.
12. Who has required *you* to trample my courts when *you* come to appear before me?
13. Stop bringing worthless offerings! Incense is an abomination to me. New moon, and Sabbaths, and the calling of a convocation, I cannot bear. The sacred Assembly is nothing to me.
14. Your new moons and your appointed feasts, my soul hates! They are a burden to me. I have worn myself out bearing *them*.
15. And when *you* stretch out *your* hands, I will hide my eyes from *you*. Though *you* make many prayers, I will not listen. Your hands are full of blood!
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21. Oh, how the faithful city is turned to whoredom! She was filled with justice; righteousness lodged in her, but now, murderers.
22. Your silver has become dross; your choice wine is diluted with water.
23. Your princes are apostates and companions of thieves, all of them loving bribery and pursuing gifts. They will not be judges for an orphan, and a widow's case will not come before them.
- ¶24. Therefore says the Master, the LORD of Hosts, the Mighty One of Israel: "Ah! I will be relieved of my adversaries and avenge myself of my enemies.

25. And I will cause my hand to come upon you again, and I will smelt away your dross as with lye, and I will remove all your alloy.
26. And I will restore your judges as at the first, and your counselors as at the beginning. After that, you will be called, "The City of Righteousness", a faithful town.
27. Zion will be redeemed by judgment, and those of her who repent, by righteousness,
28. but all the sinful rebels will be crushed, and those who forsake Jehovah will be consumed.
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Chapter 2

- ¶1. The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
2. It shall come to pass in the last days that the mountain of the house of Jehovah will be established as head of the mountains, and will be exalted above the hills, and all the nations will stream to it.
3. And many nations will go, and they will say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of Jehovah, to the house of the God of Jacob! And He will teach us His ways, and we will walk in His paths." For from Zion will the law go forth, and the word of Jehovah from Jerusalem.
4. And He will judge between the nations, and He will reprove many nations, and they will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation; neither will they learn war any more.
5. O house of Jacob! Come, and let us walk in the light of Jehovah!
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10. Go into the rock, or hide yourself in the ground, in terror at Jehovah's presence and from the splendor of His majesty.
(compare verse 17)
11. The haughty looks of man will be abased, and the pride of men will be brought low, and Jehovah alone will be exalted on that day.
12. For the day of the LORD of Hosts *is coming* upon everyone who is proud and haughty, and upon everyone who lifts himself up, and he will be abased,
13. and upon all the cedars of Lebanon, lofty and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan,
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(compare verse 11)

17. And the haughtiness of man will be brought down, and the loftiness of men will be brought low. And Jehovah alone will be exalted on that day.
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19. And they will go into crevices in the rocks and holes in the ground, in terror at Jehovah's presence and away from the splendor of His majesty when He rises to shake the earth.
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21. entering into caves in the rocks and into the clefts of cliffs in terror at Jehovah's presence, and away from the splendor of His majesty when He rises to shake the earth.
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Chapter 4

- ¶1. And seven women will take hold of one man in that day, saying, “We will eat our own bread and wear our own clothes, only let us be called by your name! O take away our reproach!
- ¶2. In that day will the Branch of Jehovah be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land will be the pride and glory of the survivors in Israel.
3. And it shall come to pass that he who is left in Zion and he who remains in Jerusalem will be called holy, everyone who is written among the living in Jerusalem,
4. when the Lord has washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion and cleansed the blood-guiltiness of Jerusalem from her midst by a spirit of judgment and by a spirit of destruction.
5. And Jehovah will create over the whole site of Mount Zion and over her Assemblies a cloud by day and the smoke and brightness of a flaming fire by night, for over all the glory will be a canopy.
6. And it will be a pavilion for shade from the heat by day, and a refuge and shelter from storm and rain.

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20. Woe to those who call evil good, and good, evil, who put forth darkness for light, and light for darkness, who put forth bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!
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26. And He will raise a signal to nations far away, and He will hiss for them to come from the ends of the earth. And behold, quickly, swiftly, they will come.
27. Not one among them is weary; not one stumbles. They do not grow drowsy, and they do not sleep, nor is their waistband loosed, nor the strap of their sandal broken.
28. Their arrows are sharpened, and all their bows drawn; their horses' hooves are like flint, and their wheels like the whirlwind.
29. Their roaring is like a lion, and they roar like young lions. They growl and seize prey, and safely carry it away, and there is no rescuing it.
30. And they will growl over it on that day like the roaring of the sea. And He looked at the land, and behold, darkness and distress, and by its clouds the light was darkened.

Chapter 6

- ¶1. In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple.
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8. And I heard the voice of my Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" And I said, "Here I am. Send me!"
9. And he said, "Go! And say to this people, 'You will certainly hear, but you will by no means understand. And you will certainly see, but you will by no means perceive.
10. Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears dull, and make their eyes blind, lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart and repent, and He heal them!'"
11. Then I said, "How long, my Lord?" And he said, "Until cities lie waste, without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the ground is made an utter desolation,
12. and Jehovah has sent the people far away, and the emptiness be great in the midst of the land.
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14. The Lord himself shall give you a sign. Behold, a virgin shall conceive and give birth to a son, and you shall call his name Immanuel.
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14. And he will be for a sanctuary, but for a stumbling-stone and a rock that causes a fall for both houses of Israel – a trap and a snare for the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
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17. and I will wait for Jehovah, who is hiding His face from the house of Jacob, and I will put my hope in Him.
18. Behold! I and the children whom Jehovah has given me are for signs and for wonders in Israel!”
19. And when they say to you, “Consult the mediums and the soothsayers, who squeal and growl. Should not a people inquire of their God? *Should they* consult the dead on behalf of the living?
20. To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in him.
21. And he will pass through it hard-pressed and hungry, and it shall come to pass that when he is hungry, he will become enraged, and he will curse his king and his God, but then he will look upward.
22. And he will look to the land, and behold, strife and darkness, gloomy anguish. And then, he will be cast into darkness.

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6. A child is born for us. To us, a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulder. And He will call his name, “Wonder”, “Counselor”, “Mighty God”, “Everlasting Father”, Prince of Peace”.
7. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from that time and forever. The zeal of the LORD of Hosts will do this.
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16. The leaders of this people make *them* err, and those who are led by them are ruined.

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Chapter 11

- ¶1. And a Shoot will come forth from the stump of Jesse, and a Branch from his roots will bear fruit.
2. 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 He shall make him discerning in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what his eyes see, nor will he make decisions by what his ears hear.
4. And in righteousness will he judge the poor and reprove with equity on behalf of the oppressed of earth. And he will smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips will he slay the wicked.
5. And righteousness will be a girdle for his loins, and faithfulness, his waist-belt.
6. And the wolf will dwell with the lamb; and the leopard will lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling will be together; and a little boy will lead them.
7. And the cow and the bear will graze, and their young will lie down together. And a lion will eat straw like an ox.
8. And the nursing infant will play over the hole of an asp, and the weaned child will put his hand in a viper's den.
9. They will neither do harm nor destroy in all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of Jehovah, as the waters cover the sea.
10. And on that day, there will be a Root of Jesse who will stand as a sign to the nations. Gentiles will inquire of him, and his rest will be glorious.
11. And it shall come to pass on that day that the Lord will extend his hand a second time to redeem the remnant of his people that is left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Ethiopia, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea.
12. And he will lift up a signal for the Gentiles, and he will gather the banished men of Israel and he will assemble the dispersed women of Judah from the four corners of the earth.
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15. And Jehovah will completely destroy the tongue of the sea of Egypt, and He will wave His hand over the river¹ with His mighty wind and strike it into seven streams, enabling *men* to cross over in sandals.
16. And there will be a highway for the remnant of His people from Assyria who remain, as there was for Israel on the day they came up out of the land of Egypt.

Chapter 12

¹ Probably the Euphrates River.

- ¶1. And in that day you will say, “I will praise you, O LORD! Though you were angry with me, your anger has turned away, and you are comforting me.”
2. Behold, God is my salvation! I will trust, and I will not be afraid, for the Lord, Jehovah, is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation!
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6. Cry out and shout for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for the Holy One of Israel is exalted in your midst.

Chapter 13

- ¶1. The burden concerning Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw:
2. Lift up a signal on a bare mountain; lift up your voice to them! Wave your hand, that they may enter the noble gates.
3. I have commanded my consecrated ones. Yea, I have summoned my mighty ones to accomplish my wrath, my proudly exulting ones.
4. The sound of a tumult in the mountains like that of many people, the sound of an uproar of kingdoms, of nations being gathered! The LORD of Hosts is mustering an army for battle!
5. They come from the far reaches of the earth, from the end of heaven – Jehovah and the instruments of His indignation – that He might destroy the whole land!
6. Howl! For the day of the LORD is near! It will come as destruction from the Almighty.
7. Because of this, all hands will become feeble, and every man’s heart will melt,
8. and they will be terrified. Pangs and agony will grip them; they will be in anguish like a woman giving birth. Each man will look in astonishment at his fellow, all their faces flushed.
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13. Therefore, I will shake the heavens, and the earth will move out of its place in the wrath of the LORD of Hosts and in the day of His fierce anger.
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- 17a. I will stir up the Medes against them.
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19. And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty and the pride of the Chaldeans, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

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Chapter 14

- ¶1. For Jehovah will have mercy on Jacob, and He will yet choose Israel and make them to rest in their land, and the foreigner will join himself to them and be united with the house of Jacob.
- 2. And the nations will take them and bring them to their place, and the house of Israel will possess them in Jehovah's land as male and female slaves; so, they will take them captive whose captives they were, and they will rule over those who oppressed them.
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- 12. Oh, how you have fallen from heaven, O light-bringer, son of the dawn! How you are cut down to the earth, O weakener of the nations!
- 13. You have said in your heart, "I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God, and I will sit on the Mountain of Assembly, on the far north side.
- 14. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds. I will be like the Most High."
- 15. Oh, but you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the sides of the pit.
- 16. Those who see you will gaze at you; they will contemplate, "Is this the one who caused the earth to tremble and kingdoms to shake,
- 17. who made the world like a desert and overthrew cities? He did not open the house of his prisoners."
- 18. All the kings of the Gentiles – all of them! – lie down in glory, each in his own sepulcher,
- 19. but you! You are cast out of your grave like an unwanted offshoot, covered with dead men, pierced with the sword, who go down to the stones of the Pit, like a dead body sampled underfoot.
- 20. You will not be united with them in burial because you have destroyed your land and slain your people. The seed of evildoers will never be called!
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- ¶4. And on that day will the glory of Jacob be brought low, and the fatness of his flesh will be made lean.
5. And it shall come to pass that, as a reaper gathers standing grain and his arm reaps heads of grain, and then one gleanes the heads in the Valley of Rephaim,
6. so there will be gleanings left in it, as when an olive tree is beaten – two or three berries *remain* on the highest bough, and four or five on its fruit-bearing branches, says Jehovah, God of Israel.
- ¶7. On that day, man will gaze upon his Maker, and his eyes will see the Holy One of Israel.
8. And they will have no regard for the altars, the work of their hands; they will not look to what their fingers have made, neither the sacred trees nor sun-images.
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12. Ah, the thunder of many peoples! They thunder like the thundering of the seas! Oh, the roar of nations! They roar like the roaring of mighty waters.
13. Nations will roar like the roar of many waters! Though he curse at Him, yet he will take flight for a distant place, but he will be chased like chaff on the hills before the wind, and like whirling dust before the storm-wind.
14. In the evening, behold, terror! Before morning, he is no more! This will be the portion of those looting us and the lot of those plundering us.

Chapter 18

- ¶1. Ah, the land of whirring wings that is beyond the rivers of Ethiopia,
2. that sends ambassadors by the river, even in vessels made of reeds across the face of the sea! Go, swift messengers, to a nation tall and smooth, to a people feared near and far, a mighty nation that tramples down, whose land rivers divide.
3. All you inhabitants of the world! You who live on earth! When the signal is raised on the mountains, look! And when the shofar is blown, listen!
4. For thus said Jehovah to me: “I will be quiet and watch from my dwelling-place, like dry heat upon herbs, like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest.”
5. For before the harvest, when the bud is gone and the flower is become a ripening grape, He will lop off the branches with pruning-hooks and chop off the spreading tendrils.
6. They will all be left to the birds of the mountains and beasts of the earth. The birds will summer upon them, and the beasts of the earth will winter upon them.
7. At that time shall a gift be brought to the LORD of Hosts from a people tall and smooth, a people feared near and far, a mighty nation that tramples down, whose land rivers divide, to the place of the name of the LORD of Hosts, Mount Zion.

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18. On that day, there will be five cities in the land of Egypt that speak the language of Canaan and swear by the LORD of Hosts. One will be called “City of the Sun”².
19. On that day, there will be an altar to Jehovah in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a monument to Jehovah at its border.
20. And it will be for a sign and a testimony to the LORD of Hosts in the land of Egypt. When they cry out to Jehovah because of oppressors, He will send them a savior, and he will contend for and deliver them.
21. And Jehovah will reveal Himself to the Egyptians, and the Egyptians will know Jehovah in that day, and they will bring sacrifices and offerings, and make vows to Jehovah and perform them.
22. And Jehovah will strike Egypt, but strike to heal, for they will turn to Jehovah, and He will be entreated of them and will heal them.
23. On that day, there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrians will come into Egypt, and the Egyptians, into Assyria, and the Egyptians will serve *God* with the Assyrians.
24. On that day, Israel will be a third with Egypt and Assyria, a blessing in the midst of the earth,
25. for the LORD of Hosts will bless them, saying, “Blessed be Egypt, my people, and Assyria, the work of my hands, and Israel, my heritage.”

² Hebrew text, “City of Destruction”. The Dead Sea Scrolls (4q56) has “City of the Sun” (Greek:Heliopolis).

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14. And in my hearing, it was revealed by the LORD of Hosts, “*I will damn myself* if atonement for this iniquity will be made for you before you die! says the Lord GOD of hosts.”
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20. And it shall come to pass in that day that I will call for my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah.
- 21b. . . . I will commit your government into his hand, and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah.
22. And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder. He will open, and no one will shut; and he will shut, and no one will open.
23. I will fasten him like a peg in a sure place, and a glorious throne over his father’s house shall be his.
24. And they shall hang on him all the glory of his father’s house, the progeny and the products – every little vessel, from all the bowls to all the pitchers.
25. In that day, says the LORD of Hosts, the peg that was fastened in a sure place shall be removed, and be cut down, and fall. Then, the burden that was on him shall be cut off, for the LORD has spoken.

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3. And by great waters, the seed of Shicor, the harvest of the Nile was her revenue; And she became merchant of nations.
4. Be ashamed, O Zidon, for the sea has spoken, the fortress of the sea, saying: “I have not labored and I have not given birth; I have not raised young men, and I have not brought up virgins (or, young women).”
5. When the report reaches Egypt, they will be in anguish at the report of Tyre.
6. Pass over to Tarshish, howl (wail) you inhabitants of the coast.
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5. And the land is defiled under its inhabitants, for they have transgressed the laws; they have forsaken the ordinance; they have broken the everlasting covenant.
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17. Terror, and a pit, and a trap are upon you, O inhabitant of the earth.
18. And it shall come to pass that he who flees from the sound of the terror shall fall into the pit, and he who climbs out of the midst of the pit shall be caught in the trap, for windows on high are opened, and the foundations of the earth quake.
19. The earth is utterly broken apart. The earth is split apart; the earth shakes violently.
20. Earth reels, staggering like a drunken man, and it sways like a hut, and its transgression weighs upon it, and it shall fall and never again rise.
- ¶21. And it shall come to pass in that day that Jehovah will punish the army of the exalted one by the Exalted One, and *punish* the kings of the earth on the earth.
22. And they shall be gathered together *as* a prisoner in the pit, and they shall be shut up in a prison, and after many days, they will be visited.
23. Then the light of the moon will be ashamed, and the heat of the sun will be ashamed when the LORD of Hosts reigns on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, and in the presence of His elders, *His* glory.

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 6. And on this mountain, the LORD of Hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich things, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich things with marrow, and well-aged, refined wines.
 7. And on this mountain will He swallow up the face of the covering that covers all peoples, and the veil that is spread over all the nations.
 8. He will swallow up death forever! And the Lord Jehovah will wipe away tears from all faces, and He will take away the reproach of His people from the whole earth, for Jehovah has spoken.
 ¶9. And it will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God! We have waited for Him, and He has saved us. This is Jehovah! We have waited for Him! Let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation!”
 10a. For the hand of Jehovah will rest on this mountain. And Moab will be trampled under him...
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Chapter 26

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 2. Open the gates, that the righteous nation, the one that keeps faith, may enter in!
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 16. O LORD, in distress they have sought you. They have poured out a whispered prayer, for your chastisement has been upon them.

17. As a woman at the point of giving birth writhes and cries out in her travail, so have we been in your sight, O LORD.

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18. We conceived, we writhed with pain, just like giving birth to a wind. We brought no deliverance to the land, neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen.

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20. Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you. Hide, so to speak, for a little while until the indignation be overpast.

21. For behold! Jehovah is coming out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for *their* iniquity. And the earth will disclose its blood and will no longer conceal its slain.

Chapter 27

¶1. On that day, with His fierce, and mighty, and powerful sword, the LORD will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent, even Leviathan the crooked serpent, and He will slay the dragon that is in the sea.

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4. Fury means nothing to me. Whoever sets up briars and thorns in battle, I would march through it. I would burn it all up.

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12. It shall come to pass on that day that Jehovah will thresh from the flowing stream of the River to the Brook of Egypt, and you shall be gathered one by one, O sons of Israel.

13. And it shall come to pass on that day that a great trumpet will be sounded, and those who were perishing in the land of Assyria and those who were banished in the land of Egypt will come and worship before Jehovah on the holy mountain at Jerusalem.

Chapter 28

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2. Behold, the Lord has a strong and mighty one! With *his* power will he cast down to the earth like a hailstorm, a destructive tempest, like a mighty, overwhelming flood.

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9. Whom shall He teach knowledge? And whom shall He make to understand doctrine?
Those weaned from milk; those taken from breasts.
10. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line;
here a little, there a little.
11. He will speak to this people with stammering lips and another tongue,
12. to whom He said, “This is the rest with which you will cause the weary one to rest,”
and, “This is the refreshing.” Yet, they would not listen.
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Chapter 29

- ¶1. Ah, Ariel! Ariel!³ – city *against which* David encamped! Add year to year, and let the feasts come round!
2. But I will bring distress upon Ariel, and there will be mourning and moaning, and she will be to me as the ariel.⁴
3. And I, like David, will encamp against you⁵ and lay siege against you with palisades, and I will raise siegeworks against you.
4. And when you are abased, you will speak from the ground, and your talk will be humbled in the dirt, your voice will be like one who has a familiar spirit from out of the ground,⁶ and your speech will squeak from the dirt.

³ This is a reference to Jerusalem. Here, the meaning of “Ariel” is probably, “lioness of God”.

⁴ Here, the meaning of “ariel” seems to be “altar”, as in Ezekiel 43:15–16, that is, a place for flames.

⁵ Possibly, “And I will camp around you”.

5. But the multitude of your intruders will become like fine dust, and the multitude of ruthless men like chaff drifting away. And it will happen in an instant – suddenly!
6. You will be visited by⁷ the LORD of Hosts with thunder, and an earthquake, and a loud noise of wind, and a tempest, and the flame of a devouring fire,
7. and the multitude of all the nations that wage war against Ariel, even all who fight against her and her stronghold, and who distress her, will be like a dream, a vision in the night.
8. And they will be as when a hungry man dreams and behold, he is eating, but then he awakes and is *still* hungry, or as when a thirsty man dreams, and behold, he is drinking, but when he awakes, behold, he is faint, and he longs for *water*. So will the multitude of all the nations be that wage war against Mount Zion.
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11. And the vision of all this is to you like words in a sealed book, which men give to one who is literate, saying, “Please read this,” and he says, “I cannot, for it is sealed.”
12. And then the book is given to one who is illiterate, saying, “Please read this,” and he says, “I can’t read.”
13. Then the Lord said to me, “This people draw near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me, and their fear of me is taught by commandment of men.
14. Therefore, I will all the more cause this people to wonder, working a wondrous thing. And the wisdom of their wise men will perish, and the discernment of their discerning men will be completely hidden.
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18. And in that day, the deaf will hear words of a scroll, and out of dimness and out of darkness, the eyes of the blind will see.
19. And the meek will increase *their* joy in Jehovah, and the poor among men will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.
20. For the terrifying man will have come to nothing, and the scorner will have come to an end, and all have been cut off who look for wickedness,
21. who make a man a sinner because of a word, and lay a trap for the judge in the gate, and by false pretense defraud the righteous man.
- ¶22. Therefore, thus says Jehovah, the One who ransomed Abraham, to the house of Jacob: Jacob will no longer be ashamed, nor will his face turn pale,

⁶ People possessed with a demon made abnormal sounds. Isaiah 8:19, for example, mentions “the mediums and the soothsayers, who squeal and growl.”

⁷ Or, “from *one* with”.

23. for when he sees his children, the work of my hands in his midst, they will sanctify my name, and they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and will stand in awe of the God of Israel,
24. and those who erred in spirit will come to understanding, and those who grumbled will take in instruction.”

Chapter 30

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7. And Egyptians are vain, and they will help to no avail. Therefore, I have called her, “Proud One”. They are at ease.
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18. Therefore, Jehovah will wait to show you favor, and then He will rise up to show you mercy, for Jehovah is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for Him.
¶19. O people in Zion, dwelling in Jerusalem, you will never weep again! He will be very gracious to you at the sound of your cry. When He hears it, He will answer you.
20. Though the Lord has given you the bread of distress and the water of affliction, your teachers will no longer be hidden, but your eyes will see your teachers.⁸
21. And your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, “This is the way; walk in it,” when you go to the right or when you go to the left.
22. And you will defile the idols overlaid with your silver and your golden cast images; you will trash them like a menstruous cloth. You will say to it, “Be gone!”

⁸ Some translators understand the word “teachers” in this verse to be a “plural of majesty”, referring to Jesus as the Teacher of Israel.

23. And He will give rain for your seed that you sow in the ground, and grain, the produce of the ground, and it will be rich and full. And in that day, your cattle will feed in large pastures,
24. and the oxen and young asses that work the ground will eat seasoned provender that has been winnowed with a winnowing shovel and fork.
25. And on the day of great slaughter, when the towers fall, channels for streams of water will be on every lofty mountain and on every high hill.
26. And the light of the moon will be like the light of the sun, and the light of the sun will be sevenfold, like the light of seven days, when Jehovah binds up the brokenness of His people and heals the deep wound from His blow.
27. Behold, the Name of Jehovah will come from far away, burning with his anger and a heavy burden. His lips will be full of indignation, and his tongue will be like a devouring fire,
28. and his breath will be like a flooding torrent reaching up to the neck, to sift nations in a sieve for worthlessness⁹, with the bridle on the jaws of nations that caused them to err.¹⁰
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Chapter 31

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Chapter 32

- ¶1. Behold, a King will reign in righteousness, and princes will rule justly.

⁹ That is, to remove those whom God considers worthless.

¹⁰ Most translations add words to this clause to make it appear that God will add this bridle to the Gentiles, to make them err, but that is contrary to what the previous part of this verse says God will be doing. This is a promise from God that He will rid the Gentiles both of worthless men and of the spiritual bridle by which those worthless men misled them.

2. And a man will be like a shelter from the wind, and a covert from the storm, like streams of water in parched ground, like the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.
3. The eyes of those who see will not look away, and the ears of those who hear will give heed.
4. And the heart of the hasty will understand and know, and the tongue of stammerers will speak readily and clearly.
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14. For the citadel will be abandoned; the crowded city will be deserted. Hill and watchtower will become open fields forever, the delight of wild asses, a pasture for flocks,
15. until the Spirit is poured out on us from on high. Then the wilderness will become a fruitful field, and the fruitful field will be deemed a forest,
16. and justice will dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness will dwell in the fruitful field.
17. The effect of righteousness is peace, and the result of righteousness, eternal quietness and security.
18. And my people will dwell in a peaceful meadow, and in secure dwellings, and in tranquil resting places.
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13. Hear, you who are far away! And acknowledge my might, you who are near.
14. (not sure that I will use these verses right now on page 96 in book)
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17. Your eyes will see the King in his beauty; they will behold a land far away.
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20. Look on Zion, the city of our meetings! Your eyes will see Jerusalem, an untroubled habitation, an unmoved tent whose stakes will never be pulled up, nor will any of its cords be broken.
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24. And no inhabitant will say, "I am sick." The people who live in her will be forgiven of *their sin*.

Chapter 34

- ¶1. Come near, O Gentiles, to hear! And pay attention, O nations! Let the earth and what fills it hear, the world and all that comes from it!
2. For the indignation of Jehovah is upon all the nations, and fury against all their armies. He has devoted them to destruction. He has given them to the slaughter.
3. Their dead will be cast out; the stench of their corpses will rise; and the mountains will be drenched with their blood.
4. And all the host of heaven shall come apart, and the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll, and all their host shall fall down, the way leaves fall from a vine or like figs falling from a tree.
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16. Seek you from the book of the LORD and read! Not one shall fail. Not one shall lack its mate. For my mouth has commanded it, and His Spirit has assembled them.
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Chapter 35

- ¶1. The wilderness and the dry place will rejoice, and the desert will shout for joy and bloom like a rose.
2. It will bloom abundantly and shout. Yea, and sing for joy! The glory of Lebanon will be given to it, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon. They will see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God.
3. Strengthen the weak hands, and steady the feeble knees!
4. Say to those with an anxious heart, "Be strong; do not be afraid. Behold, your God will come with vengeance; God's Reward, himself, will come and save you!"
5. Then the eyes of the blind will be opened, and the ears of the deaf will be unstopped.
6. Then shall the lame man leap like a stag, and the tongue of the dumb man will sing, for waters will break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.
7. And the parched ground will become a pool, and the thirsty land, springs of water. In the habitat of jackals, its grassy resting-place, will be reeds and rushes.
8. And a highway will be there, and a way, and it will be called, "The Way of Holiness". No unclean man will travel over it, but it belongs to him who walks the Way, and fools will not wander about *on it*.
9. No lion will be there; indeed, no ferocious beasts will go up on it. Such will not be found there. But the redeemed will travel *on it*.
10. And the redeemed of Jehovah will return and enter into Zion with singing and eternal joy on their heads. They will obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing will flee away. *this verse is identical with 51:11*

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3. Prepare the way of the LORD! Make His paths straight!
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Chapter 41

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11. Behold, all who are angry with you will be ashamed and confounded. They will be as nothing, and the men who contend with you will perish.
12. You will seek them, but you will not find them. The men who strove with you will be as nothing, and the men who made war against you, as though they had not been.
13. For I am Jehovah your God, who holds your right hand and says to you, “Do not be afraid; I will help you.
- ¶14. Do not be afraid, O worm Jacob, you men of Israel! I will help you!” says Jehovah your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
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18. I will open up rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of valleys. I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land, springs of water.
19. I will plant cedar, acacia, and myrtle, and olive trees in the wilderness. I will set in the desert plain the cypress, the plane-tree, and the box-tree together,
20. that they may all see, and realize, and consider, and understand that the hand of Jehovah has done this, and the Holy One of Israel has brought it to pass.
21. Present your case, says Jehovah. Bring your proofs, says the King of Jacob.
22. Let them approach and tell us what will happen! Let them reveal former things, what they were, that we may wonder, and acknowledge their fulfillment. Or declare to us things to come.
23. Tell what is coming in the future, and let us know that you are gods! Yea, do good! Or do evil, that we all may be in awe, and fear!
24. Behold, you are nothing and your work is nothing. Whoever chooses you is an abomination.
25. I have stirred up *one* from the north, and he will come. From the rising of the sun, he was called by my name, and he will trample on rulers as on clay, the way a potter treads clay.

26. Who has declared it from the beginning, that we might know, or beforehand, that we might say he is righteous? Yea, there is no one declaring it. Yea, there is no one proclaiming it. Yea, there is no one who hears your words.
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Chapter 42

- ¶1. Behold my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one, in whom my soul delights! I have put my Spirit upon him. He will bring forth justice to the nations.
2. He will not cry aloud; nor will he lift up his voice and cause *it* to be heard in the street.
3. A bruised reed he will not break, and smoldering flax he will not quench. He will assuredly bring forth justice.
4. He will not fail, nor be discouraged, until he has established justice on the earth, and the isles will wait for his law.
5. Thus says the LORD God, Creator of the heavens, and He who stretched them out, He who shaped the earth and that which comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it, and breath to those who live in it:
6. “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness, and I will hold your hand and keep you hidden. And then, I will give you for a covenant for the people, for a light of the nations.”
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8. I am Jehovah. That is my name. And I will not give my glory to another, nor my praise to graven images.
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24. Who has given Jacob over as plunder, and Israel to spoilers? Is it not the LORD, against whom we have sinned? For they would neither walk in His ways, nor obey His law,
 25. and so, He poured out His furious anger on him, even a fierce battle which set him on fire on every side. Yet, he did not understand, and so it consumed him, and he did not lay it to heart.

Chapter 43

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 5. Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east, and I will gather you from the west.
 6. I will say to the north, “Give *them* up!”, and to the south, “Do not withhold *them*! Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth –
 7. each one who is called by my name, and whom I created for my glory! I formed him! Yea, I made him!”
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 19. Behold, I will do a new thing! It is about to spring up! Will you not understand it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.
 20. The beast of the field will honor me, the jackals and the unclean fowl, because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.
 21. I planned this people for myself; they shall declare my praise.
 22. But you did not call on me, Jacob. You grew tired of me, O Israel.
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 25. I, yes I, am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.
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27. Your first father sinned, and your instructors transgressed against me.
28. So I profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and I gave Jacob over to destruction, and Israel to revilings.

Chapter 44

- ¶1. But now, listen, O Jacob my servant, and Israel, whom I have chosen.
2. Thus says Jehovah: He who made you and formed you from the womb will help you. Do not be afraid, O Jacob my servant, and Jeshurun, whom I have chosen.
3. For I will pour out water on thirsty *ground*, and streams on dry land. I will pour out my Spirit on your seed, and my blessing on your offspring.
4. And they will spring up among grass, like the shallows by springs of water.
5. One will say, "I am Jehovah's", and another will call *himself* by the name of Jacob, and another will write *on* his hand, "Jehovah's", and surname *himself* by the name of Israel.
6. Thus says Jehovah, King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of Hosts: I am first, and I am last, and besides me, there is no god.
7. And who is like me? Let him proclaim, and let him declare future events, and let him explain to me who created people in ancient times. And let him declare to them what will come about!
8. Do not fear. Oh, do not be afraid! Did I not cause you to hear this long ago? I certainly declared it, and you are my witnesses. Is there any God besides me? There is no other Rock. I know of none.
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21. Remember these things, Jacob; for you are my servant, O Israel. I formed you as a servant for me. O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.
22. I have blotted out your transgressions as with a cloud, and your sins as with a thick cloud. Return to me, for I have redeemed you!
23. Shout for joy, O heavens, for Jehovah has done it! Shout, O lower parts of the earth! Break out in praise, O mountains! Forest, and every tree in it! For Jehovah has redeemed Jacob and glorified Himself in Israel!

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Chapter 45

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- 3. I will give you the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, so that you may know that I, the Lord, who calls you by your name, am the God of Israel.
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- 5. I am Jehovah, and there is no other; besides me there is no God. I gird you, though you do not know me,
- 6. so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and to the west, that there is none besides me. I am Jehovah, and there is no other.
- 7. I form the light, and create darkness; I make peace, and create evil.¹¹ I, Jehovah, do all these things.
- 8. Send a shower, O heavens, from above! And let clouds pour down righteousness! Let the earth open up, that they may bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up with it. I, Jehovah, have created it.
- ¶9. Woe to him who strives with his Maker. *Let* a potsherd *strive* with potsherds of the earth. Does the clay say to its maker, ‘What are you doing?’ or ‘Your work has no handles on it’?
- 10. Woe to him who says to a father, “What are you fathering?” or to a mother, “What are you giving birth to?”
- ¶11. Thus says Jehovah, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker: “Ask me about the things to come concerning my children! But you command me concerning the work of my own hands!
- 12. I made the earth, and created man upon it. I, even my hands, stretched out the heavens, and I ordained all their hosts.
- 13. I have stirred him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways. He will build my city, and he will set my captives free, not at a price, nor for a reward, says the LORD of Hosts.”
- ¶14. Thus says Jehovah, “The goods of Egypt and the merchandise of Ethiopia and the Sabeans (men of stature) will pass over to you, and they will be yours. They will

¹¹ Or, “bring about calamity”.

follow you in chains. They will pass over and bow down to you. They will entreat you, *saying*, ‘God is with you, and there is no other God! No other!’”

15. O God of Israel, Savior,¹² you truly are a God who hides Himself.
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20. Assemble and come! Gather yourselves together, you survivors of the nations! They have no knowledge who raise up their carved image of wood and pray to a god who cannot save.
21. Declare *it*, and bring *evidence*! Yea, let them consult together! Who spoke this long ago? Who declared *it* of old? Was it not I, Jehovah? There is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior!¹³ There is no one but me!
22. Turn to me and be saved, all ends of the earth! I am God, and there is no other!
23. I have sworn by myself, the word has gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, that every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess.
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Chapter 46

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5. To whom will you liken me, or make me equal, or compare me, as though we were alike?
6. Those who lavish gold from a purse and weigh out silver on the scales hire a goldsmith, who makes it a god. Then they fall down and worship it.
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9. Call to mind the beginning things from ancient time, that I am God, and there are no other gods. There is none like me,

¹² Or, “Messiah”.

¹³ Or, “a Messiah”.

10. revealing the end from the beginning, and from ancient time what has not yet happened, saying, "My counsel shall stand, and I will do all that I please,"
11. calling a bird of prey from the rising sun, the man of my counsel from a distant land. Yea, I have spoken; I will also bring to pass! I have planned; I will also do!
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Chapter 47

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6. I was furious with my people; I polluted my heritage and gave them into your hand. You showed them no mercy. On the aged one, you made your yoke very heavy.
7. You have said, "I shall be queen forever." Therefore, you did not take these things to heart, nor did you remember her end.
8. So now, hear this, O licentious woman who sits confidently, who says in her heart, "I am, and there is no other besides me. I shall not sit as a widow, nor shall I know the loss of children,"
9. These two things will come to you in a moment, in one day: loss of children and widowhood. They will come upon you in their full measure because of your many sorceries and because of your great charms.
10. You were bold in your wickedness, and you thought, "There is no one who sees me." Your wisdom and your knowledge turned you *from me*, and you said in your heart, "I am, and there is none besides me."
11. But evil will come upon you that you will not know how to charm away, and sudden destruction will fall upon you for which you cannot provide atonement, and devastation will come upon you suddenly, of which you know nothing.
12. Make a stand now with your charms and with the multitude of your sorceries with which you have toiled from your youth. Maybe you can prevail! Maybe you will frighten *me*!
13. You are worn out with your many consultations. Let now *your* astrologers stand up and save you, those who scan the stars, predicting each month what is coming upon you.
14. Behold, they are like stubble; the fire consumes them. They cannot deliver themselves from the power of the flame. There is no coal to keep them warm, or fire to sit before.
15. Thus shall your merchants be to you, for whom you have labored from your youth. They will wander off, each to his own way. There will be no one to save you.

Chapter 48

- ¶1. Hear this, O house of Jacob, who are called by the name of Israel, and come out from the waters of Judah, who take oaths by the name of Jehovah, and offer invocations by the God of Israel, but not in truth or in righteousness.
2. How they claim to belong to the holy city and to be sustained by the God of Israel whose name is the LORD of Hosts!
3. I revealed past events before they happened. Yea, they went forth from my mouth, and I caused them to be heard. I acted suddenly, and they came to pass.
4. Knowing that you are stubborn, and that your neck is sinew of iron, and that your brow is brass,
5. I told you *of them* ahead of time. Before it came to pass, I made you hear *of them*, lest you should say, “My own effort brought those things about” or “My graven image and my molten image ordained them.”
6. You have heard; *now*, look at all this! Will you not declare it? Even now, I am causing you to hear new things, even hidden things that you do not know!
7. Right now they are created, and not long ago; before today, you have not heard them, lest you should say, “Behold, I knew them.”
8. You have not heard, nor have you understood, nor was your ear open before. For I know that you are very treacherous. From the womb, you were named, “Rebel”.
9. For my name’s sake will I defer my anger, and for the sake of my praise will I restrain it for you, lest I cut you off.
10. Behold, I have refined you, but not the way silver *is refined*; I have chosen you in a furnace of affliction.
11. For my own sake – for my own sake! – I will do it. For why should *my name* be profaned? And I will not give my glory to another.
- ¶12. Listen to me, Jacob! And Israel, whom I named! I am He! I am the beginning and the end.
13. Yea, my hand founded the earth, and my right hand spread out the heavens! When I call, they stand up together.
14. Come together, all of you, and listen! Who among them has declared these things? Jehovah has loved him, and he will do His pleasure in Babylon, and his arm shall be against the Chaldeans.
15. I, even I, have spoken! Yea, I ordained him; I sent him, and he made his way successful.
- not used yet [Amy, this is in the Father and Son book]*
16. Draw near to me! Hear this! From the beginning, I have not spoken in secret. From the beginning of time, I was there. And now, the Lord Jehovah has sent me and His spirit.
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- 20a. Get out of Babylon! Flee from the Chaldeans!
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22. There is no peace, says Jehovah, to the wicked

Chapter 49

1. Hear me, O isles! Listen, people from afar! Jehovah called me from the womb. From my mother's belly, He made mention of my name.
2. He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand, He hid me. He made me a polished arrow; in His quiver, He has hidden me.
3. He said to me, "You are my servant Israel, for in you, I will glorify myself."
4. As for me, I said, "I have labored for nothing; I have spent my strength in vain. For nothing! Yet, my judgment is surely with the LORD, and my reward with my God."
5. And then the LORD, the One who formed me from the womb as His servant to bring Jacob back to Him, said that even if Israel is not brought in, I will yet be honored in the LORD's eyes. My God is my strength!
6. Then He said, "It is too small a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, to bring back those of Israel who are preserved. I have appointed you to be a light for the nations, to be my salvation to the end of the earth."
7. Thus said Jehovah, the redeemer of His holy one, Israel, to the one despised by man, the one abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: "Kings will see and arise, and princes shall bow down because of the LORD who is faithful, Israel's Holy One, *who* has chosen you."
8. This is what Jehovah said: "In an acceptable time I will answer you, and in the day of salvation, I will help you. And I will watch over you and give you for a covenant of the people, to cause the earth to rise to inherit desolate inheritances,
9. saying to the prisoners, 'Come forth!' And to those in darkness, 'Show yourselves!' They shall feed along the roads, and their pastures *shall be* in all the high places.
10. And they will neither hunger nor thirst, and heat and sun will not beat upon them. For He who pities them will guide them, and by springs of water will He refresh them."
11. And I will turn all my mountains into a road, and my highways will be raised.
12. Behold, some shall come from far away, and behold, others from the north and from the west, and others from the land of Sinim¹⁴.
13. Shout for joy, O heavens, and rejoice, O earth! Break forth with a shout of praise, O mountains! For Jehovah has comforted His people, and He will have compassion on His afflicted.

¹⁴ Unknown location.

14. And Zion will think, “Jehovah has abandoned me, and the Lord has forgotten me!”
15. Can a woman forget her sucking child, to have compassion on the son of her womb?
Indeed, these women may forget, but I will not forget you.
16. Behold, I have engraved you upon his palms. Your walls are before me continually.
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22. Thus says the Lord Jehovah: “Behold, I will lift up my hand to the Gentiles and raise up my signal to the nations, and they will bring your sons in their bosom, and your daughters will be carried on their shoulder.
23. Kings will be your attendants, and their queens, your supporters. They will bow before you, face to the earth, and lick the dust of your feet. Then you shall know that I am Jehovah. Those who wait for me will not be disappointed!
24. Can prey be taken away from a mighty warrior, or a captive be rescued from a fierce man?
25. For thus says Jehovah: The captive of the mighty warrior will indeed be taken, and the prey of the fierce man will be rescued. For I will contend with him who contends with you, and I will rescue your children.
26. And I will make your oppressors eat their own flesh, and they will be drunk on their own blood as on sweet wine. And all flesh shall know that I am Jehovah, your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.

Chapter 50

- ¶1.
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4. The Lord Jehovah has given me the tongue of the learned, that I might know *how* to help the weary with a word. He awakens, morning by morning, He awakens my ear to hear as the learned.
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6. I gave my back to the strikers, and my cheeks to those who pulled out *my beard*. I did not hide my face from shame or spit.
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11. Behold, all of you who kindle a fire, surrounding yourselves with sparks! Walk by the flame of your fire, and with the sparks you ignite. This you will have from my hand: You will lie down in a place of torment.

Chapter 51

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¶3. For Jehovah will comfort Zion; He will comfort all her ruins and make her wilderness like Eden, and her dry plain like the garden of Jehovah. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of singing.

¶4. Listen to me, O my people! Give me your ear, O my nation! For a law will go forth from me, and my justice, as a light. I will give rest to the nations.

5. My righteousness *will come* near *them*, my salvation will go forth, and my arms will bring justice to the nations. The isles will yearn for me, and they will put their hope in my strength.

6. Lift your eyes to the heavens, and behold the earth below! For the heavens will vanish like smoke, and the earth will wax old like a garment, and its inhabitants will likewise die, but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will not be destroyed.

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9. Awake! Awake! Put on strength, O Arm of the LORD! Awake as in days of old, in generations long past! Are you not the one who hewed the proud one into pieces, and pierced the dragon?

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11. And the redeemed of Jehovah will return and enter into Zion with singing, and eternal joy on their heads. They will obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing will flee away. *this verse is identical to 35:10*

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16. I have put my words in your mouth, but covered you in the shadow of my hand, to plant the heavens, and to lay the foundation of the earth, and to say to Zion, "You are my people."

17. Wake yourself! Wake yourself! Arise, O Jerusalem, who have drunk from the hand of Jehovah the cup of His wrath, who have drunk the dregs¹⁵ of the cup of staggering, and drained it.

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¹⁵ Hebrew uncertain.

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21. Therefore, hear this now, you *who are* afflicted and drunk, but not from wine!
- ¶22. Thus says your Lord, Jehovah, and your God, who pleads the cause of His people:
“Behold, I have taken from your hand the cup of staggering, the dregs¹⁶ of the cup of my wrath. You will never drink it again.
23. But I will put it in the hand of your tormentors, who said to your soul, ‘Bow down that we may walk over you!’ And you have made your back like the ground, like the street, for them to walk over.”

Chapter 52

- ¶1. Awake! Awake! Put on your strength, O Zion! Put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city, for no longer will the uncircumcised or the unclean enter into you.
2. Shake off the dust! Arise, O captive Jerusalem! Loose the bonds from your neck, O captive daughter of Zion!
- ¶3. For thus says Jehovah, “You were sold for nothing, and you will be redeemed without money”.
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7. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who proclaims peace, who brings tidings of good, who proclaims salvation, saying to Zion, “Your God reigns!”
8. The voice of your watchmen! They lift up their voice! They cry out as one, for they will see eye to eye when Jehovah comes back to Zion.
9. Break forth, shout joyfully together, O you ruins of Jerusalem! For Jehovah has comforted His people; He has redeemed Jerusalem.
10. Jehovah has bared His holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God.
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14. Many shall be aghast at you. So great shall be the disfigurement of his visage that *it will be* beyond human, and his form, beyond the sons of men.
15. By this, he shall sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at him, for that which had not been told them, they will see, and that which they had not heard, they shall understand.

¹⁶ Hebrew uncertain.

Chapter 53

1. Who has believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?
2. For he shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground. He will have no form or majesty, and when we see him, there will be no beauty that we should desire him.
3. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and he knew sickness. He was like one hiding his face from us. He was despised, and we did not value him.
4. He has taken our sicknesses and borne our sufferings, yet we considered him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
5. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; chastisement for our peace was laid upon him; and by his wounds, we are healed.
6. We all, like sheep, have gone astray; every one of us has turned to his own way, and the LORD laid upon him the iniquity of us all.
7. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth.
8. He was taken from prison and from justice, and who shall declare his generation? He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people was he stricken.
9. He made his grave with the wicked and with the rich in his death, although he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.
10. Yet it pleased the LORD to crush him; He has put him to grief. When you make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his generation. He shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.
11. He will see the travail of his soul and be satisfied. By knowledge, my righteous servant shall justify many, for he will bear their iniquities.
12. Therefore will I divide to him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong because he exposed his soul to death and was numbered with transgressors. Yet, he bore the sins of many and interceded for transgressors.

Chapter 54

- ¶1. Sing, O barren woman who did not bear! Break out in song, and shout, you who have not travailed! For the children of the barren woman are more than the children of the married woman, says Jehovah.
2. Enlarge the place of your tent, and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched! Do not hold back! Lengthen your ropes and strengthen your stakes!
3. For you will break out to the right and to the left, and your seed will possess the nations and populate abandoned cities.

4. Do not be afraid, for you will not be ashamed, nor will you be humiliated. You will not be disgraced! On the contrary, you will forget the shame of your youth, and the reproach of your estrangement will you remember no more.
5. For your Maker is your husband. His name is the LORD of Hosts, even your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel! He will be called God of the whole earth.
6. For Jehovah called you when *you were* a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, even a young wife when she is rejected, says your God.
7. For a brief moment, I forsook you, but in great compassion will I gather you.
8. In a wave of rage, I hid my face from you for a moment, but in eternal lovingkindness, I had compassion on you, says your Redeemer, Jehovah.
9. For this is as the waters of Noah to me, concerning which I swore, "The waters of Noah will *never* again overflow the earth." Likewise have I sworn that I will be angry no more with you or rebuke you.
10. For the mountains will depart, and the hills will be shaken, but my lovingkindness will not depart from you, and my covenant of peace will not be shaken, says Jehovah, the One who feels compassion for you.
11. O soul, stormed-tossed, afflicted, and uncomforted! Behold! I am about to set your stones in antimony and lay your foundation with sapphires.
12. And I will make your pinnacles of rubies, and your gates of sparkling stones, and your entire wall of beautiful stones.
13. And all your children will be taught by Jehovah, and the peace of your children will be extraordinary.
14. By righteousness will you be restored. Keep far from oppression, that you be not afraid, and from extortion, that it come not near you.
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Chapter 55

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4. Behold, I have appointed him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.
5. Behold, you will call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that do not know you will run to you because of Jehovah your God, the Holy One of Israel, for He has honored you.
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8. "My thoughts are not your thoughts, and your ways are not my ways," says 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.”
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12. For you will come out with joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills will burst out before you into singing, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.
13. Instead of the thorn-bush will come up the cypress; instead of the nettle¹⁷ will come up the myrtle. And it will be for Jehovah’s acclaim, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Chapter 56

- ¶1.
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4. For thus says Jehovah to the eunuchs who keep my Sabbaths, and choose what pleases me, and hold fast my covenant.
5. In my house and within my walls I will surely give them authority and a name better than sons and daughters. I will give them an everlasting name that will not be cut off.
- ¶6. And as for the children of the foreigner who join themselves to Jehovah, to minister to Him and to love the name of Jehovah, and to be His servants, every one who keeps His Sabbath rather than profane it, and who holds fast my covenant,
7. them will I also bring to my holy mountain, and I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all peoples.
8. The Lord, Jehovah, Gatherer of the outcasts of Israel, says, “I will gather more to him than those *already* gathered to him.”
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Chapter 57

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3. Come near, you sons of a witch, you seed of an adulterer and a whore!
4. Against whom do you so lightly speak? Against whom do you open *your* mouth wide and stick out *your* tongue? Are you not the children of transgression and the seed of deceit!

¹⁷ Hebrew uncertain.

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7. On a high and lofty hill, you made your bed; you went up there to offer sacrifice.
8. And by the door and the doorpost, you put your symbol. Yea, you exposed *yourself to others* besides me and went up, widened your bed, and made your covenant with them. You loved their bed. You saw a vision of power.
9. And with the oil, you journeyed for Molech,¹⁸ and you multiplied your incenses, and you sent your missionaries to distant places, and you brought *men* down to Sheol.
10. You wore yourself out with the length of your journey. You would not admit it was useless. You had found your powerful beast; that is why you did not feel weak.

11. Whom do you dread or fear, that you dissembled and did not remember me? You did not take it to heart! Have I not refrained myself from ancient time, and yet, you will not honor me?
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15. Thus says the high and exalted One who inhabits eternity, whose name is holy: “I dwell in a high and holy place and with the humbled and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirits of the lowly and to revive the hearts of the oppressed.”
16. For I will not contend forever, nor will I be angry forever, for the spirit before me would faint away, and the souls that I have made.
17. Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain, I was angry, and I struck him. I hid myself and was angry, but he went on rebelling in the way of his own heart.
18. I have seen his ways, and I will heal him. And I will lead him and restore comforts to him and to those who mourn for him,
19. creating the fruit of *his* lips. Peace! Peace both far and near, says Jehovah! And I will heal him!
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Chapter 58

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¹⁸ Or “the king”.

6. Is this not the fast that I have chosen? to undo the bonds of wickedness, to loosen the thongs of the yoke and to let the oppressed go free, and that you remove every yoke?
7. Is it not to break your bread to the hungry, that you bring the homeless poor into your house, that when you see the naked, you cover him, and that you do not hide yourself from your own kindred?
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10. And *if* you give from your heart to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul, then shall your light rise in darkness, and your darkness *shall be* as the noon.
11. And Jehovah will always guide you, and satisfy your soul in dry places, and strengthen your whole being, and you shall be like a watered garden and like a spring of water.
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Chapter 59

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17. Then will he put on righteousness like a breastplate, with a helmet of salvation on his head. And for clothes, he will put on garments of vengeance and wrap himself in zeal like a robe.
18. He will repay them according to *their* deeds: wrath to his adversaries, retribution to his enemies. He will render retribution to the isles.
19. From the west they will fear the name of Jehovah, and from the rising of the sun, His glory. For he will come like a rushing river, the Spirit of God driving him on.

20. And the Redeemer will come to Zion, even to those in Jacob who repent of *their* transgression, says Jehovah.
21. As for me, this *will be* my covenant with them, says Jehovah: my Spirit that is upon you, and my words that I put in your mouth, will not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your children, nor from the mouth of your children's children, says Jehovah, from that time, and forever.

Chapter 60

- ¶1. Arise! Shine! For your light has come, and the glory of Jehovah has risen upon you!
2. For behold, darkness may cover the earth, and thick darkness the nations, but upon you will Jehovah rise, and His glory will be seen over you.
3. And nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.
4. Lift up your eyes and look around! All of them have been gathered. They are coming to you. Your sons are coming from far away, and your daughters will be borne on the hip.
5. Then you will see, and you will beam, and your heart will be in awe and swell because the multitude of the sea will be changed toward you, and the wealth of the Gentiles will come to you.
6. A multitude of camels will cover you, camels of Midian and Ephah. All those of Sheba will come, carrying gold and incense, proclaiming the praises of God.
7. All the flocks of Kedar will be gathered to you; the rams of Nebaioth will be at your service. They will be offered up with favor on my altar, and I will magnify the house of my glory.
8. Who are these, flying like a cloud, and like doves to their dove-cotes.
9. Surely, the isles will gather *them* for me, with ships of Tarshish in the lead, to bring your children from afar, their silver and gold with them, to the Name of Jehovah your God, even to the Holy One of Israel, because He will have honored you.
10. And sons of the foreigner will build your wall, and their kings will serve you, for in my wrath, I struck you down, but in my favor, I have had mercy on you.
11. Your gates will always be open; they will not be closed day or night so that the wealth of the Gentiles may come in to you, their kings led in procession.
12. For the nation or kingdom that does not serve you will perish; those nations will be utterly laid waste.
13. The glory of Lebanon will come to you, the cypress, the plane-tree, and the box-tree together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary, and I will glorify the place of my feet.
14. And the children of those who are afflicting you will come to you bending low, and all who despise you will bow at the soles of your feet, and they will call you, "The City of Jehovah, Zion of the Holy One of Israel".
15. Instead of you being forsaken and hated, with no one passing through, I will make you an everlasting excellency, a joy from generation to generation.

16. You will suck the milk of the Gentiles and suck the breasts of kings, and you shall know that I, Jehovah, am your Savior, and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.
17. Instead of brass, I will bring gold; and instead of iron, I will bring silver; and instead of wood, brass; and instead of stones, iron; and I will make peace your overseer, and righteousness your taskmaster.
18. Violence will no longer be heard in your land, nor devastation and destruction within your borders, and you will call your walls “Salvation” and your gates “Praise”.
19. The sun will no longer be for your light by day, nor will the brightness of the moon be for your light, but Jehovah will be your light forever, and your God will be your glory.
20. Your sun will never go down, and your moon will not wane, for Jehovah will forever be your light, and your days of mourning will be over.
21. And all your people will be righteous; they will possess the land forever, the plant of his planting, the work of my hands, that I might glorify myself.
22. The least one will become like a thousand, and the insignificant one, like a mighty nation. I, Jehovah, will hasten it in its time.

Chapter 61

- ¶1. The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, for Jehovah has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to declare liberty¹⁹ to those held captive and freedom to those in prison,
2. to proclaim the year of Jehovah’s favor and the day of our God’s vengeance, to comfort all who mourn,
3. to provide for those mourning in Zion – to give them beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, a mantle of praise instead of a weary spirit – that they might be called, “trees of righteousness, the planting of Jehovah”, that He might be glorified.
4. And they will build again the ancient ruins; they will raise up places laid waste of old; they will repair desolate cities that have lain waste for many generations.
5. And strangers will stand and tend your flocks, and the children of foreigners will be your plowmen and your vinedressers,
6. but you will be called priests of Jehovah; you will be addressed as “ministers of our God”. You will consume the wealth of the Gentiles and boast in their riches.
7. Because your shame *has been* double, and humiliation was decreed their lot, they will possess double in their land. Everlasting joy will be theirs.
8. For I, Jehovah, love justice; I hate robbery and injustice. And I will give them a true recompense, and I will make an eternal covenant with them,

¹⁹ That is, as in the year of Jubilee. See Leviticus 25:10.

9. and their seed will be of repute among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the nations; all who see them will acknowledge them, that they are the seed that Jehovah has blessed.
10. I will greatly rejoice in Jehovah! My soul shall rejoice in my God, for He has clothed me with garments of salvation; with a robe of righteousness has He covered me, the way a bridegroom dons a splendid headdress, or a bride puts on her adornments.
11. For as the earth brings forth its shoot, and as a garden causes its seed to sprout, so will the Lord Jehovah cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the Gentiles.

Chapter 62

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4. You will no longer be thought of as forsaken, and your land will no longer be considered a desolation, but you will be called Hephzibah²⁰, and your land, Beulah²¹. For Jehovah delights in you, and your land will be married.
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12. And they will call them “the holy people, redeemed of Jehovah”, and you will be called “Wanted”, a city not forsaken.

Chapter 63

- ¶1. “Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah in red-stained garments, this man glorious in his apparel, marching in his mighty strength?” “It is I, who speaks in righteousness, mighty to save!”
2. “How is it that there is red on your apparel, like a treader in a winepress?”
3. “I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the nations, no man was with me. I trod them down in my anger and trampled them in my rage; their lifeblood spattered on my garments, and all my raiment was sullied.
4. For the day of vengeance was in my heart, and the year of my redeemed ones had come.”
5. I looked, but there was no helper, and I was astonished that there was no one to support *me*; so, my own arm brought me victory, and my anger, it supported me.

²⁰ Literally, “My delight is in her.”

²¹ Literally, “married”.

6. I trampled down the nations in my anger; I made them drunk with my rage, and I brought down their lifeblood to the earth.
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9. In all their affliction, He was afflicted, and the angel of His presence saved them. In His love and in His pity, He redeemed them, and lifted them up, and carried them all the days of old,
10. but they rebelled and grieved His holy Spirit, and He was turned to be their enemy. He Himself fought against them.
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Chapter 64

- ¶1. Oh, that you would tear heaven open, that you would come down, that the mountains would quake at your presence –
2. as fire ignites brushwood, and as fire makes water boil – to make your Name known to your adversaries, that the nations might tremble at your presence!
3. Then, you did astonishing things we did not expect! You did come down, and the mountains did quake at your presence!
4. From the beginning of time, no one has heard, no ear has perceived, nor eye seen, O God, but you, what He will do for him who earnestly looks for Him.
5. You greet him who rejoices and works righteousness; they will remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, for we perpetually sinned against them, and yet we will be saved!
6. And we all are like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like a filthy garment. We all fall like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, carry us away.
7. There has been no one calling on your name or stirring himself up to take hold of you because you hid your face from us and melted us in the hand of our iniquities.
8. And you, O Lord,
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Chapter 65

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8. Thus says Jehovah: “Just as new wine is obtained from a cluster, and one says, ‘Don’t destroy it, for there is good in it,’ so will I do for the sake of my servants, lest he destroy them all.
9. And I will send forth a Seed from Jacob, even an Inheritor of my mountains from Judah, and my chosen ones will inherit it, and my servants will dwell there.”
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- ¶13. Therefore, thus says the Lord, Jehovah, “Behold, my servants shall eat, but you shall be hungry. Behold, my servants shall drink, but you shall be thirsty. Behold, my servants shall rejoice, but you shall be ashamed.
14. Behold, my servants shall sing for gladness of heart, but you shall cry out for anguish of heart and shall wail with a broken spirit.
15. You shall leave your name as a curse to my chosen ones, and the Lord, Jehovah, shall put you to death and call His servants by another name.
16. Whoever blesses himself in the earth shall bless himself by the God of truth, and he who swears in the earth shall swear by the God of truth, for the former troubles will be forgotten, and will be hidden from my eyes.
17. For behold, I am creating new heavens and a new earth, and the former things will not be remembered nor come to mind.
18. Nevertheless, be glad and rejoice forever for what I am creating, for behold, I am creating Jerusalem a joy, and her people a delight.
19. And I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people, and no one will ever hear in her a sound of mourning or a sound of crying.
20. And in that place, there will never be an infant that dies or an old man who does not live out his days, for the young man will die a hundred years old, and he who fails to attain to a hundred years will be *considered* cursed.
21. They will build houses and live in them, and they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

22. They will not build and another dwell; they will not plant and another eat. For as the days of a tree will be the days of my people, and my chosen will enjoy the work of their hands.
23. They will not labor for nothing, and they will not give birth for trouble, for they are the seed blessed of Jehovah, and their offspring with them.
24. And it shall come to pass that before they cry out, I will answer. While they are yet speaking, I will hear.
25. The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent's food. They will neither do harm nor destroy in all my holy mountain, says Jehovah."

Chapter 66

- ¶1. Thus says the LORD: "Heaven *is* my throne, and the earth, my footstool. Where is this house that you would build for me? And where is this resting-place for me?
2. All these things my hand made, and all these things *already* existed, says the LORD. But I will have regard to this man, to him who is humble and smitten in spirit, and who trembles at my word.
3. Slaughtering one of the herd *will be like* killing a man; sacrificing one of the flock, *like* breaking a dog's neck; offering up a gift, *like offering up* blood from a pig; burning incense, *like* blessing an idol. Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul takes pleasure in their abominations.
4. I also will choose manifold calamities for them, and I will bring their fears upon them because when I called, no one answered; when I spoke, they would not hear. But they did evil before my eyes, and chose that in which I take no pleasure.
- ¶5. Hear the word of the LORD, you who tremble at His word, "Your brothers who hate you and cast you out for my name's sake said, 'Let the LORD be glorified!' but He shall appear to your joy, and they will be ashamed."
6. A sound of uproar from the city! A sound from the temple! The sound of the LORD rendering recompense to His enemies.
7. Before she travailed, she gave birth. Before she was in pain, she gave birth to a man.
8. Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the earth be born in one day? Shall a nation be born at once? For even as she travailed, Zion gave birth to her children.
9. Would I bring to the birth and not bring forth *the child*, says Jehovah? Or would I who delivers *the child* also refuse to do so, says your God?
10. Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all who love her! Greatly rejoice with her, all of you who have mourned over her,
11. so that you may nurse and be satisfied at her comforting breast, so that you may milk out and take great delight from the bosom of her glory.

12. For thus says Jehovah: "Watch me! I will pour forth prosperity to her like a river, and the abundance of the Gentiles like an overflowing stream. And you will nurse, you will be borne on the hip, and you will be dandled on knees.

13. As one whom his mother comforts, so will I comfort you, and you will be comforted in Jerusalem.

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14. And you will see, and your heart will rejoice, and your whole being will flourish like the grass. And it will be known that the hand of Jehovah is upon His servants and His indignation is upon His enemies.

15. For behold, Jehovah will come in fire, and His chariots like a violent, rushing wind, and He will requite *them* in the fury of His wrath, and His rebuke will be with flames of fire.

16. For by fire and by His sword will Jehovah contend with all flesh, and the slain of Jehovah will be many.

17. Those who sanctify and purify themselves to enter the gardens, following one in the center, eating the flesh of pigs, and detestable things, and mice, will come to an end together, says Jehovah.

18. For I *know* their works and their thoughts. The time is coming when I will gather all nations and tongues, and they will come and see my glory,

19. and I will set a sign among them, and I will send some of the survivors to the nations, Tarshish, Pul, and Lud (who draw the bow), Tubal and Javan, the distant coasts that have not the news about me and who did not see my glory, and they will proclaim my glory among the Gentiles.

20. And they will bring all your brothers from all the nations as a grain offering to Jehovah, on horses, and by chariots, and in wagons, and on mules, and on camels to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says Jehovah, the way children of Israel take their grain offering in clean vessels to the house of Jehovah.

21. And I will also take some of them for priests and for Levites, says Jehovah.

22. For as the new heavens and the new earth which I have created will endure before me, says Jehovah, so will your seed and your name endure.

23. And it shall come to pass that from one new moon to the next, and from one Sabbath to the next, all flesh will come to worship before me, says Jehovah.

24. And they will go out and look at the dead bodies of men who rebelled against me, for their worm will not die and their fire will not be quenched, and they will be an abhorrence to all flesh.