Priests reected. Chap. iii. v. Israels pride.

There the wordes of the LOR, ye children of Israel: for the LOR hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, no mercy, no knowledge of God in the land. 2 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and ceasuring, and committing adultery, they brake out, and blood toucheth blood. 3 Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowles of heaven, yea the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away. 4 Ye let no man turne, not reproue another: for this people are as they that sinne with the priests. 5 Therefore shal thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother. 6 If ye people are destroyed for lacke of knowledge: because thou hast renned knowledge, I will also renne that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the table of the LOR, I will also forget thy children. 7 As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I change their glory into shame. 8 They eat by the outline of my people, and they leth their heart on their iniquity. 9 And there shall be like people, yea priests; and I will punish them for their ways, and I will rebuke their doings. 10 For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredome, and shall not increase, because they have left off to take heed to the LOR. 11 Whoredome, and wine, and wife wine take alway the heart. 12 If ye people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staves declare unto them: for the spirit of whoredomes hath ruled their hearts to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God. 13 They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hilles under oaks and poplars, and elmes, because the heathen thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredome, and your spoules shall commit adultery. 14 I will not punish your daugh-
thers when they commit whoredome, nor your spoules when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people that doth not understand shall fall. 15 Though thou Israel play the harlot, yet let not Judah offend, and come not ye unto Gilgal, neither go ye up to Beth-aven, nor sweare, The LOR lineth. 16 For Israel sibeth bathe, as a bathe fledging heifer: now the LOR will feed them as a lamb in a large place. 17 Ephraim is turned to idoles: let him alone.

CHAP. V.

Care ye this, O priests, and hearken, ye house of Israel, and ye need ye this, O house of the king: for judgment is toward you, because ye have been a shield on Ephraim, and a cut thereof upon Tabor. 2 And the revolters are profound to make slaughter, though I have bene a reveller of them all. 3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now O Ephraim, thou committest whoredome, and Israel is defiled. 4 They will not frame their tongues to turne into your God: for the spirit of whoredomes is in the midst of them, and they have not knowen the LOR. 5 And the pride of Israel both resiue to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity: Judah also shall fall with them. 6 They shall goe with their stocks, and with their hands to seek the LOR: but they shall not finde him, he hath withdrawn himselfe from them. 7 They have dealt treacherously against the LOR: for they have be
genome strange children, now shall a

moneth devoure them with their portions.
8 Blow yer the comet in Sibeah, and the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud at Beth aven after the D Semannah.
9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of tribulation: among the tribes of Israel have I made knowen that which shall sorely be.
10 The Princes of Judah were like them that remoue the bound: therefore I will pour out my wrath upon them like water.
11 Ephraim is oppressed, and broken in judgment: because he willingly walked after the commandement.
12 Therefore will I be unto Ephraim a moth: and to the house of Judah as asconestresse.
13 When Ephraim saw his felicenesse, and Judah his wound: then went Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent to king Jareb, yecould he be not heale you, not sure you of your wound.
14 For I will bee unto Ephraim as a Lion, and as a yong Lion to the house of Judah: I euery day will reare and goe away: I will take away, and none shall restreine him.
15 I will goe and returne to my place, till they acknowledge their offende, and seeke my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.

CHAP. VI.

1 An exhortation to repentance. 4 A complaint of their vanity, vanity, and iniquity.
1. One, and let his retourne unto the LORD: for he hath come, and her huel heale vs: he hath smitten, and he will buide vs.
2. After two daies will he resume vs, in the third day he will rade vs vp, and we shall live in his sight.
3. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared, as the morning: he shall come unto vs, as the raine, as the latter and former raine unto the earth.
4. O Ephraim, what shall I doe unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee: for your goodnesse is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.
5. Therefore have I thieved them by the prophets: I have slaine them by the wounds of my mouth, and thy

judgements are as the light that goeth forth.
6 For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice, and the knowledge of God more then burnt offerings.
7 But they like men have transgressed the Covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.
8 Sibeah is a city of them that make iniquity, and is polluted with blood.
9 And as troupe of robbers waited for a man, so the company of priests murdred in the day by content: for they commit febdstrefse.
10 I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there is the whole doctrine of Ephraim, Israel is devises.
11 Alm D Judah, he hath set an harret for thee, when I returned the captue of my people.

CHAP. VII.

1 A reproof of manifold sinnes. 11 Gods wrath against them for their hypocrisy.

When I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the wickednesse of Samaria: for they commit familiaritie: and the thief commeth in, and the troup of robbersspoileth without.
2 And they consider not in their hearts that I remember all their wickednesse: nought their obne doings hace bett them about, they are before my face.
3 They make the king glad with their wickednesse, and the princes with their lies.
4 They are all adulterers, as an ouen heated by the baker: who ceaste from raisin after be hath kneaded the dough, untill it be leauened.
5 In the day of our King, the princes have made him fiest with bocalles of wine, he stretched out his hand with scorners.
6 For they have made ready their heart like an ouen, while they lie in wait: their baker steepeth all the night in the morn it burneth as a flaming fire.
7 They are all hot as an ouen, and have bourned their Judges, all their Kings are fallen, there is none among them that calleth unto me.
8 Ephraim, he hath merced himselfe among the people, Ephraim is a cake not turned.

9 Strang.
Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth it not: yea, gray hairs are there and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.

And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face, and they do not return to the Lord their God, no seeketh him for all this.

Ephraim also is like a silly dove, without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them, and I will bring them down as the souls of the dead: I will slay them as their congregation hath heard.

Woe unto them, for they have fled from me: destruction belongeth to them, because they have transgressed against me, though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against me.

And they have not cried unto me with their heart, when they hasted upon their beds: they assemble themselves for corn and wine, and they rebel against me.

Though I have brought them up from the depths of the pit, and brought them out of the dust; they say unto me, Save us, we have not seen the mercies of the Lord.

They return, but not unto the most high: they are like a deceitful bow: their princes shall fall by the sword, for the rage of their tongue: this shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.

CHAP. VIII.

1. Destruction is threatened for their impieties, and idolatries.

The trumpet to thy mouth; see shall come as an eagle against the house of the Lord, because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my Law.

Israel shall cry unto me, My God, be not deaf.

Israel hath cast off the thing that is good: the enemie shall pursue him.

They have set by kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew not: of their sluer and their goddes they made them idoles, that they may be cut off.

O the calfe, O Samaria, hath cast thee off: more anger is kindled against them: how long will it bee ere they attain to innocencie?

FOur from Israel was it also, the bottomian made it, therefore it is not God: but the calfe of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.

Four they have sown the vine, and they shall reap the vine of the land: it hath no cluster: the vine shall yeeld no meate: if so be yeeld, the strangers shall swallow it up.

Israel is swallowed up, now shall they be among the Gentiles, as a vessel wherein is no pleasure.

Four they are gone by to Assyria, a vine alone by hunselfe: Ephraim hath hired i'itours.

Pea, though they have hired among the nations, now I will gather them, and they shall forsake a little for the burden of the King of princes.

Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sinne, altars shall be vnto him for sinne.

I have written to him the great things of my Law, but they were counted as a strange thing.

They sacrifice flesh, for the sacrifices of mine offerings, and eate it; but the Lord accepteth them not: now will he remember their iniquity, and displeasure their sines: they that return to Egypt.

For Israel hath forgotten his maker, and buildeth temples; and Juda hath multiplied fencedcities; but I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall consume the palaces thereof.

CHAP. IX.

The diuerte and captivitie of Israel, for their sines and idolatries.

O Giucre not, O Israel, so joy as other people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God, thou hast loued a rebel: I will pour every shame floore.

The floore and the vine press shall not be eate, and the new vine shall fall in her.

They that have dwel in the Lords land: but Ephraim shall return to Egypt, and they shall eat beseaund things in Assyria.

They shall not offer vaine offerings to the Lord: neither shall they be pleasing unto him: their sacrifices shall be burnt to them as the bread of mourners: all that eate thereof shall be pollutes: for their bread to their loafe shall not come into the house of the Lord.

What
Israel is threatened

Hosea.

for her idolatry.

CHAP. X.

Israel is reproofed and threatened for their impiety and idolatry.

1. Israel is an empty vine, whose fruit is figs of unripeness: shooting up into himselfe, according to the multitude of his fruit, he hath increased the altars, according to the goodness of his land, they have made goodly images.

2. Their heart is divided: now shall they be found faultie; he shall break downe their altars; he shall spoil their images.

3. For now they shall say, we have no king, because we feared not the L ORD: what then should a King doe to us?

4. They have spoken words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: the judgments of Korah, Og, and Simon, and the guides of Israel.

5. The inhabitants of Samaria shall fear, because of the calamities of Bethaven: for the people thereof shall mourn over it, and the priests thereof that trusted on it, for the glory thereof, because it is departed from it.

6. It shall be also carried into Assyria for a present to Rimmon, Elyphain shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel.

7. As for Samaria, her king is cut off, as the stone upon the water.

8. The high places also of Aen, the house of Israel, shall be destroyed: the throne and the pillars shall come by on their altars; and they shall fall to the mountains, to the valley of the sons of the horsemen.

9. O Israel, thou hast forgotten from the days of Gilgal; there they sowed; the barley in Gilgal against the children of iniquity did not overtake them.

10. It is in my desire that I should chaste them, and the people shall be gathered against them, when they shall burn themselves in their two furrodes.

11. And Ephraim is as an heifer that is taught, and rough to tread out the corn; but I passed over upon her fair necke: I will make Ephraim to ride out Judah by his power, and Jacob shall break his yoke.

12. Sow to your selves in righteousness, none, reap in mercy: break by your fallow.
Chap. xi.

The ingratitude of Israel unto God for his benefits. 7. His judgment. 8. God's mercy toward them.

When Israel was a childe, then I loved him, and called my sonne out of Egypt.

2. As they called them, so they went from them: they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burnt incense to graven images.

3. I taught Ephraim also to goe, taking them by their armes: but they knew not that I healed them.

4. I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love, and was tothem as they that take off the yoke on their lades, and I laid meat unto them.

5. He shall not returne into the land of Egypt: but the Assyrian shall be his king, because they refused to returne.

6. And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his branches, and devour them, because of their own counsellors.

And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called them to the most high, none at all would craite him.

How shall I give thee, Ephraim? how shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as Zebulon? mine heart is turned within me, my repentings are kindled together.

I will not execute the fiercenes of mine anger, I will not returne to destroy Ephraim, for I am God, and not man, the Holy One in the midst of thee, and I will not enter into the cite.

10. They that walk after the LORD: he shall roare as a lion: when he shall roare, then the children shall tremble from the west.

11. They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a snake out of the land of Assyria: and I will place them in their houses, saith the LORD.

12. Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Judah yet ruleth with God, and is faithful! with the Saints.

CHAP. xii.

1. A reprofe of Ephraim, Judah, and Jacob.

3. By former favours he exhorted to repentance. 7. Ephraim sines provoke God.

Ephraim feebly on his breth, and followeth after the east breth: hee daily increaseth lies and declation, and they doe make a covenant with the Aramesians, and qoile is casted into Egypt.

2. The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his wavses, according to his doings will he recompense him.

3. Hee tooke his brother by the heele in the loomb, and by his strength he had power with God.

4. Psa, he had power over the Angel and prevailed: hee wepe and made supplication unto him: he found him in Bethel, and there he spake with vs.

5. Even the LORD God of hosts, the LORD is his memorial.

6. Therefore turne thou to the LORD: keepe mercy and judgement, and wait on the LORD continually.

7. He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand: hee toucheth to oppress.

8. And Ephraim said, Yet I am become rich, I have found me out substance: in all my labours they shall finde none iniquity in mee, that were sime.

9. And that am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, will yet make thee to dwell in tabernacles, as in the days of the solemn feasts.

10. I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and bised similitudes, by the ministration of the prophets.
God only saueth.  Hosea.  Calues of the lips.

11. Is there iniquitie in Gilead: surely they are banie, they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal, yea there their altars are as heapes in the surroodes of the beds.
12. And Jacob lied into the country of Syria, and Israel served for a vine, and for a vine he kept theepe.
13. And by a prophet the Lord bought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he preferred.
14. Ephraim provoked him to anger, he made battrey: therefore shall he leue his blood upon him, and his reproch shall his Lord returne unto him.

CHAP. XIII.


When ephraim spake, trembling, he exalted himselfe in Israel, but, then he offended in Baal, he died.

2. And now they sung more and more, and have made them mollen images of their litter, and dooles according to their owne understanding, all of it the worke of the crafmen: they say of them, let the men that sacrifice, suffe the calues.
3. Therefore they shall be as the mourning cloud, and as the early dew it palleth away, as the chaffe that is driven with a wheelebunde out of the dooore, and as the smoke out of the chimney.
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 fauour before me.
5. C I did know thee in the vanckinnes, in the land of great bought.

According to their pature, so were they slaine: they were slaine, and their heart was exalted: therefore have they forgotten me.

Therefore I will bee vnto them as a Lion, as a Leopard by the way will I obserue them.

I will meet them as a beare that is bereaue of her whelps, and will rent the hauel of their heart, and there I will devourue them like a Lion: the wilde beast shall teare them.

C O Israel, thou hast destroyed thy selue, but in me is thine helpe.

I will be thy King, where is any other that may save thee in all thy citiees: and the Judges of whom thou sattst, give me a King and Prince.

I saw thee a king in mine anger, and tooke him away in my wrath. The iniquity of Ephraim is bound up: his time is hie.

13. The forevordes of a crueling woman shall come vpon him, he is an vnwise sonne, for he should not stay long in the place of the beauee forth of children.

14. I will ransome them from the poore 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.

15. Though he be fruitful among his brethren, an east wind shall come, the winde of the Lord shall come from the wilderne, and his spung shall become fuee, and his fountaine shall be dry: he shall holde the treasure of all pleasant beheltes.

16. Samaria shall become desolate, for the hast rebellled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be razed vp by.

CHAP. XIII.


Israel, returne vnto the Lord thy God: for thou hast fallen by thine iniquitie.

2. Take with you words, and turn to the Lord, say vnto him: Lay aside all iniquitie, and receive vs gravely: so will I vnder the calues of our lips.

3. Allure shall not faue us, we will not ride vpon horses, neither will we lay any more to the word of our hands.

4. C I will heal thei backstiding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.

5. I will looke on them as the deviue into Israel: he shall growe as the little, and each forth his rootes as Lebanon.

6. His branches that I spread, and his breast shall be as the olive tree, and his stem shall be Lebanon.

7. They that dwell under his shadow shall returne: they shall renewe as the cola, grow as the vine, the lustre there-
Joel, declaring sundry judgements of God, exhorteth to observe them, and to mourn. He prescribeth a fast, for complaint.

The wood of the Lord that came to Joel the son of Pethuel, 2 Hear this, ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land: Hath this been in your days, or even in the days of your fathers? 3 Tell ye your children of it, and let your children tell their children, and their children another generation. 4 That which the plunderer hath left, hath the locust eaten: and that which the locust hath left, hath the canker-worm eaten; and that which the canker-worm hath left, hath the caterpillar eaten. 5 Awake ye drunkards, and weep; and howl all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine, for it is cut off from your mouth. 6 For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number; whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek-teeth of a great lion. 7 He hath made my vine waste: and hath broken my fig-tree: he hath made it clean bare, and cast it away, the branches thereof are made white. 8 C Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth. 9 The meate offering and the drink offering is cut off from the house of the Lord, the priests the Lord's ministers mourn. 10 The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the new wine is dried up, the vine languisheth. 11 Be ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen: howl, O ye vine-dressers, for the vinedresser, for the barley, because the harvest of the field is perished. 12 The vine is dried up, and the fig-tree languisheth, the pomegranate tree, the apple tree also and the olive tree, even all the trees of the field are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of men. 13 Gird your loins, and lament, ye Priests: howl, ye ministers of the Altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God. 14 C Sanctify ye a fast: call a solemn assembly: gather the elders, and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord: 15 Alas for the day: for the day of the Lord is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come. 16 Is not the meate cut off before your eyes, yea and gladness from the house of our God? 17 The vine is broken under their hands: the branches are withered, the harvest is not gathered: for the vintage is broken down, the coe is broken. 18 How doe the beasts groan: the heabe of cattle is perished, because they have no pasture, yea the flockes of sheepe are made desolate.
Deouring fire.  Ioel.  Rent the heart.

19 O LORD, do thee will I crie: for the fire hath devoured the pasture of the wilderness, and the flame hath burnt all the trees of the field.
20 The beasts of the field crie also unto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pasture of the wilderness.

CHAP. II.

1. He theweth into Zion the terriblenesse of God's judgement. 2. He exhorteth to repentance, 15 Prescribeth a fast, 18 Promiseth a blessing thereon. 21 He comforteth Zion with present, 28 and future blessings.

B.

Lo, ye the trumpet in Zion, found an alarme in my holy mountaine: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for his true hand.
2 A day of darknesse and gloominesse, a day of clouds and of thickes darknesse, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong, there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.
3 A fire devoureth before them, and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness, yea and nothing shall escape them.
4 The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses and as hussie men, so shall they runne.
5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountaine shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the bubble, as a strong people, set in battelarray.
6 Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather blackness.
7 They shall runne like mighty men, they shall clame the wall like men of warre, and they shall march every one on his vayres, and they shall not breake their ranks.
8 Neither shall one thrust another, they shall walke every one in his path: and when they fall upon the wall, they shall not be wounded.
9 They shall runne to and fro in the vayle: they shall runne upon the wall: they shall clame vp upon the houses: they shall enter in at the windows, like a thief.
10 The earth shall quake before them, the heavens shall tremble, the Sun and the Moone shall be backe, the stars shall withdrawe their shining.
11 And the LORD shall terrifie his voyce before his armie, for his campes is very great: for he is strong that exerciseth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible, and who can abide?
12 Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turne ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning.
13 And rent your heart and not your garments; and turne unto the LORD your God: for he is "gracions and mercifull, slow to anger, and of great kindnesse, and repenteth him of the evil.
14 Who knoweth if he will returne and repent, and leave a blessing behind him, even a meat offering and a burnt offering into the LORD your God?
15 Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctifie a fast, call a solemn assembly.
16 Gather the people: sanctifie the congregation: assemble the elders: gather the children, and those that sucke the breasts: let the budgegoome goe forth of his chamber, and the bude out of his closet.
17 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep betweene the porch and the altar. 2 Let them say: Spare thy people O LORD, and give not thine heritage to repose: that the heathen should rule over them: Wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?
18 C Then will the LORD be zealous for his land, and pity his people.
19 Pea the LORD will answer and say unto his people: Behold, I will send you come and vine, and cypresse, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen.
20 But I will remove sorrowe off from you the nothern armie, and will bine him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the East sea, and his hinder part towards the brinnell Sea, and his shooe shall come by, and his bille shall come by, because he hath done great things.
21 C Fear not, O land, be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will doe great things.
22 We not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pasture of the wilderness doe
do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine doe yield their strength.

23. Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the raine, the former raine, & the latter came in the first month.

24. And the fences shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.

25. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the canker worm, and the caterpillar, and the palmer worm, my great army, which I sent among you.

26. And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the Name of the LORD your God, that hath beaten wonderfully with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.

27. And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.

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.

29. And I will pour upon the handmaids of the house of Israel a new Spirit; and I will take away the stony heart out of your hearts, and will give you a heart of flesh;

30. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to enter into my covenant;

31. That the heathen shall know at my name, out of my sanctuary, and out of Jerusalem, whither I will bring them. Then shall the remnant of Jacob be among the nations, in the midst of them: and in that place shall his strength be in it.

CHAP. III.

Gods judgments against the enemies of his people. 9. God will be known in his judgement.

O, behold, in those days and in that time, when I shall bring against the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem,

2. I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people, and for the inheritance of Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

3. And they shall be as the stubble, that the fire causeth to burn; and as the chaff which the风机 doth drive away.

4. And the wind shall blow upon it, and it shall be no more: so shall all the people be, that wander through this land.

5. And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I send my messenger, and I pour mine indignation upon the heathen, and upon the captivity of Judah, and will consume them so that none shall be left.

6. For thus saith the Lord, the God of hosts, the God of Israel, According to his promise, and according to his oath, that will not lie: for this is the oath that the Lord hath sworn to your fathers, when they came out of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

7. And the Lord hath sworn, And will not repent, according to his promise, And will not repent, according to his oath, I will do unto thee; for my name's sake, and for the sake of all the seed of Israel; whoso believeth in me, saith the Lord, shall even say, I am the Lord thy God.

8. And if thou wilt indeed obey my voice, and keep my covenant, then thou shall be mine exclusive possession, and mine special treasure among all the people that are upon the face of the earth.

9. And thou shalt be mine exclusive possession. Thou shalt also come near me, that I may be unto thee a God, and thou shalt know me, that I am the Lord.

10. And I will make thee an high tower, and aEkran, and thine enemies shall never overtake thee.

11. And I will give thee the heathen for thine enemies, and the kingdoms for thy enemies. And thou shalt know that I am the Lord, when I have made thee an house of prayer to me in the land of Judah, and among the children of Israel.

12. And I will gather them that be dispersed among the heathen, and assemble them from the countries, and will bring them into the land of Israel, and I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me, and that they may be made one nation in the land.

13. Then shall they fear thy name, O Lord; and they shall know that thee only art the most high God.

14. And the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

15. And I will also make of them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from the seed of Jacob, neither will I deliver my covenant from Israel; when I break the heathen and destroy all the nations of the earth, I will make of thee an everlasting covenant, and one very strong.

16. And the Lord shall be known in the land of Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the Lord, and shall serve him, and his favourable acts shall be shewed among them: and the Lord shall forgive them their iniquities, and their sins, and their transgressions, in all the land of Egypt.
Against the enemies of the Church.

16 The Lord also that roareth out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens, and the earth shall shake, but the Lord will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

17 So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God, dwelling in Zion, my holy Mountaine: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers passe through her any more.

18 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drip new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the Lord, and shall water the valley of Shittim.

19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness; for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land.

20 But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

21 For I will cleanse their blood, that I have not cleansed, i.e., for the Lord that dwelleth in Zion.

AMOS.

CHAP. I.

1 Amos propheteth God's judgement upon Syria, 6 upon the Philistines, 9 upon Tyre, 11 upon Edom, 13 upon Ammon.

2 The words of Amos, which were among the shepherds, and over the scentring men of Tekoa, whom he told concerning Israel, in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the earthquake.

3 And he said, The Lord will roareth from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem: and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the tops of Carmel shall wither.

4 Thus saith the Lord, For three transgressions of Damascus, and for four I will not turn away the punishment thereof, because they have the headewed Sidon, with the threatening instruments of yon.

5 But I will send a fire upon the house of Bethel, which shall devour the palaces thereof.

6 And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre from Ashkelon, and I will turn mine hand against Ekron, and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, saith the Lord God.

7 Thus saith the Lord, For three transgressions of Lysetus, and for four I will not turn away the punishment thereof, because they delibotted by the whole captivity to Edom, and remembered not the brotherly covenant.

8 But I will send a fire upon the wall of Lysetus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.

9 Thus saith the Lord, For three transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will turn away the punishment thereof, because they delibotted by the whole captivity to Edom, and remembred not the brotherly covenant.

10 For they have conspired together with all the people of Canaan against the house of Judah, and have filled the heathen round about her with mischief.

11 Thus saith the Lord, For three transgressions of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof, because they have reviled Gilead, and have turned back his hired men.
Against Moab, Chap. iij. Judah, and Israel.

"Chap. 8.3."

1. Thus saith the Lord, for three transgressions of Moab, and for four, I will turn away the punishment thereof, because they hold the righteous for the slayer, and the poor for a refuge of shame.

2. But I will send a fire upon him, and it shall devour the palaces of Moab, and of the stock thereof, because he burnt the bones of the king of Edom into the fire.

3. And I will cut off the refuge from the midst thereof, and will make all the princes thereof without him, empty the Lord.

4. Thus saith the Lord, for three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will turn away the punishment thereof, because they have belied the Lord, and have not kept his commandments, and they have not kept his commandments, and they have not kept his commandments, and they have not kept his commandments, and they have not kept his commandments, and they have not kept his commandments, and they have not kept his commandments.

5. But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.

6. Thus saith the Lord, for three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will turn away the punishment thereof, because they hold the righteous for the slayer, and the poor for a refuge of shame.

7. That pate after the dust of the earth on the head of the poore, and turne aside the body of the dead, and a man and his father will go in unto the same, and prostrate my holy Name.

8. And they lay themselves downe upon clothes, and to pledge, by every altar, and they burnt the bones of the condemned in the house of their God.

9. Yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the Cedes, and he was strong as the oxen, yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath.

10. And I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.

11. And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites, is not envious, the children of Israel, saith the Lord?

12. But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink, and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophecy not.

13. Behold, I am pleased under you, as a fat is pleased that is full of fatness.

14. Therefore the high shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliver himself.

15. Neither shall he stand that hath the bow, and he that is swift of foot, shall not deliver himself, neither shall he that is exalted the horse, deliver himself.

16. And he that is courageous among the mighty, shall see alway naked in that day, saith the Lord.

CHAP. III.

1. The necessity of God's judgment against Israel. The publication of it, with the canes thereof.

2. Hear this word that the Lord hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family, which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying:

3. You only have I known of all the families of the earth; therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.

4. Can two walk together, except they be agreed?
God's visitation.  Amos.  Israel's obstinacy.

4. Will a man venome in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion, on't from out of his den, if he have taken nothing?
5. Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gins is set for him? shall one take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?
6. Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people hear it not? shall there be a cry in the city, and the Lord have not done it?
7. Surely the Lord God doth nothing, but to reveal his secret unto his servants prophecy.
8. The lion hath roared, who will not fear: the Lord God hath spoken, who can but prophesie?
9. I publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble your sakes upon the mountains of Samaria; and behold great tumults in the midst thereof, and the oppressor in the midst thereof.
10. For they know not to doe right, saith the Lord; who store up violence, and robberie in their palaces.
11. Therefore thus saith the Lord God, An adversary there shall be even round about the land: and he shall bring down by his strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.
12. Thus saith the Lord, As the shepherd taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear; so shall the children of Israel be gathered out of the land of Egypt, and out of Assyria, and out of all the kingdoms, whereby they were scattered, saith the Lord; and they shall dwell safely.
13. Hear ye, and receive in the house of Jacob, the Lord God, and the God of holies;
14. That in that day that I shall visit the transgressions of Israel upon him, I will also visit the altars of Bethel, and the houses of the altar shall be cut down, and fall to the ground.
15. And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of woe shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the Lord.

CHAP. III.
1. Here reproach Israel, for oppression. 4. for idolatry, 6, and for their incorrigible nature.

2. The Lord God hath sworn by his holiness, that he, the bowes shall come upon you, that he will take away by hooks, and your precious with fish hooks.
3. And ye shall go out at the gates, every cow at that which is before her, and ye shall cast them into the palaces, saith the Lord.
4. Come to Bethel and transgress, at Gilgal multiply transgressions, and bring your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes after three years.
5. And I will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, and proclaim and publish the free offerings; for this saith the Lord; I will hearken, O ye children of Israel, saith the Lord God.
6. And I also have given you cleanness of flesh in all your cities, and want of bread in all your places: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the Lord.
7. And also I have withheld the rain from you, when there were yet three months to the harvest; and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it not to rain upon another city; one piece thereof was rained upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not, withered.
8. So two or three cities wandered into one to drink water: but they were not satisfied; yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the Lord.
9. I have smitten you with blasting and mildew: when your gardens and your vineyards, and your olive trees increased, the palmer was devoured them: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the Lord.
10. I have sent among you the pestilence, after the manner of Egypt: your youngmen have fallen by the sword, and your old men by the pestilence; I have made the stink of your camps to come upon your nostrils, yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the Lord.
11. I have overthrown some of you, as God overthrew Zidon and the Philistines, and ye were as a firebrand plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the Lord.
12. Therefore
Seek the Lord. Chap. V. Loue the good.

1. Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, prepare to meet me thy God, O Israel.

2. For, lo, he that formed the mountains, and created the field, and directeth the spirit of every living creature, even the heaven above, and the earth beneath: I am the LORD, the God of hosts: as I have spoken, so will I do; and as I have sworn, so will I perform.

3. For I know thy manifold transgressions, and thy mighty sins: I will not blot out thy transgressions from mine eyes, but will punish thee for all thy transgressions.

4. Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it is an evil time.

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6. Seek good and not evil, that ye may live: and the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.

7. For hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the LORD God of hosts shall be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.

8. Therefore the Lord, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.

9. And ye shall again hear the voice of the Lord God of hosts, saying, I will not leave you in desolate places, neither will I keep you in the land of研究员, for the day of the Lord is darkness and not light.

10. As if a man did see from a hill, and a bea'ter'ret him, or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a ser'pent bit him.

11. Shall not the day of the Lord be darkness, and not light: even very dark, and no brightness in it?

12. Though ye offer me burnt offerings, and your meat offerings, I will not accept them: neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts.

13. Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs: for I will not heare the melody of thy viols.

14. But let judgment run doth as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

15. *Hab. 2:4* 

16. But ye have done the abomina'tion of your Mo'loch, and Chiun your images.
Israels wantonnesse is threatened.

CHAP. VI.

The wantonnes of Israel, shall be plagued with desolation, and their incorrigibilities.

Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came.

Passe ye unto Calneh, and see, and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go ye down to Edath of the Philistines: bee they better then these kingdoms? or thy border greater then thy border?

De that put sarce alway the evil day, and cause the fear of violence to come nere:

That lie upon beds of prose, and stretched themselves upon their couches, and eate the lambs out of the flocke, and the calves out of the midde of the stall:

That chant to the sound of the viol, and dance to the instruments of musick, like Dauid:

That drink in bowles of wine, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.

Therefore shall they goe captive, with the first that goe captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves, shalt be removed.

The Lord Hath fought by his angel, and in the day of his fierce anger, he hath abhorne the excellency of Jacob, and his palaces: therefore will I deliver him into the power of his enemies: and them that persecute him.

And it shall come to passe, if there remaine tenne men in one house, that they shall die.

And a mans bruite shall take him vp, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say vnto him that is by the sides of the house, Is there yet any bith there? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Holde the tongue: for I ve may not make mention of the Name of the Lord.

CHAP. VII.

The judgementes of the grafted hoppers, and of the fire, are diverted by the prayer of Amos.

The wall of a plumb-line, is signified the refection of Israel. Amaziah complained of Amos. Amos wroveth his calling, and Amazias Judgment.

Thus hath the Lord God shoewd vnto me, and behold, he formed geese hoppers in the beginning of the springing of the mouns: and loe, it was the latter greath after the hings sowth.

And it came to passe, that when they had made an ende of eating the geese of the land, then said I, O Lord God, tongue, I beexcept thee, by whom shall Jacob arise: for he is small.

The Lord repeated for this, It shall not bee, saith the Lord.

Thus hath the Lord God shoewd vnto me, and behold, the Lord God called to contemn by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did cate vp a part.

Then said I, O Lord God, cease, I beexcept thee, by whom shall Jacob arise: for he is small.

The Lord repeated for this, Thus also shall not bee, faith the Lord God.

Thus bee shoewd mee, and behold, the Lord stood vpon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

And the Lord said vnto mee, Amos, what seest thou? And I sayd, A plumb line. Then sayd the Lord, Behold,
Amos is accused. Chap. viii. Summer fruit.

Behold, I will set a plummet in the midst of my people Israel, I will not again pass by them any more.

And the high places of Israel shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste: and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.

Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying: Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words.

For thus Amos saith: Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall be led away captive, out of their own land.

And Amaziah said unto Amos: Go, prophesy over thine own house, and prophesy over thine own father’s house.

But Amos answered Amaziah: I was no prophet, neither was I a prophet’s son, but I was an heathen man, and a gatherer of vinedresser’s fruit.

And the Lord said unto Amos: Go, prophesy: for they are the kings’ sons, prophesying for Baal, and they prophesy for Asherah.

Therefore hear ye the word of the Lord: Thus saith the Lord, The people shall be as the heifer in the city, and as the calves in a stall.

And I will poured out upon the house of David and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, not only the measure according to Israel’s sin, but according to the measure of my anger.

Chap. viii.

By a basket of summer fruit is the propinquity of Israel’s end.

Oppression is repeated.

Thus hath the Lord God dealt with me, and beheld, a basket of summer fruit.

And he said, Amos, what seekest thou? And I say, a basket of summer fruit. Then said the Lord unto me, The end is come upon my people Israel; I will not again pass by them any more.

And the song of the Temple’s shall be hallowed in that day, faith the Lord God: there shall be many dead bodies in every place, they shall cast them forth with silence.

And I will pour out upon the Moab the balances of justice, and poured upon him the measures ofRighteousness.

That ye may buy the poor for five pence, and the needy for a pair of shoes, yea, and sell the refuse of the wheat.

The Lord hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works.

I shall not make the land tremble with this, and every one mourneth that lieth therein; and it shall rise up wholly, as a flood; and it shall be cast out and drowned, as by the flood of Egypt.

And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord God, that I will cause the sun to go down at noone, and I will darken the earth in the clearest day.

And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation, and I will bring by fire burning upon all bottoms, and baldness upon every head; and I will make it as the mourning of an only one, and the end thereof as a bitter day.

But thus saith the Lord, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a famine of water, but of hearing the words of the Lord.

And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the North even to the South they shall run to and fro, to make the waste of the Lord, and shall not find it.

In that day shall the voice of joy and salvation be heard in the house of the Lord; as in the day of That men rejoice, when he publisheth peace; let them come near, and come near; ye shall read the word of the Lord.

Chap. ix.

The certainty of the deploration.

The restoration of the Tabernacle of David.
The power, and goodness of God.

1. Said the Lord standing
   upon the seat of the
   earth, and he said,
   2. *Though they digge
     into hell, there shall
     no man be able to take
     them; though they
     come up to heaven, there
     shall no man bring
     them down.

3. And though they hide
   themselves in the
top of Carmel, I will
search and take
them out thence, and
though they be hid
from my sight in the
bottom of the
sea, there will I
command the serpent,
and he shall bite them.

4. And though they go
   into captivity
   before their enemies,
   there will I command
   the sword, and it shall
   slay them: and I will set
   mine eyes upon them
   for evil, and not for
   good.

5. And the Lord God of
   hosts shall touch the
   land, and it shall
   melt, and all the
   inhabitants thereof shall
   mourn, and it shall rise
   up like a flood, and be
   divided, as by the
   flood of Egypt.

6. It is he that buildeth his
   storied in the
   heavens, and hath
   founded his
   [troops in the earth, he that]
   calleth for the waters of
   the Sea, and poureth
   them out upon the face of
   the earth: the
   Lord is his name.

7. Arise ye, as children of
   the Ethiopians among
   me, O children of
   Israel, saith the Lord: have not I
   brought you out of the land of
   Egypt, and the Philistines from
   Caphtor, and the Syrians from
   Ararat?

8. Behold, the eyes of the
   Lord God are upon the
   unfruitful kingdom, and I will
   destroy it from off the face
   of the earth, saying that I will
   not utterly destroy the house of
   Jacob, faith the Lord.

9. For loe, I will command, and
   I will set the house of Israel
   among all nations, like as
   come is sitten in a
   forest, yet shall not the least
   grain fall upon the earth.

10. All the kings of the people
    shall die by the sword,
    which say: The wound
    shall not overtake no
    present.

11. In that day will I raise me
    the tabernacle of David,
    that is fallen, and close
    by the breaches thereof, and
    I will raise it up there, and
    I will build it as in the days
    of old.

12. That they may possess the
    remnant of Edom, and all the
    heathen, which are called by
    my name, saith the Lord that
    doth this.

13. Behold, the dates come
    forth, the Lord shall take the
    reaper, and the scatterer of
    grapes, and they shall eat it
    as the vine of Bashan, and the
    wood of Lebanon shall be a
    joy, where the Lord is called.

14. And I will bring again the
    captivity of my people of
    Israel: and they shall build
    the waste cities, and inhabit
    them; and they shall plant
    vineyards, and drink the
    wine thereof: they shall
    also make gardens, and eat
    the fruit of them.

15. And I will plant them upon
    their land, and they shall no
    more be pulled up by the
    hand of the nations, which I
    have given them, saith the Lord thy
    God.

Obadiah.

1. The destruction of Edom, 3 for their pride,
   and for their wrong unto Jacob. 17. The
   salvation and victory of Jacob.

2. Behold, I have made thee small
   among the heathen: thou art greatly
   despised.

3. The pride of thy heart hast
   brought thee: thou that dwellest in
   the clefts of the rocke, whole habitation is
   high.
Edom threatened for cruelty.

1. Though thou raisst thy self as the eagle, thou hast not soar'd in the day of their calamity, no not in the generation of their destruction.
2. Neither shouldest thou have stood in the crose way to cut off those of his that did escape, neither shouldest thou have delivered those of his that did remain in the day of distress.
3. For the day of the Lord is near upon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee, thy reward shall return upon thine own head.
4. For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountaine, so shall all the heathen drink continually: yea, they shall be drunken, and they shall be swallowed down, and they shall be as though they had not been.
5. But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness, and the house of the Lord shall possess their possessions.
6. And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them and devour them, and they shall not be any remaining of the house of Esau, for the Lord hath spoken it.
7. And they of the South shall possess the mount of Esau, and they of the plain, the Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria, and Benjamin shall possess Gilead.
8. And the captivity of this house of Israel shall possess that of the Canaanites even unto Zarephath, and the captivity of Jerusalem (which is in Sepharad), shall possess the cities of the South.
9. And Sion shall come up upon mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau, and the kingdom shall be the Lord's.

IONAH.
By lot, Jonah is cast into the sea.

IQNAH.

CHAP. I.

1. Jonah sent to Nineveh, brethren to Tarshish.
2. He is brought by a tempest, thrown into the sea, and swallowed by a fish.

Di the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amun, saying,

3. Arise, go to Nineveh that great city, and cry against it: for their wickedness is come before me.

4. But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish, from the presence of the LORD, and went down to Joppa, and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.

5. But the LORD sent a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken.

6. Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and cast forth the wares that were in the ship, to lighten it of them: but Jonah was gone down into the sides of the ship, and lay, and was fast asleep.

7. So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O Sleeper? Arise, call upon your God, if so be that God will think upon you, that we perish not.

8. And they feared every one his God, and said every one, What meaneth this? And they feared the LORD, and said, What is this? For the house of the LORD is full of adoration.

9. And they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.

10. Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray thee, for what cause is this evil unto us? What is thine occupation? and wherefore comest thou? and what is thy country? and of what people art thou?

11. And he said unto them, I am an Hebrew, and I fear the Lord, the God of heaven, which hath made the sea, and the dry land.

12. Then were the men exceeding greatly afraid, and said unto him, Why hast thou done this? (for the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.)

13. Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto thee? that the sea may be calm to us? for the sea was very tempestuous.

14. And they said unto him, Take, and cast thee forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm to us: for thou art taken for us alive, and there is no hurt to us.

15. So they took Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea; then the sea ceased from her raging.

16. Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice unto the LORD, and made vows.

17. And the people asked Jonah that he should tell them what should come upon the people. And Jonah told them, saying, There shall be a great wind, and a tempest, and a storm, and a great earthquake, and a great storm, and a great famine.

CHAP. II.

1. The prayer of Jonah. He is delivered from the fish.

2. And he cried, saying, "I have sinned: O Lord, take away my soul from me." And he cried, and they heard him.

3. And there was a great wind, and a tempest, and a storm, and a great earthquake, and a great famine, and a great storm, and a great earthquake, and a great famine.
A fast proclamed. Chap. iij.iii.
Gods mercy.

I. Ten words, in the midst of the Seas, and the floods compassed me about: all thy billowes and thy waves passed over me.

And I said, I am cut off of thy light; yet I will looke againe toward thy holy Temple.

The waters compassed me about even to the soul; the depthes closed me round about; the waters were wrapped about my head.

I went downe to the bottoms of the mountaines: the earth with her barrennes was about me for ever: yet hast thou bought me by my life from corruption, O LORD my God.

When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the LORD, and my prayer came into thee, into thine holy Temple.

Thy word is veryCod. xiv. 10. 25. and 26. Heb. 11. 3. 15. Psal. 50. 10. great, and I hope in thy word.

I have suffered, I have suffered; O Lord, deliver me.

And my prayer standeth before thee, as the voice of them that pray unto thee.

For I know that thou art a gracious God, and mercifull, slow to anger, and of great kindnesse, and repentest thee of the evil.

Therefore now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me: for it is better for me to die then to live.

Then said the LORD, Doest thou well to be angry?

So Jonah went out of the cite, and tarried on the East side of the cite, and there made him a boaste, and sat under a in the shadow of the shadow, till he might see what would become of the cite.

And the Lord God prepared a gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to deliuer him from his griefe. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd.

But the Lord God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.

And it came to passe when the Sunne did arise, that God prepared a vehement East wind: and the Sunne beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himselfe to die, and died. It is better for me to die, then to live.

And God said to Jonah, Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? and
and he said, "I do well to be angry, even unto death.
10 Then said the LORD, Thou hast put me on the goa
de, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither
madest it grow, which I came up in a
night, and perished in a night:
11 And should not I spares mine
that great time, wherein are more then
thousand persons, that cannot
beneft between their right hand and
their left hand, and also much cattell?

MICAH.

CHAP. I.
1 Micah the shewed the wrath of God
against Jacob, for idolatry. He exhorted to mourning.

1 The word of the LORD that came to Micah in the days of
Joatham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah kings of Judah, which he spake concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.
2 He spake upon all people, and upon the sons of
earth, and all that is therein, and let the
Lord GOD be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.
3 For behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will
come downe and tread upon the high
places of the earth.
4 And the mountains shall be
molten under him, and the valleys shall be
left: as a vawe before the fire, and as
the waters that are polluted downe to a
deep place.
5 For the transgression of Jacob is
all this, and for the sins of the house of
Israel: what is the transgression of
Jacob? is it not Samaria and what
are the high places of Judah? are they
not Jerusalem?
6 Therefore I will make Samaria
an heap of the field, and as plantings
of a vineyard and I will spread downe the
stones thereof into the valley, and I
will uncover the foundations thereof.
7 And all the graven images thereof
shall be burnt to pieces, and all the
hires thereof shall be burnt with the
fire, and all the idols thereof will I pay
deolate: for the gathered it of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of
an harlot.
8 Therefore I will waite and houte,

I will goe stark and naked: I will
make a howling like the dragons,
and mourning as the oxides.
9 For her wound is incurable, for it is
come into Judah: he is come into the
gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.
10 Declare ye it not at Beth
deepe: yeere not at all: In the house of
Ephraim a scold thy selfe in the bull.
11 Paffe yeel way thy inhabitant
of Sypher, having thy shame naked,
the inhabitant of Zaanam came not
forth in the mourning of Bethuel, he
shall receve of you his standing.
12 For the inhabitant of Beershaba
waited carefully for good, but euel
came downe from the LORD into the
gate of Jerusalem.
13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish,
bond the chariot to the swift beast: the is
the beginning of the sume to the daugh
ter of Zion: for the transgressions of
Israel were found in thee.
14 Therefore shall thou give presents
to Bethshemesh - Beth: the houses of
Abish shall he a lie to shinges of Israel.
15 Per bar I bang an heere into thee,
O inhabitant of Dedanah: he shall
come into Abundant, the glory of Israel.
16 Make the bald, and pollse them for
thy delicate children, enlarge the bald
nese as the Eagle, for they are gone up

to captaine from thee.

CHAP. II.
1 Against oppression. 4 A lamentation. 7 A
reproof of iniquitie and idolatry. 12 A
reprove of restoring Jacob.

We to them that deuife
iniquitie, and looke cuill
upon their beds: When
the morning is light, they
pance it, because it is in
the power of their hand.
And they courted fields and take them by violence: and houses, and take them away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.

Therefore thus saith the Lord: Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go hastily: for this time is evil.

In that day shall one take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, and say, We be utterly spoiled: her heart changed the portion of my people: how hast he removed it from me: turning away her path amid our fields.

Therefore thou shalt have none that shall call a good by lot in the congregation of the Lord.

Prophesy ye not, say they to them that prophesie: they shall not prophesy to them, that they shall not take shame.

O thou that art named the house of Jacob, is the Spirit of the Lord [construed] and are these his doings: doeth not my words do good to him that walketh righteously?

Even of late, my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment, so that they pass by fearfully, as men auru les from Warre.

The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses, from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.

Arise ye and depart, for this is not your rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy you even with a false destruction.

If a man walking in the spirit and falsehood, doe say, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drinke, he shall even be the prophet of this people.

I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee: I will surely gather the remnant of Israel, I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flocke in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of them.

The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it, and their king that passeth before them, the Lord on the head of them.

CHAP. III.

1. The cruelty of the Princes. 5. The fallhood of the Prophets. 8. The security of them both.
The glory of the Church.

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The Glory, 3 Peace, 8 Kingdom, 11 and Victoria of the Church.

But "in the last days it that 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 pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But they shall every man beget his vine, and every man 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 in the name of the God, and they will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

6 In that day, saith the Lord, will I assemble him that is scattered among the nations, and gather her that is abroad, and will name her the children of Israel; and they shall return unto the land of Zion.

7 And I will make her that is despised, a remnant; and she that was cast forth, a strong nation; and the LORD shall reign over them, in Mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

8 And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, upon thee shall it come; even the first dominion, the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Hold up thy hand that seekest out the rock, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou be in travail, and bear children.

10 Wherein pain and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon: there shalt thou be delivered: there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say: Let her be defiled, let our eye look upon Zion.

12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he saith: he shall gather them as the honeycomb into the floor.

CHAP. V.

The birth of Christ. 4 His Kingdom. 8 His conquest.

In that day shall the Branch of the LORD stand up, and he shall set up the tabernacle of David, and put it in Jerusalem.

2 In that day shall the Branch of the LORD be beautiful, and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be exalted, and the work of righteousness shall be peace.

3 Therefore will the Lord wait, that he may be gracious unto us, and therefore will the Lord wait to shew mercy, and therefore will he exalt himself, even for ever.

4 And his name shall be called: The Branch, and the Prince of Peace; a rod of righteousness; and in righteousness shall he judge the poor of the people; and he shall smite the root of the serpent, and the serpent shall be broken.

5 And the root of Jacob shall be a branch, and he shall grow up out of the earth, and out of Jesse shall shoot forth; and he shall come up out of the root of Jesse, and out of his roots shall spring up, and his shoots shall spread abroad.

6 And the root of Jacob shall be a branch, and he shall grow up out of the earth; and out of Jesse shall shoot forth, and out of his roots shall spring up; and his shoots shall spread abroad.

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 GODS CONTROVERSE.

Chap. VI.

And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the children of many people, as a dew from the Lord; for he will bless him, and bless him with the boons of men.

And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the children of many people, as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flock of sheep.

Then shall he walk abundantly, and his enemies shall be in tribulation, and all his enemies shall be cut off.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall cut off the enemies of Jacob out of the midst of thee, and shall destroy thy enemies.

And I will cut off the cities of thy border, and thou shalt have no more Southsages.

And I will cut off witchcrafts out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy sorceries.

And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy cities.

And I will execute vengeance in anger, and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.

CHAP. VII.

1 The Church complaining of her small number, and the generall corruption, set them to the test, and in man but in God.

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De is mee, so I am as when they have gathered the simmer fruets, as the grape glemings of the vintagge, there is no cluster to eate: my solue defire the first ripe fruit.

2. The * good man is pinest out of the earth, and there is none brighte among men: they all lie in waite for blood: they smite every man his brother with a net.

3. That they may doe evil with both hands earnestly, the prince at first, and the judge asketh for a reward: and the great man, he besteth his instrucions desire: so they wrap vp it by.

4. The best of men is as a vye: the most bright is sharper then a hone hedge: the day of thy watchmen, and thy buitation commeth, nay, shall be their perpetuity.

5. Crueltie not in a friend, but ye not confidence in a guide: keepe the doooes of thy mouth from her that be eth in thy boleme.

6. For the sone dishonoureth the father: the daughter riseth up against her mother: the daughter in law against her mother in law: a mans enemies are the men of his owne houle.

7. Therefore I will seek out you the Lord: I will waite for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

8. I will avoyce not against mee, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise: when I lie in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me.

9. I will heare the indignation of the Lord, because I have sinned against him, untill he plead my cause, and execute judgement for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousnesse.

10. Then the she that is mine enemy shall see: and shame shall cover her: which falleth unto me: there is where is the Lord thy God: mine eyes shall behold her: now shall I see the bea red bone, as the myre of the streets.

11. In the day that thy walles are to be built, in that day shall the beare bee farre removed.

12. In that day also he that come eueth to thee from Assyria, and from the fortified cities, and from the stronge eueth to the river, and from Sea to Sea, and from montaine to montaine:

13. Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

14. I will feede thy people with thy rod, the stork of styne heritage, which dwelleth loathly in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feede in Bashan, and Gilead, as in the daies of old.

15. According to the daies of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew thee mercies.

16. The nations shall see, and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth: their cares shall be deale.

17. They shall take the dust like a serpent, they shall mone out of their holes like: worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the Lord our God, and shall fear because of thee.

18. Who a God like unto thee, that pardonneeth 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 utter againe, he will have compassion upon us: he will subdue our iniquities, and thou wilt eate all their times into the depths of the Sea.

20. Thou wilt performe the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the daies of old.

NAHUM.
The burden of Nineveh.

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CHAP. I.

The Maitie of God, in goodnesse to his people, and furious against his enemies.

The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkaphite.

1. God is jealous, and the LORD revengeth: the LORD revengeth, and is furious: the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he refracteth wrath to his enemies.

2. 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 storme, and the clouds are the dubs of his feet.

3. He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and bretheth by all the runners: Babylon languishteth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languishteth.

4. The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burnt at his presence, yea the boleth and all that dwell therein.

5. Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fiercenesse of his anger? his fierce is like the fire of Lebanon, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

6. The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; he knoweth them that trust in him.

7. But with an over-running flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkeness shall pursue his enemies.

8. What doc ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise by the second time.

9. For while they be folded together as thomes, and while they are drunken as vintners, they shall be devoured as shaddub fully due.

10. There is one come out of the north, that imagineth evil against the LORD: a wicked counsellor.

11. 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.

12. For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.

13. And the LORD hath given a commandement concerning thee, That no more of thy name be called out of the house of thy gods shall I cut off the glorious image, and the molten image, I will make thy graven, thou shalt be vile.

14. Behold upon the mountains the feete of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace: O Judah keep thy solemn feasts, performe thy vows:

15. For the LORD hath turned a way the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emperors have emplotted them out, and marred their bire branches.

16. The shield of his mighty men is made red, the bannians men are in lacer: the charers shall bee with flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fire trees shall bee terribly shaken.

17. The charers shall rage in the streets, they shall utter one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall runne like the lightnings.
The destruction of Nineueh.

5. They shall recount his violes; they shall stumble in their walk: they shall make haste to the wall thereof: and the defence shall be prepared.

6. The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.

7. And Babylon shall be led away captive, the daughter of Babylon shall be brought forth by her mates; as with the spoor of the oxen, the daughter of the city shall be drawn therewith.

8. But Nineueh is as oile like a doole of water: yet they shall see away. Stand, stand shall they cry: but none that looke backe.

9. Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoyle of gold: for there is none end of the spoile, and glory out of all the pleasant furniture.

10. She is empe, and doile, and walke, and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much paine is in all loynes, and the faces of them all gather blackemne.

11. Where is the dwelling of the Lions, and the feeding place of the yong Lion? where the Lion, even the yong Lion walked, and the Lion whelpes, and none made them afraid.

12. The Lion did trake in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his Lionesses, and filled his holes with pay, and his dens with raume.

13. Behold, I am against thee, saith the Lord of hosts, and I will burne her charites in the fire, and the wood shall devour thy yong Lions, and I will sett off the pay from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.

CHAP. III.

The miserable ruine of Nineueh.

Woe to thee, O bloody City, it is full of eyes and tabberce, the pay departeth not.

2. The nose of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheeles, and of the pauming hoises, and of the lumping charites.

3. The horseman lutfeth on both his bright blood, and the glittering speare, and there is a multitude of slaine, and a great number of cartesles: and there is none ende of their coples: they stumble upon their coples.

4. Because of the multitude of the whordeomes of the wel-favoured harlot, the mistreese of witcheresses, that setteth nations through her whordeomes, and families through her witcheresses.

5. Behold, I am against thee, saith the Lord of hosts, and I will distoure thy cities upon thy face, and I will thy nations thy nakedesse, and the kingdomes thy name.

6. And I will cast abomnaible smite upon thee, and make thee thee, and will let thee as a gaing blocke.

7. And it shall come to passe, that all they that looke upon thee, shall see thee, and say, Nineueh is layde walke, who will bemoane her? wherin shall I see comforters for thee?

8. Are thou better then populous No, that was someone among the rivers that had the waerers round about it, whose rampart was the sea, and her wall was from the sea?

9. Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, and it was immu. But and Lubi were thy helpers.

10. Per was she carried away: she went into captivity: her yong children also were dashed in pieces at the top of all the trees: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chaines.

11. Thou allso shalt be drunken: thou shalt bee hid, thou allso shalt see strength because of the enemie.

12. All the strong holds shall be like fig trees with the first ripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.

13. Behold, thy people in the midst of thee are women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open to thee enemies, the fire shall devour thy barres.

14. Daub the waerers for the siege: fortis thy strong holds, go into clay, and tread the mater: make strong thy bulke hill.

15. There shall the fire devour thee: the wood shall cut thee off: it shall eate thee like the cankerworne: make thy selfe many as the cankerworne, make thy selfe many as the loughts.

16. Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the barres of heaven: the cankerworne spighteth a skie away.

17. The rounded are as the loughts, and the captains as the great grasshoppers which came in the hedges in the cords.
The iniquity of Habakkuk.

**CHAP. I.**

1. Vnto Habakkuk, complaining of the iniquity of the land, 15 is the word of a fearful vengeance by the Caldeans. 1 Hee complayneth, that vengeance should be executed by them who are faire worse.

2. O Lord, how long shall I criе, and thou wilt not heare? even cry out unto thee of violence, and thou wilt not save.

3. Why dost thou show me iniquity? causeth me to behold grievance; for spoiling and violence are before me: and there are that raie by strake and contention.

4. Therefore the Lorde is slacke, and judgement doeth not proceed: for the wicked doeth compass about the righteous: therefore judgoment 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.

6. For loe, I raise up the Caldeans, that bitter and hatefull nation, which shall march through the breadth of the land, to pos sess the dwelling places that are not theirs.

7. They are terrible and dreadful; their judgement and their dignity that proceed of themselfes.

8. Their hordes also are smother then the leopards, and are more fierce then the morning wolves: 9 their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from farre, they shall fly as the Eagle that hangeth to eate.

9. They shall come all fo r violence: 10 their faces shall slip vp as the East bounde, and they shall gather the captiuitie as the land.

10. And they shall scoate at the Kings, and the Princes shall be a scoate upon them: they shall berde every strong holde, for they shall heape bulks vp taketh.

11. Then shall his minde change, and he shall passe over, and offend, impuring his hand against his God.

12. Art thou not from everlasting, O Lord my God, mine holy one? we shall not die: O Lord, thou hast ordained them for judgement, and O mighty God, thou hast established them for correction.

13. Thou art of purer eyes then to behold evil, and canst not looke on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, and holdest thy tongue when the wicked devour eth the man that is more righteous then hee:

14. And makest men as the fishes of the Sea, as the creeping things, that have no ruler over them.

15. They take vp by all them by the angle; they catch them in their net, and gather them in their bagge: therefore they recover and are glad.

16. Therefore they sacrifice into their net, and burne incense into their dag: because by them their portion is fat, and their mea pleasants.

17. Shall they therefore empece their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

**CHAP. II.**

1. Vnto Habakkuk, waiting for an answer, is the word that he must wite by faith. 3 The judgement upon the Caldean for untrustable, 9 for countoufneffe, 12 for crueltie, 15 for drunkenneffe, 18 for idolatry.
Stones shall cry. Habakkuk. Woe to idolaters.

Habakkuk in his prayer, trembly in God's Majestic. 17. The confidence of his faith.

A Prayer of Habakkuk the prophet, upon the waters.

2 O LORD, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O LORD, renew thy works in the midst of the seas, in the midst of the seas make known: in wrath remember mercy.

3 God came from Teman, and the holy one from mount Paran. 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 head, 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 made it fast: the plain of the people.

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 his anger against the rivers; was his wrath against the sea, that he did ride upon the rivers of the sea, and his chloris of salvation; his chariots of salvation: his chariots were made like a whirlwind to terrify the enemies of the Lord. Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers. 10 The mountains saw thee, and they trembled: the overfowling 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; the skies also were overflown at the noise of the children: for the Lord went out from Sion, he sounded with his voice, and smote mighty ones. 12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst trample the heathen in anger. 13 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, even for salvation with thine anointed: thou didst wound the head out of the house of the wicked, by dismembering the foundation of the nether world. Selah. 14 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind, to scatter me, and to devour the poor of my people. 15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the midst 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 upon the people, he will rend them with his power. 17 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be on the vines; the labour of the vine shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no knowledge in the streets: yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will glory in the God of my salvation. 18 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 upon my stringed instruments.

ZEPHANIAH.

CHAP. I.

Gods sever judgement against Judah for divers sinnes.

The word of the Lord which came unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hilkiah, in the days of Josiah, the son of Amon, king of Judah. 2 I will utterly consume all things from off the land, saith the Lord. 3 I will consume man and beast: I will consume the fowls of the heaven and the fishes of the sea, and the trembling blocks with the wicked, and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the Lord. 4 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, and the name of the Cherubims with the princes: 5 And them that worship the hosts of heaven upon the house tops, and them that worship, and that swear by the Lord, and that swear by Baal; 6 And them that are turned backe from the Lord, and those that have not sought the Lord, nor enquired for him; 7 Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord God, for the day of the Lord is at hand: for the Lord hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath bid his guests. 8 And it shall come to passe in the day of the Lord's sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the kings children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel. 9 In the same day also will I punish all
all those that leap on the threshold, which fill their masters houses with violence and death.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that there shall be the wail of cry from the 6th gate, and an howling from the second, and a great earthquake from the hills.

11 Double yee inhabitants of Hattin, for all the merchant people are cut down, all they that bear silver are cut off.

12 And it shall come to pass at that time, that I will search Jerusalem with candles, and punish the men that are set on their legs, that sit in their heart, The LORD will not be good, neither will he doe good.

13 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they shall also build houses, but not inhabit them, and They shall plant vineyards, but not drink the dute thereof.

14 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hath come near, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of desolation and mourning, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness;

16 A day of the trumpet and alarme against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD, and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

18 Neither their silver nor their golde shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORDS wrath, but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy idmorance of all them that dwell in the land.

CHAP. II.

1 An exhortation to repentance.

4 The judgement of the Philistines, 8 Of Moab and Ammon, 12 Of Ethiopia and Alasyria.

2 Before the decree bring forth, before the day

passe as the chasse, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORDS anger come upon you.

3 Seek ye the LORD all ye meek, of the earth, which have wrought his judgment, seek righteousnesse, seek meeknesse: it may be, ye shall be hid in the day of the LORDS anger.

4 For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noone day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.

5 Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast: the nation of the Cherelettes, the word of the LORD is against you: O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.

6 And the sea coast shall be diblings and cottages for shepherds, and foldes for flocks.

7 And the coast shall bee for the remnant of the house of Judah, they shall dwell thereupon, in the house of Ashkelon that they lie doe upon the evening: for the LORD of their God shall blast them, and turne away their captivity.

8 I have heard the reproach of Moab, and the revillegings of the children of Ammon, whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified them selves against their border.

9 Therefore, as I live, saith the LORD of holies, the God of Israel, surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, even the breeding of nettles, and salt pits, and a perpetual desolation, the residue of my people shall spoil them, and the remnant of my people shall possess them.

10 Thus shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified themselves against the people of the LORD of holies.

11 The LORD will be terrible among 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.

12 CP Ethiopians also, ye shall boome by my word.

13 And he will stretch out his hand against the North, and destroy Alasyria, and will make Ninevice a desolation, and by like a desolation.

14 And stools shall lie bottom in the midst
The careless city. Chap. iii.

De to her that is, fithe and pollute, to the oppressing.

2 She oberneth the doctise: she receiveth not ejection: the cruel not in the Lord: she buildeth not neere to her God.

3 Her princes within her are roaring lions: her judges are evening wolves, they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

4 Her "prophets are light and treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done "violence to the Lamb.

5 The Lord in the midst thereof: he will not doe iniquity: every morning doeth he bring his judgments to light; he faileth not: but the unjust knoweth no shame.

6 I haue cut off the nations: their coveties are deplor, I made their streets waste, that none passeth by: there cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

7 I said, Surely thou wouldest fear me: thou wouldest receive instruction: so their dwelling should not be cut off, holy strange I punished them: but they rose early, & corrupted all their doings.

8 Therefore waite ye upon me, saith the Lord, untill the day that I rise up to the pay: for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms to pollue upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be denoured with the fire of my jealousy.

9 For then will I return to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the Lord, to serve him with one consent.

10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia, my suppliants, even the daughter of my people that bring mine offering.

11 In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughti because of mine holy mountain.

12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people: and they shall trust in the Name of the Lord.

13 The remnant of Israel shall not doe iniquity, nor speak lies: neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall see, and lie down, and none shall make them afraid.

14 C Sing, O daughter of Zion: thou, O Israel: be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

15 The Lord hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the King of Israel, even the Lord is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.

16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not; and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack.

17 The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty: he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will set in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

18 I will gather them that are forsook of the flock assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden.

19 Behold, at that time I will bring all that afflict thee, and I will slaye her that smoteth thee, and gather her that was bruised out, and I will get them praise and fame in every land, where they have beene put to shame.

20 At that time will I bring you againe: when I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turne backe your captaine before your eyes, saith the Lord.

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HAGGAI.

CHAP. I.

1. Haggai reproved the people for neglecting the building of the house. 7. He increateth them to the building. 12. He promiseth God, assistance to them being forward.

B In the second yeare of Darius the king, in the first month, in the first day of the month, the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying:

2. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, therefore the house of the LORD should be built.

3. Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying:

4. 1. Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

5. Ye haue sowe much, and bring in little; ye eate, but ye have not enough; ye drinke, but ye are not filled with drinke; ye clothe you, but there is none warme; and ye that earneth wages, earneth wages to put it into a bag, with holes.

6. Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

7. Goe up to the mountaine, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.

8. He looked for much, and loe it came to little; and when ye eate at home, I did blow upon it: why, saith the LORD of hosts, because of mine house that is waste, and ye runne every man into his owne house.

9. Therefore the heaven over you is shayed from dew, and the earth is seated from her fruit.

10. And I called for a drought upon the land and upon the mountaines, and upon the cresse, and upon the rees, and upon the olie, and upon that which the ground bringeth forth, upon men, and upon carrell, and upon all the labour of the hands.

12. Then Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and Joshua the sonne of Josedech the high priest, with all the remnant of the people obeyed the bosome of the LORD, their God, and the wordes of Haggai the prophet (as the spirit of the LORD was in him) and the people did feare before the LORD.

13. Then spake Haggai the LORD's messenger in the LORD's name, saying, I am with you, saith the LORD.

14. And the LORD stirred by the spirit of Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, governour of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the sonne of Josedech the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people, and they came and did worke in the house of the LORD of hostes their God:

15. In the four and twentieth day of the first month, in the second yeare of Darius the king.

CHAP. II.

1. He encourageth the people to the worke, by promise of greater glory to the second Temple, then was in the first. 10. In the type, of holy things and unclean, hee sheweth their sinses hindred the worke. 20. Gods promise to Zerubbabel.
A glorious house.

Chapter 1.

God's signet.

1. And the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,

2. Who is left among you that hath this house in his sight? And how do ye see it now? for it was not in your eyes in comparison of it, as nothing.

3. Verily now be strong, O Zerubbabel, the Lord is with thee; be strong, O Joshua, the Lord is with thee; be strong, all ye people of the land, and do the work; for I am with you, saith the Lord of hosts.

4. According to the word that I have covenanted with you, when ye came out of Egypt, so my Spirit remaineth among you. Fear ye not.

5. For thus saith the Lord of hosts: Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land.

6. And I will shake all nations, and the Desire of all Nations shall come, and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts.

7. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts.

8. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than that of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.

9. In the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, in the second year of Darius, the word of the Lord by Haggai the prophet, saying,

10. Thus saith the Lord of hosts:忧虑 concerning the land, saying,

11. If one heareth holy service in the gates of his garment, and with his head bare, touch his head, or coat; and if he eat any meat, shall it be holy? and the priest answereth and saith, No.

12. Then said Haggai, If one that is blemish be blemished by a blemish of any kind, and the priest answereth and saith, It shall be blemished.

13. Then answered Haggai, and said, So is this people, and so is this nation before me, saith the Lord, and so are every work of their hands, and that which they offer there, is blemished.

14. And now will I rent your corn and your wine and oil, saith the Lord, and I will make it as blemished; and I will make it as blemished; and I will make it as blemished.

15. And now will I rent your corn and your wine and oil, saith the Lord, and I will make it as blemished; and I will make it as blemished; and I will make it as blemished.

16. And the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying,

17. Thus saith the Lord: Consider ye the oblation of the congregation which is now in the land; for I, saith the Lord of hosts, have broken it to shreds: and, behold, what I have done is good, saith the Lord of hosts.

18. Consider ye the oblation of the congregation which is now in the land; for I, saith the Lord of hosts, have broken it to shreds: and, behold, what I have done is good, saith the Lord of hosts.

19. The seed shall yet enjoy the fruit of the field, saith the Lord; and the seed shall yet enjoy the fruit of the field, saith the Lord.

20. And again the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying,

21. Speak ye to Zerubbabel governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth.

22. And I will overthrow the throne of kings and the power of the earth, and I will overthrow the chariots, and will destroy the strength of the chariots, and the horsemen, and I will destroy the horsemen, and I will destroy the horsemen.

23. In that day, saith the Lord of hosts, shall there be a fountain opened to the house of David, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he shall say, Behold, my servant David, and the house of my father.
The vision of Zechariah.

CHAP. I.

1. Zechariah exhorteth to repentance. 7. The vision of the horses. 12. The prayer of the Angel, comfortable promises are made to Jerusalem. 18. The vision of the four homes, and the four Carpenters.

1. In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the Lord unto Zechariah, the son of Barachiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

2. The Lord hath bereaved me of my pleasure and joy.

3. Therefore, I will turn thee unto the Lord, and thou shalt turn me, saith the Lord of hosts.

4. Ye shall not bear the burden of your fathers, nor shall you be vexed with their woe.

5. Your fathers, whose are the prophets, did they not take holiness of the Lord of hosts?

6. But we have sinned in all things, and have obeyed your servants and done evil in your sight.

7. For upon the four and twentieth day of the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the Lord unto Zechariah, the son of Barachiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

8. I saw by night, and behold a man riding upon a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that were in the bottom, and behind him were there red horses, red and white.

9. Then said I, O my Lord, what are these? And the Angel that talked with me, said unto me, I will shew thee what these be.

10. And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered, and said, These are they, whom the Lord hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.

11. And they answered the Angel of the Lord, who stood among the myrtle trees, and said, We have walked to and fro through the earth, and behold, all the earth is restful, and is at rest.

12. Then the Angel of the Lord answered, and said, O Lord of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem, and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation these three and ten years?

13. And the Lord answered the Angel that talked with me, with good words and comfortable words.

14. So the Angel that communed with me, said unto me, Cry thus, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, I am jealous for Jerusalem, and for the temple with a great jealousy.

15. And I am very sore displeased with the heathen that are at ease: for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.

16. Therefore thus saith the Lord, I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, saith the Lord of hosts, and the line that was stretched forth upon Jerusalem.

17. Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad, and the Lord shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.

18. Then lift up mine eyes, and behold, four homes.

19. And I said unto the Angel that talked with me, whither are these? And he answered me, These are the homes which
A wall of fire. Chap. i. 11. Satan rebuked.

which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.

20 And the Lord shewed me soure carpenters.

21 Then said I, What cometh these to doe? And he spake, saying, These are the houses which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cut out the houses of the Gentiles, which lift up their home over the land of Judah to scatter it.

CHAP. II.

1 God in the care of Jerusalem fentineth to measure it. 6 The redemption of Zion. 10 The promise of God's presence.

If by mine eyes againe, and looked, and behold, a man with a measuring line in his hand.

2 Then said I, Whether goeth thou? And he saith unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see what is the breadth thereof, and what is the length thereof.

3 And behold, the angel that talked with me, went forth, and another angel went out to meete him:

4 And said unto him, Run, speake to this young man, saying: Jerusalem shall be inhabited as townes without walls, for the multitude of men shall dwell therein.

5 For, saith the Lord, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.

6 Go, go, come forth, and see from the land of the North, saith the Lord: For I have spread you abroad as the source vessels of the heaven, saith the Lord.

7 Delcher thy selfe, O Zion, that dwell with the daughter of Babylon.

8 For thus saith the Lord of hosts, After the glory hath he sent me into the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you, toucheth the apple of his eye.

9 For behold, I will shake mine hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their servants: and ye shall know that the Lord of hosts hath sent me.

10 Sing and rejoice, daughter of Zion: for loe, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord.

11 And many nations shall be turned to put to the Lord in that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the Lord of hostes hath sent me unto 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 saith, It is out of his holy habitation.

CHAP. III.

1 Under the type of Joshua, the restoration of the Church. 18 Christ the Branch is promised.

And he shewed me Joshua the high priest, standing before the Angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

2 And the Lord said unto Satan, The Lord rebuke thee, O Satan, even the Lord that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee, is not this abased out of the fire?

3 How Joshua was clothed with sithche garments, and stood before the Angel.

4 And he answered, and said unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the sithche garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caus'd thine iniquity to passe from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

5 And I said, Let them set a faire mure upon his head, so they set a faire mure upon his head, and clothed him with garments, and the Angel of the Lord stood by.

6 And the Angel of the Lord protested unto Joshua, saying,

7 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, If thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments, and thou wilt walk in my ways, and thou wilt keep my commandments.

8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou and thy fellows that stand before thee: for they be mine, and the congregation which I brought out of the land of Egypt: for theirs the sons, and for their families.

9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua: upon one stone shall be seven eyes, behold, I will engrave the graven thereof, saith the Lord.
of hastes, and I will remove the impiety of that land in one day.

10 In that day, saith the LORD of hastes, that ye call every man his neighbour under the bough and under the figge tree.

CHAP. III.

1 By the golden Candlesticke isFORESEEN the good successe of Zerubbabel's foundation. 11 By the two Olive trees the two anointed ones.

And the Angel that talked with me, came againe and waked me, as a man that is wakenned out of his sleep.

2 And said unto me, what seest thou; and I said, I have looked, and behold a Candlesticke all of golde, with a boulde upon the top of it, and his seven lampes thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lampes, which were upon the top thereof.

3 And two Olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the boulde, and the other upon the left side thereof.

4 So I answered and spake to the Angel that talked with me, saying: what art thou, my Lord?

5 Then the Angel that talked with me answered and said unto me: Knowest thou not what these be? and I said, No, my Lord.

6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying: This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying: Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hastes.

7 Who art thou, O great mountaines before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plane, and he shall bring forth the head stone thereof with shoutings, crying: Grace, grace unto it.

8 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying:

9 The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house: his hands (shall also find it), and thou shalt know that the Lord of hastes hath sent me unto you.

10 For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice and shall see the plumbline in the hand of Zerubbabel with those feates: they are the eyes of the Lord, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

11 Then answered I, and said unto him: what are these two Olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick, and upon the left side thereof?

12 And I answered againe and said unto him: What be these two Olive branches, which are through the two golden pipes empty the golden oyle out of themselves?

13 And he answered me and said: Knowest thou not what these be? and I said, No, my Lord.

14 Then said he: These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

CHAP. V.

1 By the flying roule, is LEVEN the curse of Theues and Swarers. 5 By a woman pressed in an Ephah, the small damnation of Babylon.

Then I turned, and left by mine eyes, and looked, and beheld a flying roule.

2 And he said unto me, what seest thou; and I answered, I see a flying roule, the length thereof is Twenty cubites, and the breadth thereof Ten cubites.

3 Then said he unto me, This is the curse, that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for every one that sealeth 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.

4 I will bring it forth, saith the LORD of hastes, and it shall enter into the house of the Theue, and into the house of him that liueth solitely by my name: and it shall remaine in the midst of his house, and shall consume it, with the timber thereof, and the stones thereof.

5 Then the Angel that talked with me, went forth and laid it unto me, Left by now these eyes, and see what is this that goeth forth.

6 And I said, What is it? and he said, This is an Ephah that goeth forth. She said moreover, This is their resemblance through all the earth.

7 And behold, there was set by a talent of lead: and this is a woman that liueth in the midst of the Ephah. 8 And he said, This is Ambrose, and he calleth it the midst of the Ephah, and he calleth the weight of lead by on the mouth thereof.

9 Then Japhiel by nine eyes, and looked, and beheld, there came out two women, and the vultures was in their wings (for they had wings like the wings of a bat) and they lift up the Ephah before the earth and the heavens.  
10 Then saide I to the Angel that talked with me, Whether do these bear the Ephah?  
11 And he said unto me, To build it an house in the land of Shinar, and it shall be established, and set there upon her own base.

CHAP. VI.
The vision of the four chariots. 9 By the crownes of Jophia, is shewed the Temple and Kingdome of Christ the Branch.

And I turned, and lift by nine eyes, and looked, and beheld, there came four chariots out from between two mountains, and the mountains were mountains of brass.  
2 In the first chariot were red horses, and in the second chariot, black horses.  
3 And in the third chariot white horses, and in the fourth chariot grizzled and bay horses.  
4 Then I answered, and said unto the Angel that talked with me, What are these, my Lord?  
5 And the Angel answered and said unto me, These are four spirits of the heavens, which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth.  
6 The black horses which are in, goe forth into the North country, and the white goe forth after them, and the grizzled goe forth toward the South country.  
7 And the haye went forth, and fough to goe, that they might walke to and fro through the earth: and he said, Set ye hence. Walke to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and fro through the earth.  
8 Then cried he upon me, and spake unto me, saying, Behold, they three that goe toward the North country, have quitted my spirit, in the North country.  
9 And the vord of the Lord came vnto me, saying,  
10 Take thou of them of the captiuitie, even of Helban, of Libnah, and of Jehoiachin, which are come from Babylon, and come thou on the same day, and go into the house of Jophia the son of Zephaniah.

11 Then take silver, and golde, and make crownes, and set them upon the head of Joshua the sonne of Johanan, the high priest.  
12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, saying, Behold, the man whose name is BRACHIAH, and he shall groove by out of his place, and he that buildeth the Temple of the Lord:  
13 Even he shall build the temple of the Lord, and he shall beareth the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne, and he shall be a priest upon his throne, and the counsell of peace shall be be between them both.  
14 And the crownes shall be to his head, and to Zophiah, and to Jedaiah, and to the house of Zephaniah for a memorial, in the Temple of the Lord.  
15 And they that are farre off, shall come and build in the Temple of the Lord, and ye shall know that the Lord of hostes hath sent me vnto you. And this shall come to passe, if ye will diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God.

CHAP. VII.
The captives enquire of fasting. 4 Zechariah reproacheth their fasting. 8 Sune the cause of their captiuitie.

And it came to passe in the fourth yeere of King Darius, that the vord of the Lord came vnto Zechariah in the fourth day of the ninth moneth, even in Chislev.  
2 When they had sent unto the house of God, Sherezer and Regem-melech, and their men to pray before the Lord,  
3 And to speake vnto the priests, which were in the house of the Lord of hostes, and to the prophets, saying, Should I speake these many yeeres?  
4 And then came the vord of the Lord of hostes vnto me, saying,  
5 Speak vnto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When ye fasted and mourned in the first and seventh moneth, even those seuentie yeeres; did ye at all fast unto me, even to me?  
6 And when ye did eat, and when ye did drinke, did not ye eat for your felues, and did ye drink for your felues?

* Chap. 2:4  
1 Or, branch up from under him.

* 2 Chr. 3:7.  
* Is. 38:3.

* Or, etc. ye that are.
Rebellious people. Zechariah. The lewes restored.

7. "Should ye nor heare the wordes, which the Lord hath cried by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited, and in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when men inhabited the South of the planet?"

8. "And the word of the Lord came into Zechariah, saying:"n
9. "Thus saith the Lord of holies, saying, execute true judgement, and hold mercy and compassion every man to his brother.

10. "And oppress not the widow, nor the fatherlesse, the stranger, nor the poore, and let none of you imagine euill against his brother in your heart.

11. "But they refused to heareken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not heare.

12. "Pea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should heare the Law, and the wordes which the Lord of holies hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets; therefore came a great wrath from the Lord of holies.

13. "Therefore it is come to passe, that as he cried, and they would not heare, so they cried, and I would not heare, saith the Lord of holies.

14. "But I scattered them with a whirlwind among all the nations, whom they knew not: thus the land was desolate after them, that no man passed through, nor returned: so they layed the pleasant land desolate.

CHAP. VIII.

1. The restoracion of Jerusalem. 9. They are encourage to the building by Gods fauour to them. 16. Good works are required of them. 18. Joy and enlargement are promis'd.

As the word of the Lord of holies came to me, saying:

2. "Thus saith the Lord of holies; I was zealous for Zion, with great zealoste; and I was zealous for her with greatcure.

3. "Thus saith the Lord, I am returned into Zion, and will dwell in the midde of Jerusalem, and Jerusalem shall be called a City of truth, and the Mountaine of the Lord of holies, the holy Mountaine.

4. "Thus saith the Lord of holies;

There shall yet old men, and old women, dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staffe in his hand for very age.

And the streets of the citie shall be full of boyses and girls playing in the streets thereof.

Thus saith the Lord of holies, If it bee marrieous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, shoulde it also bee marrieous in my eyes, faith the Lord of holies?

Thus saith the Lord of holies, Behold, I will faue my people from the East country, and from the West country.

And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midde of Jerusalem, and they shall be my people, and I will see their God, in truth and in righteousness.

9. Thus saith the Lord of holies, Let your handes be strong, ye that heare in these dayes, these wordes by the mouth of the prophets, which were in the day that the foundation of the house of the Lord of holies was laid, that the Temple might be built.

10. "For before these dayes there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast, neither was there any peace to bane that went out, or came in, because of the affliccion: so I let all men, every one a gaine his neighbour.

11. "But now I will not see into the residue of this people, as in the former days, saith the Lord of holies.

12. "For the Lord shalbe prosperous; the time shall give her fruit, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew, and I will send the remnant of this people to possess all these things.

13. And it shall come to passe, that as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel, so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, but let your handes be strong.

14. Thus saith the Lord of holies, As I thought to punishe you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath, saith the Lord of holies, and I repented not:

15. So againe have I thought in these dayes to doe well into Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.

16. These are the things that ye shall

17 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour, and trow no false oath; for all these things that I hate, saith the LORD.

18 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, The fast of the fourth month, and the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and thankfulness: therefore love the truth and peace.

20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, If it be yet come upon thee, that thou shouldest come, one city, and the inhabitants of many cities.

21 And the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the LORD, and to seek the face of the LORD of hosts: I will go also.

22 Plead many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.

23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.

C H A P. IX.

1 God defendeth his Church. 9 Zion is exorted to rejoice for the coming of Christ, and his peaceable Kingdom; 12 God promises of Victory and Defence.

The burden of the word of the LORD in the land of Hidsterach, and Damascus shall be the rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, shall be toward the LORD.

2 And Danas shall be border thereby; Lyues and Zidon, though it be very wilde.

3 And Lyues did build her selfe a strong hold, and heaped up the bulwark, and fine golde as the myre of the streets.

4 Behold, the Lord will call her out, and he will smite her powder in the sea.

and the shall be devoured with fire.

5 Athleron shall see it, and fear, and Saca also shall see it, and be very sore full, and Ekron: for her expectation shall be ashamed, and the king shall perish from Saca, and Athleron that not inhabited.

6 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.

7 And I will take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from betweene his teeth: but he that remaineth, even he shall be for our God, and he shall be as a governor in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.

8 And I will encamp about nine house because of the armie, because of him that passed by, and because of him that returned: and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes.

9 Rejoice greatly, Daughter of Zion; shout Daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is tbus, and fauing salvation, lollip, and rising upon an affe, and upon a toit, the boale of an affe.

10 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem: and the battle bow shall cut off, and he shall speak peace into the heasthen, and his dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the River, even to the ends of the earth.

11 As for thee also, by the blood of thy Covenant, I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit, wherein is no water.

12 C Turn ye to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope, even to day doe I declare that I will render double unto thee:

13 When I have bent Judah to me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised by thy bones O Zion, against thy bones, O Greece, and made thee as the wood of a mighty man.

14 And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall goe forth as the lightning: and the Lord God shall blow the trumpet, and shall goe with whirlwinds of the South.

15 The LORD of hosts shall bend them, and they shall be devoured, and subdue with horse stones, and they shall drink and make a noize, as through wine, and they shall be filled like bowls, and as the corners of the altar.

16 And
Corner, naile, &c. Zechariah.

Two chaues.

16 And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people; for they shall be as the stones of a brooke lifted up by an enigne upon his land.

17 For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beautie; come shall make the yong men cheerful, and new dune the nudes.

CHAP. X.

1. God is to be sought unto, and not idoles. As he visited his flocke for sinne, so he will save and reforse them.

She see of the LORD came in the time of the latter raine, to the LORD that maketh bright clouds, and giveth them showers of rain, to every one grasse in the field.

2. For the idoles have broken batonie, and the dunerun have seere a lye, and haue tolde false dreames; they confest in vaine; therefore they went their way as a flocke they were troubled because there was no shepheard.

3. One anger was hanged against the shepheardes, and I smitethe shepheardes; for the LORD of hoothee hath visited his shepheard the houte of Judah, and hath made them as his goody hoot in the battell.

4. Out of sune came forth the corner, out of him the naile, out of him the battell both, out of him every oppressor together.

5. And they shall bee as mightie men which treade doone in their enemies, in the way of the streets in the battell, and in the waye of the streets in the battell, and they shall fight because the LORD is with them, and the riders on horses shall be confounded.

6. And I will strenthen the houte of Judah, and I will save the houte of Joseph, and I will bring them againe to place them; for I have merce upon them; and they shall be as though I had not call them off; for I am the LORD their God, I will heare them.

7. And they of Ephraim shall be like amanakeman, and their heart shall rejoice as through wine; yea, their children shall rejoice, and be glad, their heart shall rejoice in the LORD.

8. I will hisse for them and gather them; for I have redeemed them: and they shall increas as they have increas.

9. And I will sow them among the people, and they shall remember me in forenations, and they shall live with their children, and turme againe.

10. I will bring them againe also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria, and I will budge them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon, and place shall not be found for them.

11. And he shall passe through the sea with affliction, and shall smite the dunes in the Sea, and all the deepes of the river shall drye up: and the pride of Assyria shall be brought downe, and the speker of Egypt shall depart away.

12. And I will strengthen them in the LORD, and they shall walke by and doone in his name, saith the LORD.

CHAP. XI.

1. The definition of Jerusalem. The elect being caryed for, the rest are rejected. The stetes of worship and lands broken by the rejection of Christ. The Type and cure of a fool in shephearde.

Pence thy boothes, O Leba-
non, that the fire may de-
stroure the cedar.

2. Hsupe shepheard, for the cedar is fallen, because all the mighty are spoiled; holde yor-
nee ofes of Bashan, for the forrest of the hootage is some doone.

3. There is a bosome of the hootage of the shepheardes: for their glory is bo-
ved: a boose of the roaring of young bo-
sons, so the pride of Iudah is spoiled.

4. Thus saith the LORD my God: Feede the shepheard of the slaughter:

5. Whose possessours lay them, and hold themselves not guitle: and they that fell the lay, Blessed be the LORD; for I am rich: and their owne shep-
heardes bite them not.

6. For I will no more pitie the inhabi-
trants of the land, but I will uerre the men 
one to his neighbours hand, and into 
the hand of his King, and they shall 
smite the land, and out of their hand I 
will not deluer them.

7. And I will feede the shepheard of 
slaughter, even you, O poore of the 
shocke: and I tooke unto me two staines, the one I called Beautie, and the other 
I called Godes, and I fed the 
shocke.

8. Three

8 These shepheardes also I cut off in one moneth, and my soule loathed them, and their soule also abhorred me.

9 Then said I, I will not feede you: that that dieth, let it die: and that is to be cut off, let it be cut off, and let the ruff eate, every one the flesh of another.

10 And I tooke my staffe, even Beacute, and cut it asunder, that I might breake my covenant which I had made with all the people.

11 And it was broken in that day: and so the poore of the shepheard that was upon me, knew that it was the word of the LORD.

12 And I said vnto them, If ye thinke good, give me your price: and if not, loe: heare to them that weighed for my price thirtie pieces of siluer.

13 And the LORD said vnto me, Cast it vnto the potter: a goodly price, that I was paked at of them. And I tooke the thirtie pieces of siluer, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.

14 Then I cut asunder nine other staffes, even 10 bands, that I might break the brotherhood betweene Judah and Israel.

15 And the LORD said vnto me, Take vnto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepheard.

16 For loe, I will raise vp a shepheard in the land, which shall not bisse thare that bee cut off, neither shall hee leke the vng one, nor heale that is broken, nor seeke that is wandareth: but hee shall eate the flesh of the far, and tearre their clades in pieces.

17 Woe to the idoll shepheard that leaueth the flocke: the wood (shall be vp) on his acorne, and vpon his right eye: his acorne shall be cleane dried vp, and his right eye shall be vterly darkened.

CHAP. XII.

1 Jerusalem a cup of trembling to her selfe, and a burden some stone to her aduertisaries. The victorious retoruing of Judah. The repentance of Jerusalem.

The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.

2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem.

3 And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burden some stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it, shall be cut in pieces; though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

4 In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every house with astonishment, and his rider with madness, and I will open mine eyes vpon the house of Judah, and will smite every house of the people with blindness.

5 And the governors of Judah shall lay in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem shall be my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.

6 In that day will I make the governors of Judah like a hart of fire among the wood, and like a roe of fier in a thicket; and they shall bruere all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited againe in her owne place, even in Jerusalem.

7 The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David, and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnifie themselves against Judah.

8 In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as Dauid, and the house of Dauid shall be as God, as the Angel of the LORD before them.

9 And it shall come to passe in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jeru

10 And I will powre vpownde the house of Dauid, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit of grace and of supplications, and they shall looke vp on me whom they have peached, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only sonne, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his first borne.

11 In that day shall there bee a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimon in the valley of Hecedon.

12 And the land that mourneth, every familie

familie apart, the familie of the house of David apart, and their duties apart, the familie of the house of Nathan apart, and their duties apart:
13 The familie of the house of Levi apart, and their duties apart: the familie of Shimei apart, and their duties apart:
14 All the families that remaine, every family apart, their duties apart.

CHAP. XIII.

1 The fountain of purification for Jerusalem, from idolatrie, and false prophecy.
2 The death of Christ, and the trial of a third part of that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sinne, and so for uncleanesse.

2 And it shall come to passe in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land: and they shall be no more remembered: and also I will save the prophets, and the vulture spirit to passe out of the land.

3 And it shall come to passe that when any shall ye prophetic, then his father and his mother that begat him, shall say unto him, Dost thou not see how thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother, that begat him, shall smite him through when he prophesieeth.

4 And it shall come to passe in that day, that the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesieed: neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceie.

5 But he shall say, I am no prophet, I am an husbandman: for man taught me to keepe cattle from my youth.

6 And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer: These wounds which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

7 O wake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that is my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheare shall scatter: and I will turne mine hand upon the little ones.

8 And it shall come to passe, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off, and die, but the third shall be left therin.

9 And I will bring the thirde part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined: and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call upon my Name, and I will heare them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.

CHAP. XIII.

1 The destroyers of Jerusalem, destroyed. 4 The coming of Christ, and the graces of his kingdom. 11 The plague of Jeremiah's enemies. 16 The remnant shall turne to the Lord, and their spoile shall be holy.

Beshode, the day of the LORD commeth, and the spoile shall be divided in the midst of thee.

2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken, and the houses ridded, and the women rained, and halfe of the city shall goe forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

3 Then shall the LORD goe forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleere in the midst thereof toward the east, and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley, and halfe of the Mountain shall remove toward the north, and halfe of it toward the south.

5 And ye shall see the valley of the mountains: for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall see it like as ye saw it before the *earthquake in the days of Uzziiah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the Saints with thee.

6 And it shall come to passe in that day, that the light shall not be cleare, nor dark.

7 But it shall be one day, which shall be known to the LORD, not day nor night: but it shall come to passe at evening time it shall lighte.

8 And it shall be in that day, that the unye waters shall goe out of Jerusaleme: halfe of them toward the former Sea, and halfe of them toward the hinder Sea: in Summer and in Winter shall it be.
Against the enemies of Jerusalem.

9 And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.

10 All the land shall be turned as a plaine from Geba towards Ramnun, even to Satah, and all the land shall be inhabited; and no beast shall be thither, nor shall there be any thorn there.

11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction: but Jerusalem shall be safe and holy.

12 And the Lord shall be the God of all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.

13 And it shall come to pass, that in the day that the Lord shall give you rest from your enemies round about, in that day shall the king set himself to the altar of the Lord his God, and make an hypothesis thereto.

14 And Judah shall build an altar to the Lord, and gather of the posterity of Jacob to one place, and there they shall offer sacrifices upon the altar of the Lord their God.

15 And there shall be no more the Canaanite in the midst of you, nor the Philistine, nor he that makes his way northward, nor he that dwells southward; but they shall be for servants to you, and they shall serve you, because the Lord shall be there among you, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

MALACHI.

CHAP. I.

1 Malachi complained of Israel's wickedness.

3 And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.

5 And they shall be for servants to you, and they shall serve you, because the Lord shall be there among you, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

6 And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.
The people, and Malachi. Priests, reproved.

And a servant his master. If then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts, but unto you O priests that despise mine name, and ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name? 7. If ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar, and say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible. 8. And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? And if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil? Even to him of whom ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible. 9. And now I have that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Leu, saith the LORD of hosts. 10. My covenant was with him of life and peace, and I gave them to him for the fear, wherefore he feared me, and was afraid before my name. 11. The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and turned away from iniquity. 12. For the priests' lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. 13. But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD is polluted, and the fruit thereof, even his meat, is contemptible. 14. And ye said, What a blemish is it? And ye have brought a blemish, saith the LORD of hosts, and ye have offered that which is vile, and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible. 15. But cursed be the deceived, which hath in his flock a male, and bringeth and sacrificeth unto the LORD a corrupt thing: for I am a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name is dreadful among the heathen. 16. Chap. II. 1. He sharply reprooveth the Priests for neglecting their covenant. 11. and the people for idolatry. 14. for adultery. And for infidelity.
tiness, with weeping and with crying out, in so much that she regarded not the offering any more, or renewed it with good will at your hand.

14. Therefore: because the Lord hath blessèd betwixt thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously; yet is the thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

15. And did not he make one: yet had he the resource of the spirit: and therefore one: that she might seek a godly seed: therefore take heed to your spirit, and let no deceit treacherously against the wife of your youth.

16. For the Lord God of Israel saith, that he hateth putting away: for one concupiscence violence with his garment, saith the Lord of hosts; therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.

17. For he have heard the Lord with your words: yet ye say, wherein have he heard thine: when ye say, every one that doth evil, is good in the sight of the Lord, and he delighteth in them, or where: the God of judgement?

CHAP. III.
1. Of the Messenger, Majesty, & Grace of Christ.
7. Of the rebellion, sacrifice and insubordination of the people. 16. The promise of blessing to them that fear God.

Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord whom ye hate, shall suddenly come to his Temple; even the messenger of the Covenant, whom ye despise in beholding: he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts. 2. But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap.

And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold or silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

Then shall the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and in the former years.

And I will come near to you to judgèment, and I will be a swiftly vlènèt against the oppressors, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the Lord of hosts.

For I am the Lord, I change not: therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

3. Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them: return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye said, wherein shall we return?

4. Thy son robeth me: thy son hath robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

Therefore ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

5. Bring all the tithes into the house of the Lord, 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.

6. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes: and ye shall devour the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.

7. And all nations shall call you blest: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.

8. Your words have been stout against me, saith the Lord, yet ye say, what have we spoken so much against thee?

9. Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it, that we have kept his ordinances, and that we have walked mournfully before the Lord of hosts?

10. And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set before them, and they that tempt God, are even delivered.

11. Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another, and the Lord hearkened and heard it. So a book of remembrance was written before him, for them that feared the Lord, which is pleasing upon his name.

12. And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make thee my peculiar treasure, and I will spare thee as a man spareth his own sons that serveth him.
The comming, and Malachi.  Office of Elijah.

18 Then shall ye returne and dis-continue betwixt the righteous and the wicked, betwixt him that serveth God, and him that serveth him not.

CHAP. III.

1. God's judgement on the wicked, 2. and his blessing on the good. 4. Hee exhorteth to the studie of the Law, 5. and telleth of Elijah's comming and Office.

De beholde, the day commeth, that shall burne as an oaken, and all the proud, yea and all that doe wickedly shalbe stubble: and the day that commeth, shall burne them vp, faith the LORD of hosts, that it shal leave them neither roote nor branch.

2. C. But unto you that feare my Name, shall the Sunne of righteousnesse arise with healing in his wings, and shall goe soorth and grow vp as calves of the Saul.

3. And ye shall treade doute the wicked: so they shall bee ashes under the soles of your feet, in the day that I shall doe this, faith the LORD of hosts.

4. C. Remember ye the Law of Moses my servant, which I comman-"d unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the Statutes and judgements.

5. C. Beholde, I will send you Elijah the Prophet, before the comming of the great and dreadfull day of the LORD.

6. And hee shall turne 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.

* Exod. 30.
* Math. 11.
* Luke 1.27.
APOCRYPHA.

I. ESDRAS.

CHAP. I.

1. Josias his charge to the Priests and Leuites.
2. A great Pafeouer is kept. 32. His death is much lamented. 34. His successours. 53. The Temple, Citie, and people are destroyed. 56. The rest are carried into Babylon.

And Josias held the Feast of the Passover in Jerusalem unto his Lord, and offered the Passover the fourteenth day of the first month:

And the Priests, according to their daily courses, being arrayed in long garments, in the Temple of the Lord.

And her spake unto the Leuites the holy ministars of Israel, that they should hallow themselves unto the Lord, to set the holy Arke of the Lord, in the house that king Solomon the sonne of David had built:

And said, Ye shall no more bear the Arke upon your shoulders: now therefore leue the Lord your God, and minister unto his people Israel, and prepare you after your families and hundreuds.

According as David the king of Israel prescribed, according to the magnificence of Solomon his sonne: standing in the Temple according to the several dignitie of the families of you the Leuites, who minister in the presence of your brethren the children of Israel.

Offer the Pafeouer in order, and make ready the sacrifices for your brethren, and keep the Pafeouer according to the commandement of the Lord, which was given unto Moses.

And unto the people that was found there, Josias gave threate thousand lambs, and kids, and three thousand calves: these things were given of the kings allowance, according as her promised to the people, to the Priests, and to the Leuites.

And Pekias, Zacharias, and Silias the governours of the Temple, gave to the Priests for the Passover, two thousand and her hundred therepe, and three hundred calves.

And Jethouas, and Samaias, and Nathanael his brother, and Asaias, and Parchel, and Josham capytnes over thoundred, gave to the Leuites for the Passover five thousand therepe, and seven hundred calves.

And when these things were done, the Priests and Leuites having the unleauened bread, stood in very comely order according to the hundreeds.

And according to the several dignities of the fathers, before the people, to offer to the Lord, as it is written in the booke of Moses: and thus did they in the morning.

And they rost the Pafeouer with fire, as apperinted: as for the sacrifices, they lodde them in baoste pots, and patners with a good favour.

And let them before all the people, and afterward they prepared for themselves, and for the Priests their brethren the sonsnes of Aaron.

For the Priests they did the fat until night, and the Leuites prepared for themselves, and the Priests their brethren the sonsnes of Aaron.

The holy Singers also, the sonsnes of Asaph, were in their order, according to
to the appointment of *David, to wit, A spir, Zacharias, and Je deum, who was of the kings retinue. Moreover the po sers were ac cury gate: it was not faubul for any to goe from his ordinary seruice: for their brethren the Kenites prepared for them. Thus were the things that belonged to the sacrifices of the Lord accomplished in that day: that they might hold the Passover, and offer sacrifices upon the altar of the Lord, according to the commandement of King Josias. So the children of Israel which were present, held the Passover at that time, and the feast of sweet bread seven days. And such a Passover was not kept in Israel since the time of the Prophet Samuel. Yea all the kings of Israel held not such a Passover as Josias, and the priests and the Levites, it the Jews held with all Israel that were found dwelling in Jerusalem. In the eighteenth yere of the reign of Josias was this Passover kept. And the workes of Josias were brought before his Lord with an heart full of godinesse. As for the things that came to passe in his yere, they were written in former times, concerning those that lived, and God bucked against the Lord about all people and kingdoms, and how they grieved him exceedingly, so that the words of the Lord rode by against Israel. Now after all these acts of Josias, it came to passe that Pharaod the king of Egypt sent to calle Barre at Ercutum upon Euphides: and Josias went out against him. But the king of Egypt sent to him saying, what have I to doe with thee, King of Judea? I am not sent out from the Lord God against thee: for my warre is upon Euphides, and now the Lord is with me, yea the Lord is with me hasting me for ward: Depart from me and be not against the Lord. Moreover Josias did not turne backe his chariot from him, but under toke to sight with him, not regarding the words of the Prophet Jeremias.
42. But those things that are recorded of him, and of his buckleannes, and
impiete, are witten in the Chronicles
of the kings.
43. And Joaun his sonne reigned in his stead: he was made king being
eightene yeares old.
44. And booth three moneths and
ten dayes in Jerusalem, and did
euill before the Lord.
45. So after a yeere Nabuchodonosor
sent, and caused him to be brought into
Babylon with his holy vesseles of gold,
46. And made Zedecias king of Judea and Jerusalem, when he was
one and twentie yerees old, and he reigned
eleuen yeares:
47. And he did euill also in the sight
of the Lord, and cared not for the words
that were spoken vnto him, by the Pro
defication that he had promised by the
mouth of Jeremie:
48. And after that king Nabuchodonosor had made him to sware by the
Name of the Lord, he forsooke himselfe, and rebelled, and hardening his
nece, and his hart, he transgressed the ladues of the Lord God of Israel.
49. The governors also of the people and of the priests did many things
against the ladues, and passed at the pollutions of all nations, and defiled the
Temple of the Lord which was sanctified in Jerusalem.
50. Neverthelesse, the God of their fathers sent by his messenger to call
them backe, because he spared them and his tabernacle also:
51. But they had his messengeres in desision, and looked when the Lord
did euill before them, they made a sport of his prophets.
52. So faire southe that he being
worth with his people for their great
vngodliness, commanded the kings of the Caldeers to come by against them.
53. Who iised their yong men with
the sword, yet euery one of the scope of
their holy Temple, spared neither
yong man nor maid, old man nor childe
among them, for he deliuered all into
their handes.
54. And they tooke all the holy
vesseles of the Lord, both great and small,
with the vesseles of the Arch of God, and
the kings treasures, and carried them
away into Babylon.
55. So the house of the Lord they
burnt, brake downe the walles of Je-

CHA II.
1. Cyrus is moued by God to build the Temple,
2. And giueth leaue to the lewes to renuer &
3. contribute to it. He deliueth them againe the
4. vesseles which had bin taken thence. Arres
texith, forbiddeth the lewes to build any more.

5. The first yeere of Cyrus king of the Persians, that
6. he spake with the wordes of the Lord, he might be accomplished,
7. that he had promised by the mouth of Jeremie:
8. The Lord raised by the spirit of
9. Cyrus the king of the Persians, and he
10. made proclamation throdow his king-
dome, and also by wriuig,
11. Saying, Thus saith Cyrus king of the
12. Persians, The Lord of Israel the
13. most high Lord, hath made me king of the
14. whole world,
15. And commanded me to build him
16. an house at Jerusalem in Iuste.
17. If therefore there bee any of you
18. that are of his people, let the Lord, e-
veth his Lord be with him, and let him
goe euery year to Jerusalem that is in Judea,
and build the house of the Lord of Is-
rael: fo he is the Lord that diuells in

19. Whosoever then diuelle in the places
20. about, let them helpe him, those I
21. say that are his neighbours, with gold
22. and with silver,
23. With gifts, with holles, and with
cell: and other thinges, which have
24. bene sent forth by boide, fo the Temple
25. of the Lord at Jerusalem.
26. Then the chief of the families of
27. Judea, and of the tribes of Beniamin
stood by: the priues also and the Le-
ters, and all the other minde the
28. Lord had moured to goe by, and to build
an house for the Lord at Jerusalem,
29. And they that diuelled round about them,
then, and helped them in all things:

10 King Cyrus also brought forth the holy vessels which Nabuchodonosor had carried away from Jerusalem, and had set up in his temple of idols.

11 Now when Cyrus king of the Persians had brought them forth, he delivered them to Phisidates his treasurer:

12 And by him they were delivered to Sanaballar, the governor of Judea.

13 And this was the number of them; a thousand golden cups, and a thousand of silver, teners of silver nineteen, vessels of gold thirtie, and silver two thousand four hundred and ten, and a thousand other vessels.

14 So all the vessels of gold, and of silver which were carried away, were six thousand, four hundred and thirty, and nine.

15 These were brought back by Sanaballar, together with them of the captivity, from Babylon to Jerusalem.

16 But in the time of Artaxerxes king of the Persians, Solomons, and Phisidates, and Labellus, and Phisidates, and Sichtham, and Barchus, and Selcthemus, and Selemius the Secretary, with others that were in communion with them, dwelling in Samaria and other places, wrote unto him against them that dwelt in Judea and Jerusalem, these letters following.

17 To King Artaxerxes our lord, the servant of:

18 We know, by the word which followeth, that the Jews that are in Jerusalem and Phisem, that rebellious and wicked city, have built the market places, and repaired the walls of it, and doe lay the foundation of the Temple.

19 Now if this city, and the walls thereof be made by againe, they will not only refuse to give tribute, but also rebell against kings.

20 And as much as the things pertaining to the Temple, are now in hand, we thinke it meete not to neglect such a matter.

21 But to speake unto our lord the king, to the intent that it may be done:

22 And thou shalt write in the Chronicles, what is written concerning these things, and that understanding that that city was rebellious, troubling both kings and cities:

23 That the Jews were rebellious, and raised albayes warres thereon, for which cause even this city was made desolate.

24 Wherefore now bee doe declare unto thee, O lord the king, that if this city bee built againe, and the walls thereof set by anoth, thou shalt from henceforth have no passage into Coele-Syria and Phisem.

25 Then the king wrote bache a-gaine to Artaxerxes the horse-warre, to Selemius the secretary, to Phisidates, and the rest that were in communion with them, and dwellers in Samaria and Syria, and Phisem, after this manner.

26 I have read the Epitile which ye have sent unto me: therefore I commanded to make diligent search, and it hath bene found, that that city was from the beginning practising against Kings.

27 And the men therein were given to rebellion, and warre, and that mightie Kings and fierce were in Jerusalem, that ruled and exacted tributes in Coele-Syria and Phisem.

28 Now therefore I have commanded to hinder those men from building the city, and heed to be taken that there be no more done in it.

29 And that those wicked workers proceed no further to the annoyance of Kings.

30 Then king Artaxerxes his letters being read, Phisdimus and Selemius the secretary, and the rest that were in communion with them, removing in haste towards Jerusalem with a troupe of horsemen, and a multitude of people in battel array, began to hinder the builders, and the building of the Temple in Jerusalem ceased until the second yeere of the reign of Darius king of the Persians.
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Old when Darius reigned, he made a great feast unto all his subjects and unto all his household, and unto all the princes of Persia and Media.

And to all the governors and captains, and lieutenants that were under him from India unto Ethiopia, of an hundred twenty and seven provinces.

And when they had eaten and drunk, and being satisfied were gone home, then Darius the king went into his bed-chamber, and slept, and soone after awaked.

Then there young men that were of the guard, that kept the kings body, spake one to another:

Let every one of us speake a sentence: he that shall over come, a whole sentence shall seeme wiser then the others, whosoever shall fall, the king Darius give great gifts, and great things in token of victory:

As to be clothed in purple, to drink in gold, and to sleepe upon golde, and a chariot with breasts of gold, and a head-piece of fine linen, and a chain about his neck:

And he shall sit next to Darius, because of his kinsman, and that he called, Darius his cousin.

And then every one wrote his sentence, sealed it, and laid it under king Darius his pillow.

And sayd, that when the king is risen, some will give him the writings, and of whose side the king, and the three princes of Persia shall judge, that his sentence is the wicest, to him shall the victory be given as was appointed.

The first wrote: Wine is the strongest.

The second wrote: The king is strongest.

The third wrote: Women are strongest, but about all things truer hear this upon the victory.

Hold when the king was risen, they took their writings, and delivered them unto him, and so he read them.

And finding thereof, he called all the princes of Persia and Media, and the governors, captains, lieutenants, and the chief officers, and said unto them in the royall seat of Judgement, and the writings were read before them:

And he said, Call the young men, and they shall declare their own sentences: so they were called, and came in.

And he said unto them, Declare unto us your minde, concerning the writings. Then began the first, who had spoken of the strength of wine:

And he said thus: O ye men, how exceeding strong is wine! it causeth all men to erre that drink it:

I will make the minde of the king, and the father's heart to be all one of the bondman and of the freeman, of the poor man and of the rich:

It turneth also every thought into foolishness, so that a man remembereth neither to do nor to do.

And it maketh every heart rich, so that a man remembereth neither to give nor to go to the poorman and of the rich:

But when they are from the wine, they remember not what they have done.

O ye men, it is not wine the strongest, that enforceth to doe thus, and when he had spoken, he held his peace.

CHAP. III.

1 The second declared the power of a king.

And the third, the force of women: 33 and of Truth. 41 The third is judged to be wise, and obtainedeth Letters of the King to build Jerusalem. 58 He prayeth God, and theeweth his brethren what he had done.

I Or, be not so wise.

Then the second that had spoken of the strength of the King, began to say:

2 O ye men, doe not the men excel in strength, that beareth rule over Sea and land, and all things in them:

3 But yet the King is more mighty: for he is lord of all these things, and hath dominion over them, and whatsoever he commandeth them, they do:

4 If he bid them make warre, they do it against the one against the other, they do it: if he lend them out against the enemies, they goe, and breake downe mountains, bulwarks and towres.

5 They lay and are slaine, and transgress not the Kings commandement:
men: if they get the butter, they bring all to the King, as well the spoil as all things else.
6 Likewise for those that are no enemies, and have not to do with wars, but be full of bands, when they have reaped again, that which they had sown, they bring it to the King, and compel one another to pay tribute unto the King.
7 And yet he is but one man: if he command to kill, they kill, if he command to spare, they spare.
8 If he command to smite, they smite; if he command to make desolate, they make desolate; if he command to build, they build.
9 If he command to cut down, they cut down; if he command to plant, they plant.
10 So all his people and his armies obey him: furthermore he teacheth him, he teacheth them a knight, and teacheth him the art of arms.
11 And they keep the round about him, neither may any one depart, and do his own business, neither do they obey him in any thing.
12 O ye men, how should not the King be mighty, when such as he is obeyed: and he holdeth his tongue.
13 Then the third, who had spoken of women, and of the truth (this was Zadok) began to speak.
14 O ye men, it is not the great King, nor the multitude of men, neither is it done that is excellent; who is it then that rules them, or hath the lordship over them, are they not women?
15 Women have borne the King and all the people, that bear rule by sea and land.
16 Even of the same they: they nourished them up that planted the vineyards from whence the vine commeth.
17 These also make garments for men: these bring glory unto men, and without women cannot men be.
18 Woman and men have gathered together gold and silver, or any goodly thing, doe they not love a woman, which is comely in favour and beauty?
19 And letting all those things goe, doe they not gape, and even with open mouth fire their eyes fast on her: and have not all men more before unto her, then into finer 20 gold, or any goodly thing whatsoever?
20 A man knaveth his owne father and brought him up, and his owne countre, and cleareth into his wife.
21 He shiches not to spend his life with his wife, and remembereth neither father, nor mother, nor country.
22 By this also you must know, that women have dominion over you: doe ye not labour and toyle, and give and bring all to the Woman?
23 A man taketh his food, and goeth his way to rob, and to steal, to sail upon the sea, and upon rivers.
24 Who looketh upon a lyon, and goeth in the darkness, and when he hath stolen, spoiled, and robbed, he bringeth it to his house.
25 Wherefore a man toucheth his wife better then father and mother.
26 Ye men there be that hate them: run out of their ways for women, and become ferocius for their loves.
27 Many also have perished, have ered and burned for women.
28 And now doe ye not believe me, is not the King great in his power? doe not all regions fear to touch him?
29 And did I see him, and Apane the Kings coynice, the daughter of the admirable Barthasar, sitting at the right hand of the King.
30 And taking the crown from the Kings head, and setting it upon her owne head, she also stroked the King with her left hand.
31 And yet: for all this, the King gaped and gazed upon her with open mouth: if she laughed upon him, he laughed also: but if she took any displeasure at him, the King was faine to flatter, that the might he reconciled to him again.
32 O men, how can it be but women should be strong, seeing they doe thus?
33 And then the king and the princes looked one upon another: so he began to speak of the truth.
34 O men, are not women strong: great is the earth, high is the heaven, swift is the Sunne in his course, so he compasseth the heavens round about, and fetheth his course againe to his owne place in one day.
35 If be not great that maketh these things, therefore great is the truth, and stronger then all things.
36 All the earth calleth upon the truth, the heaven blesteth it, all works shake and tremble at it, and with it is no vigtuous thing.
37. Wine is wicked, the king is wicked, women are wicked, all the children of men are wicked, and such are all their wicked works, and there is no truth in them. In their brightness and prosperity they shall perish.

38. As for the truth it endureth, and is always strong, it truth and constant, even for evermore.

39. Wilt thou therefore, by accepting of persons, or rewards, but the doth the things that are just, and refraineth from all blush and wicked things, and all men doe well like her works.

40. Neither in her judgement is any brightness, nor is the strength, kingdom, power and majesty of all ages. Blessed be God of truth.

41. And with that he held his peace, and all the people then stood and said, Great is truth, and unrighteous all things.

42. Then said the king unto him, What is it that thou wilt, more than is appointed in the law, and I will give thee, because thou art found blameless, and thou hast in thee, and shalt be called my cousin.

43. Then said he to the king, Remember the bold which thou hast bound to build Jerusalem in the day when thou camest to the kingdom.

44. And to lend alway all the dehors that were taken away out of Jerusalem, which Cyrus set apart, when he bowed to destroy Babylon, and to lend them against thither.

45. Thou also hast bowed to build the Temple, which the Edomites burnt, when Judah was made desolate by the Chaldees.

46. And now, O Lord the king, this is that which I require, and which I desire of thee, and this is the purely liberal proceeding from the self. I desire therefore that thou make good the bond, the performance whereof with thine olive mouth thou hast bowed to the king of heaven.

47. Then Darius the king stood up and set him, and wrote letters for him unto all the treasurers and lieutenants, and captains and governors, that they should safely come on their way, both him, and all those that go by with him to build Jerusalem.

48. He wrote letters also unto the lieutenants that were in Chaldea and Phœnicia, and unto them in Libanus,
4 The names and number of the leves that returned home. 19 The Altar is set vp in his place. 37 The foundation of the Temple is laid. 73 The workes is hundred for a time.

Afer these were the principal men of the families chosen accordyng to their tribes, to go by with their iburers, and fonnes, and daughteres, with their men-servantes and maid servantes, and their carrers.

2 And Darius sent with them a thousand horsemen, till they had brought them backe to Jerusalem safely, and with musicall instruments, tabrets and flutes;

3 And all their brethren played, and she made them goe by together with them.

4 And these are the names of the men which went vp, according to their families, amongst their tribes, after their several heads.

5 The Nethes the fonnes of Zphunes, the sonne of Aaron: Jesus the fonne of Joscher, the sonne of Sareah, and Joachim the fonne of Zobabbel, the fonne of Sathariel the house of Dauid, out of the kindred of Phares, of the tribe of Juda;

6 Who spake wise sentences before Darius the king of Persia, in the second yeere of his reigne, in the moneth Nisan, which is the first moneth.

7 And these are they of Judea which came vp from the captiuin, where they dwelt as strangers, whom Nabuchodonosor the king of Babylon had carried away vnto Babylon:

8 And they returned into Jerusalem, and to the other parts of Judea every man to his owne city, who came with Zobabbel, with Jesus, with Nehimias, and Zarcharias, and Zecharias, Cenamis, Parochoes, Beelarcus, Zaphararius, Recrus, Romius, and Bana their guides.

9 The number of them of the nation, and their governors: fonnes of Phshos two thousand an hundred and seventeen and two: the fonnes of Saphat two hundred and seven and two.

10 The fonnes of Azes seven hundred fiftie and four.

11 The fonnes of Phaath Moab, two thousand eight hundred thirteene: the fonnes of Elam, a thousand two hundred sixty and four.

12 The fonnes of Zatur, nine hundred fourtie and nine.

13 The fonnes of Coeb feven hundred and fourtie and eight.

14 The fonnes of Bagoth, two thousand fiftie and seven.

15 The fonnes of Arothan, sixe hundred and fourtie and seven.

16 The fonnes of Amanas, an hundred and one: the fonnes of Azarias, three hundred and twentie and three: the fonnes of Aphearchus, an hundred and two.

17 The fonnes of Bethus, three thousand and fourtie and eight: the fonnes of Bethlom, an hundred and vntie and three.

18 The fonnes of Herophas, sixe hundred and fourtie and eight: the fonnes of Bethanias, fourtie and two.

19 The fonnes of Arathariarius, twentie and fourtie and seven.

20 The fonnes of Chadas and Ammios, fourtie and two: the fonnes of Pyra and Sodos, seuen hundred and fiftie.

21 The fonnes of Paralan, an hundred and twentie and two: the fonnes of Bethrius, fourtie and two: the fonnes of Nephis, an hundred and fiftie and seuer.

22 The fonnes of Callamolias, and Onus, fourtie and two: the fonnes of Jerchus, two hundred and fourtie and four.

23 The fonnes of Annas, three thousand three hundred and thirtie.

24 The Pittes, the fonnes of Jer- du, the fonnes of Jesus, among the fonnes of Sanadal, nine hundred and seventeen and two: the fonnes of Jeruch, a thousand and thirtie.

25 The fonnes of Phaaraon, a thousand and fourtie and seven: the fonnes of Carme, a thousand and leuenteen.

26 The Kents: the fonnes of Jes- sue, and Cadmiel, and Samas, and Vidias, leuenteen and four.
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27 The holy singers: the sons of Haphan an hundred threescore and eight.
28 The porters: the sons of Salum, the sons of Zattai, the sons of Jehiel, the sons of Para, the sons of Asa, the sons of Sallum, in all an hundred thirty and nine.
29 The servants of the Temple: the sons of Ezer, the sons of Asaph, the sons of Heman.
30 The sons of Aven, the sons of Areta, the sons of Assadb, the sons of Sibbai, the sons of Hodai, the sons of Hashab, the sons of Boda, the sons of Abij, the sons of Sibai.
31 The sons of Abaris, the sons of Hadas, the sons of Zada, the sons of Aset, the sons of Sibai, the sons of Assad, the sons of Zada, the sons of Sibai.
32 The sons of Obedad, the sons of Garsa, the sons of Besor, the sons of Manasseh, the sons of Zadb, the sons of Libni, the sons of Hashab, the sons of Boda, the sons of Abij, the sons of Sibai.
33 The sons of the sons of Solomon: the sons of Zadok, the sons of Heman, the sons of Joel, the sons of Asaph, the sons of Libni, the sons of Hashab, the sons of Boda, the sons of Abij, the sons of Sibai.
34 The sons of Haggai, the sons of Phara, the sons of Sibai, the sons of Baruch, the sons of Mas, the sons of Sibai, the sons of Boda, the sons of Abij, the sons of Sibai.
35 All the ministers of the Temple, and the sons of the sons of Solomon, were three hundred seventy and two.
36 These came up from the city of Nob, and Hater, Chorath, Zara, and their families.
37 Neither could they shew their genealogy, neither were they of the sons of Israel.
38 And of the priests that blotted the office of the priesthood, and were not found, the sons of Obed, the sons of Joab, the sons of Abij, the sons of Sibai.
39 And when the description of the hallowed vessels was read in the Register, and was not found, they were removed from executing the office of the priesthood.
40 For unto them said Nehemiah, and Ahasiars, that they should not be parakers of the holy things, till they arose by an high priest, clothed with the doctrine and truth.
41 So of Israel from them of the twelve tribes, and by lot, were all in number four thousand, besides men servants and women servants, two thousand three hundred and fifty.
42 Their men servants and handmaids were seven thousand three hundred and forty and seven: the singing men and singing women, two hundred and fifty and five.
43 Four hundred thirty and five camels, seven thousand three hundred and five horses, two hundred and forty and five mules, five thousand five hundred and twenty and five sheep, and an hundred and forty and five bullocks.
44 And certain of the chief of the families, when they came to the temple of God, that is in Jerusalem, bode to let by the house again in his own place according to their abitude.
45 And to give into the holy treasure of the books, a thousand pounds of gold, five thousand of silver, and an hundred priestly vestments.
46 And to distribute the priests, and the Levites, and the people in Jerusalem, and in the country: the singers also, and the porters, all Israel in their villages.
47 But when the seventh month was at hand, and when the children of Israel were every man in his own place, they came all together with one consent into the open place of the first gate, which is towards the east.
48 Then stood by Hezekiah the son of Jotham, his brethren the priests, and Azariah the son of Salathiel, and his brethren, and made ready the altar of the God of Israel.
49 To offer burnt sacrifices upon it, according as it is expressly commanded in the book of Moses the man of God.
50 And there were gathered unto him.
them out of the other nations of the land, and they erected the Altar upon his obitne place, because all the nations of the land were enmity with them, and oppressed them, and they offered sacrifices according to the time, and burnt offerings to the Lord both morning, and evening.

51 Also they held the feast of Tabernacles, as it is commanded in the law, and offered sacrifices daily as was meet:

52 And after, that the continual oblations, and the sacrifice of the Sabbath, and of the new Moones, and of all Holy feasts,

53 And all that they had made any voice to God, began to offer sacrifices to God from the first day of the eleventh moneth, although the Temple of the Lord was not yet build.

54 And they gane into the Halons and Carpenters, money, meat and drink with the rest.

55 Unto them of Sidon also and Tyre, they gave carres that they should bring Cedar trees from Libanus, which should be bought by slaves to the pence of Tyre, according as it was commanded them by Cyrus King of the Persians.

56 And in the second yerre and second moneth, after his comming to the Temple of God at Jerusalem, began Zedebel the sonne of Salathiel, and Jesus the sonne of Joshebe, and their brethren and the priests, and the Levites, and all that were come into Jerusalem out of the captivity:

57 And they laid the foundation of the house of God, in the first day of the second moneth, in the second yerre after they were come to Jeryusalem. And

58 And they appointed the Levites from twenty yerres old, over the workes of the Lord. Then stood by Jesus and his sonnes, and brethren, and Cadmiel his brother, 8 the sonnes of Jaddabum, with the sonnes of Ioda, the sonne of Elnathan, with their sonnes and brethren. All Levites, with one accord edition the sacrifices for the benefactors, and the Levites, and the Priests, and the sonnes of Ataph had Cymbals,

61 And they sung with loud voices songs to the praise of the Lord: because his mercy and glory is forever in all Israel.

62 And all the people sounded trumpets, and shouted with a loud voice, singing songs of thanksgiving unto the Lord for the erecting by of the house of the Lord.

63 Also of the Priests and Levites, and of the chief of their families the ancients who had seen the former house, came to the building of this with weeping and great crying.

64 But many with trumpets and by shouted with loud voice.

65 Inasmuch that the trumpets might not be heard for the weeping of the people: yet the multitude sounded merrily, so that it was heard a farre off.

66 Wherefore when the enemies of the Tribe of Juda and Benjamin heard it, they came to know what that noise of trumpets should mean.

67 And they perceived, that they that were of the captivity did build the temple unto the Lord God of Israel.

68 So they went to Zoobabel and Jesus, and to the chief of the families, and said unto them, We will build together with you.

69 For we likewise, as you, do obey your Lord, and doe sacrifice unto him from the bowers of Ababareth the king of the Assyrians who bought vs hither.

70 Then Zoobabel and Jesus, and the chief of the families of Israel, said unto them: It is not for vs and you to build together an house unto the Lord our God.

71 We our selves alone will build unto the Lord of Israel, according as Cyrus the King of the Persians hath commanded vs.

72 But the heathen of the land lying heavy upon the inhabitants of Juda, and holding them strake, hindered their building:

73 And by their secret plots, and popular periclusions, and commotions, they hindered the finishing of the building, all the tenount that Cyrus told, so they were hindered from building for the space of two yerres, until the reign of Darius.