

Nabuchodonosor king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterwards it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the Lord.

**27** And thou my servant Jacob, fear not and be not thou dismayed, O Israel: for behold I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed out of the land of thy captivity: and Jacob shall return and be at rest, and prosper: and there shall be none to terrify him.

**28** And thou, my servant Jacob, fear not, saith the Lord: because I am with thee, for I will consume all the nations to which I have cast thee out: but thee I will not consume, but I will correct thee in judgment, neither will I spare thee as if thou wert innocent.

## Chapter 47

The word of the Lord that came to Jeremias the prophet against the people of Palestine, before Pharaoh took Gaza.

**2** Thus saith the Lord: Behold there come up waters out of the north, and they shall be as an overflowing torrent, and they shall cover the land, and all that is therein, the city and the inhabitants thereof: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl,

**3** At the noise of the marching of arms, and of his soldiers, at the rushing of his chariots, and the multitude of his wheels. The fathers have not looked back to the children, for feebleness of hands,

**4** Because of the coming of the day, in which all the Philistines shall be laid waste, and Tyre and Sidon shall be destroyed, with all the rest of their helpers. For the Lord hath wasted the Philistines, the remnant of the isle of Cappadocia.

**5** Baldness is come upon Gaza: Ascalon hath

held her peace with the remnant of their valley: how long shalt thou cut thyself?

**6** O thou sword of the Lord, how long wilt thou not be quiet? Go into thy scabbard, rest, and be still.

**7** How shall it be quiet, when the Lord hath given it a charge against Ascalon, and against the countries thereof by the sea side, and there hath made an appointment for it?

## Chapter 48

Against Moab thus saith the Lord of hosts the God of Israel: Woe to Nabo, for it is laid waste, and confounded: Cariathaim is taken: the strong city is confounded and hath trembled.

**2** There is no more rejoicing in Moab over Hesbon: they have devised evil. Come, and let us cut it off from being a nation. Therefore shalt thou in silence hold thy peace, and the sword shall follow thee.

**3** A voice of crying from Oronaim: waste, and great destruction.

**4** Moab is destroyed: proclaim a cry for her little ones.

**5** For by the ascent of Luith shall the mourner go up with weeping: for in the descent of Oronaim the enemies have heard a howling of destruction.

**6** Flee, save your lives: and be as heath in the wilderness.

**7** For because thou hast trusted in thy bulwarks, and in thy treasures, thou also shalt be taken: and Chamos shall go into captivity, his priests, and his princes together.

**8** And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: and the valleys shall perish, and the plains shall be destroyed, for the Lord hath spoken:

**9** Give a flower to Moab, for in its flower it shall go out: and the cities thereof shall be desolate, and uninhabited.

**10** Cursed be he that doth the work of the Lord deceitfully: and cursed be he that withholdeth his sword from blood.

**11** Moab hath been fruitful from his youth, and hath rested upon his lees: and hath not been poured out from vessel to vessel, nor hath gone into captivity: therefore his taste hath remained in him, and his scent is not changed.

**12** Therefore behold the days come, saith the Lord, and I will send him men that shall order and overturn his bottles, and they shall cast him down, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles one against another.

**13** And Moab shall be ashamed of Chamos, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Bethel, in which they trusted.

**14** How do you say: We are valiant and stout men in battle?

**15** Moab is laid waste, and they have cast down her cities: and her choice young men are gone down to the slaughter: saith the king, whose name is the Lord of hosts.

**16** The destruction of Moab is near to come: the calamity thereof shall come on exceeding swiftly.

**17** Comfort him, all you that are round about him, and all you that know his name, say: How is the strong staff broken, the beautiful rod?

**18** Come down from thy glory, and sit in thirst, O dwelling of the daughter of Dibon: because the spoiler of Moab is come up to thee, he hath destroyed thy bulwarks.

**19** Stand in the way, and look out, O habitation of Aroer: inquire of him that fleeth: and say to him that hath escaped: What is done?

**20** Moab is confounded, because he is overthrown: howl ye, and cry, tell ye it in Arnon,

that Moab is wasted.

**21** And judgment is come upon the plain country: upon Helon, and upon Jasa, and upon Mephaath.

**22** And upon Dibon, and upon Nabo, and upon the house of Deblathaim,

**23** And upon Cariathaim, and upon Bethgamul, and upon Bethmaon,

**24** And upon Carioth, and upon Bosra: and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near.

**25** The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the Lord.

**26** Make him drunk, because he lifted up himself against the Lord: and Moab shall dash his hand in his own vomit, and he also shall be in derision.

**27** For Israel hath been a derision unto them: as though thou hadst found him amongst thieves: for thy words therefore, which thou hast spoken against him, thou shalt be led away captive.

**28** Leave the cities, and dwell in the rock, you that dwell in Moab: and be ye like the dove that maketh her nest in the mouth of the hole in the highest place.

**29** We have heard the pride of Moab, he is exceeding proud: his haughtiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the loftiness of his heart.

**30** I know, saith the Lord, his boasting, and that the strength thereof is not according to it, neither hath it endeavoured to do according as it was able.

**31** Therefore will I lament for Moab, and I will cry out to all Moab, for the men of the brick wall that mourn.

**32** O vineyard of Sabama, I will weep for thee, with the mourning of Jazer: thy branches are gone over the sea, they are come even to the sea

of Jazer: the robber hath rushed in upon thy harvest and thy vintage.

**33** Joy and gladness is taken away from Carmel, and from the land of Moab, and I have taken away the wine out of the presses: the treader of the grapes shall not sing the accustomed cheerful tune.

**34** From the cry of Hesebon even to Eleale, and to Jasa, they have uttered their voice: from Segor to Oronaim, as a heifer of three years old: the waters also of Nemrim shall be very bad.

**35** And I will take away from Moab, saith the Lord, him that offereth in the high places, and that sacrificeth to his gods.

**36** Therefore my heart shall sound for Moab like pipes and my heart shall sound like pipes for the men of the brick wall: because he hath done more than he could, therefore they have perished.

**37** For every head shall be bald, and every beard shall be shaven: all hands shall be tied together, and upon every back there shall be hair-cloth.

**38** Upon all the housetops of Moab, and in the streets thereof general mourning: because I have broken Moab as an useless vessel, saith the Lord.

**39** How is it overthrown, and they have howled! How hath Moab bowed down the neck, and is confounded! And Moab shall be a derision, and an example to all round about him.

**40** Thus saith the Lord: Behold he shall fly as an eagle, and shall stretch forth his wings to Moab.

**41** Carioth is taken, and the strongholds are won: and the heart of the valiant men of Moab in that day shall be as the heart of a woman in labour.

**42** And Moab shall cease to be a people: because he hath gloried against the Lord.

**43** Fear, and the pit, and the snare come upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, saith the Lord.

**44** He that shall flee from the fear, shall fall into the pit: and he that shall get up out of the pit, shall be taken in the snare: for I will bring upon Moab the year of their visitation, saith the Lord.

**45** They that fled from the snare stood in the shadow of Hesebon: but there came a fire out of Hesebon, and a flame out of the midst of Seon, and it shall devour part of Moab, and the crown of the head of the children of tumult.

**46** Woe to thee, Moab, thou hast persisted, O people of Chamos: for thy sons, and thy daughters are taken captives.

**47** And I will bring back the captivity of Moab in the last days, saith the Lord. Hitherto the judgments of Moab.

## Chapter 49

Against the children of Ammon. Thus saith the Lord: Hath Israel no sons? or hath he no heir? Why then hath Melchom inherited Gad: and his people dwelt in his cities?

**2** Therefore behold the days come, saith the Lord, and I will cause the noise of war to be heard in Rabbath of the children of Ammon, and it shall be destroyed into a heap, and her daughters shall be burnt with fire, and Israel shall possess them that have possessed him, saith the Lord.

**3** Howl, O Hesebon, for Hai is wasted. Cry, ye daughters of Rabbath, gird yourselves with haircloth: mourn and go about by the hedges: for Melchom shall be carried into captivity, his priests, and his princes together.

**4** Why gloriest thou in the valleys? thy valley hath flowed away, O delicate daughter, that