

sin of Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands stayed on her. {4:7} Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing [was] of sapphire: {4:8} Their visage is blacker than a coal; they are not known in the streets: their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick. {4:9} [They that be] slain with the sword are better than [they that be] slain with hunger: for these pine away, stricken through for [want of] the fruits of the field. {4:10} The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people. {4:11} The LORD hath accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, and hath kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof. {4:12} The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world, would not have believed that the adversary and the enemy should have entered into the gates of Jerusalem.

{4:13} For the sins of her prophets, [and] the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her, {4:14} They have wandered [as] blind [men] in the streets, they have polluted themselves with blood, so that men could not touch their garments. {4:15} They cried unto them, Depart ye; [it is] unclean; depart, depart, touch not: when they fled away and wandered, they said among the heathen, They shall no more sojourn [there. ] {4:16} The anger of the LORD hath divided them; he will no more regard them: they respected not the persons of the priests, they favoured not the elders. {4:17} As for us, our eyes as yet failed for our vain help: in our watching we have watched for a nation [that] could not save [us. ] {4:18} They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets: our end is near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come. {4:19} Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness. {4:20} The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.

{4:21} Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Uz; the cup also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.

{4:22} The punishment of thine iniquity is accomplished, O daughter of Zion; he will no more carry thee away into captivity: he will visit thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom; he will discover thy sins.

{5:1} Remember, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach. {5:2} Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens. {5:3} We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers [are] as widows. {5:4} We have drunken our water for money; our wood is sold unto us. {5:5} Our necks [are] under persecution: we labour, [and] have no rest. {5:6} We have given the hand [to] the Egyptians, [and to] the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread. {5:7} Our fathers have sinned, [and are] not; and we have borne their iniquities. {5:8} Servants have ruled over us: [there is] none that doth deliver [us] out of their hand. {5:9} We gat our bread with [the peril of] our lives because of the sword of the wilderness. {5:10} Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible famine. {5:11} They ravished the women in Zion, [and] the maids in the cities of Judah. {5:12} Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not honoured. {5:13} They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the wood. {5:14} The elders have ceased from the gate, the

young men from their musick. {5:15} The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning. {5:16} The crown is fallen [from] our head: woe unto us, that we have sinned! {5:17} For this our heart is faint; for these [things] our eyes are dim. {5:18} Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walk upon it. {5:19} Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation. {5:20} Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, [and] forsake us so long time? {5:21} Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old. {5:22} But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth

## The Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

{1:1} Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth [month,] in the fifth [day] of the month, as I [was] among the captives by the river of Chebar, [that] the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. {1:2} In the fifth [day] of the month, which [was] the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity, {1:3} The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him. {1:4} And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness [was] about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire. {1:5} Also out of the midst thereof [came] the likeness of four living creatures. And this [was] their appearance; they had the likeness of a man. {1:6} And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings. {1:7} And their feet [were] straight feet; and the sole of their feet [was] like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass. {1:8} And [they had] the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings. {1:9} Their wings [were] joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward. {1:10} As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle. {1:11} Thus [were] their faces: and their wings [were] stretched upward; two [wings] of every one [were] joined one to another, and two covered their bodies. {1:12} And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; [and] they turned not when they went. {1:13} As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance [was] like burning coals of fire, [and] like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning. {1:14} And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

{1:15} Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces. {1:16} The appearance of the wheels and their work [was] like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel. {1:17} When they went, they went upon their four sides: [and] they turned not when they went. {1:18} As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their rings [were] full of eyes round about them four. {1:19} And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up. {1:20} Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither [was their] spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature [was] in the wheels. {1:21} When those went, [these] went; and when those stood, [these] stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature [was] in the wheels. {1:22} And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature [was] as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above. {1:23} And under the firmament [were] their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies. {1:24} And when they went, I

heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings. {1:25} And there was a voice from the firmament that [was] over their heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings.

{1:26} And above the firmament that [was] over their heads [was] the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne [was] the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it. {1:27} And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about. {1:28} As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so [was] the appearance of the brightness round about. This [was] the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw [it,] I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

{2:1} And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee. {2:2} And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me. {2:3} And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me, [even] unto this very day. {2:4} For [they are] impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD. {2:5} And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they [are] a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.

{2:6} And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briers and thorns [be] with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they [be] a rebellious house. {2:7} And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear: for they [are] most rebellious. {2:8} But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house: open thy mouth, and eat that I give thee.

{2:9} And when I looked, behold, an hand [was] sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book [was] therein; {2:10} And he spread it before me; and it [was] written within and without: and [there was] written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

{3:1} Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel. {3:2} So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll. {3:3} And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I eat [it;] and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness.

{3:4} And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with my words unto them. {3:5} For thou [art] not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, [but] to the house of Israel; {3:6} Not to many people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee. {3:7} But the house of Israel will not hearken unto

thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel [are] impudent and hardhearted. {3:8} Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads. {3:9} As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they [be] a rebellious house. {3:10} Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears. {3:11} And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear. {3:12} Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, [saying,] Blessed [be] the glory of the LORD from his place. {3:13} [I heard] also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing. {3:14} So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

{3:15} Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days. {3:16} And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, {3:17} Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. {3:18} When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked [man] shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. {3:19} Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul. {3:20} Again, When a righteous [man] doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand. {3:21} Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous [man,] that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

{3:22} And the hand of the LORD was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth into the plain, and I will there talk with thee. {3:23} Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face. {3:24} Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house. {3:25} But thou, O son of man, behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them: {3:26} And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them a reprover: for they [are] a rebellious house. {3:27} But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear: for they [are] a rebellious house.

{4:1} Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, [even] Jerusalem: {4:2} And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set [battering] rams against it round about. {4:3} Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it for a wall of iron

between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This [shall be] a sign to the house of Israel. {4:4} Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: [according] to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity. {4:5} For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel. {4:6} And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year. {4:7} Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm [shall be] uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it. {4:8} And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.

{4:9} Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, [according] to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof. {4:10} And thy meat which thou shalt eat [shall be] by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it. {4:11} Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time shalt thou drink. {4:12} And thou shalt eat it [as] barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight. {4:13} And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them. {4:14} Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth. {4:15} Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith. {4:16} Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment: {4:17} That they may want bread and water, and be astonished one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.

{5:1} And thou, son of man, take thee a sharp knife, take thee a barber's razor, and cause [it] to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take thee balances to weigh, and divide the [hair. ] {5:2} Thou shalt burn with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are fulfilled: and thou shalt take a third part, [and] smite about it with a knife: and a third part thou shalt scatter in the wind; and I will draw out a sword after them. {5:3} Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy skirts. {5:4} Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; [for] thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.

{5:5} Thus saith the Lord GOD; This [is] Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of the nations and countries [that are] round about her. {5:6} And she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that [are] round about her: for they have refused my judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them. {5:7} Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye multiplied more than the nations that [are] round about you, [and] have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept my judgments, neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that [are] round about you; {5:8} Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD;

Behold, I, even I, [am] against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations. {5:9} And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations. {5:10} Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the winds. {5:11} Wherefore, [as] I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast defiled my sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish [thee:] neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.

{5:12} A third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee and I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them. {5:13} Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest upon them, and I will be comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken [it] in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them. {5:14} Moreover I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that [are] round about thee, in the sight of all that pass by. {5:15} So it shall be a reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment unto the nations that [are] round about thee, when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in furious rebukes. I the LORD have spoken [it]. {5:16} When I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for [their] destruction, [and] which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you, and will break your staff of bread: {5:17} So will I send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee; and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and I will bring the sword upon thee. I the LORD have spoken [it].

{6:1} And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, {6:2} Son of man, set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them, {6:3} And say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys; Behold, I, [even] I, will bring a sword upon you, and I will destroy your high places. {6:4} And your altars shall be desolate, and your images shall be broken: and I will cast down your slain [men] before your idols. {6:5} And I will lay the dead carcases of the children of Israel before their idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars. {6:6} In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your works may be abolished. {6:7} And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD.

{6:8} Yet will I leave a remnant, that ye may have [some] that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries. {6:9} And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives, because I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols: and they shall lothe themselves for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations. {6:10} And they shall know that I [am] the LORD, [and that] I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them.

{6:11} Thus saith the Lord GOD; Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say, Alas for all the evil abominations of the house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence. {6:12} He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my fury upon them. {6:13} Then shall ye know that I [am] the LORD, when their slain [men] shall be among their idols round about their altars, upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, and under every thick oak, the place where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols. {6:14} So will I stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, more desolate than the wilderness toward Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know that I [am] the LORD.

{7:1} Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, {7:2} Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD unto the land of Israel; An end, the end is come upon the four corners of the land. {7:3} Now [is] the end [come] upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations. {7:4} And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD. {7:5} Thus saith the Lord GOD; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come. {7:6} An end is come, the end is come: it watcheth for thee; behold, it is come. {7:7} The morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: the time is come, the day of trouble [is] near, and not the sounding again of the mountains. {7:8} Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations. {7:9} And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according to thy ways and thine abominations [that] are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD that smiteth. {7:10} Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded. {7:11} Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them [shall remain,] nor of their multitude, nor of any of theirs: neither [shall there be] waiting for them. {7:12} The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn: for wrath [is] upon all the multitude thereof. {7:13} For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, although they were yet alive: for the vision [is] touching the whole multitude thereof, [which] shall not return; neither shall any strengthen himself in the iniquity of his life. {7:14} They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for my wrath [is] upon all the multitude thereof. {7:15} The sword [is] without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that [is] in the field shall die with the sword; and he that [is] in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.

{7:16} But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity. {7:17} All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak [as] water. {7:18} They shall also gird [themselves] with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame [shall be] upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads. {7:19} They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD: they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels: because it is

the stumblingblock of their iniquity.

{7:20} As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty: but they made the images of their abominations [and] of their detestable things therein: therefore have I set it far from them. {7:21} And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall pollute it. {7:22} My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute my secret [place:] for the robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

{7:23} Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence. {7:24} Wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possess their houses: I will also make the pomp of the strong to cease; and their holy places shall be defiled. {7:25} Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and [there shall be] none. {7:26} Mischief shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour; then shall they seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients. {7:27} The king shall mourn, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and according to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I [am] the LORD.

{8:1} And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth [month,] in the fifth [day] of the month, [as] I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord GOD fell there upon me. {8:2} Then I beheld, and lo a likeness as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of his loins even downward, fire; and from his loins even upward, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber. {8:3} And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where [was] the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy. {8:4} And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel [was] there, according to the vision that I saw in the plain.

{8:5} Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry. {8:6} He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? [even] the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, [and] thou shalt see greater abominations.

{8:7} And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall. {8:8} Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door. {8:9} And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here. {8:10} So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about. {8:11} And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censor in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up. {8:12} Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

{8:13} He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, [and] thou shalt see greater abominations that they do. {8:14} Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which [was] toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

{8:15} Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen [this,] O son of man? turn thee yet again, [and] thou shalt see greater abominations than these. {8:16} And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, [were] about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

{8:17} Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen [this,] O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose. {8:18} Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, [yet] will I not hear them.

{9:1} He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man [with] his destroying weapon in his hand. {9:2} And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them [was] clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar. {9:3} And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which [had] the writer's inkhorn by his side; {9:4} And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

{9:5} And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: {9:6} Slay utterly old [and] young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom [is] the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which [were] before the house. {9:7} And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

{9:8} And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell upon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem? {9:9} Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah [is] exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not. {9:10} And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, [but] I will recompense their way upon their head. {9:11} And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which [had] the inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

{10:1} Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne. {10:2} And he spake unto the man

clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, [even] under the cherub, and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and scatter [them] over the city. And he went in in my sight. {10:3} Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court. {10:4} Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, [and stood] over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory. {10:5} And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard [even] to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh. {10:6} And it came to pass, [that] when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying, Take fire from between the wheels, from between the cherubims; then he went in, and stood beside the wheels. {10:7} And [one] cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire that [was] between the cherubims, and took [thereof,] and put [it] into the hands of [him that was] clothed with linen: who took [it,] and went out.

{10:8} And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings. {10:9} And when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub, and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels [was] as the colour of a beryl stone. {10:10} And [as for] their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel. {10:11} When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went. {10:12} And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, [were] full of eyes round about, [even] the wheels that they four had. {10:13} As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel. {10:14} And every one had four faces: the first face [was] the face of a cherub, and the second face [was] the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle. {10:15} And the cherubims were lifted up. This [is] the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar. {10:16} And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them. {10:17} When they stood, [these] stood; and when they were lifted up, [these] lifted up themselves [also:] for the spirit of the living creature [was] in them. {10:18} Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims. {10:19} And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also [were] beside them, and [every one] stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house; and the glory of the God of Israel [was] over them above. {10:20} This [is] the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they [were] the cherubims. {10:21} Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man [was] under their wings. {10:22} And the likeness of their faces [was] the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

{11:1} Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD'S house, which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, the princes of the people. {11:2} Then said he unto me, Son of man, these [are] the men that devise mischief, and give wicked counsel in this

city: {11:3} Which say, [It is] not near; let us build houses: this [city is] the caldron, and we [be] the flesh.

{11:4} Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man. {11:5} And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, [every one of] them. {11:6} Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain. {11:7} Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they [are] the flesh, and this [city is] the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it. {11:8} Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD. {11:9} And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you. {11:10} Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD. {11:11} This [city] shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof; [but] I will judge you in the border of Israel: {11:12} And ye shall know that I [am] the LORD: for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that [are] round about you.

{11:13} And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel? {11:14} Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, {11:15} Son of man, thy brethren, [even] thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, [are] they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession. {11:16} Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come. {11:17} Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel. {11:18} And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence. {11:19} And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: {11:20} That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God. {11:21} But [as for them] whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads, saith the Lord GOD.

{11:22} Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel [was] over them above. {11:23} And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which [is] on the east side of the city.

{11:24} Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me. {11:25} Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the LORD had shewed me.

{12:1} The word of the LORD also came unto me, saying, {12:2} Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a