

behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

{7:9} I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment [was] white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne [was like] the fiery flame, [and] his wheels [as] burning fire. {7:10} A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. {7:11} I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld [even] till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. {7:12} As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. {7:13} I saw in the night visions, and, behold, [one] like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. {7:14} And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion [is] an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom [that] which shall not be destroyed.

{7:15} I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of [my] body, and the visions of my head troubled me. {7:16} I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. {7:17} These great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings, [which] shall arise out of the earth. {7:18} But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever. {7:19} Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth [were of] iron, and his nails [of] brass; [which] devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; {7:20} And of the ten horns that [were] in his head, and [of] the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even [of] that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look [was] more stout than his fellows. {7:21} I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; {7:22} Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. {7:23} Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. {7:24} And the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. {7:25} And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. {7:26} But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy [it] unto the end. {7:27} And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom [is] an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. {7:28} Hitherto [is] the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

{8:1} In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, [even unto] me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first. {8:2} And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I [was] at Shushan [in] the palace, which [is] in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai. {8:3} Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had [two] horns: and the [two] horns [were] high; but one [was] higher than the other, and the higher came up last. {8:4} I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither [was there any] that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great. {8:5} And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat [had] a notable horn between his eyes. {8:6} And he came to the ram that had [two] horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. {8:7} And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. {8:8} Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven. {8:9} And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant [land. ] {8:10} And it waxed great, [even] to the host of heaven; and it cast down [some] of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. {8:11} Yea, he magnified [himself] even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily [sacrifice] was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. {8:12} And an host was given [him] against the daily [sacrifice] by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

{8:13} Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain [saint] which spake, How long [shall be] the vision [concerning] the daily [sacrifice,] and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? {8:14} And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

{8:15} And it came to pass, when I, [even] I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man. {8:16} And I heard a man's voice between [the banks of] Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this [man] to understand the vision. {8:17} So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end [shall be] the vision. {8:18} Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright. {8:19} And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end [shall be. ] {8:20} The ram which thou sawest having [two] horns [are] the kings of Media and Persia. {8:21} And the rough goat [is] the king of Grecia: and the great horn that [is] between his eyes [is] the first king. {8:22} Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power. {8:23} And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand

up. {8:24} And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. {8:25} And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify [himself] in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand. {8:26} And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told [is] true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it [shall be] for many days. {8:27} And I Daniel fainted, and was sick [certain] days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood [it].

{9:1} In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; {9:2} In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

{9:3} And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: {9:4} And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments; {9:5} We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments: {9:6} Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. {9:7} O Lord, righteousness [belongeth] unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, [that are] near, and [that are] far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee. {9:8} O Lord, to us [belongeth] confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee. {9:9} To the Lord our God [belong] mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; {9:10} Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. {9:11} Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that [is] written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him. {9:12} And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem. {9:13} As [it is] written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth. {9:14} Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD our God [is] righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice. {9:15} And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.

{9:16} O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our

sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people [are become] a reproach to all [that are] about us. {9:17} Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. {9:18} O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies. {9:19} O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.

{9:20} And whiles I [was] speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God; {9:21} Yea, whiles I [was] speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. {9:22} And he informed [me,] and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. {9:23} At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew [thee,] for thou [art] greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision. {9:24} Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy. {9:25} Know therefore and understand, [that] from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince [shall be] seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. {9:26} And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. {9:27} And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

{10:1} In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing [was] true, but the time appointed [was] long: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision. {10:2} In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks. {10:3} I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled. {10:4} And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, which [is] Hiddekel; {10:5} Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain man clothed in linen, whose loins [were] girded with fine gold of Uphaz: {10:6} His body also [was] like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude. {10:7} And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves. {10:8} Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained

no strength. {10:9} Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.

{10:10} And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and [upon] the palms of my hands. {10:11} And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling. {10:12} Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. {10:13} But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia. {10:14} Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision [is] for [many] days. {10:15} And when he had spoken such words unto me, I set my face toward the ground, and I became dumb. {10:16} And, behold, [one] like the similitude of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength. {10:17} For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me. {10:18} Then there came again and touched me [one] like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me, {10:19} And said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace [be] unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me. {10:20} Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come. {10:21} But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and [there is] none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

{11:1} Also I in the first year of Darius the Mede, [even] I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him. {11:2} And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than [they] all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia. {11:3} And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will. {11:4} And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.

{11:5} And the king of the south shall be strong, and [one] of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion [shall be] a great dominion. {11:6} And in the end of years they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in [these] times. {11:7} But out of a branch of her roots shall [one] stand up in his estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail: {11:8} And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, [and] with their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and

he shall continue [more] years than the king of the north. {11:9} So the king of the south shall come into [his] kingdom, and shall return into his own land. {11:10} But his sons shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and [one] shall certainly come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and be stirred up, [even] to his fortress. {11:11} And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, [even] with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into his hand. {11:12} [And] when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down [many] ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened [by it. ] {11:13} For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come after certain years with a great army and with much riches. {11:14} And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall. {11:15} So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither [shall there be any] strength to withstand. {11:16} But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed. {11:17} He shall also set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, corrupting her: but she shall not stand [on his side,] neither be for him. {11:18} After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince for his own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause [it] to turn upon him. {11:19} Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and fall, and not be found. {11:20} Then shall stand up in his estate a raiser of taxes [in] the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle. {11:21} And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries. {11:22} And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant. {11:23} And after the league [made] with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people. {11:24} He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do [that] which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: [yea,] and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time. {11:25} And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him. {11:26} Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain. {11:27} And both these kings' hearts [shall be] to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end [shall be] at the time appointed. {11:28} Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart [shall be] against the holy covenant; and he shall do [exploits,] and return to his own land. {11:29} At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.

{11:30} For the ships of Chittim shall come against him:

therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant. {11:31} And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily [sacrifice,] and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate. {11:32} And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do [exploits. ] {11:33} And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, [many] days. {11:34} Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries. {11:35} And [some] of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make [them] white, [even] to the time of the end: because [it is] yet for a time appointed. {11:36} And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done. {11:37} Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all. {11:38} But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things. {11:39} Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge [and] increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain. {11:40} And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. {11:41} He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many [countries] shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, [even] Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. {11:42} He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. {11:43} But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians [shall be] at his steps. {11:44} But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many. {11:45} And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

{12:1} And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [even] to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. {12:2} And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame [and] everlasting contempt. {12:3} And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever. {12:4} But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, [even] to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

{12:5} Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river. {12:6} And [one] said to the man clothed in linen, which [was] upon the waters of the river, How long [shall it be to] the end of these

wonders? {12:7} And I heard the man clothed in linen, which [was] upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that [it shall be] for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these [things] shall be finished. {12:8} And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what [shall be] the end of these [things?] {12:9} And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end. {12:10} Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand. {12:11} And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, [there shall be] a thousand two hundred and ninety days. {12:12} Blessed [is] he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. {12:13} But go thou thy way till the end [be:] for thou shalt

Hosea

{1:1} The word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, [and] Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel. {1:2} The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: for the land hath committed great whoredom, [departing] from the LORD. {1:3} So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son. {1:4} And the LORD said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; for yet a little [while,] and I will avenge the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause to cease the kingdom of the house of Israel. {1:5} And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel.

{1:6} And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And [God] said unto him, Call her name Lo-ruhamah: for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; but I will utterly take them away. {1:7} But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by the LORD their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen.

{1:8} Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son. {1:9} Then said [God,] Call his name Lo-ammi: for ye [are] not my people, and I will not be your [God].

}[1:10] Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, [that] in the place where it was said unto them, Ye [are] not my people, [there] it shall be said unto them, [Ye are] the sons of the living God. {1:11} Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great [shall be] the day of Jezreel.

{2:1} Say ye unto your brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ru-hamah. {2:2} Plead with your mother, plead: for she [is] not my wife, neither [am] I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts; {2:3} Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst. {2:4} And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they [be] the children of whoredoms. {2:5} For their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give [me] my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink.

{2:6} Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and make a wall, that she shall not find her paths. {2:7} And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find [them:] then shall she say, I will go and return to my first husband; for then [was it] better with me than now. {2:8} For she did not know that I gave her corn, and wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold, [which] they prepared for Baal. {2:9} Therefore will I return, and take away my corn in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will recover my wool and my flax [given] to cover her nakedness. {2:10} And now will I discover her lewdness in

the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand. {2:11} I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts. {2:12} And I will destroy her vines and her fig trees, whereof she hath said, These [are] my rewards that my lovers have given me: and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them. {2:13} And I will visit upon her the days of Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and forgat me, saith the LORD.

{2:14} Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her. {2:15} And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt. {2:16} And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, [that] thou shalt call me Ishi; and shalt call me no more Baali. {2:17} For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name. {2:18} And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven, and [with] the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely. {2:19} And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies. {2:20} I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the LORD. {2:21} And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth; {2:22} And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel. {2:23} And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to [them which were] not my people, Thou [art] my people; and they shall say, [Thou art] my God.

{3:1} Then said the LORD unto me, Go yet, love a woman beloved of [her] friend, yet an adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love flagons of wine. {3:2} So I bought her to me for fifteen [pieces] of silver, and [for] an homer of barley, and an half homer of barley: {3:3} And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide for me many days; thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt not be for [another] man: so [will] I also [be] for thee. {3:4} For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and [without] teraphim: {3:5} Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

{4:1} Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because [there is] no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. {4:2} By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood. {4:3} Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away. {4:4} Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people [are] as they that strive with the priest. {4:5} Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy

mother.

{4:6} My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. {4:7} As they were increased, so they sinned against me: [therefore] will I change their glory into shame. {4:8} They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity. {4:9} And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings. {4:10} For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD. {4:11} Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.

{4:12} My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused [them] to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God. {4:13} They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof [is] good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery. {4:14} I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people [that] doth not understand shall fall.

{4:15} 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 swear, The LORD liveth. {4:16} For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place. {4:17} Ephraim [is] joined to idols: let him alone. {4:18} Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers [with] shame do love, Give ye. {4:19} The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

{5:1} Hear ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment [is] toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor. {5:2} And the revolvers are profound to make slaughter, though I [have been] a rebuker of them all. {5:3} I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredom, [and] Israel is defiled. {5:4} They will not frame their doings to turn unto their God: for the spirit of whoredoms [is] in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD. {5:5} And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them. {5:6} They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; but they shall not find [him;] he hath withdrawn himself from them. {5:7} They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their portions. {5:8} Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, [and] the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud [at] Beth-aven, after thee, O Benjamin. {5:9} Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be. {5:10} The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound: [therefore] I will pour out my wrath upon them like water. {5:11} Ephraim [is] oppressed [and] broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandment. {5:12} Therefore [will] I [be] unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness. {5:13} When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah [saw] his wound, then went

Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound. {5:14} For I will [be] unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, [even] I, will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue [him].

{5:15} I will go [and] return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.

{6:1} Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. {6:2} After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. {6:3} Then shall we know, [if] we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter [and] former rain unto the earth.

{6:4} O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your goodness [is] as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away. {6:5} Therefore have I hewed [them] by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments [are as] the light [that] goeth forth. {6:6} For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings. {6:7} But they like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me. {6:8} Gilead [is] a city of them that work iniquity, [and is] polluted with blood. {6:9} And as troops of robbers wait for a man, [so] the company of priests murder in the way by consent: for they commit lewdness. {6:10} I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there [is] the whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled. {6:11} Also, O Judah, he hath set an harvest for thee, when I returned the captivity of my people.

{7:1} When I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, [and] the troop of robbers spoileth without. {7:2} And they consider not in their hearts [that] I remember all their wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before my face. {7:3} They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies. {7:4} They [are] all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, [who] ceaseth from raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened. {7:5} In the day of our king the princes have made [him] sick with bottles of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorners. {7:6} For they have made ready their heart like an oven, whiles they lie in wait: their baker sleepeth all the night; in the morning it burneth as a flaming fire. {7:7} They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; all their kings are fallen: [there is] none among them that calleth unto me. {7:8} Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake not turned. {7:9} Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth [it] not: yea, gray hairs are here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not. {7:10} And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him for all this.

{7:11} Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria. {7:12} When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them; I will bring them down as the fowls of the heaven; I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard. {7:13} Woe unto them! for they have fled from me: destruction unto them! because they have transgressed against me: though I have redeemed