- 1 ALEPH quomodo sedit sola civitas plena populo facta est quasi vidua domina gentium princeps provinciarum facta est sub tributo
- **2** BETH plorans ploravit in nocte et lacrimae eius in maxillis eius non est qui consoletur eam ex omnibus caris eius omnes amici eius spreverunt eam et facti sunt ei inimici
- **3** GIMEL migravit Iuda propter adflictionem et multitudinem servitutis habitavit inter gentes nec invenit requiem omnes persecutores eius adprehenderunt eam inter angustias
- 4 DELETH viae Sion lugent eo quod non sint qui veniant ad sollemnitatem omnes portae eius destructae sacerdotes eius gementes virgines eius squalidae et ipsa oppressa amaritudine
- 5 HE facti sunt hostes eius in capite inimici illius 5 He. Her adversaries are become her lords; her locupletati sunt quia Dominus locutus est super eam propter multitudinem iniquitatum eius parvuli eius ducti sunt captivi ante faciem tribulantis
- **6** VAV et egressus est a filia Sion omnis decor eius facti sunt principes eius velut arietes non invenientes pascuam et abierunt absque fortitudine ante faciem subsequentis
- 7 ZAI recordata est Hierusalem dierum adflictionis suae et praevaricationis omnium desiderabilium suorum quae habuerat a diebus antiquis cum caderet populus eius in manu hostili et non esset auxiliator viderunt eam hostes et deriserunt sabbata eius
- **8** HETH peccatum peccavit Hierusalem propterea instabilis facta est omnes qui glorificabant eam spreverunt illam quia viderunt ignominiam eius ipsa autem gemens et conversa retrorsum
- 9 TETH sordes eius in pedibus eius nec recordata 9 Teth. Her filthiness is on her feet, and she hath quoniam erectus est inimicus
- **10** IOTH manum suam misit hostis ad omnia desiderabilia eius quia vidit gentes ingressas sanctuarium suum de quibus praeceperas ne intrarent in ecclesiam tuam
- **11** CAPH omnis populus eius gemens et cibo ad refocilandam animam vide Domine considera quoniam facta sum vilis
- **12** LAMED o vos omnes qui transitis per viam adtendite et videte si est dolor sicut dolor meus and see if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow: quoniam vindemiavit me ut locutus est Dominus for he hath made a vintage of me, as the Lord in die irae furoris sui

- 1 Aleph. How doth the city sit solitary that was full of people! how is the mistress of the Gentiles become as a widow: the princes of provinces made tributary!
- 2 Beth. Weeping, she hath wept in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks: there is none to comfort her among all them that were dear to her: all her friends have despised her, and are become her enemies.
- 3 Ghimel. Juda hath removed her dwelling place, because of her affliction, and the greatness of her bondage; she hath dwelt among the nations, and she hath found no rest: all her persecutors have taken her in the midst of straits.
- 4 Daleth. The ways of Sion mourn, because there are none that come to the solemn feast: all her gates are broken down; her priests sigh; her virgins are in affliction; and she is oppressed with bitterness.
- enemies are enriched; because the Lord hath spoken against her for the multitude of her iniquities; her children are led into captivity, before the face of the oppressor.
- 6 Vau. And from the daughter of Sion, all her beauty is departed; her princes are become like rams that find no pastures; and they are gone away without strength before the face of the pursuer.
- 7 Zain. Jerusalem hath remembered the days of her affliction, and prevarication of all her desirable things which she had from the days of old, when her people fell in the enemy's hand, and there was no helper; the enemies have seen her, and have mocked at her sabbaths.
- 8 Heth. Jerusalem hath grievously sinned, therefore is she become unstable; all that honoured her, have despised her, because they have seen her shame; but she sighed, and turned backward.
- est finis sui deposita est vehementer non habens not remembered her end; she is wonderfully cast consolatorem vide Domine adflictionem meam down, not having a comforter: behold, O Lord, my affliction, because the enemy is lifted up.
  - 10 Jod. The enemy hath put out his hand to all her desirable things: for she hath seen the Gentiles enter into her sanctuary, of whom thou gavest commandment that they should not enter into thy church.
- 11 Caph. All her people sigh, they seek bread: quaerens panem dederunt pretiosa quaeque pro they have given all their precious things for food to relieve the soul: see, O Lord, and consider, for I am become vile.
  - 12 Lamed. O all ye that pass by the way, attend, spoke in the day of his fierce anger.
  - 13 Mem. From above he hath sent fire into my

- **13** MEM de excelso misit ignem in ossibus meis et erudivit me expandit rete pedibus meis convertit me retrorsum posuit me desolatam tota die maerore confectam
- **14** NUN vigilavit iugum iniquitatum mearum in manu eius convolutae sunt et inpositae collo meo infirmata est virtus mea dedit me Dominus in manu de qua non potero surgere
- 15 SAMECH abstulit omnes magnificos meos Dominus de medio mei vocavit adversum me tempus ut contereret electos meos torcular calcavit Dominus virgini filiae Iuda
- **16** AIN idcirco ego plorans et oculus meus deducens aquam quia longe factus est a me consolator convertens animam meam facti sunt filii mei perditi quoniam invaluit inimicus
- 17 FE expandit Sion manus suas non est qui consoletur eam mandavit Dominus adversum lacob in circuitu eius hostes eius facta est Hierusalem quasi polluta menstruis inter eos
- 18 SADE iustus est Dominus quia os eius ad iracundiam provocavi audite obsecro universi populi et videte dolorem meum virgines meae et and see my sorrow: my virgins, and my young iuvenes mei abierunt in captivitatem
- 19 COPH vocavi amicos meos et ipsi deceperunt 19 Coph. I called for my friends, but they me sacerdotes mei et senes mei in urbe consumpti sunt quia quaesierunt cibum sibi ut refocilarent animam suam
- **20** RES vide Domine quoniam tribulor venter meus conturbatus est subversum est cor meum in memet ipsa quoniam amaritudine plena sum foris interfecit gladius et domi mors similis est
- 21 SEN audierunt quia ingemesco ego et non est qui consoletur me omnes inimici mei audierunt malum meum laetati sunt quoniam tu fecisti adduxisti diem consolationis et fient similes mei
- te et devindemia eos sicut vindemiasti me propter omnes iniquitates meas multi enim gemitus mei et cor meum maerens

- bones, and hath chastised me: he hath spread a net for my feet, he hath turned me back: he hath made me desolate, wasted with sorrow all the day long.
- 14 Nun. The yoke of my iniquities hath watched: they are folded together in his hand, and put upon my neck: my strength is weakened: the Lord hath delivered me into a hand, out of which Lam not able to rise
- 15 Samech. The Lord hath taken away all my mighty men out of the midst of me: he hath called against me the time, to destroy my chosen men: the Lord hath trodden the winepress for the virgin daughter of Juda.
- 16 Ain. Therefore do I weep, and my eyes run down with water: because the comforter, the relief of my soul, is far from me: my children are desolate because the enemy hath prevailed.
- 17 Phe. Sion hath spread forth her hands, there is none to comfort her: the Lord hath commanded against Jacob, his enemies are round about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.
- 18 Sade. The Lord is just, for I have provoked his mouth to wrath: hear, I pray you, all ye people, men are gone into captivity.
- deceived me: my priests and my ancients pined away in the city: while they sought their food, to relieve their souls.
- 20 Res. Behold, O Lord, for I am in distress, my bowels are troubled: my heart is turned within me, for I am full of bitterness: abroad the sword destroyeth and at home there is death alike.
- 21 Sin. They have heard that I sigh, and there is none to comfort me: all my enemies have heard of my evil, they have rejoiced that thou hast done it: thou hast brought a day of consolation, and they shall be like unto me.
- **22** THAU ingrediatur omne malum eorum coram 22 Thau. Let all their evil be present before thee: and make vintage of them, as thou hast made vintage of me for all my iniquities; for my sighs are many, and my heart is sorrowful.

- **1** ALEPH quomodo obtexit caligine in furore suo Dominus filiam Sion proiecit de caelo terram inclitam Israhel et non recordatus est scabilli pedum suorum in die furoris sui
- **2** BETH praecipitavit Dominus nec pepercit omnia speciosa Iacob destruxit in furore suo munitiones virginis Iuda deiecit in terram polluit of the virgin of Juda, and brought them down to regnum et principes eius
- **3** GIMEL confregit in ira furoris omne cornu Israhel avertit retrorsum dexteram suam a facie inimici et succendit in lacob quasi ignem

- 1 Aleph. How hath the Lord covered with obscurity the daughter of Sion in his wrath! how hath he cast down from heaven to the earth the glorious one of Israel, and hath not remembered his footstool in the day of his anger.
- 2 Beth. The Lord hath cast down headlong, and hath not spared, all that was beautiful in Jacob: he hath destroyed in his wrath the strong holds the ground: he hath made the kingdom unclean, and the princes thereof.
- 3 Ghimel. He hath broken in his fierce anger all the horn of Israel: he hath drawn back his right hand from before the enemy: and he hath

- 4 DELETH tetendit arcum suum quasi inimicus firmavit dexteram suam quasi hostis et occidit omne quod pulchrum erat visu in tabernaculo filiae Sion effudit quasi ignem indignationem suam
- **5** HE factus est Dominus velut inimicus praecipitavit Israhel praecipitavit omnia moenia all the walls thereof: he hath destroyed his eius dissipavit munitiones eius et replevit in filia strong holds, and hath multiplied in the Iuda humiliatum et humiliatam
- **6** VAV et dissipavit quasi hortum tentorium suum demolitus est tabernaculum suum oblivioni tradidit Dominus in Sion festivitatem et sabbatum et obprobrio in indignatione furoris sui regem et sacerdotem
- **7** ZAI reppulit Dominus altare suum maledixit sanctificationi suae tradidit in manu inimici muros turrium eius vocem dederunt in domo Domini sicut in die sollemni
- **8** HETH cogitavit Dominus dissipare murum filiae Sion tetendit funiculum suum et non avertit manum suam a perditione luxitque antemurale et murus pariter dissipatus est
- **9** TETH defixae sunt in terra portae eius perdidit et contrivit vectes eius regem eius et principes eius in gentibus non est lex et prophetae eius non invenerunt visionem a Domino
- 10 IOTH sederunt in terra conticuerunt senes filiae Sion consperserunt cinere capita sua accincti sunt ciliciis abiecerunt in terra capita sua virgines Hierusalem
- **11** CAPH defecerunt prae lacrimis oculi mei conturbata sunt viscera mea effusum est in terra iecur meum super contritione filiae populi mei cum deficeret parvulus et lactans in plateis oppidi
- 12 LAMED matribus suis dixerunt ubi est triticum et vinum cum deficerent quasi vulnerati in plateis civitatis cum exhalarent animas suas in sinu matrum suarum
- **13** MEM cui conparabo te vel cui adsimilabo te filia Hierusalem cui exaequabo te et consolabor te virgo filia Sion magna enim velut mare contritio tua quis medebitur tui
- 14 NUN prophetae tui viderunt tibi falsa et stulta nec aperiebant iniquitatem tuam ut te ad paenitentiam provocarent viderunt autem tibi adsumptiones falsas et eiectiones
- 15 SAMECH plauserunt super te manibus omnes 15 Samech. All they that passed by the way have

- kindled in Jacob as it were a flaming fire devouring round about.
- 4 Daleth. He hath bent his bow as an enemy, he hath fixed his right hand as an adversary: and he hath killed all that was fair to behold in the tabernacle of the daughter of Sion, he hath poured out his indignation like fire.
- 5 He. The Lord is become as an enemy: he hath cast down Israel headlong, he hath overthrown danghter of Juda the afflicted, both men and women.
- 6 Vau. And he hath destroyed his tent as a garden, he hath thrown down his tabernacle: the Lord hath caused feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Sion: and hath delivered up king and priest to reproach, and to the indignation of his wrath.
- 7 Zain. The Lord hath cast off his altar, he hath cursed his sanctuary: he hath delivered the walls of the towers thereof into the hand of the enemy: they have made a noise in the house of the Lord, as in the day of a solemn feast.
- 8 Heth. The Lord hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Sion: he hath stretched out his line, and hath not withdrawn his hand from destroying: and the bulwark hath mourned, and the wall hath been destroyed together.
- 9 Teth. Her gates are sunk into the ground: he hath destroyed, and broken her bars: her king and her princes are among the Gentiles: the law is no more, and her prophets have found no vision from the Lord.
- 10 Jod. The ancients of the daughter of Sion sit upon the ground, they have held their peace: they have sprinkled their heads with dust, they are girded with hair-cloth, the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.
- 11 Caph. My eyes have failed with weeping, my bowels are troubled: my liver is poured out upon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people, when the children, and the sucklings, fainted away in the streets of the city.
- 12 Lamed. They said to their mothers: Where is corn and wine? when they fainted away as the wounded in the streets of the city: when they breathed out their souls in the bosoms of their mothers.
- 13 Mem. To what shall I compare thee? or to what shall I liken thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? to what shall I equal thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Sion? for great as the sea is thy destruction: who shall heal thee?
- 14 Nun. Thy prophets have seen false and foolish things for thee: and they have not laid open thy iniquity, to excite thee to penance: but they have seen for thee false revelations and banishments.

transeuntes per viam sibilaverunt et moverunt caput suum super filiam Hierusalem haecine est and wagged their heads at the daughter of urbs dicentes perfecti decoris gaudium universae terrae

- **16** FE aperuerunt super te os suum omnes inimici tui sibilaverunt et fremuerunt dentibus dixerunt devoravimus en ista est dies quam expectabamus invenimus vidimus
- **17** AIN fecit Dominus quae cogitavit conplevit sermonem suum quem praeceperat a diebus antiquis destruxit et non pepercit et laetificavit super te inimicum et exaltavit cornu hostium tuorum
- per diem et per noctem non des requiem tibi neque taceat pupilla oculi tui
- **19** COPH consurge lauda in nocte in principio vigiliarum effunde sicut aqua cor tuum ante conspectum Domini leva ad eum manus tuas pro anima parvulorum tuorum qui defecerunt in fame in capite omnium conpetorum
- **20** RES vide Domine et considera guem vindemiaveris ita ergone comedent mulieres fructum suum parvulos ad mensuram palmae si occidetur in sanctuario Domini sacerdos et propheta
- **21** SEN iacuerunt in terra foris puer et senex virgines meae et iuvenes mei ceciderunt in gladio interfecisti in die furoris tui percussisti nec misertus es
- **22** THAU vocasti quasi ad diem sollemnem qui terrerent me de circuitu et non fuit in die furoris that should terrify me round about, and there Domini qui effugeret et relinqueretur quos educavi et enutrivi inimicus meus consumpsit eos

- clapped their hands at thee: they have hissed, Jerusalem, saying: Is this the city of perfect beauty, the joy of all the earth?
- 16 Phe. All thy enemies have opened their month against thee: they have hissed, and gnashed with the teeth, and have said: We will swallow her up: lo, this is the day which we looked for: we have found it, we have seen it.
- 17 Ain. The Lord hath done that which he purposed, he hath fulfilled his word, which he commanded in the days of old: he hath destroyed, and hath not spared, and he hath caused the enemy to rejoice over thee, and hath set up the horn of thy adversaries.
- 18 SADE clamavit cor eorum ad Dominum super 18 Sade. Their heart cried to the Lord upon the muros filiae Sion deduc quasi torrentem lacrimas walls of the daughter of Sion: Let tears run down like a torrent day and night: give thyself no rest, and let not the apple of thy eye cease.
  - 19 Coph. Arise, give praise in the night, in the beginning of the watches: pour out thy heart like water, before the face of the Lord: lift up thy hands to him for the life of thy little children, that have fainted for hunger at the top of all the streets.
  - 20 Res. Behold, O Lord, and consider whom thou hast thus dealt with: shall women then eat their own fruit, their children of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?
  - 21 Sin. The child and the old man lie without on the ground: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword: thou hast slain them in the day of thy wrath: thou hast killed, and shewn them no pity.
  - 22 Thau. Thou hast called as to a festival, those was none in the day of the wrath of the Lord that escaped and was left: those that I brought up, and nourished, my enemy hath consumed them.

- 1 ALEPH ego vir videns paupertatem meam in virga indignationis eius
- 2 ALEPH me minavit et adduxit in tenebris et non in lucem
- **3** ALEPH tantum in me vertit et convertit manum suam tota die
- 4 BETH vetustam fecit pellem meam et carnem meam contrivit ossa mea
- **5** BETH aedificavit in gyro meo et circumdedit me felle et labore
- **6** BETH in tenebrosis conlocavit me quasi mortuos sempiternos
- **7** GIMEL circumaedificavit adversum me ut non egrediar adgravavit conpedem meam
- **8** GIMEL sed et cum clamavero et rogavero exclusit orationem meam

- 1 Aleph. I am the man that see my poverty by the rod of his indignation.
- 2 Aleph. He hath led me, and brought me into darkness, and not into light.
- 3 Aleph. Only against me he hath turned, and turned again his hand all the day.
- 4 Beth. My skin and my flesh he hath made old, he hath broken my bones.
- 5 Beth. He hath built round about me, and he hath compassed me with gall, and labour.
- 6 Beth. He hath set me in dark places as those that are dead for ever.
- 7 Ghimel. He hath built against me round about, that I may not get out: he hath made my fetters
- 8 Ghimel. Yea, and when I cry, and entreat, he hath shut out my prayer.

- **9** GIMEL conclusit vias meas lapidibus quadris semitas meas subvertit
- 10 DELETH ursus insidians factus est mihi leo in 10 Daleth. He is become to me as a bear lying in absconditis
- **11** DELETH semitas meas subvertit et confregit me posuit me desolatam
- **12** DELETH tetendit arcum suum et posuit me quasi signum ad sagittam
- 13 HE misit in renibus meis filias faretrae suae
- 14 HE factus sum in derisu omni populo meo canticum eorum tota die
- absinthio
- **16** VAV et fregit ad numerum dentes meos cibavit me cinere
- **17** VAV et repulsa est anima mea oblitus sum bonorum
- 18 VAV et dixi periit finis meus et spes mea a Domino
- **19** ZAI recordare paupertatis et transgressionis meae absinthii et fellis
- **20** ZAI memoria memor ero et tabescet in me anima mea
- **21** ZAI hoc recolens in corde meo ideo sperabo
- **22** HETH misericordiae Domini quia non sumus consumpti quia non defecerunt miserationes
- 23 HETH novae diluculo multa est fides tua
- 24 HETH pars mea Dominus dixit anima mea propterea expectabo eum
- animae quaerenti illum
- **26** TETH bonum est praestolari cum silentio salutare Domini
- **27** TETH bonum est viro cum portaverit iugum ab adulescentia sua
- **28** IOTH sedebit solitarius et tacebit quia levavit super se
- **29** IOTH ponet in pulvere os suum si forte sit
- **30** IOTH dabit percutienti se maxillam saturabitur obprobriis
- **31** CAPH quia non repellet in sempiternum **Dominus**
- 32 CAPH quia si abiecit et miserebitur secundum multitudinem misericordiarum suarum
- 33 CAPH non enim humiliavit ex corde suo et abiecit filios hominis
- 34 LAMED ut contereret sub pedibus suis omnes 34 Lamed. To crush under his feet all the vinctos terrae

- 9 Ghimel. He hath shut up my ways with square stones, he hath turned my paths upside down.
- wait: as a lion in secret places.
- 11 Daleth. He hath turned aside my paths, and hath broken me in pieces, he hath made me
- 12 Daleth. He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for his arrows.
- 13 He. He hath shot into my reins the daughters of his quiver.
- 14 He. I am made a derision to all my people, their song all the day long.
- 15 HE replevit me amaritudinibus inebriavit me 15 He. He hath filled me with bitterness, he hath inebriated me with wormwood.
  - 16 Vau. And he hath broken my teeth one by one, he hath fed me with ashes.
  - 17 Vau. And my soul is removed far off from peace, I have forgotten good things.
  - 18 Vau. And I said: My end and my hope is perished from the Lord.
  - 19 Zain. Remember my poverty, and transgression, the wormwood and the gall.
  - 20 Zain. I will be mindful and remember, and my soul shall languish within me.
  - 21 Zain. These things I shall think over in my heart, therefore will I hope.
  - 22 Heth. The mercies of the Lord that we are not consumed: because his commiserations have not
  - 23 Heth. They are new every morning, great is thy faithfulness.
  - 24 Heth. The Lord is my portion, said my soul: therefore will I wait for him.
- 25 TETH bonus est Dominus sperantibus in eum 25 Teth. The Lord is good to them that hope in him, to the soul that seeketh him.
  - 26 Teth. It is good to wait with silence for the salvation of God.
  - 27 Teth. It is good for a man, when he hath borne the yoke from his youth.
  - 28 Jod. He shall sit solitary, and hold his peace: because he hath taken it up upon himself.
  - 29 Jod. He shall put his mouth in the dust, if so be there may be hope.
  - 30 Jod. He shall give his cheek to him that striketh him, he shall be filled with reproaches.
  - 31 Caph. For the Lord will not cast off for ever.
  - 32 Caph. For if he hath cast off, he will also have mercy, according to the multitude of his mercies.
  - 33 Caph. For he hath not willingly afflicted, nor cast off the children of men.
  - prisoners of the land,
  - 35 Lamed. To turn aside the judgment of a man

- **35** LAMED ut declinaret iudicium viri in conspectu vultus Altissimi
- **36** LAMED ut perverteret hominem in iudicio suo Dominus ignoravit
- **37** MEM quis est iste qui dixit ut fieret Domino non iubente
- **38** MEM ex ore Altissimi non egredientur nec mala nec bona
- **39** MEM quid murmuravit homo vivens vir pro peccatis suis
- revertamur ad Dominum
- 41 NUN levemus corda nostra cum manibus ad Dominum in caelos
- **42** NUN nos inique egimus et ad iracundiam provocavimus idcirco tu inexorabilis es
- 43 SAMECH operuisti in furore et percussisti nos occidisti nec pepercisti
- **44** SAMECH opposuisti nubem tibi ne transeat oratio
- **45** SAMECH eradicationem et abiectionem posuisti me in medio populorum
- **46** FE aperuerunt super nos os suum omnes
- **47** FE formido et laqueus facta est nobis vaticinatio et contritio
- 48 FE divisiones aquarum deduxit oculus meus in contritione filiae populi mei
- **49** AIN oculus meus adflictus est nec tacuit eo quod non esset requies
- **50** AIN donec respiceret et videret Dominus de caelis
- **51** AIN oculus meus depraedatus est animam meam in cunctis filiabus urbis meae
- **52** SADE venatione ceperunt me quasi avem inimici mei gratis
- **53** SADE lapsa est in lacu vita mea et posuerunt 53 Sade. My life is fallen into the pit, and they lapidem super me
- dixi perii
- 55 COPH invocavi nomen tuum Domine de lacis 55 Coph. I have called upon thy name, O Lord, novissimis
- **56** COPH vocem meam audisti ne avertas aurem **56** Coph. Thou hast heard my voice: turn not tuam a singultu meo et clamoribus
- te dixisti ne timeas
- **58** RES iudicasti Domine causam animae meae redemptor vitae meae
- iudica iudicium meum
- **60** RES vidisti omnem furorem universas cogitationes eorum adversum me
- **61** SEN audisti obprobria eorum Domine omnes cogitationes eorum adversum me

before the face of the most High,

- 36 Lamed. To destroy a man wrongfully in his judgment, the Lord hath not approved.
- 37 Mem. Who is he that hath commanded a thing to be done, when the Lord commandeth it not?
- 38 Mem. Shall not both evil and good proceed out of the mouth of the Highest?
- 39 Mem. Why hath a living man murmured, man suffering for his sins?
- 40 NUN scrutemur vias nostras et quaeramus et 40 Nun. Let us search our ways, and seek, and return to the Lord.
  - 41 Nun. Let us lift up our hearts with our hands to the Lord in the heavens.
  - 42 Nun. We have done wickedly, and provoked thee to wrath: therefore thou art inexorable.
  - 43 Samech. Thou hast covered in thy wrath, and hast struck us: thou hast killed and hast not spared.
  - 44 Samech. Thou hast set a cloud before thee, that our prayer may not pass through.
  - 45 Samech. Thou hast made me as an outcast, and refuse in the midst of the people.
  - 46 Phe. All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.
  - 47 Phe. Prophecy is become to us a fear, and a snare, and destruction.
  - 48 Phe. My eye hath run down with streams of water, for the destruction of the daughter of my people.
  - 49 Ain. My eye is afflicted, and hath not been quiet, because there was no rest:
  - 50 Ain. Till the Lord regarded and looked down from the heavens.
  - 51 Ain. My eye hath wasted my soul because of all the daughters of my city.
  - 52 Sade. My enemies have chased me and caught me like a bird, without cause.
  - have laid a stone over me.
- **54** SADE inundaverunt aquae super caput meum **54** Sade. Waters have flowed over my head: I said: Lam cut off.
  - from the lowest pit.
  - away thy ear from my sighs, and cries.
- **57** COPH adpropinguasti in die quando invocavi **57** Coph. Thou drewest near in the day, when I called upon thee, thou saidst: Fear not.
  - 58 Res. Thou hast judged, O Lord, the cause of my soul, thou the Redeemer of my life.
- 59 RES vidisti Domine iniquitatem adversum me 59 Res. Thou hast seen, O Lord, their iniquity against me: judge thou my judgment.
  - 60 Res. Thou hast seen all their fury, and all their thoughts against me.
  - 61 Sin. Thou hast heard their reproach, O Lord, all their imaginations against me.

- eorum adversum me tota die
- **63** SEN sessionem eorum et resurrectionem eorum vide ego sum psalmus eorum
- **64** THAU reddes eis vicem Domine iuxta opera manuum suarum
- 65 THAU dabis eis scutum cordis laborem tuum
- **66** THAU persequeris in furore et conteres eos sub caelis Domine

- **62** SEN labia insurgentium mihi et meditationes **62** Sin. The lips of them that rise up against me: and their devices against me all the day.
  - 63 Sin. Behold their sitting down, and their rising up, I am their song.
  - 64 Thau. Thou shalt render them a recompense, O Lord, according to the works of their hands.
  - 65 Thau. Thou shalt give them a buckler of heart, thy labour.
  - 66 hau. Thou shalt persecute them in anger, and shalt destroy them from under the heavens, O

- ALEPH quomodo obscuratum est aurum mutatus est color optimus dispersi sunt lapides sanctuarii in capite omnium platearum
- 2 BETH filii Sion incliti et amicti auro primo quomodo reputati sunt in vasa testea opus manuum figuli
- 3 GIMEL sed et lamiae nudaverunt mammam lactaverunt catulos suos filia populi mei crudelis quasi strutio in deserto
- **4** DELETH adhesit lingua lactantis ad palatum eius in siti parvuli petierunt panem et non erat qui frangeret eis
- **5** HE qui vescebantur voluptuose interierunt in viis qui nutriebantur in croceis amplexati sunt stercora
- **6** VAV et maior effecta est iniquitas filiae populi mei peccato Sodomorum quae subversa est in momento et non ceperunt in ea manus
- **7** ZAI candidiores nazarei eius nive nitidiores lacte rubicundiores ebore antiquo sapphyro pulchriores
- **8** HETH denigrata est super carbones facies eorum et non sunt cogniti in plateis adhesit cutis eorum ossibus aruit et facta est quasi lignum
- **9** TETH melius fuit occisis gladio quam interfectis fame quoniam isti extabuerunt consumpti ab sterilitate terrae
- 10 IOTH manus mulierum misericordium coxerunt filios suos facti sunt cibus earum in contritione filiae populi mei
- **11** CAPH conplevit Dominus furorem suum effudit iram indignationis suae et succendit ignem in Sion et devoravit fundamenta eius
- **12** LAMED non crediderunt reges terrae et universi habitatores orbis quoniam ingrederetur hostis et inimicus per portas Hierusalem
- **13** MEM propter peccata prophetarum eius

- 1 Aleph. How is the gold become dim, the finest colour is changed, the stones of the sanctuary are scattered in the top of every street?
- 2 Beth. The noble sons of Sion, and they that were clothed with the best gold: how are they esteemed as earthen vessels, the work of the potter's hands?
- 3 Ghimel. Even the sea monsters have drawn out the breast, they have given suck to their young: the daughter of my people is cruel, like the ostrich in the desert.
- 4 Daleth. The tongue of the sucking child hath stuck to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the little ones have asked for bread, and there was none to break it unto them.
- 5 He. They that were fed delicately have died in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet have embraced the dung.
- 6 Vau. And the iniquity of the daughter of my people is made greater than the sin of Sodom, which was overthrown in a moment, and hands took nothing in her.
- 7 Zain. Her Nazarites were whiter than snow, purer than milk, more ruddy than the old ivory, fairer than the sapphire.
- 8 Heth. Their face is now made blacker than coals, and they are not known in the streets: their skin hath stuck to their bones, it is withered, and is become like wood.
- 9 Teth. It was better with them that were slain by the sword, than with them that died with hunger: for these pined away being consumed for want of the fruits of the earth.
- 10 Jod. The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.
- 11 Caph. The Lord hath accomplished his wrath, he hath poured out his fierce anger: and he hath kindled a fire in Sion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.
- 12 Lamed. The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world would not have believed, that the adversary and the enemy should enter in by the gates of Jerusalem.
- 13 Mem. For the sins of her prophets, and the

iniquitates sacerdotum eius qui effuderunt in medio eius sanguinem iustorum

- **14** NUN erraverunt caeci in plateis polluti sunt sanguine cumque non possent tenuerunt lacinias suas
- **15** SAMECH recedite polluti clamaverunt eis recedite abite nolite tangere iurgati quippe sunt et commoti dixerunt inter gentes non addet ultra ut habitet in eis
- 16 FE facies Domini divisit eos non addet ut respiciat eos facies sacerdotum non erubuerunt neque senum miserti sunt
- 17 AIN cum adhuc subsisteremus defecerunt oculi nostri ad auxilium nostrum vanum cum respiceremus adtenti ad gentem quae salvare non poterat
- 18 SADE lubricaverunt vestigia nostra in itinere 18 Sade. Our steps have slipped in the way of our platearum nostrarum adpropinquavit finis noster streets, our end draweth near: our days are conpleti sunt dies nostri quia venit finis noster
- **19** COPH velociores fuerunt persecutores nostri aquilis caeli super montes persecuti sunt nos in deserto insidiati sunt nobis
- **20** RES spiritus oris nostri christus dominus captus est in peccatis nostris cui diximus in umbra tua vivemus in gentibus
- **21** SEN gaude et laetare filia Edom quae habitas in terra Hus ad te quoque perveniet calix inebriaberis atque nudaberis
- 22 THAU conpleta est iniquitas tua filia Sion non 22 Thau. Thy iniquity is accomplished, O addet ultra ut transmigret te visitavit iniquitatem tuam filia Edom discoperuit peccata away into captivity: he hath visited thy iniquity, tua

- iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her.
- 14 Nun. They have wandered as blind men in the streets, they were defiled with blood: and when they could not help walking in it, they held up their skirts.
- 15 Samech. Depart you that are defiled, they cried out to them: Depart, get ye hence, touch not: for they quarrelled, and being removed, they said among the Gentiles: He will no more dwell among them.
- 16 Phe. The face of the Lord hath divided them, he will no more regard them: they respected not the persons of the priests, neither had they pity on the ancient.
- 17 Ain. While we were yet standing, our eyes failed, expecting help for us in vain, when we looked attentively towards a nation that was not able to save.
- fulfilled, for our end is come.
- 19 Coph. Our persecutors were swifter than the eagles of the air: they pursued us upon the mountains, they lay in wait for us in the wilderness.
- 20 Res. The breath of our mouth, Christ the Lord, is taken in our sins: to whom we said: Under thy shadow we shall live among the Gentiles.
- 21 Sin. Rejoice, and be glad, O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Hus: to thee also shall the cup come, thou shalt be made drunk, and naked.
- daughter of Sion, he will no more carry thee O daughter of Edom, he hath discovered thy sins.

- Recordare Domine quid acciderit nobis intuere et respice obprobrium nostrum
- 2 hereditas nostra versa est ad alienos domus nostrae ad extraneos
- **3** pupilli facti sumus absque patre matres nostrae quasi viduae
- 4 aquam nostram pecunia bibimus ligna nostra pretio conparavimus
- **5** cervicibus minabamur lassis non dabatur requies
- 6 Aegypto dedimus manum et Assyriis ut saturaremur pane
- 7 patres nostri peccaverunt et non sunt et nos iniquitates eorum portavimus
- **8** servi dominati sunt nostri non fuit qui redimeret de manu eorum
- 9 in animabus nostris adferebamus panem nobis 9 We fetched our bread at the peril of our lives, a facie gladii in deserto
- 10 pellis nostra quasi clibanus exusta est a facie 10 Our skin was burnt as an oven, by reason of

- 1 Remember, O Lord, what is come upon us: consider and behold our reproach.
- 2 Our inheritance is turned to aliens: our houses to strangers.
- 3 We are become orphans without a father: our mothers are as widows.
- 4 We have drunk our water for money: we have bought our wood.
- 5 We were dragged by the necks, we were weary and no rest was given us.
- 6 We have given our hand to Egypt, and to the Assyrians, that we might be satisfied with bread.
- 7 Our fathers have sinned, and are not: and we have borne their iniquities.
- 8 Servants have ruled over us: there was none to redeem us out of their hand.
- because of the sword in the desert.

- 11 mulieres in Sion humiliaverunt virgines in civitatibus Iuda
- 12 principes manu suspensi sunt facies senum non erubuerunt
- **13** adulescentibus inpudice abusi sunt et pueri in ligno corruerunt
- psallentium
- 15 defecit gaudium cordis nostri versus est in luctu chorus noster
- 16 cecidit corona capitis nostri vae nobis quia peccavimus
- **17** propterea maestum factum est cor nostrum ideo contenebrati sunt oculi nostri
- **18** propter montem Sion quia disperiit vulpes ambulaverunt in eo
- **19** tu autem Domine in aeternum permanebis solium tuum in generatione et generatione
- **20** quare in perpetuum oblivisceris nostri derelinques nos in longitudinem dierum
- **21** converte nos Domine ad te et convertemur innova dies nostros sicut a principio
- **22** sed proiciens reppulisti nos iratus es contra nos vehementer

- the violence of the famine.
- 11 They oppressed the women in Sion, and the virgins in the cities of Juda.
- 12 The princes were hanged up by their hand: they did not respect the persons of the ancients.
- 13 They abused the young men indecently: and the children fell under the wood.
- **14** senes de portis defecerunt iuvenes de choro **14** The ancients have ceased from the gates: the young men from the choir of the singers.
  - 15 The joy of our heart is ceased, our dancing is turned into mourning
  - 16 The crown is fallen from our head: woe to us, because we have sinned.
  - 17 Therefore is our heart sorrowful, therefore are our eyes become dim.
  - 18 For mount Sion, because it is destroyed, foxes have walked upon it.
  - 19 But thou, O Lord, shalt remain for ever, thy throne from generation to generation.
  - 20 Why wilt thou forget us for ever? why wilt thou forsake us for a long time?
  - 21 Convert us, O Lord, to thee, and we shall be converted: renew our days, as from the beginning.
  - 22 But thou hast utterly rejected us, thou art exceedingly angry with us.