

¹فَعَدْتُ وَرَفَعْتُ عَيْنَيَّ وَنَظَرْتُ وَإِذَا يَدْرَجُ طَائِرٌ.² فَقَالَ لِي، مَاذَا تَرَى. فَقُلْتُ، إِنِّي أَرَى دَرْجًا طَائِرًا طَوْلُهُ عِشْرُونَ ذِرَاعًا وَعَرْضُهُ عَشْرُ أَذْرُعٍ.³ فَقَالَ لِي، هَذِهِ هِيَ اللَّعْنَةُ الْخَارِجَةُ عَلَى وَجْهِ كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ. لِأَنَّ كُلَّ سَارِقٍ يُبَادُ مِنْ هُنَا بِحَسَبِهَا، وَكُلُّ خَالِفٍ يُبَادُ مِنْ هُنَاكَ بِحَسَبِهَا.⁴ إِنِّي أُخْرِجُهَا يَقُولُ رَبُّ الْجُنُودِ فَتَدْخُلُ بَيْتَ السَّارِقِ وَبَيْتَ الْخَالِفِ بِاسْمِي زُورًا، وَبَيْتُ فِي وَسْطِ بَيْتِهِ وَتُغْنِيهِ مَعَ حَسَبِهِ وَحِجَارَتِهِ.⁵ ثُمَّ حَرَجَ الْمَلَكَ الَّذِي كَلَّمَنِي وَقَالَ لِي، ارْفَعْ عَيْنَيْكَ وَأَنْظُرْ مَا هَذَا الْخَارِجُ.⁶ فَقُلْتُ، مَا هُوَ. فَقَالَ، هَذِهِ هِيَ الْإِيقَةُ الْخَارِجَةُ. وَقَالَ، هَذِهِ عَيْنُهُمْ فِي كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ.⁷ وَإِذَا يَوْرَتِي رَصَاصٍ رُفِعَتْ. وَكَاتَبَتْ امْرَأَةٌ جَالِسَةً فِي وَسْطِ الْإِيقَةِ.⁸ فَقَالَ، هَذِهِ هِيَ الشَّرُّ. فَطَرَحَهَا إِلَى وَسْطِ الْإِيقَةِ، وَطَرَحَ ثِقْلَ الرِّصَاصِ عَلَى فَمِهَا.⁹ وَرَفَعْتُ عَيْنَيَّ وَنَظَرْتُ وَإِذَا بِامْرَأَتَيْنِ حَرَجَتَا وَالرِّيحُ فِي أَجْنِحَتَيْهِمَا. وَلَهُمَا أَجْنِحَةٌ كَأَجْنِحَةِ الْقَلْبِ، فَرَفَعَتَا الْإِيقَةَ بَيْنَ الْأَرْضِ وَالسَّمَاءِ.¹⁰ فَقُلْتُ لِلْمَلَكَ الَّذِي كَلَّمَنِي، إِلَى أَيْنَ هُمَا ذَاهِبَتَانِ بِالْإِيقَةِ.¹¹ فَقَالَ لِي، لِتَبْنِيَا لَهَا بَيْتًا فِي أَرْضِ شُعَارٍ. وَإِذَا تَهَبَّتَا تَقْرُ هُنَاكَ عَلَى قَاعِدَتَيْهَا.

¹Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a flying roll.²And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length thereof is twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof ten cubits.³Then said he unto me, This is the curse that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for every one that stealeth shall be cut off as on this side according to it; and every one that sweareth shall be cut off as on that side according to it.⁴I will bring it forth, saith the LORD of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief, and into the house of him that sweareth falsely by my name: and it shall remain in the midst of his house, and shall consume it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof.⁵Then the angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now thine eyes, and see what is this that goeth forth.⁶And I said, What is it? And he said, This is an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover, This is their resemblance through all the earth.⁷And, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is a woman that sitteth in the midst of the ephah.⁸And he said, This is wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof.⁹Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out two women, and the wind was in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heaven.¹⁰Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah?¹¹And he said unto me, To build it an house in the

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land of Shinar: and it shall be established,
and set there upon her own base.