

¹Hear ye this, O house of Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah, which swear by the name of the LORD, and make mention of the God of Israel, but not in truth, nor in righteousness.² For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the God of Israel; The LORD of hosts is his name.³ I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did them suddenly, and they came to pass.⁴ Because I knew that thou art obstinate, and thy neck is an iron sinew, and thy brow brass;⁵ I have even from the beginning declared it to thee; before it came to pass I shewed it thee: lest thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and my molten image, hath commanded them.⁶ Thou hast heard, see all this; and will not ye declare it? I have shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden things, and thou didst not know them.⁷ They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou heardest them not; lest thou shouldest say, Behold, I knew them.⁸ Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time that thine ear was not opened: for I knew that thou wouldest deal very treacherously, and wast called a transgressor from the womb.⁹ For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.¹⁰ Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction.¹¹ For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I

¹اسْمَعُوا هَذَا يَا بَيْتَ يَعْقُوبَ الْمَدْعُوبِينَ بِاسْمِ إِسْرَائِيلَ الَّذِينَ خَرَجُوا مِنْ مِيَاهِ يَهُوذَا، خَالِفِينَ بِاسْمِ الرَّبِّ، وَالَّذِينَ يَذْكُرُونَ إِلَهَ إِسْرَائِيلَ، لَيْسَ بِالصِّدْقِ وَلَا بِالْحَقِّ.² فَإِنَّهُمْ يُسَمُّونَ مِنْ مَدِينَةِ الْقُدْسِ وَيُسْتَدُونَ إِلَى إِلَهِ إِسْرَائِيلَ. رَبُّ الْجُنُودِ اسْمُهُ³ بِالْأَوَّلِيَّاتِ مُنْذُ رَمَانَ أُخْبِرْتُ، وَمِنْ قَمِي خَرَجَتْ وَأُنْبَأْتُ بِهَا. بَعَثَ صَنَعْتُهَا فَأَنْتَ⁴ لِمَعْرِفَتِي أَتَيْتَ قَاسٍ، وَعَصَلْتَ مِنْ حَدِيدٍ عُيُفَكَ، وَجِهْنُكَ نُحَاسٌ⁵ أُخْبِرْتُكَ مُنْذُ رَمَانَ. قَبْلَمَا أَنْتَ أَنْبَأْتُكَ، لَيْلًا تَقُولُ، صَنَعِي قَدْ صَنَعْتُهَا، وَمَنْحُوتِي وَمَسْبُوكِي أَمَرَ بِهَا⁶ قَدْ سَمِعْتَ فَأَنْظُرْ كُلَّهَا. وَأَنْتُمْ أَلَا تُخْبِرُونَ. قَدْ أَنْبَأْتُكَ بِخَبْرَاتٍ مُنْذُ الْآنَ، وَبِمَخْفِيَّاتٍ لَمْ تَعْرِفْهَا⁷ الْآنَ خُلِقَتْ وَلَيْسَ مُنْذُ رَمَانَ، وَقَبْلَ الْيَوْمِ لَمْ تَسْمَعْ بِهَا، لَيْلًا تَقُولُ، هَتَّنَا قَدْ عَرَفْنَاهَا⁸ لَمْ تَسْمَعْ وَلَمْ تَعْرِفْ، وَمُنْذُ رَمَانَ لَمْ تَنْفَتِحْ أَدْنُكَ، فَإِنِّي عَلِمْتُ أَنَّكَ تَعْدُرُ عَذْرَاءَ، وَمِنْ الْبَطْنِ سُمِّيتِ غَاصِيَا. مِنْ أَجْلِ اسْمِي أَبْطَلْتُ غَضَبِي، وَمِنْ أَجْلِ قَحْرِي أَمْسِكْتُ عَنْكَ حَتَّى لَا أَقْطَعَكَ¹⁰ هَتَّنَا قَدْ تَقَبَّلْتُكَ وَلَيْسَ بِفِضَّةٍ. اخْتَرْتُكَ فِي كُورِ الْمَسْقَةِ¹¹ مِنْ أَجْلِ نَفْسِي، مِنْ أَجْلِ نَفْسِي أَفْعَلُ. لِأَنَّهُ كَيْفَ يُدَسُّ اسْمِي. وَكَرَامَتِي لَا أُعْطِيهَا لِآخَرَ¹² اسْمَعْ لِي يَا يَعْقُوبَ. وَإِسْرَائِيلَ الَّذِي دَعَوْتُهُ. أَنَا هُوَ. أَنَا الْأَوَّلُ وَأَنَا الْآخِرُ¹³ وَبِي أَسَّسَتِ الْأَرْضَ وَبِمِيزِي تَشَرَّتِ السَّمَاوَاتِ. أَنَا أَذْعُوهُمْ فَيَقِفْنَ مَعًا¹⁴ اجْتَمِعُوا كُلُّكُمْ وَاسْمَعُوا. مَنْ مِنْهُمْ أَخْبَرَ بِهَذَا. قَدْ أَحَبَّهُ الرَّبُّ. يَصْنَعُ مَسَرَّتَهُ بِبَابِلَ، وَيَكُونُ ذِرَاعُهُ عَلَى الْكِلْدَانِيِّينَ¹⁵. أَنَا أَنَا تَكَلَّمْتُ وَدَعَوْتُهُ. أَتَيْتُ بِهِ فَيَنْجَحُ طَرِيقُهُ¹⁶ تَقَدَّمُوا إِلَيَّ. اسْمَعُوا هَذَا. لَمْ أَتَكَلَّمْ مِنَ الْبَدْءِ فِي الْحَقَاءِ. مُنْذُ وُجُودِهِ أَنَا هُنَاكَ، وَالْآنَ السَّيِّدُ الرَّبُّ أَرْسَلَنِي وَرُوحُهُ¹⁷ هَكَذَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ قَادِيكَ قُدُّوسُ إِسْرَائِيلَ، أَنَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُكَ مُعَلِّمُكَ لِتَنْتَفِعَ، وَأَمْسِكْ فِي طَرِيقِ تَسْلُكَ فِيهِ¹⁸ لَيْتَنِكَ أَصْغَيْتَ لِحُضَائِي، فَكَانَ كَنْهَرُ سَلَامِكَ وَبُرْكَ كَلَجِ الْبَحْرِ¹⁹ وَكَانَ كَالرَّمْلِ تَسْلُكَ وَدَرَّتُهُ أَحْسَائُكَ كَأَحْسَائِهِ. لَا يَنْقَطِعُ وَلَا يُبَادُ اسْمُهُ مِنْ أَمَامِي²⁰ أَخْرَجُوا مِنْ بَابِلَ، اهْرُبُوا مِنْ أَرْضِ الْكِلْدَانِيِّينَ. يَصُوتُ الْتَرْتُمُ أَخِيرُوا. تَأَوُّوا بِهَذَا. سَبِّعُوهُ إِلَى أَقْصَى الْأَرْضِ. قُولُوا، قَدْ قَدَى الرَّبُّ عَبْدَهُ يَعْقُوبَ²¹ وَلَمْ يَعْطِشُوا فِي الْفِقَارِ الَّتِي سَبَّوهُمْ فِيهَا. أَجْرَى لَهُمْ مِنَ الصَّخْرِ مَاءً، وَسَقَى الصَّخْرَ فِقَاصَتِ الْمِيَاهِ²² لَا سَلَامَ قَالَ الرَّبُّ لِلْأَشْرَارِ.

do it : for how should my name be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.¹² Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last.¹³ Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together.¹⁴ All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these things ? The LORD hath loved him: he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm shall be on the Chaldeans.¹⁵ I, even I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous.¹⁶ Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.¹⁷ Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.¹⁸ O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:¹⁹ Thy seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before me.²⁰ Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it even to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant Jacob.²¹ And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts: he caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them: he clave

the rock also, and the waters gushed out.²² There is no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.