

¹The word that Jeremiah the prophet spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he had written these words in a book at the mouth of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,²Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch;³Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.⁴Thus shalt thou say unto him, The LORD saith thus; Behold, that which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land.⁵And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not: for, behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, saith the LORD: but thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places whither thou goest.

¹الْكَلِمَةُ الَّتِي تَكَلَّمَ بِهَا إِرَمِيَا النَّبِيُّ إِلَى بَارُوخ بْنِ نِيرِيَا
عِنْدَ كِتَابَتِهِ هَذَا الْكَلَامَ فِي سِفْرِ عَنْ قَمِ إِرَمِيَا، فِي
السَّنَةِ الرَّابِعَةِ لِيَهُوْيَاكِيمَ بْنِ يُوشِيَّا مَلِكِ يَهُودَا،²هَكَذَا قَالَ
الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ إِسْرَائِيلَ لَكَ يَا بَارُوخ.³قَدْ قُلْتُ، وَبُلُّ لِي لِأَنَّ
الرَّبَّ قَدْ رَادَّ حُزْنَاً عَلَى أَلَمِي. قَدْ غَشِيَ عَلَيَّ فِي تَهْذِي
وَلَمْ أَجِدْ رَاحَةً.⁴هَكَذَا تَقُولُ لَهُ، هَكَذَا قَالَ الرَّبُّ، هَنَذَا
أَهْدِمُ مَا بَنَيْتُهُ وَأَقْتُلِعُ مَا عَرَسْتُهُ وَكُلَّ هَذِهِ الْأَرْضِ.⁵وَأَنْتَ
فَهَلْ تَطْلُبُ لِنَفْسِكَ أُمُوراً عَظِيمَةً. لَا تَطْلُبْ. لِأَنِّي هَنَذَا
جَالِبٌ سَرّاً عَلَى كُلِّ ذِي جَسَدٍ يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ، وَأَعْطِيكَ
نَفْسَكَ غَنِيمَةً فِي كُلِّ الْمَوَاضِعِ الَّتِي تَسِيرُ إِلَيْهَا.