

¹He that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make thy loins strong, fortify thy power mightily.²For the LORD hath turned away the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.³The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet: the chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.⁴The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.⁵He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared.⁶The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.⁷And Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead her as with the voice of doves, tabering upon their breasts.⁸But Nineveh is of old like a pool of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, shall they cry; but none shall look back.⁹Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold: for there is none end of the store and glory out of all the pleasant furniture.¹⁰She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much pain is in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.¹¹Where is the dwelling of the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, even the old lion, walked, and the lion's whelp, and none made them afraid?¹²The lion did

¹قَدْ ارْتَقَعَتِ الْمُقَمَّعَةُ عَلَى وَجْهِكَ. اجْرُسِ الْجُصْنَ. رَاقِبِ الطَّرِيقَ. سَدِّدِ الْحَقْوَيْنِ. مَكِّنِ الْقُوَّةَ جِدًّا.²قَالَ الرَّبُّ يَزُدُّ عَظَمَةَ يَعْقُوبَ كَعَظَمَةِ إِسْرَائِيلَ، لِأَنَّ السَّالِيَيْنِ قَدْ سَلَبُوهُمْ وَأَلْفُوا قُصْبَانَ كُزُومِهِمْ.³تُرْسُ أَبْطَالِهِ مُحَمَّرٌ. رِجَالُ الْجَيْشِ قَزِمِرِيُونَ. الْمَرْكَبَاتُ يَتَارِ الْقَوْلَادُ فِي يَوْمِ إِعْدَادِهِ. وَالسَّرُؤُ يَهْتَرُ.⁴تَهْيِجُ الْمَرْكَبَاتُ فِي الْأَرَقَةِ. تَتَرَاكُضُ فِي السَّاحَاتِ. مُنْطَرِّهَا كَمَصَابِيحَ. تَجْرِي كَالْبُرُوقِ.⁵يَذْكُرُ عَظَمَاءُهُ يَتَعَثَّرُونَ فِي مَسْبِيهِمْ. يُسْرِعُونَ إِلَى سُورِهَا، وَقَدْ أَقْبَصَتِ الْمِئْرَسَةُ.⁶أَبْوَابُ الْأَنْهَارِ انْفَتَحَتْ، وَالْقَصْرُ قَدْ ذَابَ.⁷وَهَضَبٌ قَدْ انْكَسَفَتْ. أَطْلَعَتْ. وَجَوَارِيهَا تَبْنُ كَصُوتِ الْحَمَامِ صَارِيَاتٍ عَلَى صُدُورِهِنَّ.⁸وَنَبَتَوِي كَبِرْكَةِ مَاءٍ مُنْذُ كَانَتْ، وَلَكِنَّهُمْ الْآنَ هَارِبُونَ. قِفُوا قِفُوا. وَلَا مُلْتَفِتٌ.⁹إِنْهَبُوا فِصَّةً. إِنْهَبُوا ذَهَبًا، فَلَا نَهَايَةَ لِلتَّخَفِ لِلْكَثْرَةِ مِنْ كُلِّ مَتَاعٍ سَيِّئٍ.¹⁰فَرَاغٌ وَخَلَاءٌ وَحَرَابٌ وَقَلْبٌ دَائِبٌ وَارْتِخَاءٌ رُكْبٍ وَوَجَعٌ فِي كُلِّ حَقْوٍ. وَأُؤْجُهُ جَمِيعِهِمْ تَجْمَعُ حُمْرَةً.¹¹أَيْنَ مَأْوَى الْأَسُودِ وَمَرْعَى أَشْبَالِ الْأَسُودِ. حَيْثُ يَمْشِي الْأَسَدُ وَاللَّبَنَةُ وَشِبْلُ الْأَسَدِ، وَلَيْسَ مَنْ يَخَوْفُ.¹²الْأَسَدُ الْمُفْتَرَسُ لِحَاجَةِ جِرَائِهِ، وَالْحَائِقُ لِأَجْلِ لَبَوَائِهِ حَتَّى مَلَأَ مَعَارَاتِهِ قَرَائِنَ وَمَأْوِيَةً مُفْتَرَسَاتٍ.¹³هَا أَنَا عَلَيْكَ، يَقُولُ رَبُّ الْجُنُودِ. فَأَحْرِقْ مَرْكَبَاتِكَ دُخَانًا، وَأَشْبَالُكَ يَأْكُلُهَا السَّيْفُ، وَأَقْطَعْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ قَرَائِنَكَ، وَلَا يُسْمَعُ أَيْضًا صَوْتُ رُسُلِكَ.

tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.¹³ Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.