¹Amaziah was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.² And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, but not with a perfect heart. Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was established to him, that he slew his servants that had killed the king his father. But he slew not their children, but did as it is written in the law in the book of Moses, where the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin. Moreover Amaziah gathered Judah together, and made them captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of their fathers, throughout all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them from twenty years old and above, and found them three hundred thousand choice men, able to go forth to war, that could handle spear and shield. He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of Israel for an hundred talents of silver. But there came a man of God to him, saying, O king, let not the army of Israel go with thee; for the LORD is not with Israel, to wit, with all the children of Ephraim. But if thou wilt go, do it, be strong for the battle: God shall make thee fall before the enemy: for God hath power to help, and to cast down. And Amaziah said to the man of God, But what shall we do for the hundred talents which I have given to the army of Israel? And the man of God answered, The LORD is able to give

ُمَلَكَ أَمَصْيَا وَهُوَ ابْنُ خَمْس وَعِشْرِينَ _بِسَنَةً، وَمَلَكَ تِسْعاَ وَعِشْرِينَ سَنَةً فِي أُورُشَلِيِّمَ، وَاسْمُ أُمِّهِ يَهُوعَدَّانُ مِنْ أُورُ شَلِيمَ. 2 وَعَمِلَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ في عَيْنَي الرَّبِّ، وَلَكِنْ لَيْسَ بقَلْب كَاملِ. ۚ وَلَمَّا تَتَبَّتَت الْمَمْلَكَةُ عَلَيْهِ قَتَلَ عَبِيدَهُ الَّذِينَ قَتَلُواَ الْمَلِكَ أَيَاهُ. 4 وَأَمَّا يَنُوهُمْ فَلَمْ يَقْتُلْهُمْ، يَلْ كَمَا مَكْتُوبٌ في الشِّريعَة فِي سفْر مُوسَى حَيْثُ أَمَرَ الرَّ لاَ تَمُوتُ الآبَاءُ لأَجْلِ الْبَنينَ، وَلاَ الْبَنُونَ يَمُوتُونَ لأَجْلِ الآبَاءِ، بَلْ كُلِّ وَاحِدٍ يَمُوتُ لأَجْل خَطِيَّتِهِۥ ۚ وَجَمَعَ أَمَ يَهُوذَا وَأَقَامَهُمْ حَسَبَ بُيُوتِ الآبَاءِ رُؤَسَاءَ أَلُوفَ وَرُؤَسَاءَ مئَاتِ فِي كُلِّ بَهُـوذَا وَشَامِينَ، وَأَحْصَاهُمْ مِن رينَ سَنَةً فَمَا فَوْقُ، فَوَجَدَهُمْ خَارِج لِلْحَرْبِ حَامِل رُمْح وَتُرْس. ُوَاسْتَأْجَرَ مِنْ إِسْرَ مِئَةَ ۚ أَلَفِ جَبَّارٍ بَأُس بِمِئَةٍ وَزْنَةٍ مِنَ لِلُ اللَّهِ قَائِلاً، أَتُّهَا الْمَلكُ، لاَ يَأْتِي مَعَكَ حَدْ إِسْرَائِيلَ، لأَنَّ الرَّبَّ لَيْسَ مَعَ إِسْرَائِيلَ، مَعَ كُلِّ بَنِي أَفْرَابِمَ. 8وَانْ ذَهَبْتَ أَنْتَ فَاعْمَلْ وَتَشَدَّدْ لِلْقِتَالِ، لأَنَّ اللَّهَ سُعْطُكَ أَمَامَ الْعَدُقِّ، لأنَّ عنْدَ اللَّه قُوَّةً للْمُسَاعَدَة وَلِلاِسْقَاطِ. ُ فَقَالَ أُمَصْيَا لِرَجُلِ اللَّهِ، فَمَاذَا تُعْمَلُ، لأَحْلِ، الْمِئَّةِ الْوَزْنَةِ الَّتِي أَعْطَيْتُهَا لِغُزَاةِ إِسْرَائِيلَ. فَقَالَ رَجُلُ اللَّه، إِنَّ الرَّبَّ قَادِرُ أَنْ يُعْطِيَكَ أَكْثَرَ مِنْهَا. 10فَأَفْرَزَ أَمَصْيَا الْغُزَاةَ الَّذِينَ جَاءُوا إِلَيْهِ مِنْ أَفْرَايِمَ لِيَنْطَلِقُوا إِلَى مَكَانِهِمْ، فَحَمِيَ غَضَبُهُمْ جِدّاً عَلَى يَهُوذَا وَرَجَعُوا اللَّهِ مَكَانِهِمْ بِحُمُوِّ الْغَضَبِ. أَوَأَمَّا أَمَصْيَا فَتَشَدَّدَ وَاقْتَادَ شَعْيَهُ وَذَهَبَ إِلَى وَادِي الْمِلْحِ، وَضَرَبَ مِنْ يَنِي سَاعِيرَ عَشَرَةً آلاَفِ، وَعَشَرَةَ آلاَفِ أَحْيَاءَ سَبَاهُمْ بَنُو يَهُوذَا وَأَتَوْا بِهِمْ إِلِّي رَأْسِ سَالِعَ وَطَرَحُوهُمْ عَنْ رَأْسِ سَالِعَ فَتَكَسَّرُوا أَحْمَعُونَ. ¹³َوَأُمَّا الْغُزَاةُ الَّذِينَ أَرْ حَعَهُمْ أُمَصْبَا عَنِ الذَّهَابِ مَعَهُ إِلَى الْقِتَالِ فَاقْتَحَمُوا مُدُنَ يَهُوذَا مِنَ السَّامِرَةِ إِلَى بَيْتِ ۚ حُـورُونَ، وَضَرَبُوا مِنْهُـمْ ثَلاَنــةَ ٱلاَفِ وَنَهَبُـوا نَهْبـاً كَثيراً. 14ُثُمَّ بَعْدَ مَجِيءِ أَمَصْيَا مِنْ ضَرْبِ الأَدُومِيِّينَ بِٱلْهَة بَنِي سَاعِيرَ وَأَقَامَهُمْ لَهُ آلِهَةً، وَسَجَدَ أَمَامَهُمْ وَأَوْقَدَ لَهُمْ.¹⁵فَحَمِيَ غَضَبُ الرَّتِّ عَلَى أَمَصْيَا وَأَرْسَلَ إِلَيْهِ نَبِيّاً فَقَالَ لَهُ، لِمَاذَا طَلَبْتَ آلِهَةَ الشَّعْبِ الَّذِينَ لَمْ َ يُنْقَذُوا شَعْيَهُمْ مِنْ يَدِكَ. 16 وَفِيمَا هُوَ يُكَلِّمُهُ قَالَ لَهُ، هَلْ جَعَلُوكَ مُشيراً لِلْمَلِكِ. كُفَّ. لِمَاذَا يَقْتُلُونَكَ. فَكَفَّ النَّبِيُّ وَقَالَ، قَدْ عَلَمْتُ أَنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ قَضَى بِهَلاَكِكَ لأَنَّكَ عَمِلْتَ هَذَا وَلَمْ تَسْمَعْ لِمَشُورَتِي. 1 فَاسْتَشَارَ أَمَصْيَا مَلِكُ يَهُوذَا، وَأَرْسَلَ إِلَى يُواَشَ بْنِ يَهُوآحَازَ بْنِ يَاهُو مَلِكِ إِسْرَائِيلَ قَائِلاً، هَلُمَّ

نَتَرَاءَ مُواجَهَةً. 18 فَأَرْسَلَ يُوآشُ مَلِكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ إِلَى أَمَصْيَا مَلِكِ يَهُوذَا قَائِلاً، الْعَوْسَجُ الَّذِي فِي لُبْنَانَ أَرْسَلَ إِلَى الأَرْزِ الَّذِي فِي لُبْنَانَ يَقُولُ، أَعْطِ ٱبْنَتَكَ لِإبْنِي امْرَأَةً. فَعَبَرَ حَيَوَانٌ بَرِّيٌّ كَانَ فِي لُبْنَانَ وَدَاسَ الْعَوْسَجَ أَتْقُولُ، هَئَنَذَا قَدْ ضَرَبْتُ أَدُومَ. فَرَفَّعَكَ قَلْبُكَ لِلتَّمَجُّد. فَالآنَ أَقَمْ في تُنْتِكَ. لِمَاذَا تَهْحِمُ عَلَى الشَّرِّ فَتَسْقُطَ أَنْتَ وَيَهُوذَا مَعَكَ..2فَلَمْ يَسْمَعْ أَمَصْنَا لأَنَّهُ كَانَ مِنْ قَبَلِ اللَّهِ رُسَلِّمَهُمْ، لأَنَّهُمْ طَلَبُوا آلهَةَ أُدُومَ.²¹وَصَعدَ بُواْشُ مَلكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ فَتَرَاءَيَا مُواجَهَةً، هُوَ وَأُمَصْيَا مَلكُ يَهُوذَا، في َنْت شَمْس الَّتي لِنَهُوذَا ²²فَانْهَزَمَ يَهُوذَا أَمَامَ إِسْرَائِيلَ فَأَمْسَكَهُ يُوآشُ مَلِكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ فِي بَيْتِ شَمْسِ وَجَاءَ بِهِ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ، وَهَدَمَ سُورَ أُورُشَلِيمَ مِنْ بَابِ أُفْرَايِمَ إِلَى بَابِ الرَّاوِيَةِ، أَرْبَعَ مِئَةِ ذِرَاعٍ.24 وَأَخَذَ كُلَّ الدَّهَبِ وَالْفَضَّة وَكُلَّ الآنِيَة الْمَوْجُودَة في ً بَيْتِ اللَّهِ مَعَ عُوبِيدَ أُدُومَ وَخَزَائِــن بَيْــتِ الْمَلِــكِ وَالرُّهَنَــاءَ وَرَجَــهَ إِلَّ السَّامرَة. 25 وَعَاشَ أُمَصْنَا بْنُ يَهُوآشَ مَلكُ يَهُوذَا يَعْدَ مَوْتِ يُواْشَ بْنِ يَهُواْحَازَ مَلِكِ إِسْرَائِيلَ خَمْسَ عَشَرَةَ سَنَةً.²⁶وَبَقِيَّةُ أُمُورِ أُمَصْيَا الأُولَى وَالأَخِيرَةِ مَكْتُوبَةٌ فِي سِفْر مُلُوكِ يَهُوذَا وَإِسْرَائِيلَ.²⁷وَمِنْ حِينَ حَادَ أَمَصْيَا مِنْ وَرَاءِ الرَّبِّ فَتَنُوا عَلَيْهِ فِي أُورُشَلِيمَ، فَهَرَبَ إِلَى لَخِيشَ فَأَرْسَلُوا وَرَاءَهُ إِلَى لَخِيشَ وَقَتَلُوهُ هُنَاكَ، 28 وَحَمَلُوهُ عَلَى الْخَيْلِ وَدَفَنُوهُ مَعَ آبَائِه في مَدينَة يَهُوذَا.

thee much more than this. 10 Then Amaziah separated them, to wit, the army that was come to him out of Ephraim, to go home again: wherefore their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home in great anger. 11 And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his people, and went to the valley of salt, and smote of the children of Seir ten thousand. 12 And other ten thousand left alive did the children of Judah carry away captive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, that they all were broken in pieces. 13 But the soldiers of the army which Amaziah sent back, that they should not go with him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Bethhoron, and smote three thousand of them, and took much spoil. 14 Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up to be his gods, and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them. 15 Wherefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and he sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him, Why hast thou sought after the gods of the people, which could not deliver their own people out of thine hand? ¹⁶ And it came to pass, as he talked with him, that the king said unto him, Art thou made of the king's counsel? forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare, and said, I know that God hath determined to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel. ¹⁷Then Amaziah king of

Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us see one another in the face. 18 And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying. The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle. 19 Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites; and thine heart lifteth thee up to boast: abide now at home; why shouldest thou meddle to thine hurt, that thou shouldest fall, even thou, and Judah with thee?²⁰But Amaziah would not hear; for it came of God, that he might deliver them into the hand of their enemies, because they sought after the gods of Edom. 21 So Ioash the king of Israel went up; and they saw one another in the face, both he and Amaziah king of Judah, at Bethshemesh, which belongeth to Judah. 22 And Judah was put to the worse before Israel, and they fled every man to his tent. 23 And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, at Bethshemesh, and brought him to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim to the corner gate, four hundred cubits.²⁴And he took all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obededom, and the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria. 25 And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen

years.²⁶Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold, are they not written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel?²⁷Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away from following the LORD they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there.²⁸And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of Judah.