

¹قَالَ لِي، يَا ابْنِ آدَمَ، كُلْ مَا تَجِدُ. كُلْ هَذَا الدَّرَجَ،
وَأَكْثَرُ كُلِّ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ. ²فَقَتَحْتُ فَمِي فَأَطَعَمَنِي ذَلِكَ
الدَّرَجَ. ³وَقَالَ لِي، يَا ابْنِ آدَمَ، أَطْعِمُ بَطْنَكَ وَأَمْلَأُ جَوْفَكَ
مِنْ هَذَا الدَّرَجِ الَّذِي أَنَا مُعْطِيكَ. فَأَكَلْتُه قِصَارَ فِي فَمِي
كَالْعَسَلِ خَلَاوَةً. ⁴قَالَ لِي، يَا ابْنِ آدَمَ، اذْهَبْ امْضِ إِلَى
بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ وَكَلِّمْهُمْ بِكَلَامِي. ⁵لَأَنَّكَ عَيَّرَ مُرْسِلِي إِلَى
شَعْبِ غَامِضِ اللِّغَةِ وَثَقِيلِ اللِّسَانِ، بَلْ إِلَى بَيْتِ
إِسْرَائِيلَ. ⁶لَا إِلَى شُعُوبٍ كَثِيرَةٍ غَامِضَةِ اللِّغَةِ وَثَقِيلَةِ
اللِّسَانِ لَسْتُ تَفْهَمُ كَلَامَهُمْ. قَلُّوا أَرْسَلْتُكَ إِلَى هَؤُلَاءِ
لَسْمِعُوا لَكَ. ⁷لَكِنَّ بَيْتَ إِسْرَائِيلَ لَا يَسْمَعُونَ أَنْ يَسْمَعَ لَكَ،
لَأَنَّهُمْ لَا يَسْمَعُونَ أَنْ يَسْمَعُوا لِي. لِأَنَّ كُلَّ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ
صَلَابُ الْجَبَاهِ وَفُسَاهُ الْقُلُوبِ. ⁸هَتَدَا قَدْ جَعَلْتُ وَجْهَكَ
صَلْبًا مِثْلَ وَجُوهِهِمْ وَجْهَتَكَ صُلْبَةً مِثْلَ جَبَاهِهِمْ، ⁹قَدْ
جَعَلْتُ جَبْهَتَكَ كَالْمَاسِ أَصْلَبَ مِنَ الصَّوَانِ، فَلَا تَحْفَهُمْ
وَلَا تَرْتَعِبُ مِنْ وَجُوهِهِمْ لَأَنَّهُمْ يَبْتَئِمُّونَكَ. ¹⁰وَقَالَ لِي، يَا
ابْنَ آدَمَ، كُلْ الْكَلَامَ الَّذِي أَكَلَمْتُكَ بِهِ أَوْعِي فِي قَلْبِكَ
وَأَسْمَعْهُ بِأُذُنِكَ. ¹¹وَامْضِ اذْهَبْ إِلَى الْمَسْبُورِينَ إِلَى بَنِي
سَعْيِكَ وَكَلِّمْهُمْ وَقُلْ لَهُمْ، هَكَذَا قَالَ السَّيِّدُ الرَّبُّ، إِنْ
سَمِعُوا وَإِنْ امْتَنَعُوا. ¹²ثُمَّ حَمَلَنِي رُوحٌ فَسَمِعْتُ خَلْفِي
صَوْتَ رَعْدٍ عَظِيمٍ، مُبَارَكٌ مَجْدُ الرَّبِّ مِنْ
مَكَانِهِ. ¹³وَصَوْتُ أَجْنَحَةِ الْحَيَوَاتِ الْمُتَلَاصِقَةِ الْوَاحِدِ
بِأَخِيهِ وَصَوْتُ الْبَكَرَاتِ مَعَهَا وَصَوْتُ رَعْدٍ
عَظِيمٍ. ¹⁴فَحَمَلَنِي الرُّوحُ وَأَخَذَنِي، فَذَهَبْتُ مَرًّا فِي
حَرَارَةِ رُوحِي، وَيَدُ الرَّبِّ كَانَتْ شَدِيدَةً عَلَيَّ. ¹⁵فَجِئْتُ
إِلَى الْمَسْبُورِينَ عِنْدَ تَلِّ أَيْسَ، السَّاكِنِينَ عِنْدَ تَهْرٍ خَابُورَ.
وَحَيْثُ سَكَنُوا هُنَاكَ سَكَنْتُ سَبْعَةَ أَيَّامٍ مُتَخَيِّرًا فِي
وَسْطِهِمْ. ¹⁶وَكَانَ عِنْدَ تَمَامِ السَّبْعَةِ الْيَوْمِ أَنَّ كَلِمَةَ الرَّبِّ
صَارَتْ إِلَيَّ، ¹⁷يَا ابْنَ آدَمَ، قَدْ جَعَلْتُكَ رَقِيبًا لِبَيْتِ
إِسْرَائِيلَ. فَاسْمَعْ الْكَلِمَةَ مِنْ فَمِي وَأَنْذِرْهُمْ مِنْ
قِبَلِي. ¹⁸إِذَا قُلْتُ لِلشَّرِّيرِ، مَوْتًا تَمُوتُ وَمَا أَنْذَرْتَهُ أَنْتَ وَلَا
تَكَلَّمْتَ إِنْذَارًا لِلشَّرِّيرِ مِنْ طَرِيفِهِ الرَّبِّيَّةِ لِإِحْيَائِهِ، قَدْ لَكَ
الشَّرِّيرُ بِمَوْتٍ بِأَنِّهِ، أَمَّا دَمُهُ فَمِنْ يَدِكَ أَطْلُبُهُ. ¹⁹وَإِنْ
أَنْذَرْتَ أَنْتَ الشَّرِّيرَ وَلَمْ يَرْجِعْ عَنْ سَرِّهِ وَلَا عَنْ طَرِيفِهِ
الرَّبِّيَّةِ، فَإِنَّهُ بِمَوْتٍ بِأَنِّهِ. أَمَّا أَنْتَ فَقَدْ تَجَبَّتَ
نَفْسَكَ. ²⁰وَالْبَارُّ إِنْ رَجَعَ عَنْ بَرِّهِ وَعَمِلَ إِثْمًا وَجَعَلْتُ
مَعْتَرَةً أَمَامَهُ فَإِنَّهُ بِمَوْتٍ. لِأَنَّكَ لَمْ تُنْذِرْهُ بِمَوْتٍ فِي
خَطِيئَتِهِ وَلَا يُذَكِّرُ بَرَّهُ الَّذِي عَمِلَهُ. أَمَّا دَمُهُ فَمِنْ يَدِكَ
أَطْلُبُهُ. ²¹وَإِنْ أَنْذَرْتَ أَنْتَ الْبَارَّ مِنْ أَنْ يُخْطِئَ الْبَارُّ، وَهُوَ

¹Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel. ²So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll. ³And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I eat it; and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness. ⁴And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with my words unto them. ⁵For thou art not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, but to the house of Israel; ⁶Not to many people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee. ⁷But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel are impudent and hardhearted. ⁸Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads. ⁹As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house. ¹⁰Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears. ¹¹And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear. ¹²Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, Blessed be the

لَمْ يُحِطْ، فَإِنَّهُ حَيَاةٌ يَحْيَا لِأَنَّهُ أُنْذِرُ، وَأَنْتَ تَكُونُ قَدْ
 تَجَيَّتَ نَفْسَكَ.²² وَكَانَتْ يَدُ الرَّبِّ عَلَيَّ هُنَاكَ. وَقَالَ لِي،
 فُمْ اخْرُجْ إِلَى الْبُقْعَةِ وَهُنَاكَ أَكَلُكَ.²³ فَقُمْتُ وَخَرَجْتُ
 إِلَى الْبُقْعَةِ، وَإِذَا بِمَجْدِ الرَّبِّ وَاقِفٌ هُنَاكَ كَالْمَجْدِ الَّذِي
 رَأَيْتُهُ عِنْدَ تَهَرِّ حَابُورَ. فَخَرَزْتُ عَلَى وَجْهِ. ²⁴ قَدْخَلْتُ فِي
 رُوحٍ وَأَقَامَنِي عَلَى قَدَمَيْ. ثُمَّ قَالَ لِي، اذْهَبْ أَغْلِقْ
 عَلَى نَفْسِكَ فِي وَسْطِ بَيْنِكَ.²⁵ وَأَنْتَ يَا ابْنَ آدَمَ فَهَذَا هُمْ
 يَصْعُقُونَ عَلَيْكَ رُبَطًا وَيَقِيدُونَكَ بِهَا، فَلَا تَخْرُجْ فِي
 وَسْطِهِمْ.²⁶ وَالْصِّقْ لِسَانَكَ بِخَتَمِكَ فَتَبْكُمُ وَلَا تَكُونُ لَهُمْ
 رَجُلًا مُوَبَّحًا، لِأَنَّهُمْ بَيِّتٌ مُتَمَرِّدٌ.²⁷ فَإِذَا كَلَّمْتُكَ أَفْتَحْ فَمَكَ
 فَتَقُولُ لَهُمْ، هَكَذَا قَالَ السَّيِّدُ الرَّبُّ. مَنْ يَسْمَعُ فَلْيَسْمَعْ،
 وَمَنْ يَمْتَنِعْ فَلْيَمْتَنِعْ. لِأَنَّهُمْ بَيِّتٌ مُتَمَرِّدٌ.

glory of the LORD from his place.¹³ I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.¹⁴ So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.¹⁵ Then I came to them of the captivity at Telabib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days.¹⁶ And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,¹⁷ Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.¹⁸ When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.¹⁹ Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.²⁰ Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.²¹ Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned;

also thou hast delivered thy soul.²² And the hand of the LORD was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth into the plain, and I will there talk with thee.²³ Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face.²⁴ Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house.²⁵ But thou, O son of man, behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:²⁶ And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them a reprover: for they are a rebellious house.²⁷ But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear: for they are a rebellious house.