

<sup>1</sup>اسْمَعُوا قَوْلَ الرَّبِّ يَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، إِنَّ لِلرَّبِّ مُحَاكَمَةً  
مَعَ سُكَّانِ الْأَرْضِ، لِأَنَّهُ لَا أَمَانَةَ وَلَا إِحْسَانَ وَلَا مَعْرِفَةَ  
اللَّهِ فِي الْأَرْضِ. <sup>2</sup>لَعْنٌ وَكَذِبٌ وَقَتْلٌ وَسِزْقَةٌ وَفِسْقٌ.  
يَعْتِفُونَ، وَدِمَاءٌ تَلْحَقُ دِمَاءً. <sup>3</sup>لِذَلِكَ تَنُوحُ الْأَرْضُ وَيَذْبُلُ  
كُلُّ مَنْ يَسْكُنُ فِيهَا مَعَ حَيَوَانِ الْبَرِّ وَطُيُورِ السَّمَاءِ،  
وَأَسْمَاكِ الْبَحْرِ أَيْضاً تَتَنَرَّعُ. <sup>4</sup>وَلَكِنْ لَا يُحَاكِمُ أَحَدٌ وَلَا  
يُعَاتِبُ أَحَدٌ. وَسَعْيُكَ كَمَنْ يُخَاصِمُ كَاهِناً. <sup>5</sup>فَتَتَعَتَّرُ فِي  
النَّهَارِ وَيَتَعَتَّرُ أَيْضاً النَّبِيُّ مَعَكَ فِي اللَّيْلِ، وَأَنَا أَخْرُبُ  
أَمَّكَ. <sup>6</sup>قَدْ هَلَكَ شَعْبِي مِنْ عَدَمِ الْمَعْرِفَةِ. لِأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ  
رَفَضْتَ الْمَعْرِفَةَ أَرْفُضُكَ أَنَا حَتَّى لَا تَكُنَ لِي. وَلِأَنَّكَ  
تَسِيَتْ شَرِيعَةَ إِلَهِكَ أَنْسَى أَنَا أَيْضاً نَبِيَّكَ. <sup>7</sup>عَلَى حَسْبَمَا  
كَثُرُوا هَكَذَا أَخْطَاؤُوا إِلَيَّ، فَأَبْدِلُ كَرَامَتَهُمْ يَهُوَان. <sup>8</sup>يَأْكُلُونَ  
حَطِيئَةَ شَعْبِي وَإِلَى إِبْهَمِهِمْ يَحْمِلُونَ نُفُوسَهُمْ. <sup>9</sup>فَيَكُونُ كَمَا  
السَّعْبُ هَكَذَا الْكَاهِنُ. وَأَعَاقِبُهُمْ عَلَى طَرَفِهِمْ وَأَرُدُّ  
أَعْمَالَهُمْ عَلَيْهِمْ. <sup>10</sup>فَيَأْكُلُونَ وَلَا يَشْبَعُونَ، وَيَزْنُونَ وَلَا  
يَكْتُرُونَ، لِأَنَّهُمْ قَدْ تَرَكُوا عِبَادَةَ الرَّبِّ. <sup>11</sup>الرَّزَى وَالْحَمْرُ  
وَالسَّلَاقَةُ تَحْلِبُ الْقَلْبَ. <sup>12</sup>شَعْبِي يَسْأَلُ حَسْبَهُ وَعَصَاهُ  
تُحِيرُهُ، لِأَنَّ رُوحَ الرَّزَى قَدْ أَضَلَّهُمْ فَزَنُوا مِنْ تَحْتِ  
إِلَهُمْ. <sup>13</sup>يَذْبَحُونَ عَلَى رُؤُوسِ الْجِبَالِ وَيُذَبِّحُونَ عَلَى  
الْأَلْأَلِ تَحْتَ الْبَلُوطِ وَاللَّبْنَى وَالْبُطْمِ لِأَنَّ طِلْهًا حَسَنًا.  
لِذَلِكَ تَرْنِي بَنَاتُكُمْ وَتَفْسِقُ كَنَانُكُمْ. <sup>14</sup>لَا أَعَاقِبُ بَنَاتِكُمْ  
لِأَنَّهُنَّ يَزْنِينَ وَلَا كَنَانِكُمْ لِأَنَّهُنَّ يَفْسِقْنَ. لِأَنَّهُمْ يَعْتَزِلُونَ مَعَ  
الرَّائِيَاتِ وَيَذْبَحُونَ مَعَ النَّازِرَاتِ الرَّزَى. وَشَعْبٌ لَا يَعْقِلُ  
يُضْرَعُ. <sup>15</sup>إِنْ كُنْتُ أَنْتَ زَانِياً يَا إِسْرَائِيلُ فَلَا يَأْتِمُّ يَهُودًا. وَلَا  
تَأْتُوا إِلَى الْجُلُجَالِ وَلَا تَصْعَدُوا إِلَى بَيْتِ آوَنَ وَلَا تَخْلِفُوا،  
حَيْ هُوَ الرَّبُّ. <sup>16</sup>إِنَّهُ قَدْ جَمَعَ إِسْرَائِيلُ كِبَرَةً جَامِعَةً.  
الآنَ بَرَعَاهُمُ الرَّبُّ كَحَرْوِي فِي مَكَانٍ وَاسِعٍ. <sup>17</sup>أَفْرَائِمُ  
مُوثِقٌ بِالْأَصْنَامِ. ائْرُكُوهُ. <sup>18</sup>مَتَى انْتَهَتْ مُنَادِمَتُهُمْ زَنَوا  
زِنَى. أَحَبَّ مَجَانَّتَهَا، أَحَبُّوا الْهَوَانَ. <sup>19</sup>قَدْ صَرَّتْهَا الرِّيحُ فِي  
أَجْنِحَتِهَا، وَحَجَلُوا مِنْ دَبَاجِهِمْ.

<sup>1</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. <sup>2</sup>By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood. <sup>3</sup>Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away. <sup>4</sup>Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people are as they that strive with the priest. <sup>5</sup>Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother. <sup>6</sup>My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. <sup>7</sup>As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I change their glory into shame. <sup>8</sup>They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity. <sup>9</sup>And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings. <sup>10</sup>For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD. <sup>11</sup>Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart. <sup>12</sup>My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused them to

err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.<sup>13</sup> They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.<sup>14</sup> I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people that doth not understand shall fall.<sup>15</sup> Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, yet let not Judah offend; and come not ye unto Gilgal, neither go ye up to Bethaven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.<sup>16</sup> For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.<sup>17</sup> Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.<sup>18</sup> Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers with shame do love, Give ye.<sup>19</sup> The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.