وَالآنَ اسْمَعْ يَا يَعْقُوبُ عَبْدِي وَاسْرَائِيلُ الَّذِي الْ اخْتَرْتُهُ. ۚ هَكَذَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ صَانِعُكَ وَجَابِلُكَ مِنَ الرَّحِم، مُعِينُكَ، لاَ تَخَفْ يَا عَبْدِي يَعْقُوبُ وَيَا يَشُورُونُ الَّذِيَ اخْتَرْتُهُ. لَأَنِّي أَسْكُتُ مَاءً عَلَى الْعَطْشَانِ وَسُيُولاً عَلَى الْيَابِسَةِ. أَسْكُبُ رُوحِي عَلَى نَسْلِكَ وَبَرَكَتِي عَلَى عَلَى ذُرُّ تَّتكَ. 4 فَنَسُتُونَ بَيْنَ الْعُشْبِ مِثْلَ الصَّفْصَافِ عَلَى مَجَارِي الْمِيَاهِ. ۚ هَذَا يَقُولُ، أَنَا لِلرَّبِّ وَهَذَا يُكَنِّي بِاسْمِ يَعْقُوبَ، وَهَذَا يَكْتُبُ بِيَدِهِ، لِلرَّبِّ، وَبِاسْم إِسْرَائِيلَ يُلَقَّبُ. ۚ هَكَذَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ مَلِكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ وَفَادِيهِ، رَبُّ الْجُنُودِ، أَنَا الأُوَّلُ وَأَنَا الآخِرُ وَلاَ إَلَهَ غَيْرِي. ۖ وَمَنْ مِثْلِي يُنَادِي فَلْيُخْبِرْ بِهِ وَيَعْرِضْهُ لِي مَٰنْذُ وَضَعْتُ الشَّعْبَ الْقَديمَ. وَالْمُسْتَقْبَلاَتُ وَمَا سَيَأْتِي لِيُخْبِرُوهُمْ بِهَا. ْلاَ تَرْتَعِبُوا وَلاَ تَرْتَاعُوا. أَمَا أَعْلَمْتُكَ مُنْذُ الْقَدِيمِ وَأَخْبَرْتُكَ. فَأَنْتُمْ شُهُودى. هَلْ يُوجَدُ إِلَهُ غَيْرِي. وَلاَ صَخْرَةَ لاَ أَعْلَمُ بهَا.⁹الَّذِينَ يُصَوِّرُونَ صَنَماً كُلَّهُمْ بَاطِلٌ، وَمُشْتَهَيَاتُهُمْ لاَ أَصْحَابِهِ يَخْزَوْنَ وَالصُّنَّاعُ هُمْ مِنَ النَّاسِ. يَجْتَمِغُونَ كُلُّهُمْ، يَقِفُونَ يَـرْتَعِبُونَ وَيَخْـزَوْنَ مَعـاً. ¹²طَبَعَ الْحَدِيـدَ قَـدُوماً، وَعَمِلَ فِي الْفَحْمِ، وَبِالْمَطَارِقِ يُصَوِّرُهُ فَيَصْنَعُهُ بِذِرَاعِ قُوَّتِهِ. يَجُوعُ أَيْصاً فَلَيْسَ لَهُ قُوَّةٌ. لَمْ يَشْرَبْ مَاءً وَقَدْ تَعِبَ. 13 نَجَّرَ خَشَباً. مَدَّ الْخَيْطَ. بالْمِخْرَز يُعَلِّمُهُ، يَصْنَعُهُ بالأزَامِيل، وَبالدَّوَّارَةِ يَرْسِمُهُ. فَيَصْنَعُهُ كَشَبَه رَحُل، كَجَمَال إِنْسَان، إِلِيَسْكُنَ فِي الْبَيْتِ.¹⁴قَطَعَ لِنَفْسه أَرْزًاً وَأَخَذَ سِنْدِيَاناً ۖ وَبَلُّوطاً، وَاخْتَارَ لِنَفْسِهِ مِنْ أَشْجَارِ الْوَعْرِ. غَيَسَ سَنُوبَراً وَالْمَطَرُ يُنْمِيهِ. 15فَيَصِيرُ لِلنَّاسِ لِلإِيقَادِ. وَيَأْخُذُ مِنْهُ وَيَتَدَفَّأَ. يُشْعِلُ أَيْضاً وَيَخْبِزُ خُبْزِاً، ثُمَّ يَصْنَغُ إِلَهاً فَيَسْخُدُ. قَدْ صَنَعَهُ صَنَماً وَخَرَّ لَهُ. 16 نَصْفُهُ أَحْرَقَهُ بِالنَّارِ. عَلَى نِصْفه يَأْكُلُ لَحْماً. يَشْوي مَشْويّاً وَيَشْبَعُ. يَتَدَفَّأُ أَيْضاً وَيَقُولُ، يَخْ. قَدْ تَدَفَّأْتُ. رَأَيْتُ نَاراً. 17وَيَقَيَّتُهُ قَدْ صَنَعَهَا إِلَها، صَنَماً لِنَفْسه. يَخُرُّ لَهُ وَيَسْحُدُ، وَيُصَلِّي إِلَيْهِ وَيَقُولُ، ْنَجِّنِي لأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ إِلَهِي.¹⁸لاَ يَعْرفُونَ وَلاَ يَفْهَمُونَ لأَنَّهُ قَدْ طُمِسَتْ عُيُونُهُمْ عَن الإبْصَارِ وَقُلُوبُهُمْ عَنِ التَّعَقُّلِ.19وَلَ يُرَدِّدُ فِي قَلْبِهِ وَلَيْسَ لَّهُ مَغْرِفَةٌ وَلاَ فَهُمُّ حَتَّى يَقُولَ، نَصْفَهُ قَدْ أَحْرَقْتُ بِالنَّارِ، وَخَبَرْتُ أَيْضاً عَلَى حَمْرِه خُبْراً، شَوَيْتُ لَحْماً وَأَكَلْتُ. أَفَأَصْنَعُ يَقيَّتَهُ رِجْساً وَلسَاقَ شَجَرَةٍ أُخُرُّ .20 يَرْ عَي رَمَاداً. قَلْتُ مَخْدُوعٌ ۖ قَدْ أَضَلَّهُ فَلَا يُنَجِّي نَفْسَهُ وَلاَ يَقُولُ، أَلَيْسَ كَذِبٌ فِي يَمِينِي. 21ُأُذْكُرْ هَذه يَا

¹Yet now hear, O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen: Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen. For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring: ⁴And they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses. One shall say, I am the LORD's; and another shall call himself by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the LORD, and surname himself by the name of Israel. Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any .9They that make a graven image are all of them vanity; and their delectable things shall not profit; and they are their own witnesses; they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed. 10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image that is profitable for nothing?¹¹Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they are of men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; yet they shall fear, and يَعْقُوبُ، يَا إِسْرَائِيلُ، فَإِنَّكَ أَنْتَ عَبْدِي. قَدْ جَبَلْتُكَ. عَبْدُ لِي أَنْتَ. يَا إِسْرَائِيلُ لاَ تُنْسَى مِنِّي. 22 قَدْ مَحَوْثُ كَغَيْمٍ لَٰنُوبَـكَ وَكَسَحَاتِةٍ خَطَايَـاكَ. اِرْجِعْ إِلَـيَّ لأَنِّي لأَنْي فَدَيْتُكَ. 23 أَلَي الرَّبِي أَيْنُهَا السَّمَاوَاتُ لأَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ فَعَلَ. اِلْمِبَالُ تَرَثُماً، فَدَيْتُكَ. 24 أَلَسَهَا اللَّمِبَالُ تَرَثُماً، الْمِبَالُ تَرَثُماً، الْمِبَالُ تَرَثُماً، الْوَعْرُ وَكُلُّ شَجَرَةٍ فِيهِ، لأَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ فَدَى يَعْفُوبَ، وَفِي إِسْرَائِيلِ تَمَجَّدَ فَعَدَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ فَادِيكَ وَجَالِلُكَ وَفِي إِسْرَائِيلِ تَمَجَّدَ 4 مَكَذَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ فَادِيكَ وَجَالِلُكَ وَفِي إِسْرَائِيلِ تَمَجَّدَ 4 مَكَذَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ فَادِيكَ وَجَالِلُكَ وَفِي إِسْرَائِيلِ تَمَجَّدَ 4 مَكَذَا يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ فَادِيكَ وَجَالِلُكَ وَفِي إِسْرَائِيلٍ تَمَجَّدَ أَلَا الرَّبُّ صَانِعُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، نَاشِرُ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَحُدِي. بَاسِطُ الأَرْضَ. مَـنْ مَعِي. 25 مُنَطَّـلُ آيَـاتِ وَحُدِي. بَاسِطُ الأَرْضَ. مَـنْ مَعِي. 25 مُنَطِّلُ لُ آلَي الرَّبُ عَالَي اللَّرَبُ مَالُكُ اللَّكِي اللَّهُ عَلْ الْحُكَمَاءَ إِلَى الْمُعَلِي اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّكَ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّولُ اللَّهُ اللَّكَ اللَّهُ اللَّكَ اللَّهُ اللَّي اللَّهُ عَنْ أَوْمُونَ مَهُ وَمُعَلِّلُ مُولِ اللَّهُ عَلْ مَلُولُ عَنْ أُورُشَالِهُ اللَّهُ الْمُنَى، وَلِلْهَيْكُلُ مَسَرَّتِي يُتَمِّمُ اللَّهُ الْمُ اللَّهُ الْمُلَالِ اللَّهُ الللَه

they shall be ashamed together. 12 The smith with the tongs both worketh in the coals, and fashioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is faint. 13 The carpenter stretcheth out his rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man; that it may remain in the house. 14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish it. 15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth it, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth it; he maketh it a graven image, and falleth down thereto. 16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth himself, and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire: ¹⁷ And the residue thereof he maketh a god, even his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth it, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou art my god. ¹⁸They have not known nor understood: for he hath shut their eyes, that they cannot see; and their hearts, that they cannot understand. 19 And none considereth in his heart, neither is there knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten it: and

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shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I fall down to the stock of a tree?²⁰He feedeth on ashes: a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he cannot deliver his soul, nor say, Is there not a lie in my right hand?²¹Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou art my servant: I have formed thee; thou art my servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me.²²I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee. 23 Sing, O ve heavens; for the LORD hath done it: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ve mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.²⁴Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;²⁵That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish; ²⁶That confirmeth the word of his servant, and performeth the counsel of his messengers; that saith to Ierusalem, Thou shalt be inhabited; and to the cities of Judah, Ye shall be built, and I will raise up the decayed places thereof: ²⁷That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers: 28 That saith of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.