

¹قَدْ ارْتَفَعَتِ الْمِقْمَعَةُ عَلَى وَجْهِكَ. اخْرِسِ الْجِصْنَ.
 رَاقِبِ الطَّرِيقَ. سَدِّدِ الْحَقُوبِينَ. مَكِّنِ الْقُوَّةَ جِدًّا.² إِنْ
 الرَّبَّ بَرُدَّ عَظْمَةٌ يَغْقُوبَ كَعَظْمَةِ إِسْرَائِيلَ، لِأَنَّ
 السَّالِبِينَ قَدْ سَلَبُوهُمْ وَأَثْلَفُوا قُضْبَانَ كُرُومِهِمْ.³ تَرُسُ
 أَبْطَالِهِ مُحَمَّرٌ. رِجَالُ الْجَيْشِ قِرْمِزِيُّونَ. الْمَرْكَبَاتُ يَتَارِ
 الْفُولَازِ فِي يَوْمِ إِعْدَادِهِ. وَالسَّرُورُ يَهْتَرُّ.⁴ تَهْبِجُ الْمَرْكَبَاتُ
 فِي الْأَرْقَةِ. تَتَرَاكُضُ فِي السَّاحَاتِ. مُنْطَرُهَا كَمَصَابِيحَ.
 تَجْرِي كَالْبُرُوقِ.⁵ يَذْكُرُ عَظَمَاءُهُ، يَتَعَنَّرُونَ فِي مَسِيهِمْ.
 يُسْرِغُونَ إِلَى سُورِهَا، وَقَدْ أَقِيَمَتِ الْمُتْرَسَةُ.⁶ أَبْوَابُ
 الْأَنْهَارِ انْفَتَحَتْ، وَالْقَصْرُ قَدْ دَابَ.⁷ وَهَضَبٌ قَدْ انْكَشَفَ.
 أُطْلِعَتْ. وَجَوَارِيهَا تَبْنُّ كَصَوْتِ الْحَمَامِ صَارِتَاتٍ عَلَى
 صُدُورِهِنَّ.⁸ وَيَسْتَوِي كِبْرَكَةُ مَاءٍ مُنْذُ كَانَتْ، وَلَكِنَّهُمْ الْآنَ
 هَارِبُونَ. قِفُوا قِفُوا. وَلَا مُلْتَفِتٌ.⁹ إِنْهَبُوا فِصَّةً. إِنْهَبُوا دَهْبًا،
 فَلَا نِهَآيَةَ لِلتَّحَفِ لِلْكَثْرَةِ مِنْ كُلِّ مَتَاعِ شَيْءٍ.¹⁰ قَرَاغٌ
 وَخَلَاءٌ وَخَرَابٌ وَقَلْبٌ ذَائِبٌ وَارْتِجَاءٌ رُكِبَ وَوَجَعَ فِي كُلِّ
 حَقْوٍ. وَأَوُجُهُ جَمِيعِهِمْ تَجْمَعُ حُمْرَةً.¹¹ أَيْنَ مَأْوَى الْأَسُودِ
 وَمَرْعَى أَشْبَالِ الْأَسُودِ. حَيْثُ يَمْشِي الْأَسَدُ وَاللَّيْلَةُ
 وَشِبْلُ الْأَسَدِ، وَلَيْسَ مَنْ يُخَوِّفُ.¹² الْأَسَدُ الْمُفْتَرِسُ
 لِحَاجَةِ جِرَائِهِ، وَالْخَانِقُ لِأَجْلِ لَبَوَاتِهِ حَتَّى مَلَأَ مَعَارَاتِهِ
 قَرَائِسَ وَمَاوِيَهُ مُفْتَرِسَاتٍ.¹³ هَا أَنَا عَلَيْكَ، يَقُولُ رَبُّ
 الْجُنُودِ. فَأَحْرِقْ مَرْكَبَاتِكَ دُخَانًا، وَأَشْبَالُكَ بِأَكْلِهَا السَّيْفَ،
 وَأَقْطَعْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ قَرَائِسَكَ، وَلَا يُسْمَعُ أَيْضًا صَوْتُ
 رُسْلِكَ.

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

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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.