

¹Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, even Jerusalem:²And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set battering rams against it round about.³Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it for a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This shall be a sign to the house of Israel.⁴Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.⁵For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.⁶And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year.⁷Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm shall be uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.⁸And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.⁹Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof.¹⁰And thy meat which thou

¹وَأَنْتَ يَا ابْنَ آدَمَ فَخُذْ لِنَفْسِكَ لَبَنَةً وَصَعْهَا أَمَامَكَ، وَارِسِمَ عَلَيْهَا مَدِينَةَ أُورُشَلِيمَ.²وَاجْعَلْ عَلَيْهَا حِصَارًا، وَابْنِ عَلَيْهَا بَرْجًا، وَأَقِمْ عَلَيْهَا مِئْرَسَةً، وَاجْعَلْ عَلَيْهَا جُيُوشًا، وَأَقِمْ عَلَيْهَا مَجَانِقَ خَوْلَهَا.³وَاخُذْ أَنْتَ لِنَفْسِكَ صَاجًا مِنْ حَدِيدٍ وَأَنْصِبْهُ سُورًا مِنْ حَدِيدٍ بَيْنَكَ وَبَيْنَ الْمَدِينَةِ، وَتَبَّثْ وَجْهَكَ عَلَيْهَا فَتَكُونُ فِي حِصَارٍ وَتُحَاصِرُهَا. تِلْكَ آيَةُ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ.⁴وَأَتَكِيْ أَنْتَ عَلَى جَنْبِكَ الْيَسَارِ وَصَعِ عَلَيْهِ إِنْمْ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ. عَلَى عَدَدِ الْأَيَّامِ الَّتِي فِيهَا تَتَكِيْ عَلَيْهِ تَحْمِلُ إِنْهُمْ.⁵وَأَنَا قَدْ جَعَلْتُ لَكَ سِنِي إِنْهُمْ حَسَبَ عَدَدِ الْأَيَّامِ، ثَلَاثَ مِئَةِ يَوْمٍ وَتِسْعِينَ يَوْمًا، فَتَحْمِلُ إِنْمْ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ.⁶فَإِذَا أَنْقَمْتَهَا فَأَتَكِيْ عَلَى جَنْبِكَ الْيَمِينِ أَيْضًا، فَتَحْمِلُ إِنْمْ بَيْتِ يَهُوذا أَرْبَعِينَ يَوْمًا. فَقَدْ جَعَلْتُ لَكَ كُلَّ يَوْمٍ عَوَضًا عَنْ سَنَةٍ.⁷فَتَبَّثْ وَجْهَكَ عَلَى حِصَارِ أُورُشَلِيمَ وَذِرَاعَكَ مَكْشُوفَةً وَتَبَّثْ عَلَيْهَا.⁸وَهَتِّدَا أَجْعَلْ عَلَيْكَ رُبَطًا فَلَا تَقْلُبُ مِنْ جَنْبٍ إِلَى جَنْبٍ حَتَّى تَتِمَّ أَيَّامَ حِصَارِكَ. وَخُذْ أَنْتَ لِنَفْسِكَ قَمْحًا وَشَعِيرًا وَقُولًا وَعَدَسًا وَذُحْنًا وَكَرْسَةً وَصَعْهَا فِي وعاءٍ وَاحِدٍ، وَاصْنَعْهَا لِنَفْسِكَ خُبزًا كَعَدَدِ الْأَيَّامِ الَّتِي تَتَكِيْ فِيهَا عَلَى جَنْبِكَ. ثَلَاثَ مِئَةِ يَوْمٍ وَتِسْعِينَ يَوْمًا تَأْكُلُهُ.¹⁰وَطَعَامُكَ الَّذِي تَأْكُلُهُ يَكُونُ بِالْوَزْنِ. كُلَّ يَوْمٍ عِشْرِينَ شَاقِلًا. مِنْ وَقْتٍ إِلَى وَقْتٍ تَأْكُلُهُ.¹¹وَتَشْرَبُ الْمَاءَ بِالْكَيلِ. سُدَسَ الْهَيْنِ. مِنْ وَقْتٍ إِلَى وَقْتٍ تَشْرَبُهُ.¹²وَتَأْكُلُ كَعَاكَ مِنَ الشَّعِيرِ. عَلَى الْخُرْءِ الَّذِي يَخْرُجُ مِنَ الْإِنْسَانِ تَخِيرُهُ أَمَامَ عُيُونِهِمْ.¹³وَقَالَ الرَّبُّ، هَكَذَا يَأْكُلُ بَنُو إِسْرَائِيلَ خُبْرَهُمُ النَّجَسِ بَيْنَ الْأُمَمِ الَّذِينَ أَطْرَدَهُمْ إِلَيْهِمْ.¹⁴فَقُلْتُ، أَهْ يَا سَيِّدُ الرَّبِّ، هَا نَفْسِي لَمْ تَنْجَسْ. وَمِنْ صَبَايَ إِلَى الْآنَ لَمْ أَكُلْ مَيْتَةً أَوْ قَرِيسَةً، وَلَا دَخَلْتُ فِي لَحْمٍ نَجَسٍ.¹⁵فَقَالَ لِي، أَنْظُرْ. قَدْ جَعَلْتُ لَكَ جَنْبَ الْبَقَرِ بَدَلَ خُرْءِ الْإِنْسَانِ فَتَصْنَعُ خُبْرَكَ عَلَيْهِ.¹⁶وَقَالَ لِي، يَا ابْنُ آدَمَ، هَتِّدَا أَكْسِرْ قِوَامَ الْخُبْرِ فِي أُورُشَلِيمَ، فَيَأْكُلُونَ الْخُبْزَ بِالْوَزْنِ وَبِالْعَمِّ، وَيَشْرَبُونَ الْمَاءَ بِالْكَيلِ وَبِالْخَبْرَةِ لِكَيْ يَغُورَهُمُ الْخُبْزُ وَالْمَاءُ، وَيَتَخَيَّرُوا الرَّجُلُ وَأَخُوهُ وَيَقْتُلُوا بَائِمِهِمْ.

shalt eat shall be by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.¹¹ Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time shalt thou drink.¹² And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.¹³ And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them.¹⁴ Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth.¹⁵ Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.¹⁶ Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment:¹⁷ That they may want bread and water, and be astonied one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.