

¹Woe to the land shadowing with wings, which is beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:²That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters, saying, Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation scattered and peeled, to a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden down, whose land the rivers have spoiled!³All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.⁴For so the LORD said unto me, I will take my rest, and I will consider in my dwelling place like a clear heat upon herbs, and like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest.⁵For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with pruning hooks, and take away and cut down the branches.⁶They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and to the beasts of the earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.⁷In that time shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts of a people scattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, the mount Zion.

¹بَا أَرْضَ خَفِيفِ الْأَجْنَحَةِ الَّتِي فِي غَيْرِ أَنْهَارِ
²كُوشٍ، الْمُرْسِلَةَ رُسُلًا فِي الْبَحْرِ وَفِي قَوَارِبَ مِنَ
الْبَرْدِيِّ عَلَى وَجْهِ الْمِيَاهِ. ادْهَبُوا إِلَيْهَا الرُّسُلُ السَّرِيعُونَ
إِلَى أُمَّةٍ طَوِيلَةٍ وَجَرْدَاءَ، إِلَى شَعْبٍ مَخُوفٍ مُنْذُ كَانَ
قَصَاعِدًا، أُمَّةٌ قُوَّةٌ وَشِدَّةٌ وَدَّوْسٌ، قَدْ حَرَقَتْ الْأَنْهَارُ
أَرْضَهَا.³يَا جَمِيعَ سُكَّانِ الْمَسْكُونَةِ وَقَاطِنِي الْأَرْضِ،
عِنْدَمَا تَرْفَعُ الرَّايَةُ عَلَى الْجِبَالِ تَنْظُرُونَ، وَعِنْدَمَا
يُضْرَبُ بِالْبُوقِ تَسْمَعُونَ.⁴لَأَنَّهُ هَكَذَا قَالَ لِي الرَّبُّ، إِنِّي
أَهْدَأُ وَأَنْظُرُ فِي مَسْكِنِي كَالْحَرِّ الصَّافِي عَلَى الْبَقْلِ،
كَغَيْمِ النَّدى فِي حَرِّ الْحَصَادِ.⁵فَإِنَّهُ قَبْلَ الْحَصَادِ، عِنْدَ
تَمَامِ الزَّهْرِ، وَعِنْدَمَا يَصِيرُ الزَّهْرُ حِصْرًا تَضِجًا يَقْطَعُ
الْقُضْبَانُ بِالْمَتَاجِلِ، وَيَنْزِعُ الْأَفْتَانُ وَيَطْرَحُهَا.⁶تُتْرَكُ مَعًا
لِجَوَارِحِ الْجِبَالِ وَلِوُحُوشِ الْأَرْضِ، فَتُصَيِّفُ عَلَيْهَا
الْجَوَارِحُ، وَتُسْتَسَّى عَلَيْهَا جَمِيعُ وَحُوشِ الْأَرْضِ.⁷فِي ذَلِكَ
الْيَوْمِ تُقَدَّمُ هَدِيَّةٌ لِرَبِّ الْجُنُودِ مِنْ شَعْبٍ طَوِيلٍ وَاجْرَدٍ،
وَمِنْ شَعْبٍ مَخُوفٍ مُنْذُ كَانَ قَصَاعِدًا، مِنْ أُمَّةٍ ذَاتِ قُوَّةٍ
وَشِدَّةٍ وَدَّوْسٍ، قَدْ حَرَقَتْ الْأَنْهَارُ أَرْضَهَا، إِلَى مَوْضِعِ
اسْمِ رَبِّ الْجُنُودِ، جَبَلِ صِهْيَوْنَ.