

¹هَذَا هُوَ الْكَلَامُ الَّذِي كَلَّمَ بِهِ مُوسَى جَمِيعَ إِسْرَائِيلَ فِي
عَبْرِ الْأَرْدُنِّ فِي الْبَرِّيَّةِ فِي الْعَرَةِ قُبَالَةَ سُوفٍ، بَيْنَ
قَارَانَ وَتُوقَلْ وَلَابَانَ وَخَصْزُوتَ وَذِي دَهَبٍ.² أَخَذَ عَشَرَ
يَوْمًا مِنْ حُورِيبَ عَلَى طَرِيقِ جَبَلِ سَعِيرَ إِلَى قَادِشَ
بَرْنِيعَ.³ فِي السَّنَةِ الْأَرْبَعِينَ فِي الشَّهْرِ الْخَادِي عَشَرَ
فِي الْأَوَّلِ مِنَ الشَّهْرِ، كَلَّمَ مُوسَى بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ حَسَبَ
كُلِّ مَا أَوْصَاهُ الرَّبُّ إِلَيْهِمْ.⁴ بَعْدَ مَا صَرَبَ سِبْخُونَ مَلِكَ
الْأُمُورِيِّينَ السَّاكِنِينَ فِي حَشْبُونَ، وَعُوجَ مَلِكَ بَاشَانَ
السَّاكِنِينَ فِي عَشْتَارُوتَ فِي إِدْرَعِي.⁵ فِي عَبْرِ الْأَرْدُنِّ فِي
أَرْضِ مُوآبَ ابْتَدَأَ مُوسَى يَسْرِعُ هَذِهِ السَّرِيعَةَ
قَائِلًا: ⁶الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا كَلَّمَنَا فِي حُورِيبَ قَائِلًا، كَقَاكُمُ فَعُودُ
فِي هَذَا الْجَبَلِ. ⁷تَحَوَّلُوا وَارْتَحِلُوا وَادْخُلُوا جَبَلَ الْأُمُورِيِّينَ
وَكُلِّ مَا يَلِيهِ مِنَ الْعَرَةِ وَالْجَبَلِ وَالسَّهْلِ وَالْجَنُوبِ
وَسَاحِلِ الْبَحْرِ، أَرْضَ الْكَنْعَانِيِّ وَلَبَّانَ، إِلَى النَّهْرِ الْكَبِيرِ
نَهْرِ الْفُرَاتِ. ⁸أَنْظُرْ قَدْ جَعَلْتُ أَمَامَكُمْ الْأَرْضَ. ادْخُلُوا
وَتَمَلَّكُوا الْأَرْضَ الَّتِي أَقْسَمَ الرَّبُّ لِآبَائِكُمْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ
وَإِسْحَاقَ وَبَعُوثَ أَنْ يُعْطِيَهَا لَهُمْ وَلِتَسْلِمَهُمْ مِنْ
بَعْدِهِمْ.⁹ وَكَلَّمْتُمْ فِي ذَلِكَ الْوَقْتُ قَائِلًا، لَا أَقْدِرُ وَخَدِي
أَنْ أَخْلِكُكُمْ. ¹⁰الرَّبُّ إِلَهُكُمْ قَدْ كَثَّرَكُمْ. وَهُوَذَا أَنْتُمْ الْيَوْمَ
كَنْجُومِ السَّمَاءِ فِي الْكَثْرَةِ. ¹¹الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ آبَائِكُمْ يَزِيدُ
عَلَيْكُمْ مِثْلَكُمْ أَلْفَ مَرَّةٍ، وَيَبَارِكُكُمْ كَمَا كَلَّمَكُمْ. ¹²كَيْفَ
أَحْمِلُ وَخَدِي ثِقَلَكُمْ وَحِمْلَكُمْ وَخُصُومَتَكُمْ. ¹³هَاتُوا مِنْ
أَسْبَاطِكُمْ رَجَالًا حُكَمَاءَ وَعُقَلَاءَ وَمَعْرِوفِينَ، فَاجْعَلُهُمْ
رُؤُوسَكُمْ. ¹⁴فَاجْتَمُعُونِي، حَسَنَ الْأَمْرِ الَّذِي تَكَلَّمْتُ بِهِ أَنْ
أَعْمَلُ. ¹⁵فَأَخَذْتُ رُؤُوسَ أَسْبَاطِكُمْ رَجَالًا حُكَمَاءَ
وَمَعْرِوفِينَ وَجَعَلْتُهُمْ رُؤُوسًا عَلَيْكُمْ، رُؤَسَاءَ أَلُوفٍ
وَرُؤَسَاءَ مِائَاتٍ وَرُؤَسَاءَ خَمَاسِينَ وَرُؤَسَاءَ عَشِيرَاتٍ
وَعُرَفَاءَ لَأَسْبَاطِكُمْ. ¹⁶وَأَمَرْتُ قُضَاتَكُمْ فِي ذَلِكَ الْوَقْتُ
قَائِلًا، اسْمَعُوا بَيْنَ إِخْوَتِكُمْ وَأَفْضُوا بِالْحَقِّ بَيْنَ الْإِنْسَانِ
وَأَخِيهِ وَتَرْبِيهِ. ¹⁷لَا تَنْظُرُوا إِلَى الْوُجُوهِ فِي الْقَضَاءِ.
لِلصَّغِيرِ كَالْكَبِيرِ تَسْمَعُونَ. لَا تَهَابُوا وَجْهَ إِنْسَانٍ لِأَنَّ
الْقَضَاءَ لِلَّهِ. وَالْأَمْرُ الَّذِي يَغْسُرُ عَلَيْكُمْ يُقَدِّمُوهُ إِلَيَّ
لَأَسْمَعَهُ. ¹⁸وَأَمَرْتُكُمْ فِي ذَلِكَ الْوَقْتُ بِكُلِّ الْأُمُورِ الَّتِي
تَعْمَلُونَهَا. ¹⁹ثُمَّ ارْتَحَلْنَا مِنْ حُورِيبَ، وَسَلَكْنَا كُلَّ ذَلِكَ
الْقَفْرِ الْعَظِيمِ الْمَخُوفِ الَّذِي رَأَيْتُمْ فِي طَرِيقِ جَبَلِ
الْأُمُورِيِّينَ، كَمَا أَمَرَتَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا. وَجِئْنَا إِلَى قَادِشَ
بَرْنِيعَ. ²⁰فَقُلْتُ لَكُمْ، قَدْ جِئْتُمْ إِلَى جَبَلِ الْأُمُورِيِّينَ الَّذِي
أَعْطَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا. ²¹أَنْظُرْ. قَدْ جَعَلَ الرَّبُّ إِلَهُكَ الْأَرْضَ

¹These be the words which Moses spake unto all Israel on this side Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against the Red sea, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.⁽²⁾ (There are eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadeshbarnea.)⁽³⁾ And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD had given him in commandment unto them;⁽⁴⁾ After he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei:⁽⁵⁾ On this side Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying,⁽⁶⁾ The LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount:⁽⁷⁾ Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto all the places nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates.⁽⁸⁾ Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.⁽⁹⁾ And I spake unto you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone:⁽¹⁰⁾ The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, ye are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.⁽¹¹⁾ (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye are, and bless you, as he

أَمَامَكَ. اصْعَدْ تَمَلِّكَ كَمَا كَلَّمَكَ الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ آبَائِكَ. لَا تَحْفَ وَلَا تَرْتَعِبْ.²² فَتَقَدِّمْنِمُ إِلَيَّ جَمِيعُكُمْ وَقُلْتُمْ، دَعْنَا نُرْسِلْ رَجُلًا قُدَامًا لِيَتَحَسَّسُوا لَنَا الْأَرْضَ، وَيَرْدُّوا إِلَيْنَا خَبْرًا عَنِ الطَّرِيقِ الَّتِي تَصْعَدُ فِيهَا وَالْمُدُنَ الَّتِي نَأْتِي إِلَيْهَا.²³ فَحَسَّنَ الْكَلَامَ لَدَيَّ، فَأَخَذْتُ مِنْكُمْ اثْنَيْ عَشَرَ رَجُلًا. رَجُلًا وَاحِدًا مِنْ كُلِّ سِبْطٍ.²⁴ فَانْصَرَفُوا وَصَعِدُوا إِلَى الْجَبَلِ وَأَتَوْا إِلَى وَادِي أَشْكُولَ وَتَحَسَّسُوهُ،²⁵ وَأَخَذُوا فِي أَيْدِيهِمْ مِنْ أُمَمَارِ الْأَرْضِ وَتَرَلُّوا بِهِ إِلَيْنَا، وَرَدُّوا لَنَا خَبْرًا وَقَالُوا، جَيِّدَةٌ هِيَ الْأَرْضُ الَّتِي أَعْطَانَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا.²⁶ لَكِنِّكُمْ لَمْ تَسْأَلُوا أَنْ تَصْعَدُوا، وَعَصَيْتُمْ قَوْلَ الرَّبِّ إِلَهُكُمْ،²⁷ وَتَمَرَّمْتُمْ فِي خِيَامِكُمْ وَقُلْتُمْ، الرَّبُّ يَسَبِّبُ بُعْضِي لَنَا قَدْ أَخْرَجَنَا مِنْ أَرْضِ مِصْرَ لِيَذْفَعَنَا إِلَى أَيْدِي الْأُمُورِيِّينَ لِيُهْلِكَنَا.²⁸ إِلَى أَيْنَ تَحْنُ صَاعِدُونَ. قَدْ أَذَابَ إِخْوَتُنَا قُلُوبَنَا قَائِلِينَ، سَعْبٌ أَعْظَمُ وَأَطْوَلُ مِنَّا. مُدُنٌ عَظِيمَةٌ مُحَصَّنَةٌ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ، وَأَيْضًا قَدْ رَأَيْنَا بَنِي عَنَاقٍ هُنَاكَ.²⁹ فَقُلْتُ لَكُمْ، لَا تَرْهَبُوا وَلَا تَخَافُوا مِنْهُمْ.³⁰ الرَّبُّ إِلَهُكُمْ السَّائِرُ أَمَامَكُمْ هُوَ يُحَارِبُ عَنْكُمْ حَسَبَ كُلِّ مَا فَعَلَ مَعَكُمْ فِي مِصْرَ أَمَامَ أَغْنِيكُمْ³¹ وَفِي الْبَرِّيَّةِ، حَيْثُ رَأَيْتَ كَيْفَ حَمَلَكَ الرَّبُّ إِلَهُكَ كَمَا يَحْمِلُ الْإِنْسَانُ ابْنَهُ فِي كُلِّ الطَّرِيقِ الَّتِي سَلَكَتُمُوهَا حَتَّى جِئْتُمْ إِلَى هَذَا الْمَكَانِ.³² وَلَكِنْ فِي هَذَا الْأَمْرِ لَسْتُمْ وَائْقِينَ بِالرَّبِّ إِلَهُكُمْ السَّائِرِ أَمَامَكُمْ فِي الطَّرِيقِ، لِيَلْتَمِسَ لَكُمْ مَكَانًا لِنُزُولِكُمْ، فِي تَارٍ لَيْلًا لِيُرِيَكُمْ الطَّرِيقَ الَّتِي تَسِيرُونَ فِيهَا، وَفِي سَحَابٍ نَهَارًا.³⁴ وَسَمِعَ الرَّبُّ صَوْتَ كَلَامِكُمْ فَسَخَطَ وَأَقْسَمَ قَائِلًا،³⁵ لَنْ يَرَى إِنْسَانٌ مِنْ هَؤُلَاءِ النَّاسِ مِنْ هَذَا الْجِيلِ السَّارِبِ الْأَرْضَ الْجَيِّدَةَ الَّتِي أَفْسَمْتُ أَنْ أُعْطِيَهَا لِآبَائِكُمْ،³⁶ مَا عَدَا كَالِبَ بْنَ يَفْقَةَ. هُوَ يَرَاهَا، وَلَهُ أُعْطِيَ الْأَرْضُ الَّتِي وَطَنُهَا، وَلِبَنِيهِ، لِأَنَّهُ قَدْ اتَّبَعَ الرَّبَّ تَمَامًا.³⁷ وَعَلَيَّ أَيْضًا غَضَبَ الرَّبِّ بِسَبَبِكُمْ قَائِلًا، وَأَنْتَ أَيْضًا لَا تَدْخُلُ إِلَى هُنَاكَ.³⁸ يَسُوعُ بْنُ نُونٍ الْوَاقِفُ أَمَامَكَ هُوَ يَدْخُلُ إِلَى هُنَاكَ. سَدَّدَهُ لِأَنَّهُ هُوَ يَفْقِسُهَا لِإِسْرَائِيلَ.³⁹ وَأَمَّا أَطْفَالُكُمْ الَّذِينَ قُلْتُمْ يَكُونُونَ عَنِيمةً، وَبَنُوكُمْ الَّذِينَ لَمْ يَعْرِفُوا الْيَوْمَ الْخَيْرَ وَالشَّرَّ فَهُمْ يَدْخُلُونَ إِلَى هُنَاكَ، وَلَهُمْ أُعْطِيهَا وَهُمْ يَمْلِكُونَهَا.⁴⁰ وَأَمَّا أَنْتُمْ فَتَحَوَّلُوا وَارْجِعُوا إِلَى الْبَرِّيَّةِ عَلَى طَرِيقِ بَحْرِ سُوفٍ. فَأَجَبْتُمْ، قَدْ أَخْطَأْنَا إِلَى الرَّبِّ. تَحْنُ تَصْعَدُ وَنُحَارِبُ حَسَبَ كُلِّ مَا أَمَرَنَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا. وَتَنْطَفِنُمْ كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ بِعُدَّةِ حَرْبِهِ، وَاسْتَحَقَقْتُمْ الصُّعُودَ إِلَى

hath promised you!)¹² How can I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?¹³ Take you wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you.¹⁴ And ye answered me, and said, The thing which thou hast spoken is good for us to do.¹⁵ So I took the chief of your tribes, wise men, and known, and made them heads over you, captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and officers among your tribes.¹⁶ And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear the causes between your brethren, and judge righteously between every man and his brother, and the stranger that is with him.¹⁷ Ye shall not respect persons in judgment; but ye shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring it unto me, and I will hear it.¹⁸ And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do.¹⁹ And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and we came to Kadeshbarnea.²⁰ And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give unto us.²¹ Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up and possess it, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; fear not, neither be discouraged.²² And ye came near unto me every one of you, and said, We will send

الْجَبَلِ.⁴² فَقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِي، قُلْ لَهُمْ لَا تَصْعَدُوا وَلَا تُجَارِبُوا،
لَأَتِي لَسْتُ فِي وَسْطِكُمْ لِنَلَّا تَنْكَسِرُوا أَمَامَ
أَعْدَائِكُمْ.⁴³ فَكَلَّمْتُكُمْ وَلَمْ تَسْمَعُوا بَلْ عَصَيْتُمْ قَوْلَ الرَّبِّ
وَطَعَيْتُمْ وَصَعَدْتُمْ إِلَى الْجَبَلِ.⁴⁴ فَخَرَجَ الْأُمُورِيُّونَ
السَّاكِنُونَ فِي ذَلِكَ الْجَبَلِ لِلِقَائِكُمْ وَطَرَدُوكُمْ كَمَا يَفْعَلُ
التَّحُلُّ، وَكَسَرُوكُمْ فِي سَعِيرٍ إِلَى حُرْمَةٍ.⁴⁵ فَرَجَعْتُمْ
وَبَكَيْتُمْ أَمَامَ الرَّبِّ وَلَمْ يَسْمَعْ الرَّبُّ لَصَوْتِكُمْ وَلَا أَصْعَى
إِلَيْكُمْ.⁴⁶ وَقَعَدْتُمْ فِي قَادِشَ أَيْبَامَ كَثِيرَةً كَالْأَيَّامِ الَّتِي
قَعَدْتُمْ فِيهَا.

men before us, and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come.²³ And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:²⁴ And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and searched it out.²⁵ And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, It is a good land which the LORD our God doth give us.²⁶ Notwithstanding ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God:²⁷ And ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us.²⁸ Whither shall we go up? our brethren have discouraged our heart, saying, The people is greater and taller than we; the cities are great and walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakims there.²⁹ Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.³⁰ The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;³¹ And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place.³² Yet in this thing ye did not believe the LORD your God,³³ Who went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud

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by day.³⁴ And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and sware, saying,³⁵ Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I sware to give unto your fathers,³⁶ Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his children, because he hath wholly followed the LORD.³⁷ Also the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not go in thither.³⁸ But Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither: encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it.³⁹ Moreover your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and your children, which in that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it, and they shall possess it.⁴⁰ But as for you, turn you, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.⁴¹ Then ye answered and said unto me, We have sinned against the LORD, we will go up and fight, according to all that the LORD our God commanded us. And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready to go up into the hill.⁴² And the LORD said unto me, Say unto them, Go not up, neither fight; for I am not among you; lest ye be smitten before your enemies.⁴³ So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD, and went presumptuously up into the hill.⁴⁴ And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against you, and chased you, as bees do, and destroyed you in Seir, even unto Hormah.⁴⁵ And ye returned and wept

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before the LORD; but the LORD would not hearken to your voice, nor give ear unto you.⁴⁶ So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode there .