

<sup>1</sup>The burden of the desert of the sea. As whirlwinds in the south pass through; so it cometh from the desert, from a terrible land.<sup>2</sup>A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease.<sup>3</sup>Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing of it ; I was dismayed at the seeing of it .<sup>4</sup>My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the night of my pleasure hath he turned into fear unto me.<sup>5</sup>Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, and anoint the shield.<sup>6</sup>For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth.<sup>7</sup>And he saw a chariot with a couple of horsemen, a chariot of asses, and a chariot of camels; and he hearkened diligently with much heed:<sup>8</sup>And he cried, A lion: My lord, I stand continually upon the watchtower in the daytime, and I am set in my ward whole nights:<sup>9</sup>And, behold, here

cometh a chariot of men, with a couple of horsemen. And he answered and said, Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground.<sup>10</sup>O my threshing, and the corn of my floor: that which I have heard of the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have I declared unto you.<sup>11</sup>The burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night?<sup>12</sup>The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come.<sup>13</sup>The burden upon Arabia. In the forest in Arabia shall ye lodge, O ye travelling companies of Dedanim.<sup>14</sup>The inhabitants of the land of Tema brought water to him that was thirsty, they prevented with their bread him that fled.<sup>15</sup>For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war.<sup>16</sup>For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Within a year, according to the years of an hireling, and all the glory of Kedar shall fail:<sup>17</sup>And the residue of the number of archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar, shall be diminished: for the LORD God of Israel hath spoken it .