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ZEPHANIAH

CHAPTER 1

THE word of YAHWAH which came unto Zephaniah the son of Kushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hizkiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.

I will utterly consume all *things* from off the land, said YAHWAH.

I will consume adamites and beast; I will consume the fowls of the heaven, and the fish of the sea, and the stumbling blocks with the wicked; and I will cut off adamites from off the land, said YAHWAH.

I will also stretch out my hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, *and* the name of the Chemarims with the priests;

And them that worship the host of heaven upon the house tops; and them that worship *and* that swear by YAHWAH, and that swear by Malcham;

And them that are turned back from YAHWAH; and *those* that have not sought YAHWAH, nor inquired for him.

Hold your peace at the presence of the Lord YAHWAH: for the day of YAHWAH *is* at hand: for YAHWAH has prepared *a* sacrifice, he has sanctified his guests.

And it shall come to pass in the day of YAHWAH'S sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.

In the same day also will I punish all those that leap on the threshold, which fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit.

And it shall come to pass in that day, said YAHWAH, *that there shall be* the noise of *a* cry from the fish gate, and *a* howling from the second, and *a* great crashing from the hills.

Howl, you all inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are cut down; all they that bear silver are cut off.

And it shall come to pass at that time, *that* I will search Jerusalem with Lamps, and punish the men that are settled on their lees: that say in their heart, YAHWAH will not do good, neither will he do evil.

Therefore their goods shall become *a* booty, and their houses *a* desolation: they shall also build houses, but not inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, but not drink the wine thereof.

The great day of YAHWAH *is* near, *it is* near, and hastens greatly, *even* the voice of the day of YAHWAH: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

That day *is* *a* day of wrath, *a* day of trouble and distress, *a* day of wasteness and desolation, *a* day of darkness and gloominess, *a* day of clouds and thick darkness,

A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

And I will bring distress upon adamites, that they shall walk like blind *men*, because they have sinned against YAHWAH: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of YAHWAH'S wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his zeal: for he shall make even *a* speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

CHAPTER 2

GATHER yourselves together, yes, gather together, O nation not desired;

Before the decree bring forth, *before* the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of YAHWAH come upon you, before the day of YAHWAH'S anger come upon you.

Seek you all YAHWAH, all you all meek of the land, which have worked his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be you all shall be hid in the day of YAHWAH'S anger.

For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon *a* desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.

Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of YAHWAH *is* against you; O Kanaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy you, that there shall be no inhabitant.

And the sea coast shall be dwellings *and* cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks.

And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: for YAHWAH ELOHEEM shall visit them, and turn away their captivity.

I have heard the reproach of Moab, and the revilings of the children of Ammon, whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified *themselves* against their border.

Therefore *as* I live, said YAHWAH of Hosts, the ELOHEEM of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, *even* the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and *a* perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them, and the remnant of my nation shall possess them.

This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified *themselves* against the people of YAHWAH of Hosts.

YAHWAH *will be* terrible unto them: for he will famish all the eloheems of the land; and *men* shall worship him, every one from his place, *even* all the isles of the nations.

You all Kushites also, you all *shall be* slain by my sword.

And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy Assyria; and will make Nineveh *a* desolation, *and* dry like *a* wilderness.

And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, all the beasts of the nations: both the cormorant and the bittern shall lodge in the upper lintels of it; *their* voice shall sing in the windows; desolation *shall be* in the thresholds: for he shall uncover the cedar work.

This *is* the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, that said in her heart, *I am*, and *there is* none beside me: how is she become *a* desolation, *a* place for beasts to lie down in! every one that passes by her shall hiss, *and* wag his hand.

CHAPTER 3

WOE to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!

She obeyed not the voice; she received not instruction; she trusted not in YAHWAH; she drew not near to her ELOHEEM.

Her princes inside of her *are* roaring lions; her judges *are* evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

Her prophets *are* light *and* treacherous men: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.

The just YAHWAH *is* in the midst thereof; he will not do iniquity: every morning does he bring his judgment to light, he fails not; but the unjust knows no shame.

I have cut off the nations: their towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that none passes by: their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

I said, Surely you will fear me, you will receive instruction; so their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoever I punished them: but they rose early, *and* corrupted all their doings.

Therefore wait you all upon me, said YAHWAH, until the day that I rise up to the prey: for my determination *is* to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them my indignation, *even* all my fierce anger: for all the land shall be devoured with the fire of my zeal.

For then will I turn to the people *a* pure language, that they may all call upon the name of YAHWAH, to serve him with one consent.

From beyond the rivers of Kush my suppliants, *even* the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring my offering.

In that day shall you not be ashamed for all your doings, wherein you have transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of you them that rejoice in your pride, and you shall no more be haughty

because of my sanctified mountain.

I will also leave in the midst of you *an* afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of YAHWAH. The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall *a* deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make *them* afraid.

Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

YAHWAH has taken away your judgments, he has cast out your enemy: the king of Israel, *even* YAHWAH, *is* in the midst of you: you shall not see evil anymore.

In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear you not: *and to Zion*, Let not your hands be slack.

YAHWAH ELOHEEM in the midst of you *is* mighty; he will DELIVER, he will rejoice over you with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over you with singing.

I will gather *them that are* sorrowful for the solemn assembly, *who* are of you, *to whom* the reproach of it *was a* burden.

Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict you: and I will DELIVER her that halts, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame.

At that time will I bring you *again*, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you *a* name and *a* praise among all people of the land, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, said YAHWAH.

This concludes the book of Zephaniah.