



1 Moreover the word^{H1697} of the LORD^{H3068} came unto me, saying^{H559}, 2 Now, thou son^{H1121} of man^{H120}, wilt thou judge^{H8199}, wilt thou judge^{H8199} the bloody^{H1818} city^{H5892}? yea, thou shalt shew^{H3045} her all her abominations^{H8441}. 3 Then say^{H559} thou, Thus saith^{H559} the Lord^{H136} GOD^{H3069}, The city^{H5892} sheddeth^{H8210} blood^{H1818} in the midst^{H8432} of it, that her time^{H6256} may come^{H935}, and maketh^{H6213} idols^{H1544} against herself to defile^{H2930} herself. 4 Thou art become guilty^{H816} in thy blood^{H1818} that thou hast shed^{H8210}, and hast defiled^{H2930} thyself in thine idols^{H1544} which thou hast made^{H6213}, and thou hast caused thy days^{H3117} to draw near^{H7126}, and art come^{H935} even unto thy years^{H8141}: therefore have I made^{H5414} thee a reproach^{H2781} unto the heathen^{H1471}, and a mocking^{H7048} to all countries^{H776}. 5 Those that be near^{H7138}, and those that be far^{H7350} from thee, shall mock^{H7046} thee, which art infamous^{H2931} H8034 and much^{H7227} vexed^{H4103}. 6 Behold, the princes^{H5387} of Israel^{H3478}, every one^{H376} were in thee to their power^{H2220} to shed^{H8210} blood^{H1818}. 7 In thee have they set light^{H7043} by father^{H1} and mother^{H517}: in the midst^{H8432} of thee have they dealt^{H6213} by oppression^{H6233} with the stranger^{H1616}: in thee have they vexed^{H3238} the fatherless^{H3490} and the widow^{H490}. 8 Thou hast despised^{H959} mine holy things^{H6944}, and hast profaned^{H2490} my sabbaths^{H7676}. 9 In thee are men^{H582} that carry tales^{H7400} to shed^{H8210} blood^{H1818}: and in thee they eat^{H398} upon the mountains^{H2022}: in the midst^{H8432} of thee they commit^{H6213} lewdness^{H2154}. 10 In thee have they discovered^{H1540} their fathers^{H1} nakedness^{H6172}: in thee have they humbled^{H6031} her that was set apart^{H5079} for pollution^{H2931}. 11 And one^{H376} hath committed^{H6213} abomination^{H8441} with his neighbour's^{H7453} wife^{H802}, and another^{H376} hath lewdly^{H2154} defiled^{H2930} his daughter in law^{H3618}; and another^{H376} in thee hath humbled^{H6031} his sister^{H269}, his father's^{H1} daughter^{H1323} H8910. 12 In thee have they taken^{H3947} gifts^{H7810} to shed^{H8210} blood^{H1818}; thou hast taken^{H3947} usury^{H5392} and increase^{H8636}, and thou hast greedily gained^{H1214} of thy neighbours^{H7453} by extortion^{H6233}, and hast forgotten^{H7911} me, saith^{H5002} the Lord^{H136} GOD^{H3069}. 13 Behold, therefore I have smitten^{H5221} mine hand^{H3709} at thy dishonest gain^{H1215} which thou hast made^{H6213}, and at thy blood^{H1818} which hath been in the midst^{H8432} of thee. 14 Can thine heart^{H3820} endure^{H5975}, or can thine hands^{H3027} be strong^{H2388}, in the days^{H3117} that I shall deal^{H6213} with thee? I the LORD^{H3068} have spoken^{H1696} it, and will do^{H6213} it. 15 And I will scatter^{H6327} thee among the heathen^{H1471}, and disperse^{H2219} thee in the countries^{H776}, and will consume^{H8552} thy filthiness^{H2932} out of thee. 16 And thou shalt take thine inheritance^{H2490} H5157 in thyself in the sight^{H5869} of the heathen^{H1471}, and thou shalt know^{H3045} that I am the LORD^{H3068}. 11

17 And the word^{H1697} of the LORD^{H3068} came unto me, saying^{H559}, 18 Son^{H1121} of man^{H120}, the house^{H1004} of Israel^{H3478} is to me become dross^{H5509}: all they are brass^{H5178}, and tin^{H913}, and iron^{H1270}, and lead^{H5777}, in the midst^{H8432} of the furnace^{H3564}; they are even the dross^{H5509} of silver^{H3701}. 19 Therefore thus saith^{H559} the Lord^{H136} GOD^{H3069}, Because ye are all become dross^{H5509}, behold, therefore I will gather^{H6908} you into the midst^{H8432} of Jerusalem^{H3389}. 20 As they gather^{H6910} silver^{H3701}, and brass^{H5178}, and iron^{H1270}, and lead^{H5777}, and tin^{H913}, into the midst^{H8432} of the furnace^{H3564}, to blow^{H5301} the fire^{H784} upon it, to melt^{H5413} it; so will I gather^{H6908} you in mine anger^{H639} and in my fury^{H2534}, and I will leave^{H3240} you there, and melt^{H5413} you. 21 Yea, I will gather^{H3664} you, and blow^{H5301} upon you in the fire^{H784} of my wrath^{H5678}, and ye shall be melted^{H5413} in the midst^{H8432} thereof. 22 As silver^{H3701} is melted^{H2046} in the midst^{H8432} of the furnace^{H3564}, so shall ye be melted^{H5413} in the midst^{H8432} thereof; and ye shall know^{H3045} that I the LORD^{H3068} have poured out^{H8210} my fury^{H2534} upon you.

23 And the word^{H1697} of the LORD^{H3068} came unto me, saying^{H559}, 24 Son^{H1121} of man^{H120}, say^{H559} unto her, Thou art the land^{H776} that is not cleansed^{H2891}, nor rained^{H1656} upon in the day^{H3117} of indignation^{H2195}. 25 There is a conspiracy^{H7195} of her prophets^{H5030} in the midst^{H8432} thereof, like a roaring^{H7580} lion^{H738} ravening^{H2963} the prey^{H2964}, they have devoured^{H398} souls^{H5315}, they have taken^{H3947} the treasure^{H2633} and precious things^{H3366}; they have made her many^{H7235} widows^{H490} in the midst^{H8432} thereof. 26 Her priests^{H3548} have violated^{H2554} my law^{H8451}, and have

profaned^{H2490} mine holy things^{H6944}: they have put no difference^{H914} between the holy^{H6944} and profane^{H2455}, neither have they shewed^{H3045} difference between the unclean^{H2931} and the clean^{H2889}, and have hid^{H5956} their eyes^{H5869} from my sabbaths^{H7676}, and I am profaned^{H2490} among^{H8432} them. ¹⁴ **27** Her princes^{H8269} in the midst^{H7130} thereof are like wolves^{H2061} ravening^{H2963} the prey^{H2964}, to shed^{H8210} blood^{H1818}, and to destroy^{H6} souls^{H5315}, to get^{H1214} dishonest gain^{H1215}. **28** And her prophets^{H5030} have daubed^{H2902} them with untempered^{H8602} mortar, seeing^{H2374} vanity^{H7723}, and divining^{H7080} lies^{H3577} unto them, saying^{H559}, Thus saith^{H559} the Lord^{H136} GOD^{H3069}, when the LORD^{H3068} hath not spoken^{H1696}. **29** The people^{H5971} of the land^{H776} have used oppression^{H6231 H6233}, and exercised^{H1497} robbery^{H1498}, and have vexed^{H3238} the poor^{H6041} and needy^{H34}: yea, they have oppressed^{H6231} the stranger^{H1616} wrongfully^{H4941 1516}. **30** And I sought^{H1245} for a man^{H376} among them, that should make up^{H1443} the hedge^{H1447}, and stand^{H5975} in the gap^{H6556} before^{H6440} me for the land^{H776}, that I should not destroy^{H7843} it: but I found^{H4672} none. **31** Therefore have I poured out^{H8210} mine indignation^{H2195} upon them; I have consumed^{H3615} them with the fire^{H784} of my wrath^{H5678}: their own way^{H1870} have I recompensed^{H5414} upon their heads^{H7218}, saith^{H5002} the Lord^{H136} GOD^{H3069}.

Fußnoten

1. judge: or, plead for
2. bloody...: Heb. city of bloods?
3. shew her: Heb. make her know
4. infamous...: Heb. polluted of name, much in vexation
5. power: Heb. arm
6. oppression: or, deceit
7. that...: Heb. of slanders
8. one: or, every one
9. another: or, every one
10. lewdly: or, by lewdness
11. shalt take...: or, shalt be profaned
12. dross of silver: Heb. drosses, etc
13. As...: Heb. According to the gathering
14. violated: Heb. offered violence to
15. oppression: or, deceit
16. wrongfully: Heb. without right