

Ben Achiyah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked Me to anger, and caused Yisroel to sin.  
 |23| And of Izevel also spoke Hashem, saying, The kelavim shall devour Izevel by the wall of Yizre'el.

|24| Him of Ach'av that dieth in the Ir the kelavim shall devour; and him that dieth in the sadeh shall the oph haShomayim devour.

|25| But there was none like unto Ach'av, which did sell himself to work rah before the eyes of Hashem, whom Izevel his isha urged on.

|26| And he acted monstrously in going after gillulim (idols), according to all things as did HaEmori, whom Hashem drove out before the Bnei Yisroel.

|27| And it came to pass, when Ach'av heard those words, that he tore his begadim, put sackcloth upon his basar, did a tzom, lay in sackcloth, and walked about subdued.

|28| And the Devar Hashem came to Eliyahu the Tishbi, saying,

|29| Seest thou how Ach'av humbleth himself before Me? because he humbleth himself before Me, I will not bring hara'ah in his days: but in the yamim bno will I bring ra'ah (disaster) upon his Bais [See 2Kgs 9:23-26].

**22** And they continued three years without war between Aram and Yisroel.

|2| And it came to pass in the third year, that Yehoshaphat Melech Yehudah came down to Melech Yisroel.

|3| And Melech Yisroel said unto his avadim, Know ye that Ramot-Gil' ad is ours, and we hesitate, and take it not out of the hand of HaMelech Aram?

|4| And he said unto Yehoshaphat, Wilt thou go

with me to battle to Ramot-Gil' ad? And Yehoshaphat said to the Melech Yisroel, I am as thou art, my people as thy people, my susim as thy susim.

|5| And Yehoshaphat said unto the Melech Yisroel, Inquire for the Devar Hashem today.

|6| Then the Melech Yisroel gathered the nevi'im together, about 400 men, and said unto them, Shall I go against Ramot-Gil' ad to battle, or shall I refrain? And they said, Go up; for Hashem shall deliver it into the hand of HaMelech.

|7| And Yehoshaphat said, Is there not here a navi of Hashem besides, that we might inquire of him?

|8| And the Melech Yisroel said unto Yehoshaphat, There is yet one man, Mikhay'hu ben Yimlah, by whom we may inquire of Hashem: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy tov concerning me, but rah. And Yehoshaphat said, Let not HaMelech say such.

|9| Then HaMelech Yisroel called an officer, and said, Hasten here Mikhay'hu ben Yimlah.

|10| And the Melech Yisroel and Yehoshaphat Melech Yehudah sat each on his kisse, having put on their robes, at the threshing floor in the entrance of sha'ar Shomron; all the nevi'im prophesied before them.

|11| Tzidkiyah ben Kenaanah made him [goring] horns of barzel: and said, Thus saith Hashem, With these shalt thou push Aram until thou have consumed them.

|12| And all the nevi'im prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramot-Gil' ad, and succeed: for Hashem shall deliver it into the yad HaMelech.

|13| And the malach that was gone to summon Mikhay'hu

spoke unto him, saying, Hinei now, the words of the nevi'im declare tov unto HaMelech with one mouth: let thy word be like the word of one of them, speak that which is tov.  
 |14| And Mikhay'hu said, As Hashem liveth, what Hashem saith unto me, that will I speak.

|15| So he came to HaMelech. And HaMelech said unto him, Mikhay'hu, shall we go against Ramot-Gil' ad to battle, or shall we refrain? And he answered him, Go, and succeed: for Hashem shall deliver it into the yad HaMelech.

|16| And HaMelech said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee [*i.e.*, *make thee swear*] that thou tell me nothing but that which is true in the Shem of Hashem?

|17| And he said, I saw kol Yisroel scattered upon the hills, as Tzon that have not a Ro'eh: and Hashem said, These have no adonim: let them return every man to his bais in shalom.

|18| And the Melech Yisroel said unto Yehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy no tov concerning me, but rah?

|19| And he said, Shema Devar Hashem: I saw Hashem sitting on his kisse, and all the Tzva HaShomayim standing by Him on His right hand and on His left.

|20| And Hashem said, Who shall persuade Ach'av, that he may go up and fall at Ramot-Gil' ad? And one said one thing, and one said another.  
 |21| And there came forth the ruach, and stood before Hashem, and said, I will persuade him.

|22| And Hashem said unto him, By what means? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a