

|21| This people have I formed for Myself; they shall show forth My tehillah (praise).

|22| But thou hast not called upon Me, O Ya'akov; but thou hast been weary of Me, O Yisroel.

|23| Thou hast not brought Me the seh (lamb) of thy olot; neither hast thou honored Me with thy zevakhim. I have not caused thee to serve with a minchah, nor wearied thee with levonah (incense, frankincense).

|24| Thou hast bought Me no fragrant calamus with kesef, neither hast thou filled Me with the chelev of thy zevakhim; but thou hast made Me to serve with thy chattot, thou hast wearied Me with thine avonot.

|25| I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy peysha'im for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy chattot.

|26| Put Me in remembrance; let us plead together at law; declare thou, lema'an (for the sake of) thou being declared righteous.

|27| Avicha HaRishon hath sinned, and thy melitzim (mediators) have rebelled against Me.

|28| Therefore I have profaned the Sarei Kodesh, (Holy Princes) and have given Ya'akov to cherem, and Yisroel to giddufim (revilings).

44 Yet now hear, O Ya'akov Avdi; and Yisroel, whom I have chosen;

|2| Thus saith Hashem that made thee, and formed thee from the beten (womb), Who will help thee; Fear not, O Ya'akov, Avdi; and thou,

Yeshurun, whom I have chosen.

|3| For I will pour mayim upon him that is thirsty, and flowing streams upon the yabashah [*Gn 1:9*]; I will pour out My Ruach [*Hakodesh*] upon thy zera, and My berakhah upon thine offspring;

|4| Vtzamechu (and they shall spring up; *Tzemach*) as among khatzir, as willows by the streams of mayim.

|5| One shall say, I belong to Hashem; and another shall call himself by the shem of Ya'akov; and another shall write [*in witness*] with his yad, Hashem's, and surname himself by the shem Yisroel.

|6| Thus saith Hashem Melech Yisroel, and His Go'el, Hashem Tzva'os; I am the Rishon, and I am the Acharon; and apart from Me there is no Elohim.

|7| And who is like Me, who can preach as I do? Let him make it known and set it out in order before Me, since I appointed the Am Olam and the otiyyot (things to come, future things) and what is approaching, let them expound and make known in support of themselves.

|8| Fear ye not, neither be afraid; have not I proclaimed to thee long ago, and have made it known? Ye are even My edim. Is there Eloah apart from Me? And there is no Tzur. I know of none.

|9| They that make a pesel are all of them tohu; and their chamudim (favorite [*idols*]) are worthless; and they [*the idols*] are their own edim; they [*the idols*] see not, nor know; so that they [*the idol people*] are put to shame.

|10| Who hath formed el (g-d), or molded a pesel to no profit?

|11| Behold, all its chaverim shall be ashamed; and the

charashim (craftsmen), they are only adam; let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; yet they shall fear, and they shall be ashamed together.

|12| The charash barzel (ironsmith) with his ma'atzad (chizel) both worketh in the red-hot coals, and formeth it with hammers, and forgeth it with his zero'a ko'ach and also, he is hungry, and his ko'ach faileth; he drinketh no mayim, and grows faint.

|13| The charash etzim (carpenter) stretcheth out his [measuring line]; he marketh it out with sered (red chalk); he worketh it with planes, and he marketh it out with a compass, and maketh it after the tavnit ish (pattern of a man), according to the tiferet adam; that it may stay inside the bais (idolatrous cult shrine).

|14| He heweth down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he secureth for himself among the atzei ya'ar (trees of the forest); he planteth a pine, and geshem doth nourish it.

|15| Then shall it be for an adam to burn; for he will take thereof, and warm himself; and also, he kindleth it, and baketh lechem; and also he maketh el (g-d), and boweth down in worship to it; he maketh it a pesel, and falleth down unto it.

|16| He burneth half thereof in the eish; with the other half thereof he eateth basar; he roasteth roast meat, and is satisfied; and also, he warmeth himself, and saith, Aha, I am warm, I perceive ur (flame)!

|17| And the shererit thereof he maketh el, even his pesel; he falleth down unto it, and boweth down in worship to it, and davens unto it, and saith, Save me; for thou art Eli!