so was the appearance of the radiance all around. This was the appearance of the demut Kavod Hashem. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spoke.

And He said unto me, Ben Adam, stand upon thy raglayim, and I will speak unto thee.

|2| And the Ruach [Hakodesh] entered into me just as He spoke unto me, and stood me upon my raglayim,

that I heard Him that spoke unto me.

|3| And He said unto me, Ben Adam, I send thee to the Bnei Yisroel, to Goyim HaMoredim (Rebellious Nations [Tribes]) that hath rebelled against Me; they and their Avot have rebelled against Me, even unto this very day.

|4| For they are stubborn banim and chizkei lev (stiffhearted). I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith Adonoi Hashem.

|5| And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will refrain from heeding— for they are a bais meri (house of rebellion), yet shall they know that there hath been a navi among them.

|6| And thou, Ben Adam, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their devarim, though briers and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among akrabim (scorpions); be not afraid of their devarim, nor be afraid at their looks, for they are a bais meri.
|7| And thou shalt speak My devarim unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they

will refrain from heeding; for they are meri (rebellious). |8| But thou, Ben Adam, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou meri (rebellious) like that bais hameri (rebellious house). Open thy mouth and eat what I give thee.

|9| And when I looked, hinei, a yad was sent unto me; and, hinei, a megillat sefer was therein:

| 10| And He unrolled the megillah before me; and it was written on front and back: and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

Moreover He said unto me, Ben Adam, eat that thou findest; eat this megillah, and go speak unto Bais Yisroel.

|2| So I opened my mouth, and He caused me to eat that megillah.

|3| And He said unto me, Ben Adam, cause thy beten to eat, and fill thy bowels with this megillah that I give thee. Then did I eat it; and it was in my mouth as devash for sweetness.

|4| And He said unto me, Ben Adam, go, get thee unto the Bais Yisroel, and speak My words unto them.

|5| For thou art not sent to an Am Imkei Safah (a people of indecipherable language) and of obscure lashon, but to Bais Yisroel;

|6| Not to amim rabbim of indecipherable language and obscure lashon whose words thou canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have paid heed unto thee.

|7| But Bais Yisroel will not pay heed unto thee; for they will not pay heed unto Me; for kol Bais Yisroel are khizkei metzach (hard-set of brow) and keshei-lev (hard-hearted). |8| Hinei, I have made thy face chazakim against their faces, and thy metzach chazak (forehead strong) against their metzach.

|9| As a shamir (adamant, hardest stone) more chazak than flint have I made thy metzach (forehead); fear them not, neither be terrified at their looks, though they be a bais meri (house of rebellion). | 10 | Moreover He said unto me, Ben Adam, all My words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine lev, and hear with thine oznayim. |11| And go, get thee to them of the Golus, unto the Bnei Amecha, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith Adonoi Hashem; whether they will hear, or whether they will refrain. | 12 | Then the Ruach [Hakodesh] lifted me and took me up, and I heard behind me a kol ra'ash gadol (a voice of a great rustling), saying, Baruch Kavod Hashem from His makom (place, home). |13| I heard also the noise of the wings of the Chayos that touched one another, and the noise of the Ofanim (wheels) opposite them, and a voice of ra'ash gadol.

| 14| So the Ruach [Hakodesh] lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in mar (bitterness), in the anger of my ruach; but the yad Hashem was chazah upon me. | 15| Then I came to them of the Golus at Tel Aviv, that dwelt by the Nahar Kevar, and I sat where they sat, and remained there speechlessly

| 16| And it came to pass at the end of shivat yamim, that the Devar Hashem came unto me, saying,

astounded among them shivat

yamim.

| 17| Ben Adam, I have made thee a tzofeh (watchman) unto the Bais Yisroel; therefore hear the word at My mouth,