

feet, and with two he did fly.

|3| And one cried unto another, and said, Kadosh, Kadosh, Kadosh, is Hashem Tzva'os; kol ha'aretz is full of His kavod.

|4| And the doorposts shook at the voice of him that cried, and the Beis [Hamikdash] was filled with smoke.

|5| Then said I, Oy (Woe) is me! For I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for mine eyes have seen HaMelech, Hashem Tzva'os.

|6| Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a live coal in his yad, which he had taken with the tongs from off the Mizbe'ach:

|7| And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Hinei, this hath touched thy lips; and thine avon (iniquity) is taken away, and kapporah is made for the purging of thy chattat (sin).

|8| Also I heard the voice of Adonoi, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us? Then said I, Hineini; send me.

|9| And He said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see indeed, but perceive not.

|10| Make the lev HaAm hazeh stubborn, and make their ears stopped up, their eyes heavy; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their lev. And have a spiritual turnaround conversion, and be healed.

|11| Then cried I, Adonoi, ad mosai (how much longer [*will this go on*]?) And He answered, Until the towns be wasted without inhabitant, and the batim (houses) are without man, and the ground be utterly desolate, a wilderness,

|12| And Hashem have removed men far away, and

there be many forsaken places within the land.

|13| But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall be given up to destruction, like the terebinth and like the oak, when they are felled, leave [*as a remnant*] a root-stump: so the root-stump shall be the zera kodesh.

[*T.N. This next chapter is possibly the most important in the Bible and is dealt with in The Translator to the Reader.*]

7 And it came to pass in the yamim of Achaz ben Yotam ben Uziyahu, Melech Yehudah, that Retzin Melech Aram (Syria), and Pekach ben Remalyahu Melech Yisroel, went up toward Yerushalayim to war against her, but could not prevail over her.

|2| And it was told the Bais Dovid, saying, Aram (Syria) is allied with Ephrayim. And his lev was shaken, and the lev of his people, like the trees of the forest are shaken with the wind.

|3| Then said Hashem unto Yeshayah, Go forth now to meet Achaz, thou, and Shearyashuv (A Remnant Will Return) thy ben, at the end of the aqueduct of the Upper Pool on the road to the Fuller's Field;

|4| And say unto him, Take heed, and stay calm; fear not, neither be fainthearted because of the two stubs of these smoking firebrands, because of the fierce anger of Retzin and Aram (Syria), and of the ben Remalyahu;

|5| Or because Aram (Syria), Ephrayim, and ben Remalyahu, have plotted your ruin, saying,

|6| Let us go up against Yehudah, and trouble it, and let us divide it for ourselves, and set a melech in the midst of it, even ben Tave'l;

|7| Thus saith Adonoi Hashem, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.

|8| For the rosh of Aram (Syria) is Damascus, and the rosh of Damascus is Retzin; and within threescore and five shanah shall Ephrayim be broken, that it be not a people.

|9| And the rosh of Ephrayim is Shomron, and the rosh of Shomron is ben Remalyahu. If ye will not stand in emunah, then you shall not stand at all.

|10| Moreover, Hashem spoke again unto Achaz, saying,

|11| Ask thee an ot (sign) of Hashem Eloheicha; ask it either in the deepest depths or in the highest heights.

|12| But Achaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt Hashem.

|13| And he (*Yeshayah*) said, Hear ye now, O Bais Dovid; Is it a small thing for you to weary anashim, but will ye weary my G-d also?

|14| Therefore Hashem Himself shall give you an ot (sign); Hinei, HaAlmah (the unmarried young virgin) shall conceive, and bear Ben, and shall call Shmo Immanu El (G-d is with us) [*See extensive commentary in The Translator To The Reader, page vii*].

|15| Curds and honey shall he eat at the time that he knows to refuse the rah, and choose the tov.

|16| For before the na'ar (boy) shall understand to refuse the rah, and choose the tov, the adamah (land) will be desolate, of whose two melachim thou art afraid.

|17| Hashem shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon the Bais of thy father, yamim such as have not come since the yom when Ephrayim departed from Yehudah [2*Kgs* 15:29; 16:9]: even Melech Ashur (Assyria).