

|18| And it shall come to pass in that yom, that Hashem shall whistle for the fly that is in the uttermost part of the Nile of Mitzrayim, and for the bee that is in Eretz Ashur.

|19| And they shall come, and shall settle all of them on the steep ravines, and in the crevices of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all water holes.

|20| In the same yom shall Adonoi shave with a razor that is hired, namely, by them beyond the river, by Melech Ashur, the head, and the hair of the legs; and it shall also consume the beard.

|21| And it shall come to pass in that yom, that a man shall keep alive a young cow, and two sheep;

|22| And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of cholov that they shall give, he shall eat cream; for thickened milk and devash shall every one eat that is left in the land.

|23| And it shall come to pass in that yom, that every place shall be, where there were a thousand gefen worth a thousand kesef, it shall even be for briers and thorns.

|24| With arrows and with bows shall men come there; because kol ha'aretz shall become briers and thorns.

|25| And on all hills that were hoed with a hoe, thou shall not come there for fear of briers and thorns; but it shall be for pasturing of cattle, and for the treading place of seh.

8 Moreover Hashem said unto me, Take thee a gillayon gadol (great slab), and write on it with cheret enosh concerning Maher Shalal Chash Baz (The Spoil Speeds, the Booty Hastens [*i.e., the coming Assyrian defeat of Syria and*

Israel is imminent and the life of this son of Isaiah is a prophetic time line. See verse 4 below)).

|2| And I took unto me edim ne'emanim (faithful witnesses) to record, Uriyah the kohen, and Zecharyah ben Yeverchياهو.

|3| And I went unto the neviah; and she conceived, and bore ben. Then said Hashem to me, Call shmo Maher Shalal Chash Baz.

|4| For before the na'ar shall have da'as to cry, Avi, or Immi, the chayil Damascus and the spoil of Shomron shall be carried off before Melech Ashur.

|5| Hashem spoke also unto me again, saying,

|6| Forasmuch as HaAm HaZeh refuseth the waters of Shiloah that flow softly, and delight in [*alliance with*] Retzin and Ben Remalyahu;

|7| Now therefore, hinei, Adonoi bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, even Melech Ashur, and all his kavod; and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks;

|8| And he shall swirl into Yehudah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach even to the neck; and the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of Thy eretz, O Immanu El.

|9| Exasperate yourselves, O ye Amim (Nations), and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries; gird yourselves for battle, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves for battle, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

|10| Consult etzah (counsel, plan), and it shall come to naught; speak the davar, and it shall not stand; for Immanu El (G-d is with us).

|11| For Hashem hath spoken thus to me with chezkat haYad, and instructed me that I should not walk in the Derech HaAm HaZeh, saying,

|12| Call ye not Keshet (Conspiracy) all that this people calls keshet; neither fear ye their fear, nor be in dread.

|13| Regard Hashem Tzva'os as kodesh; and let Him be your fear, and let Him be your dread.

|14| And He shall be for a Mikdash; but for an Even Negef (Stone of Stumbling) and for a Tzur Michshol to both the Batei Yisroel, for a pach (snare) and for a mokesh (trap) to the inhabitants of Yerushalayim.

|15| And rabbim (many) among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.

|16| Bind up [*to preserve for the future*] the te'udah (testimony, *i.e. prophetic record such as chapter 6*), chatom (seal up) the torah (teaching) among my disciples.

|17| And I will wait for Hashem, that hideth His face from the Bais Ya'akov, and I will look [*in hope*] for Him.

|18| Hinei, I and the yeladim whom Hashem hath given me are for otot and for mofetim [*see Zecharyah 3:8*] in Yisroel from Hashem Tzva'os, which dwelleth in Mt Tziyon.

|19| And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto mediums that have familiar spirits, and unto spiritists that whisper, and that mutter: should not Am seek unto Elohav? Should they consult the mesim (dead ones) for the benefit of the chayyim (living)?

|20| To the torah (teaching of G-d) and to the te'udah (recorded testimony, *see verse 16*); if they speak not according to