

|18| They have no da'as nor binah; for their eyes [*the eyes of the idol people*] are smeared over, that they cannot see; and their levavot, that they cannot understand.

|19| And none considereth in his lev, neither is there da'as nor tevunah (understanding, intelligence) to say, I have burned half of it in the eish; and, also I have baked lechem upon the hot coals thereof; I have roasted basar, and eaten it; and shall I make the rest thereof to'vevah? Shall I bow down to the bul etz (product of a tree, *i.e., a block of wood*)?

|20| He feedeth on efer (ash); a lev hutal (a heart deceived, a deluded mind) hath led him astray, that he cannot save his nefesh, nor say, Is there not sheker (a lie, a fraud) in my yamin (right hand)?

|21| Remember these things, O Ya'akov and Yisroel; for thou art avdi; I have formed thee; thou art an eved to Me; O Yisroel, do not forget Me!

|22| I have swept away thy peysha'im like a cloud, and like an anan, thy chattot; Shuva elai ki gealticha (return, turn back to Me, for I have redeemed thee).

|23| Sing for joy, O ye Shomayim; for Hashem hath done it; shout, ye depths of the earth; break forth into singing, ye harim, O ya'ar (forest), and kol etz therein; for Hashem hath redeemed Ya'akov, and He will glorify Himself in Yisroel.

|24| Thus saith Hashem, thy Go'el, and He that formed thee from the beten (womb), I am Hashem Oseh kol (the Maker of All); that stretcheth out Shomayim alone; that spreadeth out ha'arets (the earth) by Myself;

|25| That annuls the otot of the baddim (liars, false prophets), and maketh kosemim (diviners,

soothsayers) into madmen; that turneth back chachamim, and maketh their da'as (knowledge, science) foolishness;

|26| That confirmeth the davar of His eved, and fulfilleth the etza (prediction) of His malachim; that saith to Yerushalayim, Thou shalt be inhabited; and to the towns of Yehudah, Ye shall be rebuilt, and I will raise up the ruins thereof:

|27| That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy naharot;

|28| That saith of Koresh (Cyrus), He is Ro'i (My Shepherd), and shall accomplish all My pleasure; even saying to Yerushalayim, Thou shalt be rebuilt; and to the Heikhal, Thy foundation shall be laid.

**45** Thus saith Hashem to His Moshiach, to Koresh (Cyrus), whose yamin (right hand) I have taken hold of, to subdue Goyim before him; and the loins of melachim I ungird, to open before him the double doors and the she'arim (gates), that they may not continue shut;

|2| I will go before thee, and make straight the crooked paths; I will break down the delatot nechoshet, and cut through their barzel (iron) bars;

|3| And I will give thee the otzarot choshech, and hidden riches of mistarim (secret places) that thou mayest know that I, Hashem, Who call thee by thy shem (name), am Elohei Yisroel.

|4| For the sake of avdi Ya'akov, and Yisroel My Bachir, I have even called thee by thy shem (name); I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known Me.

|5| I am Hashem, and there is none other, there is no Elohim besides Me; I equipped thee, though thou hast not known Me;

|6| That they may know from the rising of the shemesh, even to the ma'arav (west, setting place of the sun), that there is none apart from Me. I am Hashem, and there is no other [Elohim].

|7| I form ohr, and create choshech; I make shalom, and create rah; I Hashem worketh all these things.

|8| Cause [*the rain*] to trickle down, ye Shomayim, from above, and let the blue sky pour down tzedek; let eretz open, and let Yesha (salvation) blossom, and let tzedakah (righteousness) tatzmiach (spring up; *Tzemach*) together; I Hashem have created it.

|9| Woe unto him that quarreleth with his Yotzer—a potsherd among the potsherds of adamah. Shall the chomer (clay) say to the Yotzer of it, What art Thou making? Or Thy po'al (work) hath no handles?

|10| Woe unto him that saith unto his Av, What begettest thou? Or to the isha, What hast thou given birth to?

|11| Thus saith Hashem, Kadosh Yisroel, and its Yotzer, Will ye ask Me of otiiyot (things to come, future things) concerning My banim, and will ye command Me regarding the po'al of My hands?

|12| I made Eretz, and I created adam upon it; I, even My hands, have stretched out Shomayim, and all their tzeva have I commanded.

|13| I have aroused him [*Cyrus*] in tzedek, and I will make straight all the darkhei of him; he shall rebuild my city, and he shall release of the Golus of Mine, not for