

|8| The nevi'im that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against mamlechet gedolot, of milchamah, of ra'ah, of dever.

|9| The navi which prophesieth of shalom, when the devar of the navi shall come to pass, then shall the navi be recognized, that Hashem hath truly sent him.

|10| Then Chananyah HaNavi took the yoke from off the neck of Yirmeyah HaNavi and broke it.

|11| And Chananyah spoke before the eyes of kol haAm, saying, Thus saith Hashem; Even so will I break the yoke of Nevuchadnetzar Melech Bavel from the neck of kol HaGoyim within the space of two years. And Yirmeyah HaNavi went on his way.

|12| Then the Devar Hashem came unto Yirmeyah, after Chananyah HaNavi had broken the yoke from off the neck of Yirmeyah HaNavi, saying,

|13| Go and tell Chananyah, saying, Thus saith Hashem; Thou hast broken the motot etz (yokes, bars of wood); but thou shalt make for them motot barzel (yokes of iron).

|14| For thus saith Hashem Tzva'os Elohei Yisroel: I have put an ol barzel (yoke of iron) upon the neck of kol HaGoyim, that they may serve Nevuchadnetzar Melech Bavel; and they shall serve him; and I have given him the wild animals also.

|15| Then said Yirmeyah HaNavi unto Chananyah HaNavi, Shema nah, Chananyah; Hashem hath not sent thee; but thou makest HaAm HaZeh to trust in sheker (a lie).

|16| Therefore thus saith Hashem; Hineni, I will remove thee from off the face of ha'adamah; this year thou

shalt die, because thou hast preached sarah (rebellion, apostasy, revolt, disobedience) against Hashem.

|17| So Chananyah HaNavi died the same year in the seventh month.

29 Now these are the Devarim of the sefer that Yirmeyah HaNavi sent from

Yerushalayim unto the surviving Zekenim of the Golus and to the Kohanim, and to the Nevi'im, and to kol HaAm whom Nevuchadretzar had carried away captive from Yerushalayim to Bavel—

|2| This was after Yechanyah HaMelech, and the Cevirah (Queen Mother), and the sarisim, the sarim of Yehudah and Yerushalayim, and the carpenters, and the artisans had departed from Yerushalayim;

|3| The sefer was sent by the yad of Elasa Ben Shaphan, and Gemaryah Ben Chilkiyah, whom Tzidkiyah Melech Yehudah sent unto Bavel to Nevuchadretzar Melech Bavel—and it said,

|4| Thus saith Hashem Tzva'os Elohei Yisroel, unto all that are carried away into the Golus, whom I have caused to be carried away from Yerushalayim unto Bavel;

|5| Build ye batim (houses), and dwell in them; and plant gannot (gardens), and eat the p'ri (fruit) of them;

|6| Take ye nashim, and father banim and banot; and take nashim for your banim, and give your banot to anashim, that they may bear banim and banot; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.

|7| And seek the shalom of the city where I have caused you to be carried away into the Golus, and daven unto Hashem for it; for in the

shalom thereof shall ye have shalom.

|8| For thus saith Hashem Tzva'os Elohei Yisroel: Let not your nevi'im and your kesamim that be in the midst of you, deceive you, neither pay heed to your chalomot which ye cause to be dreamed.

|9| For they prophesy b'sheker (falsely) unto you in My Name; I have not sent them, saith Hashem.

|10| For thus saith Hashem, That after shiv'im shanah (seventy years) are accomplished at Bavel I will visit you, and perform My Davar Hatov toward you, in causing you to return to this makom.

|11| For I know the machshavot (thoughts, plans) that I think toward you, saith Hashem, machshavot shalom, and not of ra'ah, to give you an acharit (future) and a tikvah (hope).

|12| Then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and v'hitpalaltem (and you *[plural]* will pray) unto Me, and I will pay heed unto you *[plural]*.

|13| And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me b'chol lvavchem (with all your heart).

|14| And I will be found by you, saith Hashem; and I will bring you back from captivity, and I will gather you from all the Goyim, and from all the mekomot (places) where I have driven you, saith Hashem; and I will bring you back into the makom (place) from which I caused you to be carried away into the Golus.

|15| Because ye have said, Hashem hath raised up nevi'im for us in Bavel;

|16| Know that thus saith Hashem of HaMelech that sitteth upon the Kisse Dovid, and of kol HaAm that dwelleth in this city, and of your