

צפניה. פרק ג'.

א. הוֹי מוֹרָאָה וְנִגְאָלָה הָעִיר הַיּוֹנָה:

ב. לֹא שָׁמְעָה בְּקוֹל לֹא לָקְחָה מוֹסֵר בִּיהוָה לֹא בִטָּחָה אֶל־אֱלֹהֶיהָ לֹא קִרְבָּה:

ג. שָׁרִיהָ בִּקְרִבָּה אֲרִיּוֹת שְׂאֲגִים־שִׁפְטִיהָ זָאבִי עָרַב לֹא גִרְמוֹ לִבְקָר:

ד. נְבִיאֶיהָ פְּחֻזִּים אֲנָשִׁי בְּגָדוֹת כְּהִנִּיָּה חִלּוֹ-קִדָּשׁ חֲמָסוֹ תוֹרָה:

ה. יְהוָה צְדִיק בִּקְרִבָּה לֹא יַעֲשֶׂה עוֹלָה בִּבְקָר בִּבְקָר מִשְׁפָּטוֹ יִתֵּן לֹאזֹל לֹא נַעֲדָר וְלֹא־
יִזְדַּע עוֹל בְּשֵׁת:

ו. הִכְרַתִּי גוֹיִם נִשְׁמָו פְּנוֹתָם הִחְרַבְתִּי חוּצוֹתָם מִבְּלִי עוֹבֵר נִצְדּוּ עֲרִיקָם מִבְּלִי־אִישׁ
מֵאִין יוֹשֵׁב:

ז. אֲמַרְתִּי אַךְ־תִּירָאִי אוֹתִי תִקְחִי מוֹסֵר וְלֹא־יִכְרַת מַעֲוָנָה כָּל אֲשֶׁר־פָּקַדְתִּי עָלֶיהָ אֲכַן
הַשְׁכִּימוֹ הַשְׁחִיתוֹ כָּל עֲלִילוֹתָם:

ח. לֹכֵן חֲכוּ־לִי נָא־יְהוָה לַיּוֹם קוּמִי לַעֲד כִּי מִשְׁפָּטִי לְאַסֹּף גוֹיִם לִקְבָּצִי מִמַּלְכוֹת לִשְׁפֹּף
עָלֵיהֶם זַעֲמִי כָּל חֲרוֹן אַפִּי כִּי בָאֵשׁ קִנְאָתִי תֹאכַל כָּל־הָאָרֶץ:

ט. כִּי־אֶז אֶהַפֵּךְ אֶל־עַמִּים שָׁפָה בְּרוּרָה לִקְרֹא כָּל־בָּשָׂר יְהוָה לַעֲבֹדוֹ שִׁכְמֹ אֶחָד:

י. מִעֲבֹר לִנְהַר־כּוֹשׁ עֲתִירִי בַת־פּוּצִי יוֹבִלֹן מִנְחָתִי:

יא. בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא לֹא תִבּוֹשִׁי מִכָּל עֲלִילֹתֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר פָּשַׁעְתָּ בִּי כִי־אֶז | אֲסִיר מִקְרָבְךָ עֲלִיזִי
גִּאֲוֹתְךָ וְלֹא־תוֹסִפִּי לִגְבָּהָה עוֹד בְּהֵר קִדָּשִׁי:

יב. וְהִשְׁאֲרֹתִי בִּקְרָבְךָ עִם עֲנִי וְדָל וְחָסוֹ בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה:

יג. שְׂאִרִית יִשְׂרָאֵל לֹא־יַעֲשׂוּ עוֹלָה וְלֹא־יִדְבְּרוּ כָזָב וְלֹא־יִמָּצֵא בְּפִיהֶם לִשְׁוֹן תְּרֻמִּית כִּי־
הִנֵּה יִרְעוּ וְרָבְצוּ וְאִין מִחְרִיד:

יד. רְנִי בַת־צִיּוֹן הִרְעוּ יִשְׂרָאֵל שִׁמְחִי וְעֲלִזִּי בְּכָל־לֵב בַּת יְרוּשָׁלַם:

טו. הֲסִיר יְהוָה מִשְׁפָּטֶיךָ פָּנָה אֵיבֶךָ מֶלֶךְ יִשְׂרָאֵל | יְהוָה בִּקְרָבְךָ לֹא־תִירָאִי רַע עוֹד:

טז. בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא יֹאמַר לִירוּשָׁלַם אֶל־תִּירָאִי צִיּוֹן אֶל־יִרְפוּ יְדֶיךָ:

יז. יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּקִרְבְּךָ גְּבוּר יוֹשִׁיעַ יִשִּׁישׁ עֲלֶיךָ בְּשִׂמְחָה יַחְרִישׁ בְּאַהֲבָתוֹ יִגִּיל עֲלֶיךָ
בְּרָנָה:

יח. נוֹגִי מִמוֹעֵד אֶסְפְּתִי מִמֶּךָ הִיוּ מִשְׁאֵת עָלֶיהָ חֲרָפָה:

יט. הִנְנִי עֹשֶׂה אֶת־כָּל־מַעֲנֶיךָ בְּעֵת הַהִיא וְהוֹשַׁעְתִּי אֶת־הַצִּלְעָה וְהִנֵּדַחַה אֶקְבֹּץ
וְשִׁמְתִּים לַתְּהִלָּה וְלִשְׁם בְּכָל־הָאָרֶץ בְּשָׁתָם:

כ. בְּעֵת הַהִיא אֲבִיא אֶתְכֶם וּבְעֵת קִבְּצִי אֶתְכֶם כִּי־אֶתֵּן אֶתְכֶם לִשְׁם וְלַתְּהִלָּה בְּכָל־עַמִּי
הָאָרֶץ בְּשׁוּבִי אֶת־שְׁבוּתֵיכֶם לְעֵינֵיכֶם אָמַר יְהוָה:

Zephaniah. Chapter 3.

1. Woe to her who is filthy and polluted-the dove-like city.
2. She did not obey, she did not accept reproof. She did not trust in the Lord. She did not draw near to her God.
3. Her princes in her midst are roaring lions; her judges, wolves of the evening. They did not leave over the bones for morning.
4. Her prophets are unstable, treacherous people. Her priests have profaned the sanctuary; they have removed the Torah.
5. The Lord is just in her midst; He commits no injustice. Every morning He brings His judgment to light. It does not fail. But the one who commits injustice knows no shame.
6. I have cut off nations; their towers have become desolate. I have destroyed their streets so that no one passes by. Their cities have become waste so that there is no man-so that there is no inhabitant.

7. I said, "Surely you will fear Me, you will accept reproof, and her dwelling shall not be cut off, all that I ordained upon her." But they arose early and corrupted all their deeds.

8. Therefore, wait for Me, says the Lord, for the day that I will rise up to meet [with you]. For it is My judgment to assemble nations, to gather kingdoms, to pour out My fury upon them; yea, all the kindling of My wrath, for with the fire of My jealousy all the earth shall be consumed.

9. For then I will convert the peoples to a pure language that all of them call in the name of the Lord, to worship Him of one accord.

10. From the other side of the rivers of Cush, My supplicants, the community of My scattered ones-they shall bring Me an offering.

11. On that day you shall not be ashamed of all your deeds [with] which you rebelled against Me, for then I will remove from your midst those who rejoice in your pride, and you shall no longer continue to be haughty on My holy mount.

12. And I will leave over in your midst a humble and poor people, and they shall take shelter in the name of the Lord.

13. The remnant of Israel shall neither commit injustice nor speak lies; neither shall deceitful speech be found in their mouth, for they shall graze and lie down, with no one to cause them to shudder.

14. Sing, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O Israel! Rejoice and jubilate wholeheartedly, O daughter of Jerusalem!

15. The Lord has removed your afflictions; He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst-you shall no longer fear evil.

16. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, "Have no fear! O Zion, let your hands not be slack.

17. The Lord your God is in your midst-a Mighty One Who will save. He will rejoice over you with joy. He will be silent in His love. He will jubilate over you with song."

18. Those who are removed from the appointed season I have destroyed. They were of you-it was a burden of shame upon her.

19. Behold, I wreak destruction upon all those who afflict you at that time. And I will save the one who limps, and I will gather the stray one, and I will make them a praise and a name throughout all the land where they suffered shame.

20. At that time I will bring them, and at [that] time I will gather you, for I will make you a name and a praise among all the peoples of the earth when I restore your captivities before your eyes, said the Lord.