Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 2 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wast wontest after me in the wilderness, in a land [that was] not sown.

Israel [was] holiness unto the LORD, [and] the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD.

Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel: 4 Thus saith the LORD, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain?

Neither said they, Where [is] the LORD that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?

And I brought you into a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the

The priests said not, Where [is] the LORD? and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after [things that] do not profit.

Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith the LORD, and with your children's children will I plead.
2:10 For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.

2:11 Hath a nation changed [their] gods, which [are] yet no gods? but my people have changed their glory for [that which] doth not profit.

2:12 Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith the LORD.

2:13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out rivers of tears instead of running waters.

2:14 Therefore have thy goods plundered by strangers, and all thy beauty spoiled, even to the very heart thereof: for the lips of a stranger shall speak against thee, because of thy multitude; and they shall cast a_rendered.

2:15 All thy strongholds shall assuredly be besieged: all thy bases shall be shaken.

2:16 And they shall fall upon thee with their faces, and when thy walls are thrown down throughout the land of Egypt.

2:17 And the proud shall be cast down, and the haughty shall be humbled; and the Lord of hosts shall be exalted in mount Zion, and he shall be exalted in Jerusalem.

2:18 And he shall stretch out his hand over all the help of Egypt, which he provoketh to his help, and all his hosts: and none shall be able to lift up his own head.

2:19 And now what hast thou to do in the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? or what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?

2:20 And what hast thou to do in the way of Babylon, to take the reed for a staff to encompass thy head in the midst of Egypt? or what hast thou to do in the midst of Hamath? or to go into the Assyrian cities? (p)
God, and that my fear [is] not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

20. For of old time I have broken thy yoke, [and] burst thy bands; and thou saidst, I will not transgress; when upon every high hill and under every green tree thou wanderest, playing the harlot.

21. Yet I had planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me?

22. For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much soap, [yet] thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.

23. How canst thou say, I am not polluted, I have not gone after Baalim? see thy way in the valley, know what thou hast done: [thou] art [a] swift dromedary traversing her ways;

24. A wild ass used to the wilderness, [that] snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.

25. Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but thou saidst, There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.

26. As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets,
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28 But where [are] thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can save thee in the time of thy trouble: for according to the number of the thy cities are thy gods, O Judah.

29 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against me, saith the LORD.

30 In vain have I smitten your children; they received no correction: your own sword hath devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.

31 O generation, see ye the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, We are lords; we will come no more unto thee.

32 Can a maid forget her ornaments, [or] a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number.

33 Why trimmest thou thy ways? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.

34 Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the poor innocents: I have not found it by secret search, but upon all these.

35 Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with thee, because thou sayest, I have not sinned.

36 Why gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? thou also shalt be ashamed.
of Egypt, as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.

2:37 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.