Jeremiah 42

1 Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezeaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from least even to the greatest, came near.

2 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God, [even] for all this remnant; (for we are left [but] a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)

3 That the LORD thy God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.

4 Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them, I have heard [you]; behold, I will pray unto the LORD your God according to your words; and it shall come to pass, [that] whatsoever thing the LORD shall answer you, I will declare [it] unto you; I will keep nothing back from you.

5 Then they said to Jeremiah, The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us, if we do not according to all things for which the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us.

6 Whether [it be] good, or whether [it be] evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.

7 And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

8 Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces which [were] with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest,
And be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid; be not afraid of him, saith the LORD: for I [am] with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand.

And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.

But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the LORD your God,

And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplantation before him;

And said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him;

If ye will not labor in the land, then will I cause every man of you that is left, and every one that goeth out of Judah into Babylon, and to the land of Egypt, to be consumed by the sword, and by the famine: whereof ye were afraid, shall follow close upon you.

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: If ye will return unto me, saith the LORD, and hearken to my voice, then ye shall dwell in this land.

And I shal pluck up, and I will plant: the LORD of hosts hath spoke, thus saith the LORD. If this people go before me, and obey my voice, then shall I be their God, and they shall be my people.

And now therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, ye which are returning from Babylon, and to the land of Egypt; For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Even thus saith the LORD of hosts, Thus shall ye say unto the remnant of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, which are returned from Babylon;

13 Then it shall come to pass, [that] the sword, which ye feared, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, wherof ye were afraid, shall follow close
The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah; Go ye not into Egypt: know certainly that I have admonished you this day.

For ye dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent me unto the LORD your God, saying, Pray for us unto the LORD our God; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do [it].

And [now] I have this day declared [it] to you; but ye have not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God, nor any [thing] for the which he hath sent me unto you.

Now therefore know certainly that ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire to go [and] to sojourn.

after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.

So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: and none of them shall remain or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.

The LORD hath said, Go into Egypt, and ye shall die there by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say, so shall it be with you.

He will bring upon you and upon all your families, all the evil that I have spoken against you; because ye have not obeyed my voice, nor hearkened unto my commandments.

You shall eat inquire of me, and not another, and not you shall see further.

For thus saith the LORD of hosts, God of Israel; As mine anger and my fury hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.

For I will set my face against you, and ye shall be destroyed from off the land which ye cause to inherit me; and I will scatter you among the nations, and will appoint you for an evil hire, and for shame of face all the days of your life.

And it shall come to pass, that after you there in Egypt shall I judge you: and there ye shall be sure to die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence; and none of you shall escape from the evil that I will bring upon you.

Then ye said, Wherefore? For what have we done? The thing is very plain, ye have sold yourselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD; therefore ye shall go out of the land which ye cause to inherit me, and ye shall be dispersed among nations.

And the LORD said to me, Say, Thus saith the LORD; I will pour upon this people the loud and the swift and strong and the sickle of famine, and will break them in pieces, and shall make them die of excess of evil; and they shall not be buried, neither shall people say, Mourn for them; for they shall die of the excess of evil.

For I will bring them out of the lands of their sojourning, and I will get them into their own land, and their sons and their sons' sons among them; and I will set my mercy before them, and will cause them to know theLORD, which I am in the midst of Israel; and there shall they know me, the LORD God, in the midst of my land.