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(11) Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by destroying them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?
 (12) Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Telassar?
 (13) Where *is* the king of Hamath, and the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?
 (14) And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up unto the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.
 (15) And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying,
 (16) O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest *between* the cherubims, thou *art* the God, *even* thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.
 (17) Incline thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open thine eyes, O LORD, and see: and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to reproach the living God.
 (18) Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations, and their countries,

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(11) Surely, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by destroying them completely; and will you be delivered?
 (12) Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Telassar?
 (13) Where *is* the king of Hamath, and the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?
 (14) And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up to the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, and spread it before the LORD {Jehovah}.
 (15) And Hezekiah prayed to the LORD {Jehovah}, saying,
 (16) O LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies; multitudes}, God of Israel, Who lives *between* the cherubims,^a You *are* the God, *even* You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: You have made heaven and earth.
 (17) Incline Your ear, O LORD {Jehovah}, and hear; open Your eyes, O LORD {Jehovah}, and see: and hear all the words of Sennacherib, who has sent to reproach the living God.
 (18) Of a truth, LORD {Jehovah}, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations, and their countries,

37:16a – between the cherubims – Ex. 25:18-22; II Ki. 19:15; I Chron. 13:6

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(19) And have cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

(20) Now therefore, O LORD our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou *art* the LORD, *even* thou only.

(21) Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Whereas thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria:

(22) This *is* the word which the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

(23) Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted *thy* voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? *even* against the Holy One of Israel.

(24) By thy servants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down the tall cedars thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the height of his border, *and* the forest of his Carmel.

(19) And have cast their gods into the fire: because they *were* no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

(20) Now therefore, O LORD {Jehovah} our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that You *are* the LORD {Jehovah}, *even* You alone.

(21) Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, This is what the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel says, Whereas you have prayed to Me against Sennacherib king of Assyria:

(22) This *is* the word which the LORD {Jehovah} has spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of Zion, has despised you, *and* laughed you to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem has shaken her head at you.

(23) Whom have you reproached and blasphemed? and against Whom have you exalted *your* voice, and lifted up your eyes on high? *even* against the Holy One of Israel.

(24) By your servants you have reproached the Lord, and have said, By the multitude of my chariots I have come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down its tall cedars, *and* its choice fir trees: and I will enter into the height of his border, *and* the forest of his Carmel.

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(25) I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of the besieged places.

(26) Hast thou not heard long ago, *how* I have done it; *and* of ancient times, that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldst be to lay waste defenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.

(27) Therefore their inhabitants *were* of small power, they were dismayed and confounded: they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the housetops, and *as* *corn* blasted before it be grown up.

(28) But I know thy abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.

(29) Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult, is come up into mine ears, therefore will I put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.

(30) And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat *this* year such as groweth of itself; and the second year that which springeth of the same: and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit thereof.

(31) And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward:

(25) I have dug *a well*, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet I have dried up all the rivers of the besieged places.

(26) Have you not heard long ago, *how* I have done it; *and* of ancient times, that I have formed it? now I have brought it to pass, that you should lay waste defenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.

(27) Therefore those who lived there *were* of little power, they were dismayed and confounded: they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the housetops, and *as* *corn* blasted before it be grown up.

(28) But I know where you live, and your going out, and your coming in, and your rage against Me.

(29) Because you rage against Me, and your tumult, has come up into My ears, therefore I will put My hook into your nose, and My bridle into your lips, and I will turn you back by the way by which you came.

(30) And this *will be* a sign to you, You will eat *this* year such as grows of itself; and the second year that which springs of the same: and in the third year you *will* sow, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat its fruit.

(31) And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah will again take root downward, and bear fruit upward:

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(32) For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.

(33) Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shields, nor cast a bank against it.

(34) By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

(35) For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

(36) Then the angel of the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.

(37) So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh.

(38) And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Armenia: and Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.

(32) Because out of Jerusalem will go forth a remnant, and those who escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies} will do this.

(33) Therefore this is what the LORD {Jehovah} says concerning the king of Assyria, He will not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shields, nor cast a bank against it.

(34) By the way that he came, by the same he will return, and will not come into this city, says the LORD {Jehovah}.

(35) Because I will defend this city to save it for My own sake, and for My servant David's sake.

(36) Then the angel of the LORD {Jehovah} went forth, and struck in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and eighty-five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, indeed, they *were* all dead bodies.

(37) So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and lived at Nineveh.

(38) And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons struck him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Armenia: and Esarhaddon his son reigned in his place.