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(12) Therefore they will come and sing in the height of Zion, and will flow together to the goodness of the LORD {Jehovah}, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul will be as a watered garden; and they will not sorrow any more at all.

(13) Then the virgin will rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: because I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and cause them to rejoice from their sorrow.

(14) And I will satisfy the soul of the priests with fatness, and My people will be satisfied with My goodness, says the LORD {Jehovah}.

(15) This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says; A voice was heard in Ramah, loud crying, *and* bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children refused to be comforted, because they *were* no more.^a

(16) This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says; Refrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears: because your work will be rewarded, says the LORD {Jehovah}; and they will come again from the land of the enemy.

(17) And there is hope in your end, says the LORD {Jehovah}, that your children will come again to their own border.

(18) I have surely heard Ephraim himself crying *this*; You have punished me, and I was punished, as a bull unaccustomed to *the yoke*: turn me, and I will be turned; because you *are* the LORD {Jehovah} my God.

(19) Surely after I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I struck upon *my* thigh: I was ashamed, yes, even confounded, because I bore the reproach of my youth.

(20) *Is* Ephraim My dear son? *is he* a pleasant child? because since I spoke against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore My inward parts are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, says the LORD {Jehovah}.

(21) Set up for yourself landmarks, make for yourself high heaps: set your heart towards the highway, *even* the way *which* you went: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these your cities.

(22) How long will you wander about, O backsliding daughter? because the LORD {Jehovah} has created a new thing in the earth, A woman will protect a man.

(23) This is what the LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies; multitudes}, the God of Israel says; As yet they will use this speech in the land of Judah and in its cities, when I will bring again their captivity; The LORD {Jehovah} bless you, O house of justice, *and* mountain of holiness.

(24) And there will live in Judah itself, and in all its cities together, gardeners, and those who go forth with flocks.

(25) Because I have satisfied the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul.

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(26) Upon this I awoke, and saw; and my sleep was sweet to me.

(27) Indeed, the days are coming, says the LORD {Jehovah}, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.

(28) And it will come to pass, *that* just as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so I will watch over them, to build, and to plant, says the LORD {Jehovah}.

(29) In those days they will say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

(30) But everyone will die for his own sin: every man who eats the sour grape, his teeth will be set on edge.

(31) Indeed, the days are coming, says the LORD {Jehovah}, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

(32) Not according to the covenant that I made with their forefathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them, says the LORD {Jehovah}:

(33) But this *will be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, says the LORD {Jehovah}, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they will be My people.

(34) And they will no more teach every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD {Jehovah}: because they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD {Jehovah}: because I will forgive their sin, and I will remember their sin no more.

(35) This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says, Who gives the sun for a light by day, *and* the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, Who divides the sea when its waves roar; The LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies; multitudes} is His Name:

(36) If those laws depart from before Me, says the LORD {Jehovah}, *then* the descendants of Israel also will cease from being a nation before Me forever.

(37) This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the descendants of Israel because of all that they have done, says the LORD {Jehovah}.

(38) Indeed, the days are coming, says the LORD {Jehovah}, that the city will be built to the LORD {Jehovah} from the tower of Hananeel to the gate of the corner.

(39) And the measuring line will yet go forth opposite it upon the hill Gareb, and will circle to Goath.