

achim that are not gone forth with you into the Golus;
 |17| Thus saith Hashem Tzva'os; Hineni, I will send upon them the cherev, the ra'av, and the dever, and will make them like rotten figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so bad.

|18| And I will pursue them with the cherev, with the ra'av, and with the dever, and will make them a horror to all the mamlechet ha'aretz, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and a hissing, and a cherpah, among all the Goyim where I have driven them;

|19| Because they have not paid heed to My devarim, saith Hashem, which I sent unto them by My Avadim the nevi'im, rising up early and sending them; but ye would not hear, saith Hashem.

|20| Hear ye therefore the Devar Hashem, all ye of the Golus, whom I have sent from Yerushalayim to Bavel;

|21| Thus saith Hashem Tzva'os Elohei Yisroel, about Ach'av Ben Kolayah, and of Tzidkiyah Ben Ma'aseiyah, which prophesy sheker unto you in My Name; Hineni, I will deliver them into the yad Nevuchadretzar Melech Bavel; and he shall slay them before your eynayim;

|22| And of them shall be taken up a kelalah (curse) by all the Golus of Yehudah which are in Bavel, saying, Hashem make thee like Tzidkiyah and like Ach'av, whom Melech Bavel roasted in the eish;

|23| Because they have done nevalah (a foul deed, outrage) in Yisroel, and have committed ni'uf with their neighbors' nashim, and have spoken davar sheker in My Name, which I have not commanded them; I know, and am Ed (Witness), saith Hashem.

|24| Thus shalt thou also speak to Shemaiyahu the Nechelami, saying,

|25| Thus speaketh Hashem Tzva'os Elohei Yisroel, saying, Because thou hast sent sefarim in thy shem unto kol HaAm that are in Yerushalayim, and to Tzephanyah Ben Maaseiyah the kohen, and to all the kohanim, saying,

|26| Hashem hath made thee kohen in the place of Yehoyada the kohen, that there should be pekidim (officers) in the Beis Hashem, over every ish that is meshuggah (mad, insane), and maketh himself a navi, that thou shouldest put him in the stocks, and in the neck iron.

|27| Now therefore why hast thou not reprov'd Yirmeyah of Anatot, which maketh himself a navi to you?

|28| For therefore he sent unto us in Bavel, saying, This captivity is long; build ye batim (houses), and dwell in them; and plant gannot (gardens), and eat the fruit of them.

|29| And Tzephanyah the kohen read this sefer in the oznayim of Yirmeyah HaNavi.

|30| Then came the Devar Hashem unto Yirmeyah, saying,

|31| Send to all them of the Golus, saying, Thus saith Hashem concerning Shemaiyah the Nechelami; Because that Shemaiyah hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you to trust in sheker;

|32| Therefore thus saith Hashem: Hinei, I will punish Shemaiyah the Nechelami, and his zera; he shall not have an ish to dwell among this people; neither shall he behold the tov that I will do for My people, saith Hashem; because he hath spoken sarah (rebellion) against Hashem.

30 The Davar that came to Yirmeyah from Hashem,

saying,

|2| Thus speaketh Hashem Elohei Yisroel, saying, Write thee all the Devarim that I have spoken unto thee in a sefer.

|3| For, hinei, the days are coming, saith Hashem, that I will bring back from captivity My people Yisroel and Yehudah, saith Hashem; and I will cause them to return to ha'aretz that I gave to their avot, and they shall possess it.

|4| And these are the Devarim that Hashem spoke concerning Yisroel and concerning Yehudah.

|5| For thus saith Hashem: We have heard a cry of fear, of pachad (terror), and not of shalom.

|6| Ask ye now, and see whether a zachar (male) doth travail with child? Why do I see every gever with his hands on his stomach, like a woman in labor, and all faces are turned deadly pale?

|7| Alas! For gadol hayom, so that none is like it; it is even the Et (Time) of Tzarah l'Ya'akov (Jacob's Trouble), but he shall be saved out of it.

|8| For it shall come to pass in that day, saith Hashem Tzva'os, that I will break his yoke from off thy tzavar (neck), and will burst thy bonds, and zarim (foreigners) shall no more make a slave of him;

|9| But they shall serve Hashem Eloheihem, and Dovid their Melech [*i.e.* *Moshiach*], whom I will raise up for them.

|10| Therefore, fear thou not, O Avdi Ya'akov, saith Hashem; neither be dismayed, O Yisroel; for, hineni, I will save thee from afar, and thy zera from the eretz of their captivity; and