

kol ha'aretz have fallen
because of Bavel.

|50| Ye that have escaped the
cherev, leave, stand not still;
remember Hashem afar off,
and let Yerushalayim come
into your heart.

|51| We are ashamed,
because we have heard
cherpah; shame hath covered
our faces; for zarim are come
into the Mikdeshei Beis
Hashem.

|52| Wherefore, hinei, the
days are coming, saith
Hashem, that I will visit [*in
punishment*] her pesalim
(graven images); and through
all her land the wounded shall
groan.

|53| Though Bavel should
ascend to Shomayim, and
though she should fortify the
height of her stronghold, yet
from Me shall plunderers
come unto her, saith Hashem.

|54| A sound of a cry cometh
from Bavel, and shever gadol
(great destruction) from Eretz
Kasdim;

|55| Because Hashem hath
plundered Bavel, and silenced
her kol gadol (great voice);
when her waves do roar like
mayim rabbim, the sound of
her roaring resounds;

|56| Because the plunderer is
come upon her, even upon
Bavel, and her gibborim are
taken, every one of their
keshatot (bows) is broken; for
El Gemulot Hashem (Hashem
the G-d of Recompense) shall
surely repay.

|57| And I will make shikkor
(drunk) her sarim, and her
chachamim, her pachot
(rulers), and her seganim
(officials), and her gibborim;
and they shall sleep a shenat
olam (perpetual sleep), and
never awake, saith HaMelech
Hashem Tzva'os Shmo.

|58| Thus saith Hashem
Tzva'os: The thick chomot
Bavel shall be utterly broken,
and her high she'arim shall be

burned with eish; and the
people shall labor in vain, and
the peoples wear themselves
out only for eish.

|59| The Davar which
Yirmeyah HaNavi
commanded Serayah Ben
Neriyah Ben Machseiyah,
when he went with Tzidkiyah
Melech Yehudah into Bavel in
the fourth year of his reign.
And this Serayah was sar
menuchah (quartermaster).

|60| So Yirmeyah wrote in a
sefer all the ra'ah that should
come upon Bavel, even all
these devarim that are written
against Bavel.

|61| And Yirmeyah said to
Serayah, When thou comest to
Bavel, and shalt see, and shalt
read all these Devarim;

|62| Then shalt thou say,
Hashem, Thou hast spoken
against this makom, to cut it
off, that none shall remain in
it, neither adam nor behemah,
but that it shall be desolate
forever.

|63| And it shall be, when
thou hast made an end of
reading this sefer, that thou
shalt bind an even (stone) to it,
and cast it into the midst of
Euphrates;

|64| And thou shalt say, Thus
shall Bavel sink, and shall rise
no more because of the ra'ah
that I will bring upon her.
Thus far are the Devarim of
Yirmeyah.

52 Tzidkiyah was one
and twenty years
old when he began
to reign, and he reigned eleven
shanah in Yerushalayim. And
shem immo was Chamutal bat
Yirmeyah of Livnah.

|2| And he did that which was
rah in the eyes of Hashem,
according to all that
Yhoyakim had done.

|3| For because of the anger
of Hashem it came to pass in
Yerushalayim and Yehudah,
that he finally cast them out
from his presence. Tzidkiyah

rebelled against HaMelech
Bavel.

|4| And it came to pass in
the ninth year of his reign, in
the tenth month, in the tenth
day of the month, that
Nevuchadretzar Melech Bavel
came, he and all his army,
against Yerushalayim, and
encamped against it, and built
siege-works against it round
about.

|5| So HaIr went under siege
unto the eleventh year of
Melech Tzidkiyah.

|6| And in the fourth month,
in the ninth day of the month,
the ra'av (famine) was severe
in the Ir, so that there was no
lechem for the Am HaAretz.

|7| Then the Ir was broken
through, and all the anshei
hamilchamah fled, and went
forth out of the Ir by lailah by
the way of the gate between
the two walls, which was near
the Gan HaMelech; (now the
Kasdim [Chaldeans] were
surrounding the Ir); and they
fled by the derech HaAravah.

|8| But the army of the
Kasdim (Chaldeans) pursued
after HaMelech, and overtook
Tzidkiyah in the plains of
Yericho; and all his army was
separated from him and
scattered.

|9| Then they captured
HaMelech, and carried him
up unto Melech Bavel
to Rivlah in Eretz Chamat;
where he pronounced
mishpatim upon him.

|10| And Melech Bavel
slaughtered the Bnei
Tzidkiyah before his
eyes; he slaughtered also all
the sarim (princes) of Yehudah
in Rivlah.

|11| Then he put out the eyes
of Tzidkiyah; and Melech
Bavel bound him in chains,
and carried him to Babylon,
and put him in the bais
hapekudot (prison house) till
the yom moto (day of his
death).