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26 “Did you not hear long ago *how* **I made it**, from ancient times that **I formed it**? Now **I have brought it to pass**, that you should be for crushing fortified cities *into* heaps of ruins. 27 Therefore their inhabitants *had* little power; they were dismayed and confounded; they were *as* the grass of the field and the green herb, as the grass on the housetops and *grain* blighted before it is grown.

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28 But I know your dwelling place, your
going out and your coming in, and your rage
against Me. 29 Because your rage against Me
and your tumult have come up to My ears,
therefore I will put My hook in your nose and
My bridle in your lips, and I will turn you back
by the way which you came.”

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30 “This *shall be* a sign to you: You shall eat
this year such as grows of itself, and the second
year what springs from the same; also in the
third year sow and reap, plant vineyards and eat
the fruit of them. 31 And the remnant who have
escaped of the house of Judah shall again take
root downward, and bear fruit upward. 32 For out
of Jerusalem shall go a remnant, and those who
escape from Mount Zion. **The zeal of the
LORD of hosts will do this**.

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33 “Therefore thus says the LORD
concerning the king of Assyria: ‘He shall not
come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there,
nor come before it with shield, nor build a
siege mound against it. 34 By the way that he
came, by the same shall he return; and he
shall not come into this city,’ says the LORD.
35 ‘For I will defend this city, to save it for My
own sake and for My servant David’s sake.’ ”

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36 Then the angel of the Lord went out, and **killed** in the camp of the Assyrians **one hundred and eighty-five thousand**; and when *people* arose early in the morning, there were the corpses—**all dead**. 37 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed and went away, returned *home,* and remained at Nineveh. 38 Now it came to pass, as he was worshiping in the house of Nisroch his god, that his sons Adrammelech and Sharezer struck him down with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Ararat. Then Esarhaddon his son reigned in his place.

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6 For unto us a **Child** is born, unto us a **Son** is given; and the **government** will be upon His shoulder. And **His name will be called Wonderful**, **Counselor**, **Mighty God**, **Everlasting Father**, **Prince of Peace**. 7 Of the increase of ***His*** **government** and **peace** *there will be* **no end**, upon the **throne of David** and over **His kingdom**, to **order it** and **establish it** with **judgment** and **justice** from that time forward, even **forever**. **The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this**.

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9 Because **zeal** for **Your house has eaten me up**, and the **reproaches** of **those who reproach You have fallen on me**.

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Isaiah 42:1-13

1 “Behold! My Servant whom I uphold,
My Elect One *in whom* My soul delights! I have
put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth
justice to the Gentiles. 2 He will not cry out, nor
raise, nor cause His voice to be heard in the
street. 3 A bruised reed He will not break, and
smoking flax He will not quench; He will bring
forth justice for truth. 4 He will not fail nor be
discouraged, till He has established justice in the
earth; and the coastlands shall wait for His law.”

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5 Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, and spirit to those who walk on it: 6 “I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness, and will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, as a light to the Gentiles, 7 to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison,
those who sit in darkness from the prison house.

Isaiah 42:1-13

8 I *am* the LORD, that *is* My name;
And My glory I will not give to another, nor My
praise to carved images. 9 Behold, the former
things have come to pass, and new things I
declare; before they spring forth I tell you of
them.”

10 Sing to the LORD a new song, *and* His praise
from the ends of the earth, you who go down to
the sea, and all that is in it, you coastlands and
you inhabitants of them!

Isaiah 42:1-13

11 Let the wilderness and its cities lift up
their voice, the villages *that* Kedar inhabits.
Let the inhabitants of Sela sing, let them
shout from the top of the mountains. 12 Let
them **give glory** to **the LORD**, and declare His
praise in the coastlands. 13 **The LORD** shall go
forth like a mighty man; **He shall stir**
up *His* zeal like a man of war. **He shall cry**
out, yes, **shout aloud**; **He shall prevail**
against His enemies.

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Isaiah 59:14-20

14 **Justice** is **turned back**, and **righteousness**
stands afar off; for **truth is fallen** in the street, and
equity cannot enter. 15 So **truth fails**, and **he who**
departs from evil makes himself a **prey**.

Then **the LORD saw** *it,* and it **displeased Him**
that *there was* **no justice**. 16 He saw that *there*
was **no man**, and **wondered** that *there was* **no**
intercessor; **therefore His own arm brought**
salvation for Him; and **His own righteousness**, **it**
sustained Him.

Isaiah 59:14-20

17 For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on His head; He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak.

18 According to deeds, accordingly He will repay, fury to His adversaries, recompense to His enemies; the coastlands He will fully repay.

Isaiah 59:14-20

19 So shall they fear the name of the
LORD from the west, and His glory from the
rising of the sun; when the enemy comes
in like a flood, The Spirit of the LORD will lift
up a standard against him.

20 “The Redeemer will come to Zion,
and to those who turn from transgression in
Jacob,” says the LORD.

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11 “Phinehas the son of Eleazar, the son of
Aaron the priest, has turned back My wrath from
the children of Israel, because he was zealous
with My zeal among them, so that I did not
consume the children of Israel in My
zeal. 12 Therefore say, ‘Behold, I give to him
My covenant of peace; 13 and it shall be to him
and his descendants after him a covenant of an
everlasting priesthood, because he was zealous
for his God, and made atonement for the children
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6 Set me as a seal upon your heart,
As a seal upon your arm;
For love *is as* strong as **death**,
Jealousy *as* cruel as the **grave**;
Its flames *are* flames of fire,
A most vehement flame.

7 Many waters cannot quench love,
Nor can the floods drown it.
If a man would give for love
All the wealth of his house,
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15 *Look down from heaven,*
And see from Your habitation, holy and glorious.
Where are Your zeal and Your strength,
The yearning of Your heart and Your mercies toward me?
Are they restrained?

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16 And we have known and believed the love that
God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in
love abides in God, and God in him. 17 Love has
been perfected among us in this: that we may
have boldness in the day of judgment; because as
He is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in
love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear
involves torment. But he who fears has not been
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10 For godly sorrow produces repentance
unto salvation, **not to be regretted**; but the
sorrow of the **world produces death**. 11 For
observe this very thing, that **you sorrowed** in
a **godly** manner: What **diligence** it **produced**
in you, *what* **clearing** *of* ***yourselves***, *what*
indignation, *what* **fear**, *what* **vehement**
desire, *what* **zeal**, *what* **vindication**! **In**
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