

Yeshayahu's Roadmap to Reconciliation

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Isaiah 54: 11-17 Renewal and Protection

11) Unhappy, storm-tossed one, uncomforted! I will lay carbuncles as as your building stones And make your foundations of sapphires. (12) I will make your battlements of rubies, Your gates of precious stones, The whole enduring wall of gems. (13) And all your children shall be disciples of GOD, And great shall be the happiness of your children; (14) You shall be established through righteousness. You shall be safe from oppression, And shall have no fear; From ruin, and it shall not come near you. (15) Surely no harm can be done Without My consent: Whoever would harm you Shall fall because of you. (16) It is I who created the smith To fan the charcoal fire And produce tools for each purpose; So it is I who create The instruments of havoc. (17) No weapon formed against you Shall succeed, And every tongue that contends with you at law You shall defeat. Such is the lot of GOD's servants, Such their triumph through Me—declares GOD.

(יא)

עב

יה סערה לא נחמה הנה אנכי מרביץ בפיר

God's call and new promise Isaiah 55: 1-5

1) Ho, all who are thirsty, Come for water, Even if you have no money: Come, buy food and eat: Buy food without money. Wine, and milk without cost. (2) Why do you spend money for what is not bread, Your earnings for what does not satisfy? Give heed to Me, And you shall eat choice food And enjoy the richest viands. (3) Incline your ear and come to Me; Hearken, and you shall be revived. And I will make with you an everlasting covenant, The enduring loyalty promised to David. (4) As I made him a leader, leader Cf. Targum; in contrast to others “witness.” of peoples, A prince and commander of peoples, (5) So you shall summon a nation you did not know, And a nation that did not know you Shall come running to you. As I made him ... to you Cf. 2 Sam. 22.44–45 (Ps. 18.44–45).—For the sake of the ETERNAL your God, The Holy One of Israel who has glorified you.

(א) הוֹי

כֹּל-צֶמֶא לְכוּ לַמַּיִם וְאֲשֶׁר אֵין-לוֹ כֶּסֶף לְכוּ שִׁבְרוּ וְאָכְלוּ וּלְכוּ שִׁבְרוּ בְלֹא כֶסֶף וּבְלֹא מַחִיר יַיִן וְחֶלֶב: (ב) לֹמֵה

God's Response and Assurance (Isaiah 49:22–50:3)

(1) Thus said GOD:al.e., the mother (the country) has not been formally divorced, nor the children (the people) sold because of poverty. Therefore there is no obstacle to their restoration. Where is the bill of divorceOf your mother whom I dismissed?And which of My creditors was itTo whom I sold you off?You were only sold off for your sins,And your mother dismissed for your crimes. (2) Why, when I came, was no one there? Why, when I called, would none respond?Is my arm, then, too short to rescue,Have I not the power to save?With a mere rebuke I dry up the sea,And turn rivers into desert.Their fish stink from lack of water;They lie dead of thirst. (3) I clothe the skies in blackness And make their raiment sackcloth.

(א)

כִּי־אָמַר ה' אִי־זֶה סֵפֶר כְּרִיתוֹת אִמְכֶם אֲשֶׁר שְׁלַחְתִּיהֶן אוֹ מִי־מִוֹשֵׁי אֲשֶׁר־מָכַרְתִּי אֶתְכֶם לֹא־הֵן בְּעוֹנֵיכֶם נִ

Prophecies regarding the walls

Isaiah 3:26

And her gates shall lament and mourn,
And she shall be emptied,
Shall sit on the ground.

וְאָנֹכִי וְאֶבְלֹי פִתְחֶיהָ וְנִקְתָּה לְאֶרֶץ תִּשָּׁב:

Isaiah 14:31

Howl, O gate; cry out, O city;
Quake, all Philistia!
For a stout one is coming from the north
And there is no straggler in his ranks.

הַיְלִילִי שִׁעַר זַעֲקוּ-לְעִיר נְמוּג פְּלִשְׁתַּת כָּלָהּ כִּי מֵצָפוֹן עֹשֵׁן בָּא וְאִין בּוֹדָד בְּמוֹעֲדָיו:

Prophecies regarding the walls

Isaiah 24: 11-12

צוֹתָהּ עַל־תֵּינִן בַּחוּצוֹת עָרְבָה כָּל־שִׂמְחָהּ גָּלָה מְשׁוֹשׁ הָאָרֶץ:

Even over wine, a cry goes up in the streets:

The sun has set on all joy,

The gladness of the earth is banished.

בְּנִשְׂאָר בְּעִיר שִׁמְחָה וְשִׂמְחָה יִכַּת־שָׁעַר:

Desolation is left in the town

And the gate is battered to ruins.

Nechemia 1 3-4

יִאמְרוּ לִי הַנְּשָׂאָרִים אֲשֶׁר-נִשְׁאַרוּ מִן-הַשְּׂבִי שָׁם בַּמְּדִינָה בְּרָעָה גְדֹלָה וּבְחָרָפָה וְחוֹמַת יְרוּשָׁלַם מִפְּרֻצָּת וּשְׁעָרֶיהָ נִצְתוּ. בְּ
They replied, “The survivors who have survived the captivity there in the province are in dire trouble and disgrace; Jerusalem’s wall is full of breaches, and its gates have been destroyed by fire.”

וַיְהִי כִשְׁמָעִי | אֶת-הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה יָשַׁבְתִּי וְאָבָכָה וְאֶתְאַבְּלָה יָמִים וְאָהִי צֹם וּמִתְפַּלֵּל לִפְנֵי אֱלֹהֵי הַשָּׁמַיִם:
When I heard that, I sat and wept, and was in mourning for days, fasting and praying to the God of Heaven.

Nechemia 2 12-13

וְאָקוּם אֲנִי לַיְלָה אֲנִי

וְאֶנְךָ

שָׁמַיִם אֲנִי מִמַּעַט עִמִּי וְלֹא־הִגַּדְתִּי לְאָדָם מִה אֱלֹהֵי נִתַּן אֶל־לִבִּי לַעֲשׂוֹת לְיְרוּשָׁלַם וּבִהְמָה אֵין עִמִּי כִּי אִם־הִבְהִמָה אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי רֹכֵץ
I got up at night, I and a few men with me, and telling no one what my God had put into my mind to do for Jerusalem, and taking no other beast than the one on which I was riding,

וְאֶצְאָה

בְּ

שַׁעַר־הַגִּיאַ לַיְלָה וְאֶל־פְּנֵי עַיִן הַתַּנּוּיִן וְאֶל־שַׁעַר הָאֲשָׁפֹת וְאֶהִי שֹׂבֵר בְּחוֹמַת יְרוּשָׁלַם אֲשֶׁר־[הֵם אֲפְרוּצִים] (הַמְפְרוּצִים) וְשָׁרַף
I went out by the Valley Gate, at night, toward the Jackals' Spring and the Dung Gate; and I surveyed the walls of Jerusalem that were breached, and its gates, consumed by fire.

Ending of Masechet Brachot

אמר

ר

בִּי חֵיִיא בַר אֲשִׁי אָמַר רַב: תַּלְמִידֵי חֲכָמִים אֵין לְהֵם מְנוּחָה לֹא בְּעוֹלָם הַזֶּה וְלֹא בְּעוֹלָם הַבָּא, שֶׁנֶּאֱמַר: "יִלְכוּ מִחֵיל אֶל חֵיל יִרְאֶה אֶל אֱלֹהִים
With regard to that same verse, **Rabbi Ḥiyya bar Ashi said that Rav said: Torah scholars have rest neither in this world nor in the World-to-Come, as in both worlds they are constantly progressing, as it is stated: "They go from strength to strength, every one of them appears before God in Zion."**

אָמַר רַבִּי אֶלְעָזָר אָמַר רַבִּי חֲנִינָא: תַּלְמִידֵי חֲכָמִים מְרַבִּים שְׁלוֹם בְּעוֹלָם, שֶׁנֶּאֱמַר: "וְכָל בְּנֵיךָ לְמוֹדֵי ה' וְרַב שְׁלוֹם בְּנֵיךָ."

Rabbi Elazar said that Rabbi Ḥanina said: Torah scholars increase peace in the world, as it is said: "And all your children [*banayikh*] shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children" (Isaiah 54:13). If all the children of Israel are taught of the Lord, there will be peace for all.

אל

תַּקְרִי "בְּנֵיךָ" אֶלָּא "בּוֹנֵיךָ". "שְׁלוֹם רַב לְאֹהֲבֵי תּוֹרַתְךָ וְאֵין לָמוּ מְכַשׁוֹל". "יְהִי שְׁלוֹם בְּחֵילְךָ שְׁלוֹהַּ בְּאַרְמְנוֹתֶיךָ". "לְמַעַן אַחֵי וְרַעֵי אֲדַבְּרָה אֲנִי

The Sages interpreted this verse homiletically: **Do not read your children [*banayikh*], but your builders [*bonayikh*]**. Torah scholars are those who build peace for their generation. As it is stated: **"Those who love Your Torah have great peace; there is no stumbling block for them"** (Psalms 119:165); and **"May there be peace within your walls, prosperity within your palaces"** (Psalms 122:7), because: **"For the sake of my brothers and friends, I shall say: Peace be within you. For the sake of the House of the Lord, our God, I will seek your good"** (Psalms 122:8–9), and **"May the Lord give strength to His people; the Lord will bless**

Isaiah 60 10-11

וּבְנוּ בְנֵי-יַנְכָר חֻמֹּתַיָּךְ וּמְלִכֵיהֶם יִשְׁרְתוּנָךְ כִּי בְקֶצֶפִי הִכִּיתִיךָ וּבְרִצּוֹנִי רִחַמְתִּיךָ:

Aliens shall rebuild your walls,
Their kings shall wait upon you—
For in anger I struck you down,
But in favor I take you back.

וּפְתָחוּ שַׁעְרֶיךָ תָּמִיד יוֹמָם וְלַיְלָה לֹא יִסָּגְרוּ לְהִבָּיֵא אֵלֶיךָ יְחִיל גּוֹיִם וּמְלִכֵיהֶם נְהוּגִים:

Your gates shall always stay open—
Day and night they shall never be shut—
To let in the wealth of the nations,
With their kings in procession.

Deuteronomy 12 3-7

וּנְטַצְתֶּם אֶת־מִזְבְּחֵיהֶם וְשִׁבְרֹתֵם אֶת־מַצְבְּחֵיהֶם וְאֲשֵׁרֵיהֶם תִּשְׂרֹפוּן בְּאֵשׁ וּפְסִילֵי אֱלֹהֵיהֶם תַּגְדְּעוּן וְאִבְדֹתֵם אֶת־שְׁמֵם מִן־הַמָּקוֹם הַהוּא:

Tear down their altars, smash their pillars, put their sacred posts to the fire, and cut down the images of their gods, obliterating their name from that site.

לֹא־תַעֲשׂוּן כֵּן לַיהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם:

Do not worship your God יהוה in like manner,

כִּי אִם־אֶל־הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם מִכָּל־שִׁבְטֵיכֶם לְעוֹם אֶת־שְׁמוֹ שָׁם לְשִׁכְנוֹ תִדְרְשׁוּ וּבָאתָ שָׁמָּה:

but look only to the site that your God יהוה will choose amidst all your tribes as God's habitation, to establish the divine name there. There you are to go,

וְהִבֵּאתֶם שָׁמָּה עֹלֹתֵיכֶם וְזִבְחֵיכֶם וְאֵת מַעֲשֵׂרְתֵיכֶם וְאֵת תְּרוּמַת יְדְכֶם וְנִדְרֵיכֶם וְנִדְבַחֹתֵיכֶם וּבְכֹרֹת בְּקֹרְבָנֵיכֶם וְצִאֲנֹתֵיכֶם:

and there you are to bring your burnt offerings and other sacrifices, your tithes and contributions, your votive and freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and flocks.

וְאָכַלְתֶּם־שָׁם לִפְנֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם וּשְׂמַחְתֶּם בְּכֹל מַשְׁלַח יְדְכֶם אִתֶּם וּבְתִיבְכֶם אֲשֶׁר בֵּרַכָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיךָ:

Together with your households, you shall feast there before your God יהוה, happy in all the undertakings in which your God יהוה has blessed you.

Deuteronomy 12 10-11

וְעַבְרַתֶּם אֶת־הַיַּרְדֵּן וַיִּשְׁבְּתֶם בְּאֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם מִנְחִיל אֶתְכֶם וְהִנִּיחַ לְכֶם מְכַל־אֹיְבֵיכֶם מִסָּבִיב
וַיִּשְׁבְּתֶם־בְּטוֹחַ:

When you cross the Jordan and settle in the land that your God יהוה is allotting to you, and [God] grants you safety from all your enemies around you and you live in security,

וְהָיָה הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם בּוֹ לְשֹׁכֵן שְׁמוֹ שָׁם שָׁמָּה תָבִיאוּ אֶת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מִצְוֶה אֶתְכֶם עוֹלֹתֵיכֶם
וְזִבְחֵיכֶם מִעֲשֻׂרְתֵיכֶם וּתְרִמַת יְדְּכֶם וְכֹל־מִבְּחַר נְדָרֵיכֶם אֲשֶׁר תִּדְּרוּ לַיהוָה:

then you must bring everything that I command you to the site where your God יהוה will choose to establish the divine name: your burnt offerings and other sacrifices, your tithes and contributions, and all the choice votive offerings that you vow to יהוה.

Deuteronomy 12 13-14

הַשָּׁמֶר לָךְ פֶּן־תַּעֲלֶה עֲלֵתֶיךָ בְּכָל־מְקוֹם אֲשֶׁר תִּרְאֶה:

Take care not to sacrifice your burnt offerings in any place you like,

כִּי אִם־בְּמְקוֹם אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה בְּאַחַד שְׁבִטֶיךָ שָׁם תַּעֲלֶה עֲלֵתֶיךָ וְשָׁם תַּעֲשֶׂה כֹּל אֲשֶׁר אֶנְכִי מְצַוְךָ:

but only in the place that יהוה will choose in one of your tribal territories. There you shall sacrifice your burnt offerings and there you shall observe all that I enjoin upon you.

Deuteronomy 12: 17-18

לֹא-תֹכֵל לֶאֱכֹל בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ מֵעֵשֶׂר דְּגָנְךָ וְתִירְשׁוֹךָ וְיִצְהָרְךָ וּבְכֹרֹת בְּקִרְיָךָ וְצִאֲנֶךָ וְכָל-נִדְרֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר תִּדָּר וְנִדְבָתֶיךָ וְתִרְוַמַת יָדְךָ:

You may not partake in your settlements of the tithes of your new grain or wine or oil, or of the firstlings of your herds and flocks, or of any of the votive offerings that you vow, or of your freewill offerings, or of your contributions.

כִּי אִם-לִפְנֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ תֹאכְלֶנּוּ בַּמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּאֶמֶת וּבְנֶהַךְ וּבְתֵלֶךָ וְעַבְדְּךָ וְאִמָּתְךָ וְהַלְוִי אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ וְשִׂמְחָתְךָ לִפְנֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכֹל מְשַׁלַּח יָדְךָ:

These you must consume before your God יהוה in the place that your God יהוה will choose—you and your sons and your daughters, your male and female slaves, and the [family of the] Levite in your settlements—happy before your God יהוה in all your undertakings.

Deuteronomy 12: 20-21

כִּי־יִרְחִיב יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֶת־גְּבֻלְךָ כַּאֲשֶׁר דִּבַּר־לְךָ וְאָמַרְתָּ אֲכַלְנָה בָּשָׂר כִּי־תִאָּנֶה נִפְשֶׁךָ לְאֹכַל בָּשָׂר בְּכָל־אַנְתָּ נִפְשֶׁךָ תֹאכַל בָּשָׂר:

When יהוה enlarges your territory, as promised, and you say, “I shall eat some meat,” for you have the urge to eat meat, you may eat meat whenever you wish.

כִּי־יִרְחַק מִמֶּךָ הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְשׁוֹם שְׁמוֹ שָׁם וְזָבַחְתָּ מִבְּקָרְךָ וּמִצֹּאֲנֶךָ אֲשֶׁר נָתַן יְהוָה לְךָ כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוִּיתְךָ וְאָכַלְתָּ בְּשִׁעְרֶיךָ בְּכָל אַנְתָּ נִפְשֶׁךָ:

If the place where יהוה has chosen to establish the divine name is too far from you, you may slaughter any of the cattle or sheep that יהוה gives you, as I have instructed you; and you may eat to your heart’s content in your settlements.

Deuteronomy 16: 1-2, 5-6

שְׁמוֹר אֶת־תְּחִילַת חֹדֶשׁ אֲבִיב וְעָשִׂיתָ פֶּסַח לַיהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ כִּי בְחַדֵּשׁ הָאֲבִיב הוֹצִיאָךְ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ מִמִּצְרָיִם לַיְלָה:

Observe the month of Abib and offer a passover sacrifice to your God יהוה, for it was in the month of Abib, at night, that your God יהוה freed you from Egypt.

וְזָבַחְתָּ פֶּסַח לַיהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ צֹאן וּבָקָר בַּמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה לְשֵׁבֶן שְׁמוֹ שָׁם:

You shall slaughter the passover sacrifice for your God יהוה, from the flock and the herd, in the place where יהוה will choose to establish the divine name.

....
לֹא תֹכַח לְזַבַּח אֶת־הַפֶּסַח בְּאַחַד שַׁעְרֵי אֲשֶׁר־יִהְיֶה אֱלֹהֶיךָ נֹתֵן לָךְ:

You are not permitted to slaughter the passover sacrifice in any of the settlements that your God יהוה is giving you;

כִּי אִם־אֶל־הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְשֵׁבֶן שְׁמוֹ שָׁם תִּזְבַּח אֶת־הַפֶּסַח בְּעֶרְבַת כְּבוֹא הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ מוֹעֵד צֵאתְךָ מִמִּצְרָיִם:

but at the place where your God יהוה will choose to establish the divine name, there alone shall you slaughter the passover sacrifice, in the evening, at sundown, the time of day when you departed from Egypt.

Deuteronomy 16: 11-12

וְשִׂמְחֶתָּ לִפְנֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ

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תָּה וּבִנְךָ וּבִתֶּךָ וְעַבְדְּךָ וְאִמָּתֶךָ וְהַלְוִי אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ וְהַגֵּר וְהַיְתוּם וְהָאִלְמָנָה אֲשֶׁר בְּקִרְבְּךָ בְּמָקוֹם אֲשֶׁר

You shall rejoice before your God יהוה with your son and daughter, your male and female slave, the [family of the] Levite in your communities, and the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow in your midst, at the place where your God יהוה will choose to establish the divine name.

וְזָכַרְתָּ כִּי-עַבְדָּהָיִיתָ בְּמִצְרַיִם וְשָׁמַרְתָּ וְעָשִׂיתָ אֶת-הַחֻקִּים הָאֵלֶּה: {פ}

Bear in mind that you were slaves in Egypt, and take care to obey these laws.

Habakuk 1: 1-3

הַמִּשָּׂא אֲשֶׁר חָזָה חַבְקוּק הַנְּבִיא:

The pronouncement made by the prophet Habakkuk.

עַד-אָנָּה יְהוָה שְׁוַעַתִּי וְלֹא תִשְׁמָע אֲזַעַק אֵלֶיךָ חַמָּס וְלֹא תוֹשִׁיעַ:

How long, O ETERNAL One, shall I cry out
And You not listen,
Shall I shout to You, “Violence!”
And You not save?

לָמָּה תִּרְאֶנִּי אֲלוֹן וְעֵמֶל תִּבְיִט וְשֹׂד וְחַמָּס לִפְנֵי וַיְהִי רִיב וּמְדוֹן יִשָּׂא:

Why do You make me see iniquity
[Why] do You look upon wrong?—
Raiding and violence are before me,
Strife continues and contention goes on.

Habakuk 1: 5-7

רְאוּ בְּגוֹיִם וְהִפְיִטּוּ וְהִתְמַהְוּ וְהִתְמַהְוּ כִּי־פִעַל פִּעַל בְּיַמֵּיכֶם לֹא תֵאֲמִינוּ כִּי יִסְפָּר:

“Look among the nations,
Observe well and be utterly astounded;
For a work is being wrought in your days
That you would not believe if it were told.

כִּי־הִנְנִי מִקִּיַּם אֶת־הַכַּשְׂדִּים הַגּוֹי הַמֶּר וְהַנִּמְהָר הַהוֹלֵךְ לְמִרְתְּבֵי־אָרֶץ לְרֶשֶׁת מִשְׁכָּנֹת לֹא־לוֹ:

For lo, I am raising up the Chaldeans,
That fierce, impetuous nation,
Who cross the earth's wide spaces
To seize homes not their own.

אֵלִם וְנִגְרָא הוּא מְלֻנּוּ מִשְׁפָּטוֹ וְשִׁאֲתוֹ יֵצֵא:

They are terrible, dreadful;
They make their own laws and rules.

Habakuk 1:13

טְהוֹר עֵינַיִם מִרְאוֹת רָע וְהִבִּיט אֶל-עֲמַל לֹא תוֹכַל לָמָּה תִבְיֹט בְּוִגְדֶיךָ תִּחְרֹשׁ בְּבִלְע רָשָׁע צְדִיק מִמֶּנּוּ:

You whose eyes are too pure to look upon evil,

Who cannot countenance wrongdoing,

Why do You countenance treachery,

And stand by idle

While the one in the wrong devours

The one in the right?

Habakuk 2:3

כִּי עוֹד תִּזְוֹן לְמוֹעֵד וְנִפְתַּח לְךָ וְלֹא יִכְזֹב אִם-יִתְמַהְמַה חֶפְזָה לּוֹ כִּי-בָא יָבֵא לֹא יִאָּחַר:

For there is yet a prophecy for a set term,
A truthful witness for a time that will come.
Even if it tarries, wait for it still;
For it will surely come, without delay:

Isaiah 56: 3-5

וְאֵל-יֹאמֵר בֶּן-הַנֶּכֶר הַנִּלְוָה אֶל-יְהוָה לֵאמֹר הַבְּדֵל יַבְדִּילַנִי יְהוָה מֵעַל עַמּוֹ וְאֵל-יֹאמֵר הַסְּרִיס הֵן אֲנִי עֵץ יַבֵּשׁ: {פ}

Let not the foreigner say,
Who is joined to GOD,
“GOD will keep me apart from this covenanted people”;
And let not the eunuch say,
“I am a withered tree.”

כִּי-כֹה אָמַר יְהוָה לַסְּרִיסִים אֲשֶׁר יִשְׁמְרוּ אֶת-שַׁבְּתוֹתַי וּבָחֲרוּ בְאֲשֶׁר חָפְצָתִי וּמַחְזִיקִים בְּבְרִיתִי:

For thus said GOD:
“As for the eunuchs who keep My sabbaths,
Who have chosen what I desire
And hold fast to My covenant—

וְנָתַתִּי לָהֶם בְּבֵיתִי וּבְחֻמּוֹתַי יָד וְשֵׁם טוֹב מִבָּנִים וּמִבָּנוֹת שֵׁם עוֹלָם אֶתֶן-לָוּ אֲשֶׁר לֹא יִכָּרֵת: {ס}

I will give them, in My House
And within My walls,
A monument and a name
Better than sons or daughters.
I will give them an everlasting name
That shall not perish.