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I. Sefer Yehoshua:

- A. No holiday to celebrate entry to land and conquest. Piling of Jordan, Yehoshua even sets up proto-Seder (4:1-7, 21-24), but our living memory is of exodus and wilderness, rather than conquest and being landed. Torah applies everywhere, not just in land.
- B. Stones in Josh 8 are national charter, gateway to land with Torah (following commandment in Deut 11, 27).
 - 1. *Peshat*: You are entering Land, this is law of land, what it takes to stay there.
 - 2. *Derash* (Sotah 35b): entire Torah in 70 languages, become model nation (Deut 4:6-8), share vision with world.
 - 3. *Gerim* were there as well (8:33, 35), so there is element of *peshat* in the Gemara, also.

II. Mikdash:

- A. David and Shelomo establish Jerusalem as capital of Israel, and also of מלכות הי.
 - 1. David's initiatives: Jerusalem, Ark in Jerusalem, Mikdash.
 - 2. Shelomo builds palace next to Mikdash, linked.

B. Garden of Eden:

1. Ideal was for Adam and Eve to follow God's commands and remain in Garden.

- 2. Instead, sinned and expelled. God guards Tree of Life with Keruvim (Gen 3:22-24).
- 3. Torah later on replaces Tree of Life with tangible symbol: the Torah. Keruvim are placed above it, to guard the Tree of Life (Mishkan is only other Keruvim in Torah). See Midrash HaGadol Gen 3:24.
- 4. Mishkan-Mikdash becomes a physical Garden of Eden (in potential), where all humanity can come to serve God, fulfilling Image of God potential.
- 5. Pirkei D'Rabbi Eliezer 20: Eden opens to Moriah, and that's where Adam went from Eden.
- C. I Kings 8:41-43 Torah is not only Israel-centric; it longs for universal ethical monotheism.
 - 1. 8:60, wants everyone to recognize God.
 - 2. Becomes central feature of later prophetic visions, Mikdash serves as religious center for world.
 - 3. Restoration of Eden, universal harmony under God.
- D. God responds, will be destruction and exile if don't merit covenant. Always blessed when faithful (I Kings 9).
- III. Messianic overview of Shelomo's reign:
 - A. Wise king who judges fairly and is a prophet.
 - B. Religious, unified nation. Peace and prosperity.
 - C. Temple is built, God's Presence is manifest.

- D. Nations of world flood to Jerusalem to see Temple, learn of Shelomo's wisdom. קידוש השם.
- E. Later prophets use this imagery to depict messianic age (or, Yirmiyahu shapes Melakhim narratives in light of prophetic messianic visions).
 - 1. Difference is *kibbutz galuyot*, which Shelomo didn't need since everyone in Israel.
- F. Idolatry and other unfaithfulness undermine ideal world, break down nation, eventually lead to exile.
- IV. Completion of first nine Sefarim: Sin undercut creation and exile, just as beginning of Bereshit with Adam-Eve, exile from Eden.
 - A. תהו ובהו (Jer 4:23), loss of Eden (Mikdash).
 - B. Jews end up back in Egypt and Babylonia, undoing exodus and לד לך.
 - C. Mikdash and palace destroyed together, capital of מלכות הי and of Israel fall together.
 - D. For most part, sounds like it's over. Need Yirmiyahu and Yehezkel to look beyond reality (Lam 5:19-22, must reread 5:21 to reconcile with tradition of prophetic hope).
 - E. Prophets repeatedly stress message of Torah: Exile is separation, not divorce. Isa 50:1, Jer 3:1. God always waits with open arms.
- V. Isa 51:1-3 invokes covenant with Avraham and Yaakov, return to Israel, Eden.

- A. Jer 29:4-14, realistic outlook on exile. Build Jewish life, but we'll always return.
- B. Ezek 36:16-38 Restoration of Israel to avoid חילול השם.
- C. 37:11-12 עוד לא אבדה תקותנו. Restored vitality, hope.
- VI. In addition to promise of return to land, it is land of milk and honey, land of one.
 - A. Moshe's first prophecy at burning bush not just about redemption from slavery, but fulfillment of ברית אבות, first reference to land of milk and honey.
 - B. Israel's agricultural beauty is regular theme in prophecies of redemption (e.g., Hos 2:23-25; Amos 9:13-15, where God will plant produce, and implant Israel in Land).
 - 1. Sanhedrin 98a: sure sign of redemption.
 - C. Amos 7:17, חוץ לארץ is unclean land. Cf. Josh 22:19; Ezek 4:13; Hos 9:3.
 - 1. Vayikra: defiling Israel through sin.
 - 2. I Sam 26:19 David forced to live as refugee from Shaul, see Tosefta A"Z 4:5, Ketuvot 110b.
 - 3. Rashi on Gen 17:8 modifies to when Temple is standing.
 - 4. Rashi on Lev 25:38, Rambam *Melakhim* 5:12 modify to one who departs from land, not one born outside—defending people who live in Diaspora..

- 5. II Kings 5:17-19, Naaman cured of *tzaraat* by immersing in Jordan. Takes two mule-loads of dirt from Israel to worship God back in Aram. Elisha says go in peace—sure, take the dirt, but you don't understand. Pagan outlook that dirt itself holy (Rambam's non-essentialist position).
- D. Adin Steinsaltz (Change and Renewal, 2011, 212-213):
 - 1. Symbol of exile is sleep, אני ישנה ולבי ער (Song 5:2): I am asleep, in exile (*Zohar*, Emor 95a).
 - 2. Dream combines reality with elements that cannot be correct. But in dream state, it's all coherent and feels real.
 - 3. היעו כחולמים (Ps 126:1): While in exile, we were like dreamers (like Radak's reading). Once we are redeemed from exile we realize that exile was a dream. We had a coherent sense but it was fundamentally wrong.
 - 4. Advantage: we can survive and thrive in exile since it feels normal. But psalm acknowledges that this is a dream state. Incoherent.
- VII. Goal is to be ממלכת כהנים וגוי קדוש, religious capital of world that teaches humanity to return to Eden (Isa 2:1-4; 11:6-9).
 - A. Agricultural beauty.
 - B. Holiness of land as centerpiece of covenant.
 - C. Realistic perspective to build Jewish life in exile, but it is punishment, *hillul Hashem*, and we're out of sorts.
 - D. Mashiah: to restore מלכות הי, Israel to time of Shelomo, and Eden.

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1. יהושע ד:ה-ז

(ה) וַיֹּאמֶר לָהֶם יְהוֹשַׁעַ עִבְרוּ לִפְנֵי אֲרוֹן הי אֱ-לֹקֵיכֶם אֶלֹּתּוֹךְ הַיַּרְדֵּן וְהָרִימוּ לָכֶם אִישׁ אֶבֶן אַחַת עַלִּשִׁכְמוֹ לְמִסְפַּר שִׁבְטֵי בְנֵייִשְׁרָאֵל : (ו) לְמַעַן תִּהְיֶה זֹאת אוֹת בְּקַרְבְּכֶם כִּייִשְׁאָלוּן בְּנֵיכֶם מָחָר לֵאמֹר מָה הָאֲבָנִים הָאֵלֶּה לָכֶם : (ז) וַאֲמַרְתָּם לָהֶם אֲשֶׁר נִכְרְתוּ מֵימֵי הַיַּרְדֵּן מִפְּנֵי אֲרוֹן בְּרִית־ה׳ בְּעָבְרוֹ בַּיַּרְדֵּן נִכְרְתוּ מֵי הַיַּרְדֵּן וְהָיוּ הָאֲבָנִים הָאֵלֶּה לִזכּרוֹן לבני ישׂראל עד־עוֹלם :

Joshua 4:5-7

⁵and Joshua said to them, "Walk up to the Ark of the LORD your God, in the middle of the Jordan, and each of you lift a stone onto his shoulder—corresponding to the number of the tribes of Israel. ⁶This shall serve as a symbol among you: in time to come, when your children ask, 'What is the meaning of these stones for you?' ⁷you shall tell them, 'The waters of the Jordan were cut off because of the Ark of the LORD's Covenant; when it passed through the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off.' And so these stones shall serve the people of Israel as a memorial for all time.

2. יהושע ח:ל-לה

(ל) אָז יִבְנֶה יְחוֹשַׁע מִזְבֵּח לַהי אֱ-לֹקֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּחַר עִיבָל: (לא) כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּה מֹשֶׁה עֶבֶד־הי אֶת־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל כַּכְּתוּב בְּסֵפֶּר תּוֹרָת מֹשֶׁה מִזְבַּח אֲבָנִים שְׁלַמוֹת אֲשֶׁר לֹא־חֵנִיף עֲלֵיהֶן בַּרְזֶל וַיַּעֲלוּ עָלָיו עֹלוֹת לַהי וַיִּזְבְּחוּ שְׁלָמִים : (לב) וַיִּכְתָּב־שְׁם עַל־הָאֲבָנִים אֵת מִשְׁנֵה תּוֹרַת מֹשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר בְּתַב לִפְנֵי בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל : (לג) וְכָליִשְׂרָאֵל וּזְלֵנְיו וְשׁטְרִים וְשֹׁפְטִיו עֹמְדִים מִזֶּה וּמְעָּה לָאָרוֹן נָגֶד הַכּּהֲנִים הַלְוִים נֹשְׁהָאֵי אֲרוֹן בְּרִית־הי כַּגְּר כָּאֶזְרָח הַצְיִל אֶלמוּל הַרּצְרִים וְהַתְּלָה הַבְּרָךְ אֶת־הָעָם יִשְּׁרָאשׁנָה : (לד) וְאַחֲרֵיכֵן קְרָא אֶת־כָּלדּּבְרֵי הַתּּוֹרָה : (לה) לא־הָיָה דָבָר מִכּּל אֲשֶׁר־צִוָּה מֹשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר לא־קָרָא יְהוֹשֵׁע נָגֶד כָּל־קְהַל יִשְּׂרָאֵל וְהַנָּשִים וְהַבּּר הַתּּלֵךְהָּם : (לה) לא־הָיָה דָבָר מִכּּל אֲשֶׁר־צִוָּה מֹשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר לא־קָרָא יְהוֹשֵׁע נָגֶד כָּל־קְהַל יִשְּרָאֵל וְהַנָּשִים וְהַבּּר הַתֹּלֵךְ בָּקרבָּם :

Joshua 8:30-35

³⁰At that time Joshua built an altar to the LORD, the God of Israel, on Mount Ebal, ³¹as Moses, the servant of the LORD, had commanded the Israelites—as is written in the Book of the Teaching of Moses—an altar of unhewn stone upon which no iron had been wielded. They offered on it burnt offerings to the LORD, and brought sacrifices of well-being. ³²And there, on the stones, he inscribed a copy of the Teaching that Moses had written for the Israelites. ³³All Israel—stranger and citizen alike—with their elders, officials, and magistrates, stood on either side of the Ark, facing the levitical priests who carried the Ark of the LORD's Covenant. Half of them faced Mount Gerizim and half of them faced Mount Ebal, as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded them of old, in order to bless the people of Israel. ³⁴After that, he read all the words of the Teaching, the blessing and the curse, just as is written in the Book of the Teaching. ³⁵There was not a word of all that Moses had commanded that Joshua failed to read in the presence of the entire assembly of Israel, including the women and children and the strangers who accompanied them.

3. משליג:יח

עֵץ־חַיִּים הִיא לַמַחַזִּיקִים בָּהּ וְתֹמְכֵיהַ מָאשַׁר:

Proverbs 3:18

She is a tree of life to those who grasp her, and whoever holds on to her is happy.

מלכים אי ח:מא-מג, נט-ס

(מא) וְגַם אֶלֹהַנָּכְרִי אֲשֶׁר לֹא־מֵעַמְּךְּ יִשְׂרָאֵל הוּא וּבָא מֵאֶרֶץ רְחוֹקָה לְמֵעַן שְׁמֶךּ : (מב) כִּי יִשְׁמְעוּן אֶת־שִׁמְךּ הַנְּדוֹל וְאֶת־יָדְךּ הַחֲזָקָה וּזְרֹעֲךּ הַנְּטוּיָה וּבָא וְהִתְּפַּלֵל אֶלֹהַבַּיִת הַזֶּה : (מג) אַתָּה תִּשְׁמֵע הַשָּׁמִים מְכוֹן שִׁבְתָּךּ וְעָשִׁיתָ כְּכֹל אֲשֶׁר־ יִקְרָא אֵלֶיךּ הַנָּכְרִי לְמַעַן יִדְעוּן כָּלעַמֵּי הָאָרֶץ אֶת־שְׁמֶךּ לְיְרָאָה אֹתְךּ כְּעַמְּךּ יִשְׁרָאֵל וְלָדֵעַת כִּישִׁמְךּ נִקְרָא עַל־הַבַּיִת הַזֶּה אֲשֶׁר בָּנִיתִי :...(נט) וְיִהְיוּ דְבָרַי אֵלֶה אֲשֶׁר הִתְּחַנַּנְתִּי לִפְנֵי הִי קְלֹבִים אֶלִהי אֱ-לִקִים אֵין עוֹד: וּמִשִּׁפֵּט עַמּוֹ יִשִּׂרָאֵל דְּבַר־יוֹם בִּיוֹמוֹ : (ס) לִמֵען דַּעַת כָּלעַמִּי הָאָרֵץ כִּי הי הוּא הָאֵ-לֹקִים אֵין עוֹד:

I Kings 8:41-43, 59-60

⁴¹"Or if a foreigner who is not of Your people Israel comes from a distant land for the sake of Your name—⁴²for they shall hear about Your great name and Your mighty hand and Your outstretched arm—when he comes to pray toward this House, ⁴³oh, hear in Your heavenly abode and grant all that the foreigner asks You for. Thus all the peoples of the earth will know Your name and revere You, as does Your people Israel; and they will recognize that Your name is attached to this House that I have built...⁵⁹And may these words of mine, which I have offered in supplication before the LORD, be close to the LORD our God day and night, that He may provide for His servant and for His people Israel, according to each day's needs—⁶⁰to the end that all the peoples of the earth may know that the LORD alone is God, there is no other.

5. מלכים א ט, ו-ז

(ו) אָם־שֹּוֹב תְּשָׁבוּן אַתֶּם וּבְנֵיכֶם מֵאַחֲרַי וְלֹא תִשְׁמְרוּ מִצְּוֹתֵי חֻקֹּתֵי אֲשֶׁר נָתַתִּי לִפְנֵיכֶם וַהֲלַכְתֶּם וַצְבַּדְתֶּם אֱלֹהִים אֲחֵרִים וְהשְׁתַּחֵוֹיתֶם לָהֶם: (ז) וְהִכְרַתִּי אֶת־יִשְׁרָאֵל מֵעַל פְּנֵי הָאֲדָמָה אֲשֶׁר נָתַתִּי לָהֶם וְאֶת־הַבַּיִת אֲשֶׁר הִקְדַּשְׁתִּי לִשְׁמִי אֵשֶׁלַּח מֵעַל בָּנֵי וְהַיָּה יִשְרָאֵל לִמַשֶּׁל וְלִשְׁנִינַה בָּכָלהַעַמִּים:

I Kings 9:6-7

⁶[But] if you and your descendants turn away from Me and do not keep the commandments [and] the laws which I have set before you, and go and serve other gods and worship them, ⁷then I will sweep Israel off the land which I gave them; I will reject the House which I have consecrated to My name; and Israel shall become a proverb and a byword among all peoples.

6. ירמיהו ד:כג

ראיתי את־הארץ והנה־תהו ובהו ואל־השמים ואין אורם:

Jeremiah 4:23

I look at the earth, it is unformed and void; at the skies, and their light is gone.

7. איכה ה:יט-כב

(יט) אַתָּה ה׳ לְעוֹלֶם תַּשֵׁב כִּסְאָךּ לְדֹר וָדוֹר: (כ) לָמָה לָנֶצַח תִּשְׁכָּחֵנוּ תַּעַזְבֵנוּ לְאֹרֶךְ יָמִים: (כא) הֲשִׁיבֵנוּ ה׳ אֵלֶיךּ ונשוב וְנָשׁוּבָה חַדֵּשׁ יָמֵינוּ כְּקֶדֶם: (כב) כִּי אִם־מָאֹס מְאַסְתָּנוּ קַצַפְתָּ עָלֵינוּ עַד־מְאֹד:

Lamentations 5:19-22

¹⁹But You, O LORD, are enthroned forever, Your throne endures through the ages. ²⁰Why have You forgotten us utterly, forsaken us for all time? ²¹Take us back, O LORD, to Yourself, and let us come back; renew our days as of old! ²²For truly, You have rejected us, bitterly raged against us.

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(א) כֹּה אָמַר הי אֵי זֶה סֵפֶּר כְּרִיתוּת אִמְּכֶם אֲשֶׁר שִׁלַּחְתִּיהָ אוֹ מִי מִנוֹשֵׁי אֲשֶׁר־מָכַרְתִּי אֶתְכֶם לוֹ הֵן בַּעֲוֹנֹתֵיכֶם נִמְכַּרְתֶּם וּוּבַּטִּעִיכֵם שִׁלְּחָה אָמָכֵם : וּבַפַשַּעִיכֵם שַׁלְּחָה אָמַכֵם :

Isaiah 50:1

Thus said the LORD: Where is the bill of divorce of your mother whom I dismissed? And which of My creditors was it to whom I sold you off? You were only sold off for your sins, and your mother dismissed for your crimes.

9. ישעיהו נא:א-ג

(א) שִׁמְעוּ אֵלַי רֹדְפֵּי צֶדֶק מְבַקְשֵׁי ה׳ הַבִּיטוּ אֶל־צוּר חֻצַבְתֶּם וְאֶל־מֵקֶבֶת בּוֹר נֻקַרְתֶּם : (ב) הַבִּיטוּ אֶל־אַבְרָהָם אֲבִיכֶם וְאֶל־שָׁרָה תְּחוֹלֶלְכֶם כִּי־אֶחָד קְרָאתִיו וַאֲבָרְכֵהוּ וְאַרְבֵּהוּ : (ג) כִּיינִחַם ה׳ צִיּוֹן נִחַם כָּל־חָרְבֹתֶיהָ וַיָּשֶׁם מִדְבָּרָהּ כְּעֵדֶן וְעַרְבַתָּהּ כָּגֵּן־ה׳ שֲשׁוֹן וִשְּמָחָה יִּמְצֵא בָּהּ תּוֹדָה וְקוֹל זִמְרָה :

Isaiah 51:1-3

¹Listen to Me, you who pursue justice, you who seek the LORD: Look to the rock you were hewn from, to the quarry you were dug from. ²Look back to Abraham your father and to Sarah who brought you forth. For he was only one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³Truly the LORD has comforted Zion, comforted all her ruins; He has made her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the Garden of the LORD. Gladness and joy shall abide there, thanksgiving and the sound of music.

10. <u>ירמיהו כט:ד-י</u>

(ד) כּה אָמֵר הי צְבָ-אוֹת אֶ-לֹקֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לְכָלִהַגּוֹלָה אֲשֶׁר־הִגְלֵיתִי מִירוּשָׁלַם בָּבֶלָה: (ה) בְּנוּ בָתִּים וְשֵׁבוּ וְנִטְעוּ גַּנּוֹת וְאַכְלוּ אֶת־בְּנוֹתֵיכֶם תְּנוּ לַאֲנָשִׁים וְתַלַדְנָה בָּנִים וּבָנוֹת וּקְחוּ לִבְנֵיכֶם נָשִׁים וְאֶת־בְּנוֹתֵיכֶם תְּנוּ לַאֲנָשִׁים וְתַלַדְנָה בָּנִים וּבָנוֹת וּקְחוּ לִבְנֵיכֶם נָשִׁים וְאֶת־בְּנוֹתֵיכֶם תְּנוּ לַאֲנָשִׁים וְתַלַדְנָה בְּנִים וּבָנוֹת וּקְחוּ לִבְנֵים וְבָנוֹת וּקְחוּ לִבְנֵים וְבָנוֹת וּקְבוּ אֲלִיכֶם שְׁמָה וְהִתְּפֵּלְוֹּ בַעֲדָה אֶלֹהי בְּיִ בְּשְׁלוֹמָה יִּיְנִים שְׁנָה אֶפְקֹד אֶתְכֶם וַהֲקִמֹתִי עֲלֵיכֶם אֶת־דְּבָרִי הַטּוֹב יִהְיָּיב אֲתַכֵם אֲלִהְמֵּקוֹם הַוָּיָה:

Jeremiah 29:4-10

⁴Thus said the LORD of Hosts, the God of Israel, to the whole community which I exiled from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them, plant gardens and eat their fruit. ⁶Take wives and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters. Multiply there, do not decrease. ⁷And seek the welfare of the city to which I have exiled you and pray to the LORD in its behalf; for in its prosperity you shall prosper... ¹⁰For thus said the LORD: When Babylon's seventy years are over, I will take note of you, and I will fulfill to you My promise of favor—to bring you back to this place.

11. יחזקאל לו :כב-כד

(כב) לַכֵן אֱמֹר לְבֵית־יִשְׂרָאֵל כֹּה אָמַר אֲ-דֹנִי ה׳ לֹא לְמַעַנְכֶם אֲנִי עֹשֶׁה בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל כִּי אִם־לְשֵׁם־ קָדְשִׁי אֲשֶׁר חִלֵּלְתֶּם בַּגּוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר־בָּאתֶם שָׁם : (כג) וְקְדַּשְׁתִּי אֶת־שְׁמִי הַגָּדוֹל הַמְחֻלָּל בַּגוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר חַלַּלְתֶּם בְּתוֹכָם וְיָדְעוּ הַגּוֹיִם כִּי־אֲנִי ה׳ בְּהַקָּדְשִׁי בָּכֶם לְעֵינִיהֶם : (כד) וְלָקַחְתִּי אֶתְכֶם מִן־הַגּוֹיִם וְקַבַּצְתִּי אֶתְכֶם מִכְּלֹהָאֲרְצוֹת וְהַבֵּאתִי אֶתְכֶם אֶל אדמתרם :

Ezekiel 36:22-24

²²Say to the House of Israel: Thus said the Lord GoD: Not for your sake will I act, O House of Israel, but for My holy name, which you have caused to be profaned among the nations to which you have come. ²³I will sanctify My great name which has been profaned among the nations—among whom you have caused it to be profaned. And the nations shall know that I am the LORD—declares the Lord GoD—when I manifest My holiness before their eyes through you. ²⁴I will take you from among the nations and gather you from all the countries, and I will bring you back to your own land.

.12 יחזקאל לז :יא-יב

(יא) וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי בֶּרְאָדֶם הָעֲצָמוֹת הָאֵלֶּה כָּל־בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל הֵמָּה הִנֵּה אֹמְרִים יָבְשׁוּ עַצְמוֹתֵינוּ וְאָבְדָה תִקְוָתֵנוּ נִגְזַרְנוּ לָנוּ : (יב) לָכֵן הִנָּבֵא וְאָמֵרְתָּ אֲלֵיהֶם כֹּה־אָמֵר אֲ-דֹנָי ה׳ הִנֵּה אֲנִי פֹתֵח אֶת־קִבְרוֹתֵיכֶם וְהַעֲלֵיתִי אֶתְכֶם מִקּבְרוֹתֵיכֶם עַמִּי וָהַבָּאתִי אֵתַכֶם אַלֹאַדְמַת יִשִּׁרָאֵל :

Ezekiel 37:11-12

¹¹And He said to me, "O mortal, these bones are the whole House of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, our hope is gone; we are doomed.' ¹²Prophesy, therefore, and say to them: Thus said the Lord GoD: I am going to open your graves and lift you out of the graves, O My people, and bring you to the land of Israel.

13. שמות ג:ו-ח

(וֹ) וַיֹּאמֶר אָנֹכִי אֱ-לֹקִי אָבִיךּ אֱ-לֹקִי אַבְרָהָם אֱ-לֹקִי יִצְחָק וַא-לֹקִי יַצְקֹב וַיַּסְתֵּר מֹשֶׁה פָּנָיו כִּי יָרֵא מֵהַבִּיט אֶל־ הָאֱ-לֹקִים : (זֹ) וַיֹּאמֶר ה׳ רָאה רָאִיתִּי אֶת־עָנִי עַמִּי אֲשֶׁר בְּמִצְרָיִם וְאֶת־צֵעֲקָתָם שָׁמַעְתִּי מִפְּנֵי נֹגְשָׁיו כִּי יָדַעְתִּי אֶת־ מַכְאֹבָיו : (ח) וָאֵרָד לְהַצִּילוֹ מִיַּד מִצְרַיִם וּלְהַעֲלֹתוֹ מִרְהָאָרֶץ הַהִוֹא אֶל־אֶרֶץ טוֹבָה וּרְחָבָה אֶל־אֶרֶץ זָבַת חָלָב וּדְבָשׁ אֶל־ מְקוֹם הַפְּנַצֵנִי וְהַחָתִּי וְהָאֱמֹרִי וְהַפְּרָזִּי וְהַחָוִּי וְהַחָנִי וְהַלָּבוּסִי :

Exodus 3:6-8

⁶I am," He said, "the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ⁷And the LORD continued, "I have marked well the plight of My people in Egypt and have heeded their outcry because of their taskmasters; yes, I am mindful of their sufferings. ⁸I have come down to rescue them from the Egyptians and to bring them out of that land to a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey, the region of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

14. עמוס ט:יג-טו

(יג) הַנֵּה יָמִים בָּאִים נְאָם־ה׳ וְנִגַּשׁ חוֹרֵשׁ בַּקֹּצֵר וְדֹרֵךְ עֲנָבִים בְּמֹשֵׁךְ הַזָּרַע וְהִטִּיפוּ הֶהָרִים עָסִיס וְכָלּהַגְּבָעוֹת תִּתְמוֹגַגְנָה : (יד) וְשַׁבְתִּי אֶת־שְׁבוּת עַמִּי יִשְׁרָאֵל וּבָנוּ עָרִים נְשַׁמּוֹת וְיָשָׁבוּ וְנָטְעוּ כְרָמִים וְשָׁתּה יִשְּרָבוּת וְשָׁרְּ וּבְנוּ עָרִים נְשַׁמּוֹת וְיָשָׁבוּ וְנָטְעוּ לָהֵם יִלִּא זְמָתִשׁוּ עוֹד מֵעֵל אַדְמָתָם אֵשֵׁר נָתַתִּי לָהֵם אָמַר ה׳ אֵ-לֹקֵיךְ : אַת־פָּרִיהֵם : (טו) וּנְטַעִתִּים עַלֹּאַדְמָתָם וְלֹא יִנָּתִשׁוּ עוֹד מֵעֵל אַדְמָתָם אֲשֵׁר נָתַתִּי לָהֵם אָמַר ה׳ אֵ-לֹקֵיךְ :

Amos 9:13-15

¹³A time is coming—declares the LORD—When the plowman shall meet the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who holds the [bag of] seed; when the mountains shall drip wine and all the hills shall wave [with grain]. ¹⁴I will restore My people Israel. They shall rebuild ruined cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink their wine; they shall till gardens and eat their fruits. ¹⁵And I will plant them upon their soil, nevermore to be uprooted from the soil I have given them—said the LORD your God.

.15 סנהדרין צח.

ואמר רבי אבא: אין לך קץ מגולה מזה, שנאמר ואתם הרי ישראל ענפכם תתנו ופריכם תשאו לעמי ישראל כי קרבו לבוא (יחזקאל לו:ח).

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R. Abba also said: There can be no more manifest [sign of] redemption than this: viz., what is said, But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel, for they are at hand to come.

16. עמוס ז:יז

(יז) לֶּכֵן כֹּה־אָמֵר ה׳ אִשְׁתְּדְּ בָּעִיר תִּזְנֶה וּבָנֶידְ וּבְנֹתֶידְ בַּחֶרֶב יִפֹּלוּ וְאַדְמָתְדְּ בַּחֶבֶל תְּחֻלָּק וְאַתָּה עַל אֲדָמָה טְמֵאָה תָּמוּת וַיִשְׂרָאֵל גַּלֹה יָגֵלֶה מֵעֵל אַדְמַתוֹ :

Amos 7:17

But this, I swear, is what the LORD said: Your wife shall play the harlot in the town, your sons and daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be divided up with a measuring line. And you yourself shall die on unclean soil; for Israel shall be exiled from its soil."

17. <u>שיר השירים ה:ב</u>

ַאַנִי יִשְנַה וַלָבִי עֵר קוֹל דוֹדִי דוֹפֶּק פָּתַחִילִי אַחֹתִי רַעִיתִי יוֹנַתִי תַּמַתִי שַרֹּאשִי נִמְלַא־טַל קוצוֹתַי רְסִיסֵי לַיִלָּה:

Song of Songs 5:2

I was asleep, but my heart was wakeful. Hark, my beloved knocks! "Let me in, my own, my darling, my faultless dove! For my head is drenched with dew, my locks with the damp of night."

18. תהלים קכו:א

שיר המעלות בשוב הי את שיבת ציון היינו כחלמים:

Psalm 126:1

A song of ascents. When the LORD restores the fortunes of Zion—we see it as in a dream.

19. ישעיהו ב:ב-ד

(ב) וְהָיָה בְּאַחֲרִית הַיָּמִים נָכוֹן יִהְיֶה הַר בֵּית־ה׳ בְּרֹאשׁ הֶהָרִים וְנִשָּׁא מִגְּבָעוֹת וְנָהֲרוּ אֵלָיו כָּל הַגּוֹיִם : (ג) וְהָלְכוּ עַמִּים רָבִּים וְאָמְרוּ לְכוּ וְנַעֲלֶה אֶל־הַר־ה׳ אֶל־בֵּית אֱ-לֹקֵי יַצֲלְב וְלֹרֵנוּ מִדְּרָכִיו וְנֵלְכָה בְּאֹרְחֹתָיו כִּי מִצְיּוֹן תַּצֵא תוֹרָה וּדְבַר־ה׳ מִירוּשָׁלֶם : (ד) וְשָׁפֵט בֵּין הַגּוֹיִם וְחוֹכִיחַ לְעַמִּים רַבִּים וְכִּתְּתוּ חַרְבוֹתָם לְאִתִּים וַחֲנִיתוֹתֵיהֶם לְמַוְמֵרוֹת לֹא־ יִשְּׁא גוֹי אֶלֹרגוֹי חֵרָב וְלֹא־יִלְמְדוּ עוֹד מִלְחָמָה :

Isaiah 2:2-4

²In the days to come, the Mount of the LORD's House shall stand firm above the mountains and tower above the hills; and all the nations shall gaze on it with joy. ³And the many peoples shall go and say: "Come, let us go up to the Mount of the LORD, to the House of the God of Jacob; that He may instruct us in His ways, and that we may walk in His paths." For instruction shall come forth from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. ⁴Thus He will judge among the nations and arbitrate for the many peoples, and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks: Nation shall not take up sword against nation; they shall never again know war.

20. ישעיהו יא:ו-ט

(ו) וְגֶר זְאֵב עִם־כֶּבֶשׁ וְנָמֵר עִם־גְּדִי יִרְבָּץ וְעָגֶל וּכְפִיר וּמְרִיא יַחְדָּו וְוַעֵר קָטׂן נֹהֵג בָּם : (ז) וּפָּרָה וָדֹב תִּרְעֶינָה יַחְדָּו יִרְבְּצוּ יַלְבִיהֶן וְאַרְיֵה כַּבָּקָר יֹאכַל־תָּבֶן : (ח) וְשִׁעֲשַׁע יוֹנֵק עַל־חֻר פָּתֶן וְעַל מְאוּרַת צִפְעוֹנִי גָּמוּל יָדוֹ הָדָה : (ט) לֹא־יָרֵעוּ וְלֹא־ יַשְׁחִיתוּ בָּכַלֹהַר קַדְשִׁי כִּימֵלְאָה הַאָּרָץ דֵּעָה אָת־ה׳ כַּפֵּיִם לַיָּם מִכַּסִים :

Isaiah 11:6-9

⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard lie down with the kid; the calf, the beast of prey, and the fatling together, with a little boy to herd them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion, like the ox, shall eat straw. ⁸A babe shall play over a viper's hole, and an infant pass his hand over an adder's den. ⁹In all of My sacred mount nothing evil or vile shall be done; for the land shall be filled with devotion to the LORD as water covers the sea.