# Decoding of the Voynich Manuscript 8

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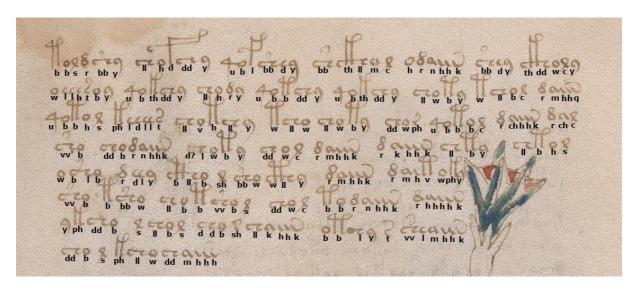
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#### Abstract

This document contains the transliteration and translation of the page 21v of the VMS. The text on this page is accompanied by a plant image, which can be interpreted as an allegorical representation described below. The glyphs here are very distinct, the mapping to Aramaic letters is clear and univocal. This page is commonly considered as a typical Currier-A type diction, a hypothetical variant-A of the plaintext, which acc. to the idea of Prescott Currier should be still visible in the specifics of the code strings (vords and vord sequences). In this connection, the specific variant can be a second language, dialect or manner of writing used by the scribes. The text also gives us a clue how to *read* the plant image. Its interpretation and a short conclusion complete this document.

# 1 Decryption of the page 21v of the VMS

The following translation into English is based mainly on the lexica used in our former papers (see Decoding of the VMS 1..7)<sup>1</sup>. In our translation we try to stay as close as possible to the underlying Aramaic text. The syntax and sentence structure are that of Aramaic and not English so we have occasionally to change the word order in the translated sentence to make the sentence understandable, though our aim isn't to provide the best possible English translation but to crystallize out the meaning of the text, to make sense of it. The abjad text (ketiv) together with the specific of Aramaic consisting of short words makes the resulting writing, whether as plain Aramaic text or as Voynich code, very compact. Therefore, the *produced* English translation generates a significant longer output. The mapping to letter-transliteration of Aramaic shows the following picture (rows 1-8):



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> mainly Hebrew Dictionary of the Old Testament Online Bible with Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, Brown Driver Briggs Lexicon, Etymology, Translations Definitions Meanings & Key Word Studies - Lexiconcordance.com

#### pass for abjad - ycwd dth y

# foundation/base (of) law/rule (or knowledge), where/which

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יסוד y@cowd {yes-ode'}
1) foundation, base
  1a) foundation
  1b) base, bottom
       דעת da'ath {dah'-ath}
       1) knowledge
         1a) knowledge, perception, skill
         1b) discernment, understanding, wisdom
       זה dath {dawth}
       1) decree, law, edict, regulation, usage
         1a) decree, edict, commission
         1b) law, rule
       זת dath {dawth}
       1) decree, law
         1a) a decree (of the king)
         1b) law
         1c) law (of God)
              אי' 'ay {ah'ee}
              1) where?, whence?
              2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
              אי 'iy {ee}
              1) not
pass for abjad - dbbrh kh hn
words until now/so far though
דַּבְרַה dabbarah {dab-baw-raw'}
1) word, words
       אס לה koh {ko}
       1) thus, here, in this manner
         1a) thus, so
         1b) here, here and there
         1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile
       kah {kaw} כה
       1) here, so far, thus
              הן hen {hane}
              1) they, these, the same, who
              הן hen {hane}
              interi
               1) behold, lo, though
              hypothetical part
              2) if
              הן hen {hane}
              1) behold, if, whether
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## pass for abjad - rh cw' mllth

## appear/present oneself concealed fullness/setting/border/rim (setting!)

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ערה arah {aw-raw'}
1) to be bare, be nude, uncover, leave destitute, discover, empty,
  raze, pour out
  1a) (Piel)
     1a1) to bare, lay bare
     1a2) to lay bare by emptying, empty
     1a3) to pour out
  1b) (Hiphil)
     1b1) to make naked, strip bare (of sexual offences)
     1b2) to pour out
  1c) (Niphal) to be poured out, be exposed
  1d) (Hithpael)
     1d1) to expose oneself, make oneself naked
     1d2) pouring oneself, spreading oneself (participle)
ערה arah {aw-raw'}
1) bare place
רָאָה ra'ah {raw-aw'}
1) to see, look at, inspect, perceive, consider
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to see
     1a2) to see, perceive
     1a3) to see, have vision
     1a4) to look at, see, regard, look after, see after, learn
        about, observe, watch, look upon, look out, find out
     1a5) to see, observe, consider, look at, give attention to,
        discern, distinguish
     1a6) to look at, gaze at
  1b) (Niphal)
     1b1) to appear, present oneself
     1b2) to be seen
     1b3) to be visible
  1c) (Pual) to be seen
  1d) (Hiphil)
     1d1) to cause to see, show
     1d2) to cause to look intently at, behold, cause to gaze at
  1e) (Hophal)
     1e1) to be caused to see, be shown
     1e2) to be exhibited to
  1f) (Hithpael) to look at each other, face
רֵאֶה ra'eh {raw-eh'}
1) (Qal) seeing
       סוא Cow' {so}
       So = "concealed"
        1) a king of Egypt (perhaps only the vizier of the king)
               מְלֵאת mille'th {mil-layth'}
               1) fullness, setting, border, rim
                  1a) meaning dubious
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## Father led in/caused to come/introduced/put how words

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ab {awb} 'ab {awb}
1) father of an individual 2) of God as father of his people
3) head or founder of a household, group, family, or clan
4) ancestor
  4a) grandfather, forefathers -- of person
  4b) of people
5) originator or patron of a class, profession, or art
6) of producer, generator (fig.)
7) of benevolence and protection (fig.)
8) term of respect and honour
9) ruler or chief (spec.)
אַב 'ab {ab}
1) father
       bow' {bo} בוא
        1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
         1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to enter, come in
            1a2) to come
               1a2a) to come with
               1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
               1a2c) to come to pass
            1a3) to attain to
            1a4) to be enumerated
            1a5) to go
         1b) (Hiphil)
            1b1) to lead in
            1b2) to carry in
            1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
               bring near, bring against, bring upon
            1b4) to bring to pass
         1c) (Hophal)
            1c1) to be brought, brought in
            1c2) to be introduced, be put
                     אי 'ay {ah'ee}
                      1) where?, whence?
                      2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
                            לברה dabbarah {dab-baw-raw'}
                             1) word, words
pass for abjad - 1 bu
according to request/demand (are)
'el {ale}
1) these, those
'el {ale}
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1) these
'el {ale}
1) to, toward, unto (of motion)
2) into (limit is actually entered)
  2a) in among
3) toward (of direction, not necessarily physical motion)
4) against (motion or direction of a hostile character)
5) in addition to, to
6) concerning, in regard to, in reference to, on account of
7) according to (rule or standard)
8) at, by, against (of one's presence)
9) in between, in within, to within, unto (idea of motion to)
על al {al}
prep
1) upon, on the ground of, according to, on account of, on behalf of,
  concerning, beside, in addition to, together with, beyond, above,
  over, by, on to, towards, to, against
  1a) upon, on the ground of, on the basis of, on account of, because
     of, therefore, on behalf of, for the sake of, for, with, in
     spite of, notwithstanding, concerning, in the matter of, as
     regards
  1b) above, beyond, over (of excess)
  1c) above, over (of elevation or pre-eminence)
  1d) upon, to, over to, unto, in addition to, together with, with
     (of addition)
  1e) over (of suspension or extension)
  1f) by, adjoining, next, at, over, around (of contiguity or proximity)
  1g) down upon, upon, on, from, up upon, up to,, towards, over
     towards, to, against (with verbs of motion)
  1h) to (as a dative)
coni
2) because that, because, notwithstanding, although
       שני ba'u {baw-o''}
        1) petition, request
        2) prayer (always in Jewish liturgy)
pass for abjad - yd d' dh ll'
fix the knowledge (are) to pass on above/about (knowledge)!
יַעַד ya'ad {yaw-ad'}
1) to fix, appoint, assemble, meet, set, betroth
  1a) (Qal) to appoint, assign, designate
  1b) (Niphal)
     1b1) to meet
     1b2) to meet by appointment
     1b3) to gather, assemble by appointment
  1c) (Hiphil) to cause to meet
  1d) (Hophal) to be set, be placed before, be fixed
       לא da' {daw}
        1) this, one ... to ... another
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לע dea' {day'-ah}
        1) knowledge, opinion
          1a) God's knowledge
          1b) judgment, opinion
              דַעָה de'ah {day-aw'}
               1) knowledge (of God)
              עדה adah {aw-daw'}
               1) to pass on, advance, go on, pass by, remove
                 1a) (Qal) to pass on, put on
                 1b) (Hiphil) to remove
              עָרָה edah {ay-daw'}
               1) congregation, gathering
              עַרָה edah {ay-daw'}
               1) testimony, witness
                 1a) always plural and always of laws as divine testimonies
                      עלָא ella' {ale-law'}
                      1) above
pass for abjad - yb br sb' bw'
make clear/pure to be satisfied lighting upon!
יַאַב ya'ab {yaw-ab'}
1) (Qal) to long, long for, desire
       ba'ar {baw-ar'}
        1) (Piel)
          1a) to make plain, distinct
          1b) to make clear
          1c) to declare
          1d) letters on a tablet
       bar {bar} שר
        1) pure, clear, sincere
        2) clean, empty
        adv
        3) purely
       שׁר bor {bore}
        1) cleanness, pureness
              שָׂבַע saba' {saw-bah'}
               1) to be satisfied, be sated, be fulfilled, be surfeited
                    1a1) to be sated (with food)
                    1a2) to be sated, be satisfied with, be fulfilled, be filled,
                       have one's fill of (have desire satisfied)
                    1a3) to have in excess, be surfeited, be surfeited with
                       1a3a) to be weary of (fig)
                 1b) (Piel) to satisfy
                 1c) (Hiphil)
                    1c1) to satisfy
                    1c2) to enrich
                    1c3) to sate, glut (with the undesired)
              שָׂבֵעַ sabea' {saw-bay'-ah}
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1) sated, satisfied, surfeited
                 1a) sated, abounding, satisfied
                 1b) surfeited (bad sense)
                      bow' {bo}
                      1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
                        1a) (Qal)
                           1a1) to enter, come in
                           1a2) to come
                              1a2a) to come with
                              1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
                              1a2c) to come to pass
                           1a3) to attain to
                           1a4) to be enumerated
                           1a5) to go
                        1b) (Hiphil)
                           1b1) to lead in
                           1b2) to carry in
                           1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
                              bring near, bring against, bring upon
                           1b4) to bring to pass
                        1c) (Hophal)
                           1c1) to be brought, brought in
                           1c2) to be introduced, be put
pass for abjad - q' h' hm
what is vomited up<sup>2</sup> like as who/somebody
קא qe' {kay}
1) vomit, what is vomited up
       אס he' {hay}
       1) behold!, lo!
       እን he' {hay}
        1) behold!, lo!
        2) even as, like as
              קמֶה hem {haym}
               1) abudance, clamur (meaning uncertain)
              hem {haym}
               1) they, these, the same, who
pass for abjad - r cb' llw
broke/vomited drink/liquor although
רַעַע ra'a' {raw-ah'}
1) to be bad, be evil
  1a) (Qal)
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reference to Isaiah 28:8 "For all their tables are covered with vomit; there is not a place without filth. Whom is He trying to teach? To whom is He explaining His message? To infants just weaned from milk? To babies removed from the breast?"

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1a2) to be sad
     1a3) to be injurious, be evil
     1a4) to be wicked, be evil (ethically)
  1b) (Hiphil)
     1b1) to do an injury or hurt
     1b2) to do evil or wickedly
     1b3) mischief (participle)
2) to break, shatter
  2a) (Qal)
     2a1) to break
     2a2) broken (participle)
     2a3) to be broken
  2b) (Hithpolel) to be broken, be broken in pieces, be broken asunder
רעע r@'a' {reh-ah'}
1) (P'al) to crush, break, shatter
       קבא caba' {saw-baw'}
        1) to drink heavily or largely, imbibe
         1a) (Oal)
            1a1) to imbibe
            1a2) wine-bibber, drunkard (participle) (subst)
       cobe' {so'-beh}
        1) drink, liquor, wine
              אלו 'illuw {il-loo'}
               1) if, though (contrary to fact)
pass for abjad - ybwl l'
produce/fruit without
יבוּל y@buwl {yeb-ool'}
1) produce, fruit, produce (of the soil)
       lo' {lo} לא
        1) not, no
         1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
         1b) not (with modifier - negation)
         1c) nothing (subst)
         1d) without (with particle)
         1e) before (of time)
       la' {law} לָא
       1) no, not, nothing
pass for abjad - yd dth bu
strength/power of discernment/understanding/perception/skill requested/demanded
יָד yad {yawd}
1) hand
  1a) hand (of man)
  1b) strength, power (fig.)
  1c) side (of land), part, portion (metaph.) (fig.)
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1a1) to be displeasing

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1d) (various special, technical senses)
     1d1) sign, monument
     1d2) part, fractional part, share
     1d3) time, repetition
     1d4) axle-trees, axle
     1d5) stays, support (for laver)
     1d6) tenons (in tabernacle)
     1d7) a phallus, a hand (meaning unsure)
     1d8) wrists
72 yad {yad}
1) hand
2) power (fig.)
       זעת da'ath {dah'-ath}
        1) knowledge
          1a) knowledge, perception, skill
          1b) discernment, understanding, wisdom
              שבעו ba'u {baw-o"}
               1) petition, request
               2) prayer (always in Jewish liturgy)
pass for abjad - yd db' bu
strength/power of restfulness/sober-mindedness requested/demanded
יָד yad {yawd}
1) hand
  1a) hand (of man)
  1b) strength, power (fig.)
  1c) side (of land), part, portion (metaph.) (fig.)
  1d) (various special, technical senses)
     1d1) sign, monument
     1d2) part, fractional part, share
     1d3) time, repetition
     1d4) axle-trees, axle
     1d5) stays, support (for laver)
     1d6) tenons (in tabernacle)
     1d7) a phallus, a hand (meaning unsure)
     1d8) wrists
יַד yad {yad}
1) hand
2) power (fig.)
       לבא dobe' {do'-beh}
        1) strength?, rest? (meaning obscure) restfulness/sober-mindedness
              שני ba'u {baw-o"}
               1) petition, request
               2) prayer (always in Jewish liturgy)
pass for abjad - yrh 1 l'
do not teach/instruct without
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יֵרָה yarah {yaw-raw'}
1) to throw, shoot, cast, pour
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to throw, cast
     1a2) to cast, lay, set
     1a3) to shoot arrows
     1a4) to throw water, rain
   1b) (Niphal) to be shot
   1c) (Hiphil)
     1c1) to throw, cast
     1c2) to shoot
     1c3) to point out, show
     1c4) to direct, teach, instruct
     1c5) to throw water, rain
       'al {al}
        1) not, no, nor, neither, nothing (as wish or preference)
          1a) do not, let not (with a verb)
          1b) let there not be (with a verb understood)
          1c) not, no (with substantive)
          1d) nothing (as substantive)
       'al {al}
        1) no, not
               lo' {lo} לא
               1) not, no
                  1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
                  1b) not (with modifier - negation)
                 1c) nothing (subst)
                 1d) without (with particle)
                 1e) before (of time)
               לא la' {law}
               1) no, not, nothing
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#### pass for abjad - yd dth bu

## strength/power of discernment/understanding/wisdom/perception/skill request/demand

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7º yad {yawd}
1) hand
1a) hand (of man)
1b) strength, power (fig.)
1c) side (of land), part, portion (metaph.) (fig.)
1d) (various special, technical senses)
1d1) sign, monument
1d2) part, fractional part, share
1d3) time, repetition
1d4) axle-trees, axle
1d5) stays, support (for laver)
1d6) tenons (in tabernacle)
1d7) a phallus, a hand (meaning unsure)
1d8) wrists
7º yad {yad}
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1) hand
2) power (fig.)
       דעת da'ath {dah'-ath}
        1) knowledge
          1a) knowledge, perception, skill
          1b) discernment, understanding, wisdom
              בעו ba'u {baw-o"}
               1) petition, request
               2) prayer (always in Jewish liturgy)
pass for abjad - y bt hll
woe to interchange boast
אי 'ay {ah'ee}
1) where?, whence?
2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
אָי 'iy {ee}
1) not
אָי 'iy {ee}
1) alas!, woe!
       עבש abat {aw-bat'}
        1) to take a pledge, give a pledge (for a debt)
          1a) (Qal) to take a pledge, give a pledge (for a debt)
          1b) (Piel) to interchange
          1c) (Hiphil) to cause to give a pledge
              קלל halal {haw-lal'}
               1) to shine
                 1a) (Qal) to shine (fig. of God's favour)
                 1b) (Hiphil) to flash forth light
               2) to praise, boast, be boastful
                 2a) (Qal)
                   2a1) to be boastful
                   2a2) boastful ones, boasters (participle)
                 2b) (Piel)
                   2b1) to praise
                   2b2) to boast, make a boast
                 2c) (Pual)
                   2c1) to be praised, be made praiseworthy, be commended, be
                       worthy of praise
                 2d) (Hithpael) to boast, glory, make one's boast
                 2e) (Poel) to make a fool of, make into a fool
                 2f) (Hithpoel) to act madly, act like a madman
pass for abjad - w cchr ky
and/or gain/profit/trafficking for
ix 'ow {o}
1) or, rather
  1a) implying that the latter choice is preferred
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1b) or if, introducing an example to be seen under a particular principle
  1c) (in series) either...or, whether...or
  1d) if perchance
  1e) except, or else
2) whether, not the least, if, otherwise, also, and, then
       סמר (saw-khar')
        1) to go around, go about, travel about in, go about in trade
          1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to go about to and fro (in business)
            1a2) trader, trafficker (participle)
          1b) (Pilpel) to palpitate
       סמר (sakh'-ar)
        1) traffic, gain, profit, gain from merchandise
          1a) traffic, gain from traffic
       סקר cachar {saw-khar'}
        1) traffic, gain, profit, gain from merchandise
          1a) traffic, gain from traffic
               אָני kiy {kee}
               1) that, for, because, when, as though, as, because that, but, then,
                 certainly, except, surely, since
                 1a) that
                    1a1) yea, indeed
                 1b) when (of time)
                    1b1) when, if, though (with a concessive force)
                  1c) because, since (causal connection)
                  1d) but (after negative)
                  1e) that if, for if, indeed if, for though, but if
                  1f) but rather, but
                  1g) except that
                  1h) only, nevertheless
                  1i) surely
                  1j) that is
                  1k) but if
                  11) for though
                  1m) for asmuch as, for therefore
pass for abjad - h' hch ur
lo and behold! (and) aha!-awaking (to something)
הא he' {hay}
1) behold!, lo!
הא he' {hay}
1) behold!, lo!
2) even as, like as
       האָה heach {heh-awkh'}
        1) aha!
               עור ur {oor}
               1) to rouse oneself, awake, awaken, incite
                 1a) (Qal) to rouse oneself, awake
                 1b) (Niphal) to be roused
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1c) (Polel) to stir up, rouse, incite
                 1d) (Hithpolel) to be excited, be triumphant
                 1e) (Hiphil)
                    1e1) to rouse, stir up
                    1e2) to act in an aroused manner, awake
              עור ur {oor}
               1) (Niphal) to be exposed, be bared, be laid bare
pass for abjad - cbb bu
reverse/change the request (on yourself)
סָבַב cabab {saw-bab'}
1) to turn, turn about or around or aside or back or towards, go about or around,
  surround, encircle, change direction
  1a) (Oal)
     1a1) to turn, turn about, be brought round, change
     1a2) to march or walk around, go partly around, circle about,
        skirt, make a round, make a circuit, go about to, surround,
        encompass
  1b) (Niphal)
     1b1) to turn oneself, close round, turn round
     1b2) to be turned over to
  1c) (Piel) to turn about, change, transform
  1d) (Poel)
     1d1) to encompass, surround
     1d2) to come about, assemble round
     1d3) to march, go about
     1d4) to enclose, envelop
  1e) (Hiphil)
     1e1) to turn, cause to turn, turn back, reverse, bring over,
        turn into, bring round
     1e2) to cause to go around, surround, encompass
  1f) (Hophal)
     1f1) to be turned
     1f2) to be surrounded
       שני ba'u {baw-o''}
        1) petition, request
        2) prayer (always in Jewish liturgy)
pass for abjad - phwd d' y
one priestly garment to another (all you priestly garments)! where
אַפּוֹד 'ephowd {ay-fode'}
1) ephod
  1a) priestly garment, shoulder-cape or mantle, outer garment
     1a1) worn by an ordinary priest and made of white stuff
     1a2) worn by the high priest - more costly, woven of gold,
        blue, purple, scarlet, and linen threads provided with
        shoulder-pieces and a breast piece of like material,
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ornamented with gems and gold
       ጻን da' {daw}
        1) this, one ... to ... another
              אי 'ay {ah'ee}
               1) where?, whence?
               2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
pass for abjad - bwl l' w
(is) not a produce/growth otherwise
buwl {bool}
1) produce, outgrowth
Buwl {bool}
Bul = "increase: produce"
1) the eighth Hebrew month, corresponding to modern Nov-Dec
       lo' {lo} לא
        1) not, no
         1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
         1b) not (with modifier - negation)
         1c) nothing (subst)
         1d) without (with particle)
          1e) before (of time)
       la' {law} לָּא
        1) no, not, nothing
              in 'ow {o}
               1) or, rather
                 1a) implying that the latter choice is preferred
                 1b) or if, introducing an example to be seen under a particular principle
                 1c) (in series) either...or, whether...or
                 1d) if perchance
                 1e) except, or else
               2) whether, not the least, if, otherwise, also, and, then
pass for abjad - llw yl l'
though benefit/help - no
אָלּוֹ 'illuw {il-loo'}
1) if, though (contrary to fact)
       אַיִל 'ayil {ah'-yil}
        1) ram
         1a) ram (as food)
         1b) ram (as sacrifice)
          1c) ram (skin dyed red, for tabernacle)
        2) pillar, door post, jambs, pilaster
        3) strong man, leader, chief
        4) mighty tree, terebinth
       אַל 'eyal {eh-yawl'}
        1) strength
        2) help
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יַשֵּל ya'al {yaw-al'}
        1) (Hiphil) to gain, profit, benefit, avail
              lo' {lo} לא
               1) not, no
                 1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
                 1b) not (with modifier - negation)
                 1c) nothing (subst)
                 1d) without (with particle)
                 1e) before (of time)
               לא la' {law}
               1) no, not, nothing
pass for abjad - b vl l'
father (use) wrong throat (misunderstand/misinterpret)
אַב 'ab {awb}
1) father of an individual
2) of God as father of his people
3) head or founder of a household, group, family, or clan
4) ancestor
  4a) grandfather, forefathers -- of person
  4b) of people
5) originator or patron of a class, profession, or art
6) of producer, generator (fig.)
7) of benevolence and protection (fig.)
8) term of respect and honour
9) ruler or chief (spec.)
אַב 'ab {ab}
1) father
       עול aval {aw-val'}
        1) to act wrongfully or unjustly, deviate from
          1a) (Piel) to act wrongfully
       ענל evel {eh'-vel}
        1) injustice, unrighteousness, wrong
          1a) violent deeds of injustice
          1b) injustice (of speech)
          1c) injustice (generally)
               loa' {lo'ah} לעַ
               1) throat
pass for abjad - tll dl
the exalted poor (being in exalted position among the poor),
טַלַל talal {taw-lal'}
1) (Piel) to cover with a roof, cover over, roof
talal {taw-lal'}
v (CLBL)
1) to exalt
  1a) (Qal) eminent, exalted (participle)
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adj (BDB)
2) exalted, lofty
       dal {dal} fdal}
       1) low, poor, weak, thin, one who is low
pass for abjad - ph sh bw' bu
indeed, act with effect to come along with (this) request/demand
קף 'aph {af}
conj (denoting addition, esp of something greater)
1) also, yea, though, so much the more
2) furthermore, indeed
קף 'aph {af}
1) also, yea
       עשה asah {aw-saw'}
       1) to do, fashion, accomplish, make
         1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to do, work, make, produce
               1a1a) to do
               1a1b) to work
               1a1c) to deal (with)
               1a1d) to act, act with effect, effect
            1a2) to make
               1a2a) to make
               1a2b) to produce
               1a2c) to prepare
               1a2d) to make (an offering)
               1a2e) to attend to, put in order
               1a2f) to observe, celebrate
               1a2g) to acquire (property)
               1a2h) to appoint, ordain, institute
               1a2i) to bring about
               1a2j) to use
               1a2k) to spend, pass
         1b) (Niphal)
            1b1) to be done
            1b2) to be made
            1b3) to be produced
            1b4) to be offered
            1b5) to be observed
            1b6) to be used
         1c) (Pual) to be made
       2) (Piel) to press, squeeze
              bow' {bo}
               1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
                 1a) (Qal)
                   1a1) to enter, come in
                   1a2) to come
                      1a2a) to come with
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1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
                       1a2c) to come to pass
                    1a3) to attain to
                    1a4) to be enumerated
                    1a5) to go
                 1b) (Hiphil)
                    1b1) to lead in
                    1b2) to carry in
                    1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
                       bring near, bring against, bring upon
                    1b4) to bring to pass
                 1c) (Hophal)
                    1c1) to be brought, brought in
                    1c2) to be introduced, be put
                             שבער ba'u {baw-o"}
                              1) petition, request
                             2) prayer (always in Jewish liturgy)
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pass for abjad - sh bw'll'
act with effect, do not/let not to come with nothing
עשה asah {aw-saw'}
1) to do, fashion, accomplish, make
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to do, work, make, produce
        1a1a) to do
        1a1b) to work
        1a1c) to deal (with)
        1a1d) to act, act with effect, effect
     1a2) to make
        1a2a) to make
        1a2b) to produce
        1a2c) to prepare
        1a2d) to make (an offering)
        1a2e) to attend to, put in order
        1a2f) to observe, celebrate
        1a2g) to acquire (property)
        1a2h) to appoint, ordain, institute
        1a2i) to bring about
        1a2j) to use
        1a2k) to spend, pass
  1b) (Niphal)
     1b1) to be done
     1b2) to be made
     1b3) to be produced
     1b4) to be offered
     1b5) to be observed
     1b6) to be used
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1c) (Pual) to be made
2) (Piel) to press, squeeze
       bow' {bo} בוֹא
        1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
          1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to enter, come in
            1a2) to come
               1a2a) to come with
               1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
               1a2c) to come to pass
            1a3) to attain to
            1a4) to be enumerated
            1a5) to go
          1b) (Hiphil)
            1b1) to lead in
            1b2) to carry in
            1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
               bring near, bring against, bring upon
            1b4) to bring to pass
          1c) (Hophal)
            1c1) to be brought, brought in
            1c2) to be introduced, be put
              'al {al}
               1) not, no, nor, neither, nothing (as wish or preference)
                 1a) do not, let not (with a verb)
                 1b) let there not be (with a verb understood)
                 1c) not, no (with substantive)
                 1d) nothing (as substantive)
              'al {al}
               1) no, not
                      lo' {lo}
                      1) not, no
                        1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
                        1b) not (with modifier - negation)
                        1c) nothing (subst)
                        1d) without (with particle)
                        1e) before (of time)
                      לא la' {law}
                      1) no, not, nothing
pass for abjad - ybl l'
bringing/bearing nothing along -
יבל yabal {yaw-bal'}
1) to bring, lead, carry, conduct, bear along
  1a) (Hiphil)
     1a1) to bear along, bring
     1a2) to carry away, lead away
     1a3) to lead, conduct
  1b) (Hophal)
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1b1) to be borne along
     1b2) to be borne (to the grave)
     1b3) to be brought, be led, be conducted
יבַל y@bal {yeb-al'}
1) (Aphel) to bring, carry, bear along
       lo' {lo}
        1) not, no
          1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
          1b) not (with modifier - negation)
          1c) nothing (subst)
          1d) without (with particle)
          1e) before (of time)
       la' {law} לא
        1) no, not, nothing
pass for abjad - kh h' k r
so behold indeed/howbeit the adversary/foe
koh {ko} כֿה
1) thus, here, in this manner
  1a) thus, so
  1b) here, here and there
  1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile
kah {kaw} כַּה
1) here, so far, thus
       הא he' {hay}
        1) behold!, lo!
       he' {hay}
        1) behold!, lo!
        2) even as, like as
              קא 'ak {ak}
               1) indeed, surely (emphatic)
               2) howbeit, only, but, yet (restrictive)
                      ער ar {awr}
                      1) enemy, adversary, foe
                      ער ar {awr}
                      1) enemy, adversary, foe
                      רַעַע ra'a' {raw-ah'}
                      1) to be bad, be evil
                        1a) (Oal)
                           1a1) to be displeasing
                           1a2) to be sad
                           1a3) to be injurious, be evil
                           1a4) to be wicked, be evil (ethically)
                        1b) (Hiphil)
                           1b1) to do an injury or hurt
                           1b2) to do evil or wickedly
                           1b3) mischief (participle)
                      2) to break, shatter
                        2a) (Qal)
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2b) (Hithpolel) to be broken, be broken in pieces, be broken asunder
pass for abjad - kh hm/hn r'
thus/so whose aim/thought
koh {ko} כֿה
1) thus, here, in this manner
  1a) thus, so
  1b) here, here and there
  1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile
kah {kaw} כָּה
1) here, so far, thus
       hem {haym}
       1) they, these, the same, who
        hen {hane}
        2) they, these, the same, who
              רַע rea' {ray'-ah}
               1) purpose, aim, thought
pass for abjad - cwd d'
(is) to counsel/converse/argue (about) knowledge
סוד cowd {sode}
1) council, counsel, assembly
  1a) council (of familiar conversation)
     1a1) divan, circle (of familiar friends)
     1a2) assembly, company
  1b) counsel
     1b1) counsel (itself)
     1b2) secret counsel
     1b3) familiar converse, intimacy (with God)
       שַׁדֵּ dea' {day'-ah}
       1) knowledge, opinion
         1a) God's knowledge
         1b) judgment, opinion
pass for abjad - ybwl d'
produce/create knowledge!<sup>3</sup>
יבוּל y@buwl {yeb-ool'}
1) produce, fruit, produce (of the soil)
       לע dea' {day'-ah}
^{3} second c smudgy, probably no connection stroke intended
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2a1) to break

2a2) broken (participle) 2a3) to be broken

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1) knowledge, opinion
         1a) God's knowledge
         1b) judgment, opinion
pass for abjad - kh hn rbd d'
thus (to them) who bespread/deck/hide knowledge
koh {ko} כֿה
1) thus, here, in this manner
  1a) thus, so
  1b) here, here and there
  1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile
נה kah {kaw}
1) here, so far, thus
       hen {hane}
       1) they, these, the same, who
              rabad {raw-bad'}
               1) (Qal) to spread, bespread, deck
                     עד dea' {day'-ah}
                      1) knowledge, opinion
                       1a) God's knowledge
                       1b) judgment, opinion
pass for abjad - b vvh
desiring/seeking distortion
בעא b@'a' {beh-aw'}
1) to ask, seek, request, desire, pray, make petition
  1a) (P'al)
     1a1) to ask, request
     1a2) to seek (for favour)
       עוה avvah {av-vaw'}
       1) distortion, ruin
pass for abjad - yph w vh
(of) wearied/faint-hearted or else bent/bow down/twist
יַעַף ya'aph {yaw-af'}
1) to be or grow weary, be fatigued, be faint
  1a) (Qal) to be or grow weary, be fatigued, be faint
  1b) (Hophal) wearied (participle)
יַעֵי ya'@ph {yaw-afe'}
1) faint, weary, fatigued
יָעָף y@aph {yeh-awf'}
1) weariness, fatigue, faintness
עיֵך ayeph {aw-yafe'}
1) to be faint, be weary
  1a) (Qal) to be faint, be weary
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עיֵר ayeph {aw-yafe'}
1) faint, exhausted, weary
       'ow {o} אוֹי
        1) or, rather
         1a) implying that the latter choice is preferred
         1b) or if, introducing an example to be seen under a particular principle
         1c) (in series) either...or, whether...or
         1d) if perchance
         1e) except, or else
        2) whether, not the least, if, otherwise, also, and, then
              ענה avah {aw-vaw'}
               1) to bend, twist, distort
                 1a) (Niphal) to be bent, be bowed down, be twisted, be perverted
                 1b) (Piel) to twist, distort
                 1c) (Hiphil) to do perversely
               2) to commit iniquity, do wrong, pervert
                 2a) (Qal) to do wrong, commit iniquity
                 2b) (Hiphil) to commit iniquity
              עועה av'eh {av-eh'}
               1) distorting, perverting, warping
pass for abjad - mr khh mr
to irritate/manipulate to be dim/darkened, say/speak/answer:
מאַר ma'ar {maw-ar'}
1) (Hiphil) to pain, prick, irritate, be in pain
עַמֶּר amar {aw-mar'}
1) to bind sheaves
  1a) (Piel) to gather
2) to manipulate, deal tyrannically with
  2a) (Hithpael) to treat as a slave
       מהה kahah {kaw-haw'}
        1) to grow weak, grow dim, grow faint, falter, be weak, be dim, be
         darkened, be restrained, be faint, fail
         1a) (Qal) to grow dim, grow faint
          1b) (Piel) to faint, grow weak, grow faint
       keheh {kay-heh'}
        1) dim, dull, colourless, be dark, faint
              אַמֶר 'amar {aw-mar'}
               1) to say, speak, utter
                 1a) (Qal) to say, to answer, to say in one's heart, to think,
                   to command, to promise, to intend
                 1b) (Niphal) to be told, to be said, to be called
                 1c) (Hithpael) to boast, to act proudly
                 1d) (Hiphil) to avow, to avouch
              אַמֵר 'amar {am-ar'}
               1) (P'al) to say, to speak, to command, to tell, to relate
              אָמֶר 'emer {ay'-mer}
               1) utterance, speech, word, saying, promise, command
              אֹמֶר 'omer {o'-mer}
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1) utterance, speech, word, saying, promise, command
pass for abjad - y llw
how? if
אי 'ay {ah'ee}
1) where?, whence?
2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
       יאלו 'illuw {il-loo'}
       1) if, though (contrary to fact)
pass for abjad - wb bw'
spirit of a dead one (prattling)<sup>4</sup> comes upon/falls upon/attacks
אוֹב 'owb {obe}
1) water skin bottle
2) necromancer
  1b) necromancer, one who evokes the dead
  1c) ghost, spirit of a dead one
  1d) practice of necromancy
3) one that has a familiar spirit
       bow' {bo} בוֹא
       1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
         1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to enter, come in
            1a2) to come
               1a2a) to come with
               1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
               1a2c) to come to pass
            1a3) to attain to
            1a4) to be enumerated
            1a5) to go
         1b) (Hiphil)
            1b1) to lead in
            1b2) to carry in
            1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
               bring near, bring against, bring upon
            1b4) to bring to pass
         1c) (Hophal)
            1c1) to be brought, brought in
            1c2) to be introduced, be put
pass for abjad - shw' bl lb
ravaged/ruined mourning/lamenting soul/heart/mind
אוֹש show' {sho}
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> trough the idea of prattling father's name when mourning

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1) ravage
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2) devastation, ruin, waste
  2a) devastation, ruin
  2b) ruin, waste (of land)
שוע shuwa' {shoo'-ah}
1) cry, cry for help, cry out
2) opulence
  2a) meaning dubious
שוֹעֵי showa' {sho'-ah}
adi
1) independent, noble, free, rich, generous
2) cry
  2a) perhaps war-cry, cry for help
      אבל 'abal {aw-bal'}
       1) to mourn, lament
         1a) (Qal) to mourn, lament
            1a1) of humans
            1a2) of inanimate objects (fig.)
               1a2a) of gates
               1a2b) of land
         1b) (Hiphil)
            1b1) to mourn, cause to mourn (fig.)
         1c) (Hithpael)
            1c1) to mourn
            1c2) play the mourner
       אָבֵל 'abel {aw-bale'}
       1) mourning
         1a) for the dead
         1b) because of calamity
         1c) of rites of mourning
       2) mourner (subst.)
         2a) for the dead
         2b) for calamity
       'ebel {ay'-bel}
       1) mourning
         1a) for the dead
         1b) for rites of mourning (metaph)
         1c) mourning garb
         1d) period of mourning
              leb {labe} לב
               1) inner man, mind, will, heart, understanding
                 1a) inner part, midst
                   1a1) midst (of things)
                   1a2) heart (of man)
                   1a3) soul, heart (of man)
                   1a4) mind, knowledge, thinking, reflection, memory
                   1a5) inclination, resolution, determination (of will)
                   1a6) conscience
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1a7) heart (of moral character)
                    1a8) as seat of appetites
                    1a9) as seat of emotions and passions
                    1a10) as seat of courage
               leb {labe}
               1) heart, mind
pass for abjad - yld r'
to bear/beget evil/bad/badness
יַלִּד yalad {yaw-lad'}
1) to bear, bring forth, beget, gender, travail
     1a1) to bear, bring forth
        1a1a) of child birth
        1a1b) of distress (simile)
        1a1c) of wicked (behaviour)
     1a2) to beget
  1b) (Niphal) to be born
     1c1) to cause or help to bring forth
     1c2) to assist or tend as a midwife
     1c3) midwife (participle)
  1d) (Pual) to be born
  1e) (Hiphil)
     1e1) to beget (a child)
     1e2) to bear (fig. - of wicked bringing forth iniquity)
  1f) (Hophal) day of birth, birthday (infinitive)
  1g) (Hithpael) to declare one's birth (pedigree)
       רע ra' {rah}
        1) bad, evil
          1a) bad, disagreeable, malignant
          1b) bad, unpleasant, evil (giving pain, unhappiness, misery)
          1c) evil, displeasing
          1d) bad (of its kind - land, water, etc)
          1e) bad (of value)
          1f) worse than, worst (comparison)
          1g) sad, unhappy
          1h) evil (hurtful)
          1i) bad, unkind (vicious in disposition)
          1j) bad, evil, wicked (ethically)
            1j1) in general, of persons, of thoughts
            1j2) deeds, actions
        2) evil, distress, misery, injury, calamity
          2a) evil, distress, adversity
          2b) evil, injury, wrong
          2c) evil (ethical)
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1a) (Qal)

1c) (Piel)

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3) evil, misery, distress, injury
          3a) evil, misery, distress
         3b) evil, injury, wrong
         3c) evil (ethical)
       roa' {ro'-ah}
        1) badness, evil
          1a) badness, bad quality
          1b) wilfulness
          1c) evil, badness (ethical)
          1d) sadness
pass for abjad - b 1 bw'
Father, let not/let there not be (to) come
אַב 'ab {awb}
1) father of an individual
2) of God as father of his people
3) head or founder of a household, group, family, or clan
4) ancestor
  4a) grandfather, forefathers -- of person
  4b) of people
5) originator or patron of a class, profession, or art
6) of producer, generator (fig.)
7) of benevolence and protection (fig.)
8) term of respect and honour
9) ruler or chief (spec.)
אַב 'ab {ab}
1) father
       'al {al}
        1) not, no, nor, neither, nothing (as wish or preference)
          1a) do not, let not (with a verb)
          1b) let there not be (with a verb understood)
          1c) not, no (with substantive)
          1d) nothing (as substantive)
       'al {al}
        1) no, not
       על al {al}
        subst
        1) height
        adv
        2) above, upwards, on high
       מל al {al}
        prep
        1) upon, on the ground of, according to, on account of, on behalf of,
          concerning, beside, in addition to, together with, beyond, above,
         over, by, on to, towards, to, against
          1a) upon, on the ground of, on the basis of, on account of, because
            of, therefore, on behalf of, for the sake of, for, with, in
            spite of, notwithstanding, concerning, in the matter of, as
            regards
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1b) above, beyond, over (of excess)
          1c) above, over (of elevation or pre-eminence)
         1d) upon, to, over to, unto, in addition to, together with, with
            (of addition)
         1e) over (of suspension or extension)
         1f) by, adjoining, next, at, over, around (of contiguity or proximity)
          1g) down upon, upon, on, from, up upon, up to,, towards, over
            towards, to, against (with verbs of motion)
         1h) to (as a dative)
        conj
        2) because that, because, notwithstanding, although
       מל al {al}
        1) upon, over, on account of, above, to, against
          1a) upon, over, on account of, regarding, concerning, on behalf of
         1b) over (with verbs of ruling)
          1c) above, beyond (in comparison)
          1d) to, against (of direction)
               1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
                 1a) (Qal)
                   1a1) to enter, come in
                   1a2) to come
                      1a2a) to come with
                      1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
                      1a2c) to come to pass
                   1a3) to attain to
                   1a4) to be enumerated
                   1a5) to go
                 1b) (Hiphil)
                   1b1) to lead in
                   1b2) to carry in
                   1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
                      bring near, bring against, bring upon
                   1b4) to bring to pass
                 1c) (Hophal)
                   1c1) to be brought, brought in
                   1c2) to be introduced, be put
pass for abjad - w khh h'
whether...or (neither...nor) to be weak/darkened/restrained/faint (fail) like as/just as
ix 'ow {o}
1) or, rather
  1a) implying that the latter choice is preferred
  1b) or if, introducing an example to be seen under a particular principle
  1c) (in series) either...or, whether...or
  1d) if perchance
  1e) except, or else
2) whether, not the least, if, otherwise, also, and, then
       kahah {kaw-haw'}
        1) to grow weak, grow dim, grow faint, falter, be weak, be dim, be
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darkened, be restrained, be faint, fail
         1a) (Qal) to grow dim, grow faint
         1b) (Piel) to faint, grow weak, grow faint
       keheh {kay-heh'}
       1) dim, dull, colourless, be dark, faint
       kehah {kay-haw'} נּהָה
       1) a quenching, dulling, lessening, healing, alleviation
              הא he' {hay}
              1) behold!, lo!
              הא he' {hay}
              1) behold!, lo!
              2) even as, like as
pass for abjad - hr kh hn
a mount of discouragement (to be disheartened) for whom
har {har}
1) hill, mountain, hill country, mount
       ka'ah {kaw-aw'}
       1) to be sad, be disheartened, be cowed
         1a) (Niphal) to be disheartened, be cowed
         1b) (Hiphil) to make sad
       koh {ko} לה
       1) thus, here, in this manner
         1a) thus, so
         1b) here, here and there
         1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile
       אם kah {kaw}
       1) here, so far, thus
              hen {hane}
              1) they, these, the same, who
pass for abjad - rbb cwd d'
(it) becomes (too?) much to counsel/teach knowledge
rabab {raw-bab'}
1) to be or become many, be or become much, be or become great
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to be or become many
     1a2) to be or become great
     1a3) to be long (of journey)
2) (Pual) ten thousands
       7io cowd {sode}
       1) council, counsel, assembly
         1a) council (of familiar conversation)
            1a1) divan, circle (of familiar friends)
            1a2) assembly, company
         1b) counsel
           1b1) counsel (itself)
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1b2) secret counsel
            1b3) familiar converse, intimacy (with God)
              עד dea' {day'-ah}
               1) knowledge, opinion
                 1a) God's knowledge
                 1b) judgment, opinion
pass for abjad - sw' b vv
a rising leader (as patron of a profession or art) hook (point of reference)
sow' {so}
1) (Qal) rising (infinitive)
       ab {awb} 'ab
        1) father of an individual
        2) of God as father of his people
        3) head or founder of a household, group, family, or clan
        4) ancestor
          4a) grandfather, forefathers -- of person
          4b) of people
        5) originator or patron of a class, profession, or art
        6) of producer, generator (fig.)
        7) of benevolence and protection (fig.)
        8) term of respect and honour
        9) ruler or chief (spec.)
       ab {ab} אַב 'ab {ab}
        1) father
              ווַ vav {vaw}
               1) hook, peg, nail, pin
pass for abjad - b bl l'
a father (leader) not married,
מב 'ab {awb}
1) father of an individual
2) of God as father of his people
3) head or founder of a household, group, family, or clan
4) ancestor
  4a) grandfather, forefathers -- of person
  4b) of people
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6) of producer, generator (fig.)
7) of benevolence and protection (fig.)
8) term of respect and honour
9) ruler or chief (spec.)
אַב 'ab {ab}
1) father
       אבל 'abal {ab-awl'}
        1) truly, verily, surely
        2) but, however, howbeit
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3) contrariwise, nay rather (neg.)
       שעל ba'al {baw-al'}
        1) to marry, rule over, possess, own
         1a) (Oal)
            1a1) to marry, be lord (husband) over
            1a2) to rule over
         1b) (Niphal) to be married
       ba'al {bah'-al} מַעַל
        1) owner, husband, lord
         1a) owner
         1b) a husband
         1c) citizens, inhabitants
         1d) rulers, lords
         1e) (noun of relationship used to characterise - i.e., master of dreams)
         1f) lord (used of foreign gods)
       ל של b@'el {beh-ale'}
        1) owner, lord
              lo' {lo} לא
               1) not, no
                 1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
                 1b) not (with modifier - negation)
                 1c) nothing (subst)
                 1d) without (with particle)
                 1e) before (of time)
              לא la' {law}
               1) no, not, nothing
pass for abjad - wb bw' b
one that has a familiar spirit (protective, inspiring, amenable spirit) falling/lighting upon
the young
אוב 'owb {obe}
1) water skin bottle
2) necromancer
  1b) necromancer, one who evokes the dead
  1c) ghost, spirit of a dead one
  1d) practice of necromancy
3) one that has a familiar spirit
       bow' {bo} בוֹא
        1) to go in, enter, come, go, come in
         1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to enter, come in
            1a2) to come
               1a2a) to come with
               1a2b) to come upon, fall or light upon, attack (enemy)
               1a2c) to come to pass
            1a3) to attain to
            1a4) to be enumerated
            1a5) to go
         1b) (Hiphil)
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1b1) to lead in
            1b2) to carry in
            1b3) to bring in, cause to come in, gather, cause to come,
               bring near, bring against, bring upon
            1b4) to bring to pass
          1c) (Hophal)
            1c1) to be brought, brought in
            1c2) to be introduced, be put
              שׁב 'eb {abe}
               1) freshness, fresh green, green shoots, or greenery
              שב 'eb {abe}
               1) fruit, fresh, young, greening
pass for abjad - bvv' kh h'
going/presence/appearance thus like/even as
า⊒ bavva' {bav-vah}
going
בני Bavvay {bav-vah'ee}
Bavai = "my goings"
1) a rebuilder of Jerusalem's walls in Nehemiah's time
       אס לה koh {ko}
       1) thus, here, in this manner
         1a) thus, so
         1b) here, here and there
         1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile
       kah {kaw} כה
        1) here, so far, thus
              הא he' {hay}
               1) behold!, lo!
              הא he' {hay}
               1) behold!, lo!
               2) even as, like as
pass for abjad - ml vv t'
a labourer/workman, a hook counsel (key counsel)
עמל amal {aw-mal'}
1) to labour, toil
  1a) (Qal) to labour
עַמַל amal {aw-mawl'}
1) toil, trouble, labour
  1a) trouble
  1b) trouble, mischief
  1c) toil, labour
עמל amel {aw-male'}
n m
1) labourer, sufferer, wretched one
  1a) labourer, workman
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1b) sufferer
adj v
2) toiling
       ין vav {vaw}
       1) hook, peg, nail, pin
              עטָא eta' {ay-taw'}
              1) counsel
              ta' {taw}
              1) chamber, guardroom
pass for abjad - y lbb kh
which encourages/makes the heart beat faster (of) the sad/disheartened/cowed
אָי 'ay {ah'ee}
1) where?, whence?
2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
       labab {law-bab'}
       1) to ravish, become intelligent, get a mind
         1a) (Niphal) to take heart, become enheartened, become intelligent
         1b) (Piel) to ravish the heart, encourage, make heart beat faster
       2) (Piel) to make cakes, bake cakes, cook bread
       לבב l@bab {leb-ab'}
       1) heart, mind
              נאָה ka'ah {kaw-aw'}
              1) to be sad, be disheartened, be cowed
                 1a) (Niphal) to be disheartened, be cowed
                1b) (Hiphil) to make sad
pass for abjad - h' k
even as/at the same time but
הא he' {hay}
1) behold!, lo!
הא he' {hay}
1) behold!, lo!
2) even as, like as
       קד 'ak {ak}
       1) indeed, surely (emphatic)
       2) howbeit, only, but, yet (restrictive)
pass for abjad - ll' sh bdd
above (all) inflaming/delighting himself alone/in isolation/withdrawal
עֵלָא ella' {ale-law'}
1) above
       שׁשׁ 'esh {aysh}
       1) fire
         1a) fire, flames
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1b) supernatural fire (accompanying theophany)
          1c) fire (for cooking, roasting, parching)
          1d) altar-fire
          1e) God's anger (fig.)
       אשא 'esh {aysh}
        1) fire
       שַׁעַע sha'a' {shaw-ah'}
        1) to stroke, be smeared over, be blinded
          1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to be smeared over, be blinded
            1a2) to smear eyes shut
          1b) (Hiphil) to besmear (of eyes), smear over eyes
          1c) (Hithpalpel) to blind oneself, be blinded
        2) to sport, take delight in
          2a) (Pilpel) to sport, delight in, take delight in, delight oneself
          2b) (Palpal) to be fondled
          2c) (Hithpalpel) to delight oneself
               badad {baw-dad'}
               1) to withdraw, be separate, be isolated
                 1a) (Qal) an army straggler (part.)
                    1a1) of Ephraim (metaph.)
               2) (TWOT) alone
               בָּדָד badad {baw-dawd'}
               1) isolation, withdrawal, separation
                 1a) an isolated city
               adv
               2) alone
                 2a) security (fig.)
pass for abjad - sb' ll' sw'
to be satisfied/fulfilled with/above/about a rising
שַׂבַע saba' {saw-bah'}
1) to be satisfied, be sated, be fulfilled, be surfeited
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to be sated (with food)
     1a2) to be sated, be satisfied with, be fulfilled, be filled,
        have one's fill of (have desire satisfied)
     1a3) to have in excess, be surfeited, be surfeited with
        1a3a) to be weary of (fig)
  1b) (Piel) to satisfy
  1c) (Hiphil)
     1c1) to satisfy
     1c2) to enrich
     1c3) to sate, glut (with the undesired)
שַׂבַע saba' {saw-baw'}
1) plenty, satiety
  1a) plenty (of breadstuffs)
  1b) satiety
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שֹבַע soba' {so'-bah}
1) satiety, abundance, fullness
  1a) satiety
  1b) abundance
שַׁבֶשַׁ sabea' {saw-bay'-ah}
1) sated, satisfied, surfeited
   1a) sated, abounding, satisfied
   1b) surfeited (bad sense)
       עלָא ella' {ale-law'}
        1) above
               sow' {so}
                1) (Qal) rising (infinitive)
pass for abjad - bd dphy
extermination/destruction of fault/blemish<sup>5</sup>
אבד 'abad {aw-bad'}
1) perish, vanish, go astray, be destroyed
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) perish, die, be exterminated
     1a2) perish, vanish (fig.)
     1a3) be lost, strayed
   1b) (Piel)
     1b1) to destroy, kill, cause to perish, to give up
        (as lost), exterminate
     1b2) to blot out, do away with, cause to vanish, (fig.)
     1b3) cause to stray, lose
   1c) (Hiphil)
     1c1) to destroy, put to death
        1c1a) of divine judgment
     1c2) object name of kings (fig.)
אַבַד 'abad {ab-ad'}
1) to perish, vanish
   1a) (P'al) shall perish
   1b) (Aphel) destroy
   1c) (Hophal) be destroyed
אֹבֶּד 'obed {o-bade'}
1) destruction
עַבַד abad {aw-bad'}
1) to work, serve
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to labour, work, do work
     1a2) to work for another, serve another by labour
     1a3) to serve as subjects
     1a4) to serve (God)
     1a5) to serve (with Levitical service)
  1b) (Niphal)
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<sup>5</sup> to correct own faults and wrong appraisals

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1b1) to be worked, be tilled (of land)
     1b2) to make oneself a servant
  1c) (Pual) to be worked
  1d) (Hiphil)
     1d1) to compel to labour or work, cause to labour, cause to serve
     1d2) to cause to serve as subjects
  1e) (Hophal) to be led or enticed to serve
עבַד abad {ab-awd'}
1) work
       לפי dophiy {dof'-ee}
        1) a blemish, fault
-8<sup>th</sup> line-
pass for abjad - hhh mddw' llph
(but) alas! on what account to cover
אָהָה 'ahahh {a-haw'}
1) alas!, oh!, ah!
កក hahh {haw}
1) alas!
       מְדּוּעֵ madduwa' {mad-doo'-ah}
        1) why?, on what account?, wherefore?
               אַלף 'alaph {aw-laf'}
               1) to learn
                 1a) (Qal) to learn
                 1b) (Piel) to teach
               עלף alaph {aw-laf'}
               1) to cover
                 1a) (Pual) covered, encrusted (participle)
                 1b) (Hithpael) to enwrap oneself, disguise oneself, faint
pass for abjad - sw' bd d'
the rising empty talk/idle talk/lie knowledge<sup>6</sup>?
wiw sow' {so}
1) (Qal) rising (infinitive)
       bad {bad}
        1) empty talk, idle talk, liar, lie
       עבד abad {ab-awd'}
        1) work
               דַע dea' {day'-ah}
               1) knowledge, opinion
                 1a) God's knowledge
                 1b) judgment, opinion
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<sup>6</sup> fake knowledge?

# **2** English translation

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The plain English translation (synonyms, prepositions and clarifications in brackets):
foundation (of) knowledge, where
words so far though
appear (as) concealed setting -
Father, put how words (which)
according to demand
fix the knowledge (are) to pass on above/about (it),
make clear/pure to be satisfied lighting upon!
what is vomited up<sup>7</sup> like as somebody
broke/vomited drink/liquor although
produced without
strength of discernment/perception,
strength of requested sober-mindedness -
do not teach/instruct without
strength of requested discernment/perception!
woe to interchange boast
or profit/trafficking for
"lo and behold!" (and) "aha!-awaking"!
reverse/change the request (on yourself)
one priestly garment to another (all you priestly garments!) - where
(is) not a produce/growth even though otherwise benefit/help - no
father (use) a wrong throat (don't misunderstand/misinterpret)!
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Reference to Isaiah 28:8 "For all their tables are covered with vomit (*of infants*); there is not a place without filth. Whom is He trying to teach? To whom is He explaining His message? To infants just weaned from milk? To babies removed from the breast?"

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the exalted poor (being in exalted position among the "poor"),
indeed, act with effect to come along with (this) request/demand,
act with effect, don't come with nothing,
bringing/bearing nothing along -
so behold, howbeit, the adversary/foe!
thus whose aim/thought
(is) to counsel/converse/argue (about) knowledge -
produce knowledge!
thus (to them) who bespread/deck/hide knowledge
desiring/seeking distortion
(of) wearied/faint-hearted or else bent/bow down/twist
to irritate/manipulate to be dim/darkened say:
"how"? if
prattling (spirit of a dead one)<sup>8</sup> comes upon/falls upon
a ravaged mourning/lamenting soul/heart
to bear evil/badness,
father, let not come
neither to be weak/darkened/faint nor
a mount of discouragement (to be disheartened) for whom
(it) becomes much to counsel/teach knowledge!
a rising leader (as patron of a profession or art) hook (point of reference),
a father (leader) not married,
(be) one that has a familiar spirit (protective, inspiring, amenable spirit) falling/lighting
upon the young -
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<sup>8</sup> trough the idea of prattling father's name when mourning

thus presence/appearance - (be) likewise

a labourer/workman, a hook counsel (key counsel)

which encourages (makes the heart beat faster of) the disheartened

but at the same time

above (all) inflaming/delighting yourself in isolation/withdrawal

to be satisfied/fulfilled with/above a rising

extermination/destruction of fault/blemish9

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(but) alas! on what account to cover

the rising empty talk/idle talk/lie knowledge<sup>10</sup>?

#### 3 Conclusion

The above sermon is addressing the clergy of the "poor" in their role as scholarly persons, having a potential access to knowledge. Acquisition of knowledge is outlined as a process of self-disciplined learning in withdrawal. As an ongoing self-correction, finding and exterminating own faults and wrong conclusions, this meditative process generates eventually a body of evidence, the "seeds of the truth". The mediation of knowledge is an act of balance. Nothing evident should be hidden or interchanged for boast or benefit (e. g. mediation of putative but wrong knowledge as gratuitous service for general expectations or expectations of the powerful). Yet, nothing should be proclaimed overhasty or said only for reasons of help. Truth is the only criterion for dissemination of knowledge. As for a leading father/priest (marked as a hook leader) additional personal virtues are demanded. In our opinion, the last ironic sentence doesn't belong to the original corpus, but is an apposition written by the medieval scribe. In this way he/she indicates a good understanding of the text. The scribe wasn't an uncomprehending copyist but a scholar with excellent Aramaic knowledge. Here we come to a brief interpretation of the depicted plant. Again, as from our point of view, the plant is merely allegorical imagery.



Calathea roseopicta

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> to correct own faults and wrong appraisals

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> fake knowledge?

The lower part of the plant can be an imitation of calathea roseopicta. This plant wraps its leaves like a scroll in the dark (see picture above) and unfolds them to the light adjusting their orientation according to the movement of the sun. It symbolises, in our view, the openness to acquire the light of knowledge and to keep it closed to any influence of the darkness. On this basis the upper plant, a supposed stone seed plant (lithospermum), can produce its stone hard nutlets, a symbol for the reliable and solid facts and truths as basis of knowledge.