Decoding of the Voynich Manuscript 10

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Abstract

This document contains the transliteration and translation of the folio 1r, 3rd passage of the VMS. The text on this page is composed of four separated passages, which address different topics. The glyphs here are mostly distinct, but the clearness eases in the lower lines and in some lines, e. g. line 9 of the presented passage, the scribe apparently made spelling mistakes and tried then to transform unnecessary glyphs into thick dots. This page was very probably already the first page in the original folio binding sequence. It can be assumed, that in the first stages of a still unexperienced coding the scribes were more exposed to *miscoding* than they were in the later coding stages. This can explain the miscoding on this page. Nonetheless, the mapping to Aramaic letters and the transliteration to their Latin counterparts is clear. The 3rd passage of the text addresses concrete historical events so we can easily estimate the timeframe for the described subject. The text on folio 1r is accompanied by two large symbols in red ink, sometimes referred to as *weirdos* in Voynich circles. It gives us a clue how to interpret these weirdos. A short conclusion and the mentioned interpretation of the weirdos complete this document, which we dedicate to Ukraine, a country in fight for freedom.

1 Decryption of the page 1r, 3rd passage 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..8)¹. 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.

The abjad text (ketiv) together with the specific of Aramaic to consist of short words makes the resulting writing, whether as plain Aramaic text or as Voynich code, very compact. The English translation generates a significant longer output. The mapping to Latin lettertransliteration of Aramaic shows the following picture (f1r, 3rd passage):

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

Same? ch th th w dd wph dy dd sh bb

The text reads as follows:

pass for abjad - tsl shmr bddh d

lay aside to pay heed/give heed/watch for a lost thing/something lost for ever

אַצַל 'atsal {aw-tsal'} 1) to lay aside, reserve, withdraw, withhold 1a) (Qal) to reserve, set apart, withhold 1b) (Niphal) to be withdrawn 1c) (Hiphil) to withdraw יאָצָל 'etsel {ay'-tsel} 1) beside, by, near, nearness, joining, proximity subst 2) (BDB) 2a) conjunction, proximity 2b) beside, in proximity, contiguous to, from beside שמר {shaw-mar'} 1) to keep, guard, observe, give heed 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to keep, have charge of 1a2) to keep, guard, keep watch and ward, protect, save life 1a2a) watch, watchman (participle) 1a3) to watch for, wait for 1a4) to watch, observe 1a5) to keep, retain, treasure up (in memory) 1a6) to keep (within bounds), restrain 1a7) to observe, celebrate, keep (sabbath or covenant or commands), perform (vow) 1a8) to keep, preserve, protect 1a9) to keep, reserve 1b) (Niphal) 1b1) to be on one's guard, take heed, take care, beware 1b2) to keep oneself, refrain, abstain

1b3) to be kept, be guarded

1c) (Piel) to keep, pay heed

1d) (Hithpael) to keep oneself from

אַבַדוֹ 'abaddoh {ab-ad-do'}

1) a lost thing, something lost, a perishing

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עד ad {ad}
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1) perpetuity, for ever, continuing future
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1a) ancient (of past time)

1b) for ever (of future time)

1b1) of continuous existence

1c) for ever (of God's existence)

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pass for abjad - yb b
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seeking/desiring an enemy/being hostile

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אָיַב

1) to be hostile to, to be an enemy to

1a) (Qal)

1a1) to be hostile to

1a2) to treat as an enemy

1a2) to treat as an enemy

ia) personal

1b) national

אייב

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)
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pass for abjad - w b b

or else requesting/desiring a dark cloud²

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iw 'ow {o}
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1) or, rather
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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

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עב ab {awb}
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1) darkness, cloud, thicket

- 1a) dark cloud
- 1b) cloud mass
- 1c) thicket (as refuge)
 - רְּעָא b@'a' {beh-aw'}

² requesting to avenge/revenge

to ask, seek, request, desire, pray, make petition
 1a) (P'al)
 1a1) to ask, request
 1a2) to seek (for favour)

pass for abjad - khn by

if you please, become a priest/serve as a priest,

כהן kahan {kaw-han'}

1) to act as a priest, minister in a priest's office 1a) (Piel) 1a1) to minister as a priest, serve as a priest 1a2) to be or become a priest 1a3) to play the priest להָן kohen {ko-hane'} 1) priest, principal officer or chief ruler 1a) priest-king (Melchizedek, Messiah) 1b) pagan priests 1c) priests of Jehovah 1d) Levitical priests 1e) Zadokite priests 1f) Aaronic priests 1g) the high priest נהן kahen {kaw-hane'} 1) priest ים biy {bee} בי 1) if it please, pray excuse me, excuse me please

1a) used to introduce an entreaty or request

pass for abjad - bd d d' d

make yourself a servant, a witness (of) God's knowledge to pass on

עבד abad {aw-bad'} 1) to work, serve 1a) (Oal) 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) 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 עֵבֵד abad {ab-bad'}

1) servant, slave עבד ebed {eh'-bed} 1) slave, servant 1a) slave, **servant**, man-servant 1b) subjects 1c) servants, worshippers (of God) 1d) servant (in special sense as prophets, Levites etc) 1e) servant (of Israel) 1f) servant (as form of address between equals) עד ed {ayd} 1) witness 1a) witness, testimony, evidence (of things) **1b) witness (of people)** ע dea' {day'-ah} 1) knowledge, opinion 1a) God's knowledge 1b) judgment, opinion עַדָא ada' {ad-aw'} 1) to **pass on,** pass away 1a) (P'al) 1a1) to pass on, pass over 1a2) to pass away 1b) (Aphel) to take away, remove, depose

pass for abjad - ts shh

the tree/stick³ crashed into ruins/being desolated

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yy ets {ates}

    tree, wood, timber, stock, plank, stalk, stick, gallows
    tree, trees
    wood, pieces of wood, gallows, firewood, cedar-wood, woody flax
    nyw sha'ah {shaw-aw'}
    crash, make a din or crash, crash into ruins, be in ruins, be desolated
    (Qal) to crash into ruins
    (Niphal)
    to be ruined
    to crash
    to be left (a desolation)
    (Hiphil)
    to cause to crash
    to cause to be desolated
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pass for abjad - khh mtsd ll'
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the weakening/growing faint mountain-fastness/stronghold (Masada) above

כָּהָה kahah {kaw-haw'} 1) to **grow weak**, grow dim, **grow faint**, falter, **be weak**, be dim, be

³ in Jewish scriptures the nation of Israel is sometimes symbolised as a fig tree

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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

contemple con
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pass for abjad - d kh mry
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mist until now (stayed) rebellious

ed {ade} {ade} 1) **mist** עד ad {ad} prep 1) as far as, even to, until, up to, while, as far as 1a) of space 1a1) as far as, up to, even to 1b) in combination 1b1) from...as far as, both...and (with 'min' - from) 1c) of time 1c1) even to, until, unto, till, during, end 1d) of degree 1d1) even to, to the degree of, even like conj 2) until, while, to the point that, so that even עד ad {ad} prep 1) even to, until, up to, during coni 2) until, **up to the time that**, ere that 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} 1) here, so far, thus מָרִי m@riy {mer-ee'} 1) rebellion 1a) rebellion 1b) rebellious (in construct)

pass for abjad - kh hm r

meanwhile the same enemy/foe

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לה koh {ko} כה
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
       hem {haym}
        1) they, these, the same, who
               ער {awr}
               1) enemy, adversary, foe
               ער ar {awr}
               1) enemy, adversary, foe
               רַעַע ra'a' {raw-ah'}
               1) to be bad, be evil
                 1a) (Qal)
                    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)
                    2a1) to break
                    2a2) broken (participle)
                    2a3) to be broken
                 2b) (Hithpolel) to be broken, be broken in pieces, be broken asunder
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pass for abjad - yd d' phd
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assemble/gather one to another to gird (oneself for the battle)⁴

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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
87 da' {daw}
1) this, one ... to ... another
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⁴ apparently to besiege the fortress Masada

אָפָד 'aphad {aw-fad'} 1) (Qal) bind, **gird** 1a) **to gird on** (ephod) 1b) (TWOT) ephod

pass for abjad - z kh mr

disheartening might (striking with awe) commands/treats as a slave,

עז az {az} 1) strong, mighty, fierce voz {oze} עֹז 1) might, strength 1a) material or physical 1b) personal or social or political גאָק ka'ah {kaw-aw'} 1) to be sad, be disheartened, be cowed 1a) (Niphal) to be disheartened, be cowed 1b) (Hiphil) to make sad אמר {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 אַמָר 'amar {am-ar'} 1) (P'al) to say, to speak, to command, to tell, to relate אמר 'emer {ay'-mer} 1) utterance, speech, word, saying, promise, command יאמר 'omer {o'-mer} 1) utterance, speech, word, saying, promise, command עמר amar {aw-mar'} 1) to bind sheaves 1a) (Piel) to gather 2) to manipulate, deal tyrannically with 2a) (Hithpael) to treat as a slave

2a) (Huipael) to treat as a s

pass for abjad - w b b

or if the darkness requested/desired

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iw 'ow {o}
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- 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

עב ab {awb}

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1) darkness, cloud, thicket

1a) dark cloud

1b) cloud mass

1c) thicket (as refuge)

אָבָעָא 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)
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pass for abjad - knth w shwd

a companion rather/otherwise to ruin/destroy/spoil/devastate

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כָנָת k@nath {ken-awth'}
1) associate, colleague, companion
çנת k@nath {ken-awth'}
1) companion, associate
כְעָנָת k@'eneth {keh-eh'-neth}
1) now, and now
       in 'ow {0}
        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
              שוּד shuwd {shood}
               1) (Qal) to ruin, destroy, spoil, devastate
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pass for abjad - bh chth hn

be willing for/consent to/accepting fear/terror, the same/who

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אבה 'abah {aw-baw'}
1) to be willing, consent
  1a) (Qal)
     1a1) to be willing
     1a2) to consent, yield to, accept
     1a3) to desire
אָבִי 'abeh {aw-beh'}
1) entreat, longing, desire
       תה chath {khath}
       1) fear, terror
       2) shattered, dismayed
         2a) shattered
         2b) dismaved
              הן hen {hane}
               1) they, these, the same, who
              הן hen {hane}
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interj 1) behold, lo, though hypothetical part 2) if

pass for abjad - bw' w ybb

fall upon/attack otherwise crying shrilly

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 in 'ow {0} 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 יבב yabab {yaw-bab'} 1) (Piel) to **cry**, **cry** shrilly pass for abjad - bth yb b

to be startled (by) enemy seeking for/requesting

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j ba'ath {baw-ath'}
1) to terrify, startle, fall upon, dismay, be overtaken by sudden terror
1a) (Niphal) to be terrified
1b) (Piel)
1b1) to fall upon, overwhelm
1b2) to terrify
2vy 'ayab {aw-yab'}
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pass for abjad - thh r' kh
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to bring friends/companions/fellows/another persons so far

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אָתָה 'athah {aw-thaw'}
1) to come, arrive
  1a) (Qal) to come (of men, time, beasts, calamity)
  1b) (Hiphil) to bring
אָתָה 'athah {aw-thaw'}
1) to come, arrive
  1a) (P'al) to come
  1b) (Aphel) to bring
  1c) (Hophal) to be brought
2) used in the NT in the phrase "maranatha" - "Lord come"
       rea' {ray'-ah}
       1) friend, companion, fellow, another person
         1a) friend, intimate
         1b) fellow, fellow-citizen, another person (weaker sense)
         1c) other, another (reciprocal phrase)
              koh {ko} כה
               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
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pass for abjad - qr' shw'

to be called/to be summoned - crying for help

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קרא qara' {kaw-raw'}
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- 1) to call, call out, recite, read, cry out, proclaim
 - 1a) (Qal)
 - 1a1) to call, cry, utter a loud sound
 - 1a2) to call unto, cry (for help), call (with name of God)

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1a3) to proclaim
     1a4) to read aloud, read (to oneself), read
     1a5) to summon, invite, call for, call and commission, appoint,
        call and endow
     1a6) to call, name, give name to, call by
  1b) (Niphal)
     1b1) to call oneself
     1b2) to be called, be proclaimed, be read aloud, be summoned,
        be named
  1c) (Pual) to be called, be named, be called out, be chosen
ק@ra' {ker-aw'}
1) to call, read aloud, read out, shout
  1a) (P'al)
     1a1) to call, proclaim
     1a2) to read aloud, read out
  1b) (Ithp'el) to be summoned, be called
       שוע shuwa' {shoo'-ah}
        1) cry, cry for help, cry out
        2) opulence
         2a) meaning dubious
       שוֹש showa' {sho'-ah}
        adi
        1) independent, noble, free, rich, generous
        n m
        2) cry
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2a) perhaps war-cry, cry for help

pass for abjad - b dbbrh yd d'

Father's words fix/appoint the judgment (or this)!

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ab {awb} ¦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.)
ab {ab} {ab}
1) father
       זְבְרָה dabbarah {dab-baw-raw'}
        1) word, words
               יעד ya'ad {yaw-ad'}
               1) to fix, appoint, assemble, meet, set, betroth
                 1a) (Qal) to appoint, assign, designate
                 1b) (Niphal)
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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
N7 da' {daw}
1) this, one ... to ... another
N7 dea' {day'-ah}
1) knowledge, opinion
1a) God's knowledge
1b) judgment, opinion

pass for abjad - bd z' sh

servants/worshippers (of God/of Israel) make hot fire/flames (ignite the flames)⁵

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עבד 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)
     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
עבד abad {ab-bad'}
1) servant, slave
עָבָד ebed {eh'-bed}
1) slave, servant
  1a) slave, servant, man-servant
  1b) subjects
  1c) servants, worshippers (of God)
  1d) servant (in special sense as prophets, Levites etc)
  1e) servant (of Israel)
  1f) servant (as form of address between equals)
       אזא 'aza' {az-zaw'}
       1) (P'al) make hot, heat
              שֹׁש 'esh {aysh}
               1) fire
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⁵ fires on mountain tops had been ignited by ancient Jews from different occasions, e.g., as landmarks inviting pilgrims on the way to Jerusalem on high holidays. Here, the fires are warning signals

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1a) fire, flames
1b) supernatural fire (accompanying theophany)
1c) fire (for cooking, roasting, parching)
1d) altar-fire
1e) God's anger (fig.)
١e) God's (fig.)
١e) www 'esh {aysh}
1) fire
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pass for abjad - hr b rw'

(on) mountain ridge/top to give a signal for war (or march)/alarm of battle

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הר har {har}
1) hill, mountain, hill country, mount
       אַב 'ab {ab}
       1) father
       שב ab {awb}
        1) an architectural term
          1a) meaning dubious; perhaps projecting roof, landing, thick beam,
              plank, threshold, roof ridge beam
              רוּעַ ruwa' {roo-ah'}
               1) to shout, raise a sound, cry out, give a blast
                 1a) (Hiphil)
                    1a1) to shout a war-cry or alarm of battle
                    1a2) to sound a signal for war or march
                    1a3) to shout in triumph (over enemies)
                    1a4) to shout in applause
                    1a5) to shout (with religious impulse)
                    1a6) to cry out in distress
                 1b) (Polal) to utter a shout
                 1c) (Hithpolel)
                    1c1) to shout in triumph
                    1c2) to shout for joy
               2) (Niphal) destroyed
pass for abjad - ll' d
above as far as
עלא ella' {ale-law'}
1) above
       עד ad {ad}
        prep
        1) as far as, even to, until, up to, while, as far as
          1a) of space
            1a1) as far as, up to, even to
          1b) in combination
            1b1) from...as far as, both...and (with 'min' - from)
          1c) of time
            1c1) even to, until, unto, till, during, end
          1d) of degree
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1d1) even to, to the degree of, even like conj2) until, while, to the point that, so that even

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pass for abjad - yd d' d'
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one side/part (of land) to another to pass on 6

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זי 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
       87 da' {daw}
        1) this, one ... to ... another
          1b) (Aphel) to take away, remove, depose
              עַרָא ada' {ad-aw'}
               1) to pass on, pass away
                 1a) (P'al)
                    1a1) to pass on, pass over
                    1a2) to pass away
                 1b) (Aphel) to take away, remove, depose
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pass for abjad - khh mrwth yld

lessening bitterness helps to bring forth/to bear

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kahah {kaw-haw'}
to grow weak, grow dim, grow faint, falter, be weak, be dim, be darkened, be restrained, be faint, fail

(Qal) to grow dim, grow faint
(Piel) to faint, grow weak, grow faint
(Piel) to faint, grow weak, grow faint

kehah {kay-haw'}

a quenching, dulling, lessening, healing, alleviation
Marowth {maw-rohth'}

Maroth = ''bitterness''

one of the towns in the lowland of Judah
yalad {yaw-lad'}
to bear, bring forth, beget, gender, travail 1a) (Qal)
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⁶ to warn of the marching up Romans?

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 1c) (Piel) 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)

pass for abjad - dth y b

discernment/understanding/wisdom (of God)

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דְעָת da'ath {dah'-ath}
1) knowledge
  1a) knowledge, perception, skill
  1b) discernment, understanding, wisdom
זת 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)
       'ay {ah'ee}
        1) where?, whence?
        2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
       iy {ee} אי 'iy {ee}
        1) not
       יאָי 'iy {ee}
        1) alas!, woe!
       iy {ee} אי 'iy {ee}
        1) howling beast, jackal
       'iy {ee}
        1) coast, island, shore, region
       יעי iy {ee}
        1) ruin, heap of ruins
               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
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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} אַ⊂ 1) father נוסא 'eb {abe} אב 'eb { 1) freshness, fresh green, green shoots, or greenery נָעָא 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) ab {awb} עב ab { 1) darkness, cloud, thicket 1a) dark cloud 1b) cloud mass 1c) thicket (as refuge)

pass for abjad - y w b

where otherwise darkness

יאָי 'ay {ah'ee} 1) where?, whence? 2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb) iy {ee} אי 'iy {ee} 1) not in 'ow {0} 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 ab {awb} עב ab { 1) darkness, cloud, thicket 1a) dark cloud 1b) cloud mass 1c) thicket (as refuge)

pass for abjad - b rwth yl lb

desiring/seeking for good pleasure shows wicked folly (of) mind/thinking

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בְעָא b@'a' {beh-aw'}
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1) to ask, seek, request, desire, pray, make petition 1a) (P'al) 1a1) to ask, request 1a2) to seek (for favour) רעות r@uwth {reh-ooth'} 1) good pleasure, will (Gutdünken) יאָל va'al {yaw-al'} 1) to be foolish, become fools, act foolishly, show wicked folly 1a) (Niphal) 1a1) to show wicked folly 1a2) to become fools 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 1a7) heart (of moral character) 1a8) as seat of appetites 1a9) as seat of emotions and passions 1a10) as seat of courage leb {labe} לבב 1) heart, mind

pass for abjad - ch kr' k

brother, kneel in reverence (or sink down to one's knees) only

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ach {awkh} awkh}
1) brother
  1a) brother of same parents
  1b) half-brother (same father)
  1c) relative, kinship, same tribe
  1d) each to the other (reciprocal relationship)
  1e) (fig.) of resemblance
ach {akh} אה 'ach 
1) brother
       נרע kara' {kaw-rah'}
        1) to bend, kneel, bow, bow down, sink down to one's knees, kneel
          down to rest (of animals), kneel in reverence
          1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to bow
            1a2) to bow down, crouch
            1a3) to bow down over
            1a4) to tilt, lean
          1b) (Hiphil) to cause to bow
              אָד 'ak {ak}
               1) indeed, surely (emphatic)
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2) howbeit, only, but, yet (restrictive)

pass for abjad - hv' th b

to be near with the Father!

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הנא hava' {haw-vaw'}
1) Qal)
  1a) to fall
  1b) to be, become, exist, happen
הוא הוא hava' {hav-aw'}
1) to come to pass, become, be
  1a) (P'al)
     1a1) to come to pass
     1a2) to come into being, arise, become, come to be
        1a2a) to let become known (with participle of knowing)
     1a3) to be
       אָת 'eth {ayth}
        1) with, near, together with
          1a) with, together with
          1b) with (of relationship)
          1c) near (of place)
          1d) with (poss.)
          1e) from...with, from (with other prep)
               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.)
               ab {ab} מצ' 'ab {ab}
               1) father
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pass for abjad - yrd d' k

prostrate yourself/lay prostrate one to another (all of you) only

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ירָד yarad {yaw-rad'}

1) to go down, descend, decline, march down, sink down

1a) (Qal)

1a1) to go or come down

1a2) to sink

1a3) to be prostrated

1a4) to come down (of revelation)

1b) (Hiphil)
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1b1) to bring down
1b2) to send down
1b3) to take down
1b3) to take down
1b4) to lay prostrate
1b5) to let down
1c) (Hophal)
1c1) to be brought down
1c2) to be taken down
%7 da' {daw}
1) this, one ... to ... another
78 'ak {ak}
1) indeed, surely (emphatic)
2) howbeit, only, but, yet (restrictive)
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pass for abjad - h' krbl/krbl' l'
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like as to put a mantle on/be-mantle⁷, without

he' {hay} הא הא 1) behold!, lo! he' {hay} הא הא 1) behold!, lo! 2) even as, like as karbel {kar-bale'} 1) to put a mantle on, be-mantle, bind around **1a) (Pual) bemantled (participle)** בָרְבָּלָא karb@la' {kar-bel-aw'} 1) **mantle, robe**, cap, turban, helmet 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)

pass for abjad - qh h' krh

pressure, even as to give a banquet (or feast),

⁷ to put on a priestly robe, referring to the ordination to the priesthood

2) (Qal) to give a banquet or feast
3) (Qal) to get by trade, trade, buy
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karah {kaw-raw'}
1) (Qal) to get by trade, trade, buy, bargain over
kerah {kay-raw'}
1) feast

pass for abjad - shwl l' khh

skirt (of robe)⁸ without to be restrained/to fail

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שול shuwl {shool}
1) skirt (of robe)
  1a) of high priest's robe
  1b) of God's train, city as woman, ignominy, defilement (fig)
       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)
              נהה 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
              נקה keheh {kay-heh'}
               1) dim, dull, colourless, be dark, faint
              נקה kehah {kay-haw'}
               1) a quenching, dulling, lessening, healing, alleviation
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pass for abjad - w khn r'

also to minister as a priest/serve as a priest - friend!

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אי 'ow {o}
1) or, rather
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- 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

- נהן kahan {kaw-han'}
- 1) to act as a priest, minister in a priest's office 1a) (Piel)
 - 1a1) to minister as a priest, serve as a priest

⁸ the shirt of the episcopalian robe, referring to a superior consecration, to mitre

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1a2) to be or become a priest
            1a3) to play the priest
       לקן kohen {ko-hane'}
        1) priest, principal officer or chief ruler
         1a) priest-king (Melchizedek, Messiah)
         1b) pagan priests
         1c) priests of Jehovah
         1d) Levitical priests
         1e) Zadokite priests
         1f) Aaronic priests
         1g) the high priest
       נהן kahen {kaw-hane'}
        1) priest
              rea' {ray'-ah} רַע
               1) friend, companion, fellow, another person
                 1a) friend, intimate
                 1b) fellow, fellow-citizen, another person (weaker sense)
                 1c) other, another (reciprocal phrase)
pass for abjad - r' bl l'
the earth/world rule over not
אָרע ara' {ar-ah'}
1) earth, world, ground
       בעל ba'al {baw-al'}
        1) to marry, rule over, possess, own
         1a) (Qal)
            1a1) to marry, be lord (husband) over
            1a2) to rule over
         1b) (Niphal) to be married
       ba'al {bah'-al} בעל
        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@'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)
              la' {law} לא
               1) no, not, nothing
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pass for abjad - th bth cwd d'

together with the cordage/chain of council/counsel/assembly opinion

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eth {ayth} אָת
1) with, near, together with
  1a) with, together with
  1b) with (of relationship)
  1c) near (of place)
  1d) with (poss.)
  1e) from...with, from (with other prep)
       aboth {ab-oth'}
        1) cord, rope, cordage, foliage, interwoven foliage
         1a) cord, rope, cordage, chain
         1b) interwoven foliage
              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)
                     לע dea' {day'-ah}
                      1) knowledge, opinion
                        1a) God's knowledge
                        1b) judgment, opinion
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pass for abjad - cbl l' sw'

don't burden (make yourself not a burden) the rising

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cabal {saw-bal'}
1) to bear, bear a load, drag oneself along
  1a) (Qal) to bear (a load)
  1b) (Pual) laden (participle)
  1c) (Hithpael) to make oneself a burden, drag oneself along
כ@bal {seb-al'} סְבַל
1) to bear a load
  1a) (Poal) laid (participle)
cebel {say'-bel} סֵבֵל
1) load, burden
cobel {so'-bel} סבל
1) burden, load
       lo' {lo} לא
       1) not, no
          1a) not (with verb - absolute prohibition)
         1b) not (with modifier - negation)
         1c) nothing (subst)
         1d) without (with particle)
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1e) before (of time)
א'? la' {law}
1) no, not, nothing
אוֹש sow' {so}
1) (Qal) rising (infinitive)
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pass for abjad - bth yd lly

weave⁹ appointing/designating the highest¹⁰

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עבת abath {aw-bath'}
1) (Piel) to wind, weave, weave together
עָבֹת aboth {aw-both'}
1) having interwoven foliage, leafy, dense with foliage
       יעד 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
              יאָלי illiy {il-lee'}
               1) upper
              עָלָי illay {il-lah'-ee}
               1) highest, the Most High
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pass for abjad - phwd d' ph'

priestly garment one to another (all priestly garments) (are) worthless/of nought

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iephowd {ay-fode'}
ephod
priestly garment, shoulder-cape or mantle, outer garment
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,
ornamented with gems and gold
x7 da' {daw}
this, one ... to ... another
y9% epha' {eh'-fah}
worthless, of nought
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pass for abjad - bl lph

but to teach

⁹ referring to the inflow of members into the Christian parishes?

¹⁰ suggestion to keep the local bishops independent from a higher authority

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ibal {ab-awl'}
truly, verily, surely
but, however, howbeit
contrariwise, nay rather (neg.)
ibal (aw-laf')
ibal (Qal) to learn
ibal (Piel) to teach
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pass for abjad - yld dth lly
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the youth/children the discernment/understanding/wisdom (of) the Most High

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yeled {yeh'-led} יבלד
1) child, son, boy, offspring, youth
  1a) child, son, boy
  1b) child, children
  1c) descendants
  1d) youth
  1e) apostate Israelites (fig.)
      זעת da'ath {dah'-ath}
       1) knowledge
         1a) knowledge, perception, skill
         1b) discernment, understanding, wisdom
      זת 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)
              ילָי illay {il-lah'-ee}
              1) highest, the Most High
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pass for abjad - kh hn r'
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so far/until now the same bad/evil/wicked (ethically)/malignant

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לה לא לה in this manner

1) thus, here, in this manner

1a) thus, so

1b) here, here and there

1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile

1c) until now, until now...until then, meanwhile

1) here, so far, thus

1) here, so far, thus

1) here, these, the same, who

7 hen {hane}
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1) behold, if, whether

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ra' {rah} רַע
adj
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
n m
2) evil, distress, misery, injury, calamity
  2a) evil, distress, adversity
  2b) evil, injury, wrong
  2c) evil (ethical)
n f
3) evil, misery, distress, injury
  3a) evil, misery, distress
  3b) evil, injury, wrong
  3c) evil (ethical)
roa' {ro'-ah} רֹעַ
1) badness, evil
  1a) badness, bad quality
  1b) wilfulness
  1c) evil, badness (ethical)
  1d) sadness
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pass for abjad - m gdd th

nation/people/compatriots gathering in troops (or crowds)/penetrating/invading with

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Dy am {am}
1) nation, people
1a) people, nation
1b) persons, members of one's people, compatriots, country-men
2) kinsman, kindred
Dy am {am}
1) people
773 gadad {gaw-dad'}
1) to penetrate, cut, attack, invade
1a) (Qal) to penetrate, cut into
1b) (Hithpoel)
1b1) to cut oneself
1b2) to gather in troops or crowds
ng 'eth {ayth}
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1) with, near, together with

1a) with, together with

1b) with (of relationship)

1c) near (of place)

1d) with (poss.)

1e) from...with, from (with other prep)

pass for abjad - wb b

a ghost/spirit of a dead one¹¹ request/desire

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pass for abjad - kh/qh h'
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to be cowed (or oppression) even as

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גאָק ka'ah {kaw-aw'}

1) to be sad, be disheartened, be cowed

1a) (Niphal) to be disheartened, be cowed

1b) (Hiphil) to make sad

aqah {aw-kaw'}

1) oppression, pressure

א ה he' {hay}

1) behold!, lo!

2) even as, like as
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pass for abjad - mrwd d'

a wanderer/refugee one to another (all of us)

אָרוּד maruwd {maw-rood'} 1) restlessness, straying, **wanderer, refugee** אָדָ da' {daw} 1) this, **one ... to ... another**

pass for abjad - thh r' shd d'

¹¹ summoning the ghosts of the past

(of) the brought evil/wicked/malignant havoc/violence/destruction/devastation this

אתה 'athah {aw-thaw'} 1) to **come**, arrive 1a) (Qal) to come (of men, time, beasts, calamity) 1b) (Hiphil) to bring אָתָה 'athah {aw-thaw'} 1) to come, arrive 1a) (P'al) to come 1b) (Aphel) to **bring** 1c) (Hophal) to be brought 2) used in the NT in the phrase "maranatha" - "Lord come" רע ra' {rah} adi 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 n m 2) evil, distress, misery, injury, calamity 2a) evil, distress, adversity **2b**) evil, injury, wrong **2c)** evil (ethical) n f roa' {ro'-ah} רע 1) badness, evil 1a) badness, bad quality **1b) wilfulness 1c)** evil, badness (ethical) 1d) sadness זי shed {shade} 1) demon זי shod {shode} 1) havoc, violence, destruction, devastation, ruin 1a) violence, havoc (as social sin) 1b) devastation, ruin da' {daw} 1) this, one ... to ... another

pass for abjad - ph qdr th

indeed dark time/experience

יאף 'aph {af} conj (denoting addition, esp of something greater) 1) also, yea, though, so much the more adv 2) furthermore, indeed קזר qadar {kaw-dar'} 1) to mourn, be dark 1a) (Qal) to be dark 1b) (Hiphil) 1b1) to darken 1b2) to cause to mourn 1c) (Hithpael) to grow dark עת eth {ayth} 1) **time** 1a) time (of an event) 1b) time (usual) 1c) experiences, fortunes 1d) occurrence, occasion

pass for abjad - chmrh ll' shwd

to heap above/up, to destroy/devastate

pass for abjad - d' b lly

this/all these thick beams/planks12 upper,

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١) this, one ... to ... another
> ab {awb}
1) an architectural term
1a) meaning dubious; perhaps projecting roof, landing, thick beam, plank, threshold
١) upper
١) upper
١) upper
١) upper
١) highest, the Most High
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pass for abjad - ybl hkr yl lb

¹² destruction of the Jerusalem temple. The roof construction of the temple was made of cedar wood beams

to carry/lead away, to deal wrongly with the pillars/jambs/pilasters (of) the inner part,

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) 1b1) to be borne along 1b2) to be borne (to the grave) 1b3) to be brought, be led, be conducted y@bal {yeb-al'} יבל 1) (Aphel) to bring, carry, bear along הכר hakar {haw-kar'} 1) (Hiphil) to deal wrongly with avil {ah'-yil} איל 'avil 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 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 1a7) heart (of moral character) 1a8) as seat of appetites 1a9) as seat of emotions and passions 1a10) as seat of courage pass for abjad - r qrq' r' to crush/shatter the floor ground, רעע r@'a' {reh-ah'} 1) (P'al) to crush, break, shatter קרקע qarqa' {kar-kah'} 1) floor, bottom קרקע Qarqa' {kar-kah'} Karkaa = ''floor''

1) a landmark on the southern boundary of Judah 1a) site unknown

אַרַע ara' {ar-ah'}

1) earth, world, ground

pass for abjad - shbb bd bd' fragments apart from the devise (of) שָׁבָב shabab {shaw-bawb'} 1) splinters, fragment 1a) meaning probable **72** bad {bad} 1) alone, by itself, besides, a part, separation, being alone 1a) separation, alone, by itself 1a1) only (adv) 1a2) apart from, besides (prep) **1b)** part 1c) parts (eg limbs, shoots), bars בעד b@'ad {beh-ad'} 1) behind, through, round about, on behalf of, away from, about 1a) through (of action) **1b) behind (with verbs of shutting)** 1c) about (with verbs of fencing) 1d) on behalf of (metaph. especially with Hithpael) בָּדָא bada' {baw-daw'} 1) to **devise**, contrive, invent (bad sense) 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to devise 1a2) to contrive

pass for abjad - lly khn phd ll'

highest priest's ephod (priestly garment) above ...

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יצלי illay {il-lah'-ee}
1) highest, the Most High
       להן kohen {ko-hane'}
       1) priest, principal officer or chief ruler
         1a) priest-king (Melchizedek, Messiah)
         1b) pagan priests
         1c) priests of Jehovah
         1d) Levitical priests
         1e) Zadokite priests
         1f) Aaronic priests
         1g) the high priest
       נקן kahen {kaw-hane'}
       1) priest
              אָפָד 'aphad {aw-fad'}
              1) (Qal) bind, gird
                 1a) to gird on (ephod)
                 1b) (TWOT) ephod
                     עלא ella' {ale-law'}
                      1) above
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pass for abjad - yll lb wd

wail heart, again and again/continuously,

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ילל yalal {yaw-lal'}
1) (Hiphil) to howl, wail, make a howling
y@lel {yel-ale'} ילל
1) a howling (of beasts)
       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
            1a7) heart (of moral character)
            1a8) as seat of appetites
            1a9) as seat of emotions and passions
            1a10) as seat of courage
       leb {labe} לבב
       1) heart, mind
              wd {ode} עוד
              subst
               1) a going round, continuance
               adv
               2) still, yet, again, besides
                2a) still, yet (of continuance or persistence)
                2b) still, yet, more (of addition or repetition)
                2c) again
                2d) still, moreover, besides
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pass for abjad - d' y t'
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(about) that how the chamber/guardroom

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1) this, one ... to ... another
'% 'ay {ah'ee}
1) where?, whence?
2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
'¥ iy {ee}
1) ruin, heap of ruins
% vý eta' {ay-taw'}
1) counsel
% ta' {taw}
1) chamber, guardroom
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pass for abjad - ryl l' th ch
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altar without miraculous signs¹³, the fire-pot/brazier

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ari'eyl {ar-ee-ale'}
1) hearth, altar hearth, altar
       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)
              אָת 'ath {awth}
               1) sign, miraculous signs, wonders
              אָת 'eth {ayth}
               1) sign of the definite direct object, not translated in English
                 but generally preceding and indicating the accusative
                      ach {awkh} 'ach {
                      1) fire-pot, brazier
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pass for abjad - h' qw' r
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like as disgorged is broken in pieces/broken asunder

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he' {hay} he' {hay}
1) behold!, lo!
2) even as, like as
       קוא qow' {ko}
        1) to vomit up, spue out, disgorge
          1a) (Qal) to vomit
          1b) (Hiphil) to vomit up
            1b1) of land spewing out its inhabitants (fig)
            1b2) vomiting, disgorging
               רעע ra'a' {raw-ah'}
               1) to be bad, be evil
                 1a) (Qal)
                    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)
                    2a1) to break
                    2a2) broken (participle)
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¹³ the fire altar of the priest's forecourt? Here called guard yard

2a3) to be broken 2b) (Hithpolel) to be broken, be broken in pieces, be broken asunder r@'a' {reh-ah'} 1) (P'al) to crush, break, shatter

pass for abjad - khn thm r

priests burned up (as) enemy¹⁴

להָן kohen {ko-hane'} 1) priest, principal officer or chief ruler 1a) priest-king (Melchizedek, Messiah) 1b) pagan priests 1c) priests of Jehovah 1d) Levitical priests 1e) Zadokite priests 1f) Aaronic priests 1g) the high priest כהן kahen {kaw-hane'} 1) priest עהם atham {aw-tham'} 1) (Niphal) to be burned up, be scorched 1a) meaning dubious ער ar {awr} 1) enemy, adversary, foe pass for abjad - ysh' kll l' d' are saved (experienced salvation), finished not (didn't finish) passing away yasha' {yaw-shah'} 1) to save, be saved, be delivered 1a) (Niphal) 1a1) to be liberated, be saved, be delivered

1a2) to be saved (in battle), be victorious

1b) (Hiphil)

1b1) to save, deliver

- 1b2) to save from moral troubles
- 1b3) to give victory to

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yesha' {yeh'-shah} ישׁע yesha' {
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1) deliverance, salvation, rescue, safety, welfare

- 1a) safety, welfare, prosperity
- 1b) salvation
- 1c) victory

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$$\vee$kalal {kaw-lal'}
1) to complete, perfect, make complete, make perfect
1a) (Qal) to perfect
$$\vee$k@lal {kel-al'}
1) to finish, complete
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¹⁴ priests treated by the Romans as enemies and punished by death by fire

1a) (Shaphel) to finish

1b) (Ishtaphel) to be completed

- lo' {lo} לא 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 אַדָּאַ ada' {ad-aw'} 1) to pass on, **pass away** 1a) (P'al) 1a1) to pass on, pass over 1a2) to **pass away** 1b) (Aphel) to take away, remove, depose

pass for abjad - y db brh th

how to grieve the devouring/wrath/arrogance time/experiences,

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אי 'ay {ah'ee}
1) where?, whence?
2) which?, how? (in prefix with other adverb)
       אַזַב 'adab {aw-dab'}
       1) to grieve, cause grief
         1a) (Hiph) to cause to grieve, to grieve, to cause grief
              בערה b@'erah {be-ay-raw'}
               1) burning, fire
              ברה barah {baw-raw'}
               1) to eat, consume
                 1a) (Qal) to eat
                 1b) (Piel) for eating, devouring
                 1c) (Hiphil) to cause to eat
              עָבְרָה ebrah {eb-raw'}
               1) outpouring, overflow, excess, fury, wrath, arrogance
                 1a) overflow, excess, outburst
                 1b) arrogance
                 1c) overflowing rage or fury
                     עת eth {ayth}
                      1) time
                        1a) time (of an event)
                        1b) time (usual)
                        1c) experiences, fortunes
                        1d) occurrence, occasion
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pass for abjad - db bsh/b

grieving to make oneself odious/to abhor (or the darkness)¹⁵?

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אדַב 'adab {aw-dab'}
1) to grieve, cause grief
  1a) (Hiph) to cause to grieve, to grieve, to cause grief
       שאש ba'ash {baw-ash'}
       1) to have a bad smell, stink, smell bad
         1a) (Qal) to stink, smell bad
         1b) (Niphal)
           1b1) to become odious
            1b2) to make oneself odious
         1c) (Hiphil)
           1c1) to stink, emit a stinking odour
           1c2) to cause to stink
           1c3) of wickedness (fig.)
         1d) (Hithpael) to make oneself odious
       2) (TWOT) to abhor
       שאָש b@'esh {be-aysh'}
       1) (P'al) to be evil, be bad, be displeasing
       שאש b@'osh {be-oshe'}
       1) stench, foul odour
              עב ab {awb}
              1) darkness, cloud, thicket
                1a) dark cloud
                1b) cloud mass
                1c) thicket (as refuge)
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pass for abjad - cwd dy wb y

familiar converse/circle/council (with) which belongs to/that necromancer - not!

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in council, counsel, assembly
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)
information
info
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¹⁵ suggestion that the "poor" partly actively participated in the Jewish rebellion, most probably the young, and had been punished and executed by the Romans afterwards. Apparently, there wasn't a consent among the "poor" about this partaking as these words signal a disapproval for such an action

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pass for abjad - gbl w mr
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(which) set bounds for whether to say/speak/tell/avow -

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gabal {gaw-bal'}
1) to bound, border
  1a) (Qal) to bound, border
  1b) (Hiphil) to set bounds, set bounds for
       in 'ow {0}
        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
              אַמר {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
              יאמר 'omer {o'-mer}
               1) utterance, speech, word, saying, promise, command
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pass for abjad - tsh' l
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nonad/nine times not!

תַשָּע tesha' {tay'-shah} 1) nine, nonad 1a) nine (as cardinal number) 1b) ninth (as ordinal number)

1c) in combination with other numbers

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'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
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pass for abjad - llw sb' bw' gd
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though to be satisfied attain to/bring in/gather fortune

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אָלו 'illuw {il-loo'}
1) if, though (contrary to fact)
       שבע 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)
       שָׁבָע saba' {saw-baw'}
        1) plenty, satiety
          1a) plenty (of breadstuffs)
          1b) satiety
       שבע soba' {so'-bah}
        1) satiety, abundance, fullness
          1a) satiety
          1b) abundance
       שבע sabea' {saw-bay'-ah}
        1) sated, satisfied, surfeited
          1a) sated, abounding, satisfied
          1b) surfeited (bad sense)
              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
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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 73 Gad {gad} Gad = "god of fortune" 1) a Babylonian deity gad {gawd} {gawd} 1) fortune, good fortune

pass for abjad - yd th ydd

meet by appointment/assemble together with the loving-ones/friends

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יָעַד ya'ad {yaw-ad'}
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1) to fix, appoint, assemble, meet, set, betroth
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- 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

את 'eth {ayth}

- 1) with, near, together with
 - 1a) with, together with
 - **1b**) with (of relationship)
 - 1c) near (of place)
 - 1d) with (poss.)
- 1e) from...with, from (with other prep)

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יָדָד yadad {yaw-dad'}
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- 1) (Qal) to throw lots, cast lots
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- 2) love, loving-one, friend

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pass for abjad - d' zh h'
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one to another (all of you) those who behold (can see)

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זא דָא da' {daw}

1) this, one ... to ... another

דו zeh {zeh}

1) this, this one, here, which, this...that, the one...the other,
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another, such 1a) (alone) 1a1) this one 1a2) this...that, the one...the other, another **1b) (appos to subst)** 1b1) this 1c) (as predicate) 1c1) this, such 1d) (enclitically) 1d1) then 1d2) who, whom 1d3) how now, what now 1d4) what now 1d5) wherefore now 1d6) behold here 1d7) just now 1d8) now, now already 1e) (poetry) 1e1) wherein, which, those who 1f) (with prefixes) 1f1) in this (place) here, then 1f2) on these conditions, herewith, thus provided, by, through this, for this cause, in this matter 1f3) thus and thus 1f4) as follows, things such as these, accordingly, to that effect, in like manner, thus and thus 1f5) from here, hence, on one side...on the other side 1f6) on this account 1f7) in spite of this, which, whence, how he' {hay} הא הא 1) **behold**!, lo! he' {hay} הא הא 1) **behold**!, lo! 2) even as, like as

pass for abjad - yd th ydd

meet by appointment/assemble together with the loving-ones/friends

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יָעַד ya'ad {yaw-ad'}
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- 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
 - יאָת 'eth {ayth}
 - 1) with, near, together with
 - **1a**) with, together with

pass for abjad - mth w khh

in truth/faithfulness and to falter/be weak/be darkened/be faint/fail

אמת 'emeth {eh'-meth} n f 1) firmness, faithfulness, truth 1a) sureness, reliability 1b) stability, continuance 1c) faithfulness, reliableness 1d) truth 1d1) as spoken 1d2) of testimony and judgment 1d3) of divine instruction 1d4) truth as a body of ethical or religious knowledge 1d5) true doctrine adv 2) **in truth**, truly in 'ow {0} 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 נהה 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 גקה keheh {kay-heh'} 1) dim, dull, colourless, be dark, faint כָהָה kehah {kay-haw'} 1) a quenching, dulling, lessening, healing, alleviation

pass for abjad - md db' d

withstand/stand/endure (with) strength/rest until/up to the time that

עָמָד amad {aw-mad'}

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1) to stand, remain, endure, take one's stand
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1a) (Qal)
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- 1a1) to **stand, take one's stand**, be in a standing attitude, stand forth, **take a stand**, present oneself, attend upon, be or become servant of
- 1a2) to stand still, stop (moving or doing), cease
- 1a3) to tarry, delay, remain, continue, abide, endure, persist, be steadfast
- 1a4) to make a stand, hold one's ground
- 1a5) to **stand upright**, remain standing, stand up, rise, be erect, be upright
- 1a6) to arise, appear, come on the scene, stand forth, appear, **rise up or against**
- 1a7) to stand with, **take one's stand**, be appointed, grow flat, grow insipid
- 1b) (Hiphil)

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1b1) to station, set
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1b2) to cause to stand firm, maintain
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- 1b3) to cause to stand up, cause to set up, erect
- 1b4) to present (one) before (king)
- 1b5) to appoint, ordain, establish
- 1c) (Hophal) to be presented, be caused to stand, be stood before
- עָמַד amad {aw-mad'}

1) to be at a stand, stand, remain, endure

- vigent {o'-med עמד omed {o'-med}
- 1) standing place

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dobe' {do'-beh}
1) strength?, rest? (meaning obscure)
       עד ad {ad}
        prep
        1) as far as, even to, until, up to, while, as far as
          1a) of space
            1a1) as far as, up to, even to
          1b) in combination
            1b1) from...as far as, both...and (with 'min' - from)
          1c) of time
            1c1) even to, until, unto, till, during, end
          1d) of degree
            1d1) even to, to the degree of, even like
        conj
        2) until, while, to the point that, so that even
       עד ad {ad}
        prep
        1) even to, until, up to, during
        coni
        2) until, up to the time that, ere that
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pass for abjad - dh phn ddr

the knowledge (of God)/predestination circumstance/condition (be) glorious

לאה לa'ah {daw-aw'} 1) to fly fast, fly swiftly, dart through the air 1a) (Qal) to fly swiftly, dart 1) (Qal) to fly swiftly, dart 1) fast-flying bird of prey (kite?), bird of prey 1) fast-flying bird of prey (kite?), bird of prey de'ah {day-aw'} 1) knowledge (of God) יאפָד 1) knowledge (of God) יאפָד 1) circumstance, condition, timely יאפָד 'Addar {ad-dawr'} Addar or Adar = "exceeding glorious" 1) son of Bela and Benjamin's grandson 2) city in Judah near Edom

Last line

Left -

pass for abjad - w b b

rather/otherwise the Father (in Heaven)¹⁶ seeks for/requests/desires

iw '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

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2) whether, not the least, if, otherwise, also, and, then
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אָב '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 person4b) of people
- 5) originator or patron of a class, profession, or art

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6) of producer, generator (fig.)
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- 7) of benevolence and protection (fig.)
- 8) term of respect and honour
- **9)** ruler or chief (spec.)
- אב 'ab {ab}

1) father

נִעָא b@'a' {beh-aw'}

1) to **ask, seek, request, desire, pray**, make petition

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1a) (P'al)
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- 1a1) to **ask, request**
- 1a2) to seek (for favour)

¹⁶ or rather the pope - Holy Father?

pass for abjad - phw ll' bw

then/now, above the brought in/being put/being introduced

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iephow {ay-fo'}
1) then, now, so
  1a) (who) then, (what) then (with interrog)
  1b) then (with imperative - i.e. know then)
  1c) if...then (with adv)
       ella' {ale-law'} gella' {ale-law'}
        1) above
               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
pass for abjad - qr ydd d'
self-possessed (of spirit) love, God's knowledge
קar {kar}
1) cool
  1a) cool, calm, self-possessed (of spirit)
dor {kore} לֹר
1) cold
       yadad {yaw-dad'}
        V
        1) (Qal) to throw lots, cast lots
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2) love, loving-one, friend y7 dea' {day'-ah}

- 1) **knowledge**, opinion
 - 1a) God's knowledge
 - 1b) judgment, opinion

pass for abjad - yld dth kh

to bear/bring forth discernment/understanding/wisdom in this manner/so far

yalad {yaw-lad'} 1) to **bear**, **bring forth**, beget, gender, travail 1a) (Qal) 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 1c) (Piel) 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) yeled {yeh'-led} ילָד 1) child, son, boy, offspring, youth 1a) child, son, boy 1b) child, children 1c) descendants 1d) youth 1e) apostate Israelites (fig.) זעת da'ath {dah'-ath} 1) knowledge 1a) knowledge, perception, skill 1b) discernment, understanding, wisdom לה koh {ko} כה 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

Right -

pass for abjad - sb' bh

satisfaction/fulfilment longing/desire -

אָבע saba' {saw-bah'} 1) to be satisfied, be sated, be fulfilled, be surfeited

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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)
שֶׁבֶעַ sabea' {saw-bay'-ah}
1) sated, satisfied, surfeited
  1a) sated, abounding, satisfied
  1b) surfeited (bad sense)
       אבה 'abah {aw-baw'}
        1) to be willing, consent
          1a) (Oal)
            1a1) to be willing
            1a2) to consent, yield to, accept
            1a3) to desire
       'abeh {aw-beh'} אבי
        1) entreat, longing, desire
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pass for abjad - kh h' hkr

here/so behold/lo dealing wrongly with/the wrongdoing!

2 English translation

The plain English translation (synonyms separated by /, added prepositions or alternative spelling in brackets):

lay aside to pay heed to a lost thing/something lost for ever seeking/desiring an enemy or else requesting/desiring a dark cloud¹⁷ if you please, become a priest/serve as a priest, make yourself a servant, a witness (of) God's knowledge to pass on the tree/stick¹⁸ crashed into ruins/being desolated

the weakening/growing faint mountain-fastness/stronghold (Masada) above mist until now (stayed) rebellious meanwhile the same enemy/foe assemble/gather one to another to gird (oneself for the battle) ¹⁹

disheartening might (striking with awe) commands/treats as a slave, or if the darkness requested/desired a companion rather/otherwise to ruin/destroy/devastate consent to/accepting fear/terror, the same/who fall upon/attack otherwise crying shrilly to be startled (by) enemy requesting to bring friends/companions/fellows so far to be summoned - crying for help

Father's words fix/appoint the judgment!

servants/worshippers (of God/of Israel) make hot fire/flames (ignite the flames)²⁰ (on) mountain ridge/top to give a signal for war (or march)/alarm of battle above as far as one side/part (of land) to another to pass on ²¹

lessening bitterness helps to bring forth/to bear discernment/understanding/wisdom (of God) where otherwise darkness desiring/seeking good pleasure shows wicked folly (of) mind/thinking

brother, kneel in reverence (or sink down to one's knees) only to be near with the Father!

prostrate yourself/lay prostrate one to another (all of you) only like as to put a mantle on/be-mantle²², without pressure, even as to give a banquet (or feast) skirt (of robe)²³ without to be restrained/to fail

¹⁷ requesting to avenge/revenge

¹⁸ in Jewish scriptures the nation of Israel is sometimes symbolised as a fig tree

¹⁹ apparently to besiege the fortress Masada

²⁰ fires on mountain tops had been ignited by ancient Jews from different occasions, e.g., as landmarks inviting pilgrims on the way to Jerusalem on high holidays. Here, the fires are warning signals

²¹ to warn of the marching up Romans?

²² to put on a priestly robe, referring to the ordination to the priesthood

²³ the shirt of the episcopalian robe, referring to a superior consecration, to mitre

also to minister as a priest/serve as a priest – friend!

rule not over the earth/world together with the cordage/chain of council/counsel/assembly opinion

don't burden (make yourself not a burden) the rising weave ²⁴ appointing/designating the highest²⁵, priestly garment one to another (all priestly garments) (are) worthless/of nought but to teach the youth/children the discernment/understanding/wisdom (of) the Most High

until now the same bad/evil/wicked (ethically)/malignant nation/people/compatriots gathering in troops (or crowds)/penetrating/invading with a ghost/spirit of a dead one²⁶ request/desire to be cowed even as a wanderer/refugee one to another (all of us) (of) the brought wicked/malignant havoc/violence/destruction/devastation!

this indeed dark experience to heap up, to destroy/devastate all these thick upper beams/planks²⁷,

to carry/lead away, to deal wrongly with the pillars/jambs/pilasters (of) the inner part, to crush/shatter the floor ground, fragments apart from the devise (of) highest priest's ephod (priestly garment) above...

wail heart, again and again/continuously, (about) that how the chamber/guardroom altar without miraculous signs²⁸, the fire-pot/brazier like as disgorged is broken in pieces/broken asunder

priests burned up (as) enemy²⁹ are saved (experienced salvation), finished not (didn't finish) passing away

how to grieve the devouring/wrath/arrogance experiences, grieving to make oneself odious/to abhor (or the darkness)³⁰?

²⁴ referring to the inflow of members into the Christian parishes?

²⁵ suggestion to keep the local bishops independent from a higher authority

²⁶ summoning the ghosts of the past

²⁷ destruction of the Jerusalem temple. The roof construction of the temple was made of cedar wood beams

²⁸ the fire altar of the priest's forecourt? Here named guard yard

²⁹ priests treated by the Romans as enemies and punished by death by fire

³⁰ suggestion that the "poor" partly actively participated in the Jewish rebellion, most probably the young, and had been punished and executed by the Romans afterwards. Apparently, there wasn't a consent among the "poor" about this partaking as these words signal a disapproval for such an action

familiar converse/circle/council (with) which belong to necromancer - not! (which) set bounds for whether to say/speak/tell/avow nonad/nine times not!

though to be satisfied attain to/bring in/gather fortune meet by appointment/assemble together with the loving-ones/friends one to another (all of you) those who behold (can see) meet by appointment/assemble together with the loving-ones/friends in truth/faithfulness and to be weak/be darkened/fail withstand/stand/endure (with) strength/rest up to the time that the knowledge/predestination (of God) circumstance/condition be glorious

Last line

Left -

rather/otherwise the Father (in Heaven)³¹ seeks for/requests/desires then/now, above the brought in/being put self-possessed (of spirit) love, God's knowledge to bear/bring forth discernment/understanding/wisdom in this manner

Right -

satisfaction/fulfilment longing/desire - behold/lo here the wrongdoing!

3 Conclusion

The advisory speech to members of a community or communion in first place recalls events, which presumably took place in the immediate past of the address - the destruction of Jerusalem and the Jerusalem temple as aftermath of the Great Jewish rebellion against the Romans 66 - 70 CE. The communion seems to had been forced to leave Jerusalem and to disperse into Judea, Galilea or behind the lands of Israel. Already the first sentence emphasises the definitiveness of the described events: *don't give heed to something lost forever*.

The brutality and malignance of the aggressors, the Romans, are portrayed in an emphatic form, their moving motifs for aggression and their addiction to atrocious pleasures classified as *wicked folly of thinking*. It follows an advisory part - how to organise the spiritual life after the displacement into separated parishes - and a short reference to executed priests, who apparently took active part in the hostilities against the Romans. It is not clear, if these priests were members of the same communion or other Jewish priests. We tend to interpret this fragment as an indication for divisions within the communion about the question, if a lethal fight against an enemy was justified and reconcilable with their beliefs. The speaker seems to be unforgiving and unreconciled with respect to groups he describes as necromancer and people, who try *to set limits to what to speak or avow*.

³¹ or rather the pope - Holy Father?

Our assessment to perceive the "poor" as early Christians remains unchanged. Yet, it would be very speculative to ascribe the text to a particular Christian group at this stage of VMS decipherment. The Jerusalem Church of James, Essenes or Ebionites - all are eligible, as we don't know much about the differences between these groups and to which extent, they considered themselves as one Christian community. The overemphasis of knowledge and wisdom importance suggests a proximity to gnostic ideas. Otherwise, the early Christianity of the years before 70 CE as such could be much more gnostic oriented than we know it from Pauline epistles - a Christian *bias* present in the apocryphal Gospel of Thomas or other Nag Hammadi scripts.

Again, the last line of the passage doesn't belong to the original corpus but is obviously a supplement added by the medieval scribe. The scribe stresses the superiority of God's wisdom, discernment or determination over all men-acquired knowledge and perception. The fate of the communion as described in the text serves as a flagship example for an outcome of a self-possessed wrongdoing: *fulfilment desire - behold here the wrongdoing!*

Eventually, we give an interpretation for the red icon on the left side of the first line in this passage, the weirdos. In our opinion, likewise in the opinion of many other Voynich enthusiasts, these red weirdos symbolise birds. In Jewish tradition every seventh year is a shmitta (שמיטה) or sabbatical year. In ancient Israel, among other rules, fields were not cultivated, debts reliefs took place and the bird stock had been released back into the wild in these years. The earth should be transformed a bit into the original state. The wings of the bird are straightened up as if it tried to gain height in flight to liberty. In our opinion the red bird icon symbolises a shmitta year, while the smoke over it symbolises the warning fire described in the text, which were in coincidence with the fire of the Pesach feast, the beginning of the siege of Jerusalem by the Romans. The year 70 CE was a shmitta year.