

Yechezkel's Contribution to the Redemption

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1. מלכים ב' כ"ד	
<p>(ח) בן־שָׁמְנָה עֶשְׂרֵה שָׁנָה יְהוֹיָכִין בְּמִלְכוֹ וּשְׁלֹשָׁה חֳדָשִׁים מָלַךְ בִּירוּשָׁלַם וְשֵׁם אִמּוֹ נְחֻשְׁתָּא בַת־אֵלְנָתָן מִירוּשָׁלַם: (ט) וַיַּעַשׂ הַרְעָ בְּעֵינֵי ה' כְּכֹל אֲשֶׁר־עָשָׂה אָבִיו: (י) בְּעֵת הַהִיא עָלָה [עֲלוֹן] עֲבָדֵי נְבוּכַדְנֶצַּר מֶלֶךְ־בָּבֶל יְרוּשָׁלַם וַתָּבֵא הָעִיר בַּמָּצוֹר: (יא) וַיָּבֹא נְבוּכַדְנֶצַּר מֶלֶךְ־בָּבֶל עַל־הָעִיר וַעֲבָדָיו צָרִים עָלֶיהָ: (יב) וַיָּצֵא יְהוֹיָכִין מֶלֶךְ־יְהוּדָה עִלְמָלֵךְ בְּכֹל הוּא וְאִמּוֹ וְעַבְדָּיו וְשָׂרָיו וְסָרִיסָיו וְנִקְחָ אֹתוֹ מֶלֶךְ בָּבֶל בְּשָׁנַת שְׁמֹנֶה לְמַלְכוֹ: (יג) וַיּוֹצֵא מִשָּׁם אֶת־כָּל־אֹצְרוֹת בַּיִת ה' וְאֹצְרוֹת בַּיִת הַמֶּלֶךְ וַיִּקְצֹץ אֶת־כָּל־כְּלֵי הַזָּהָב אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה שְׁלֹמֹה מֶלֶךְ־יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּהִיבֵל ה' כְּאֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר ה': (יד) וַהֲגִלָּה אֶת־כָּל־יְרוּשָׁלַם וְאֶת־כָּל־הַשָּׂרִים וְאֵת כָּל־גִּבּוֹרֵי הַחַיִל עֹשֵׂה [עֲשָׂרָה] אֲלָפִים גּוֹלָה וְכָל־הַחֲרָשׁ וְהַמְּסַגֵּר לֹא נִשְׁאַר זֹלָת דָּלָת עַם־הָאָרֶץ: (טו) וַיִּגְלֵ אֶת־יְהוֹיָכִין בְּבָבֶלָה וְאֶת־אִמּוֹ הַמֶּלֶךְ וְאֶת־נָשָׁי הַמְּלָכָה וְאֶת־סָרִיסָיו וְאֵת אוֹלֵי [אֵילָי] הָאָרֶץ הוֹלִיךָ גּוֹלָה מִירוּשָׁלַם בְּבָבֶלָה: (טז) וְאֵת כָּל־אֲנָשֵׁי הַחַיִל שְׁבַעַת אֲלָפִים וְהַחֲרָשׁ וְהַמְּסַגֵּר אֲלֶף הַכֹּל גִּבּוֹרִים עֹשֵׂי מִלְחָמָה וַיְבִיאֵם מֶלֶךְ־בָּבֶל גּוֹלָה בְּבָבֶלָה: (יז) וַיִּמְלֹךְ מֶלֶךְ־בָּבֶל אֶת־מַטַּנְיָה דָּדוֹ תַּחְתָּיו וַיִּסַּב אֶת־שְׁמוֹ צִדְקִיָּהוּ:</p>	<p>(8) Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he became king, and he reigned three months in Jerusalem; his mother's name was Nehushta daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem. (9) He did what was displeasing to the LORD, just as his father had done. (10) At that time, the troops of King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon marched against Jerusalem, and the city came under siege. (11) King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon advanced against the city while his troops were besieging it. (12) Thereupon King Jehoiachin of Judah, along with his mother, and his courtiers, commanders, and officers, surrendered to the king of Babylon. The king of Babylon took him captive in the eighth year of his reign. (13) He carried off from Jerusalem all the treasures of the House of the LORD and the treasures of the royal palace; he stripped off all the golden decorations in the Temple of the LORD—which King Solomon of Israel had made—as the LORD had warned. (14) He exiled all of Jerusalem: all the commanders and all the warriors—ten thousand exiles—as well as all the craftsmen and smiths; only the poorest people in the land were left. (15) He deported Jehoiachin to Babylon; and the king's wives and officers and the notables of the land were brought as exiles from Jerusalem to Babylon. (16) All the able men, to the number of seven thousand—all of them warriors, trained for battle—and a thousand craftsmen and smiths were brought to Babylon as exiles by the king of Babylon. (17) And the king of Babylon appointed Mattaniah, Jehoiachin's uncle, king in his place, changing his name to Zedekiah.</p>

2. מלכים ב' כ"ה	
<p>(כו) וַיְהִי בִשְׁלֹשִׁים וָשֶׁבַע שָׁנָה לְגָלוּת יְהוֹיָכִין מֶלֶךְ־יְהוּדָה בְּשָׁנִים עָשָׂר חֹדֶשׁ בְּעֶשְׂרִים וָשֶׁבַע לַחֹדֶשׁ נָשָׂא אֲנִיל מַרְדֹּךְ מֶלֶךְ בָּבֶל בְּשַׁגַּת מְלָכוֹ אֶת־רֹאשׁ יְהוֹיָכִין מֶלֶךְ־יְהוּדָה מִבַּיִת כְּלֵא:</p>	<p>(27) In the thirty-seventh year of the exile of King Jehoiachin of Judah, on the twenty-seventh day of the twelfth month, King Evilmerodach of Babylon, in the year he became king, took note of King Jehoiachin of Judah and released him from prison.</p>
<p>(כח) וַיְדַבֵּר אִתּוֹ טוֹבוֹת וַיִּתֵּן אֶת־כִּסְאוֹ מֵעַל כִּסֵּא הַמְּלָכִים אֲשֶׁר אִתּוֹ בְּכַבְּלֵי:</p>	<p>(28) He spoke kindly to him, and gave him a throne above those of other kings who were with him in Babylon.</p>
<p>(כט) וַשִּׁנָּא אֶת בְּגָדָיו כִּלְאוֹ וְאָכַל לֶחֶם תָּמִיד לְפָנָיו כְּלִי־יָמֵי חַיָּו:</p>	<p>(29) His prison garments were removed, and [Jehoiachin] received regular rations by his favor for the rest of his life.</p>
<p>(ל) וַנֶּאֱרַחְתּוּ אֶרְצַת תְּמִיד נִתְּנָה־לּוֹ מֵאֵת הַמֶּלֶךְ דְּבַר־יְוָם כִּיּוֹמוֹ כֹּל יְמֵי חַיָּו:</p>	<p>(30) A regular allotment of food was given him at the instance of the king—an allotment for each day—all the days of his life.</p>

3. יחזקאל ב'	
<p>(א) וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי בּוֹ־אָדָם עֹמֵד עַל־רַגְלָיִךְ וַאֲדַבֵּר אִתְּךָ:</p>	<p>(1) And He said to me, “O mortal, stand up on your feet that I may speak to you.”</p>
<p>(ב) וַתְּבֹא בִי רוּחַ כְּאֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר אֵלַי וַתַּעֲמֵדְנִי עַל־רַגְלָי וַאֲשַׁמְעֵנִי אֶת מַדְבַּר אֵלַי:</p>	<p>(2) As He spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me upon my feet; and I heard what was being spoken to me.</p>
<p>(ג) וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי בּוֹ־אָדָם שׁוּלַח אֲנִי אוֹתְךָ אֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל־גּוֹיֵם הַמּוֹרְדִים אֲשֶׁר מְרֹדוּ־בִי הֵמָּה וַאֲבוֹתָם פָּשְׁעוּ בִי עַד־עַצְמוֹ הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה:</p>	<p>(3) He said to me, “O mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, that nation of rebels, who have rebelled against Me.—They as well as their fathers have defied Me to this very day;</p>
<p>(ד) וְהַבָּנִים קָשִׁי פָּנִים וְחַזְקֵי־לֵב אֲנִי שׁוֹלַח אוֹתְךָ אֲלֵיהֶם וְאָמַרְתָּ אֲלֵיהֶם כֹּה אָמַר ה' אֱלֹהֵי לְהִים:</p>	<p>(4) for the sons are brazen of face and stubborn of heart. I send you to them, and you shall say to them: ‘Thus said the Lord GOD’—</p>
<p>(ה) וְהִמָּה אִם־יִשְׁמְעוּ וְאִם־יִתְּקֻלוּ כִּי בַיִת מְרִי הִמָּה וַנִּדְעוּ כִּי נָבִיא הִיָּה בְּתוֹכָם:</p>	<p>(5) whether they listen or not, for they are a rebellious breed—that they may know that there was a prophet among them.</p>

4. יחזקאל י"א	
<p>(יד) וַיְהִי דְבַר־ה' אֵלַי לֵאמֹר:</p>	<p>(14) Then the word of the LORD came to me:</p>
<p>(טו) בּוֹ־אָדָם אַחִיךָ אֲנִשִּׁיךָ גְּאֻלְתְּךָ וְכָל־בַּיִת יִשְׂרָאֵל כֹּל־הַבָּיִת אֲשֶׁר אָמְרוּ לָהֶם יִשְׁבִּי יְרוּשָׁלַם רְחֻקוֹ מֵעַל ה' לָנוּ הִיא נַתְּנָה הָאָרֶץ לְמוֹרְשָׁה:</p>	<p>(15) “O mortal, [I will save] your brothers, your brothers, the men of your kindred, all of that very House of Israel to whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem say, ‘Keep far from the LORD; the land has been given as a heritage to us.’</p>
<p>(טז) לָכֵן אָמַר כֹּה־אָמַר ה' אֱלֹהִים כִּי הֲרַחַקְתִּים בְּגוֹיִם וְכִי הִפְצִיזְתִּים בְּאֶרְצוֹת וְאֲנִי הָיִיתִי לָהֶם לְמִקְדָּשׁ מְעֻט בְּאֶרְצוֹת אֲשֶׁר־בָּאוּ שָׁמָּה:</p>	<p>(16) Say then: Thus said the Lord GOD: I have indeed removed them far among the nations and have scattered them among the countries, and I have become to them a diminished sanctity in the countries whither they have gone.</p>
<p>(יז) לָכֵן אָמַר כֹּה־אָמַר ה' אֱלֹהִים וְקַבְּצְתִי אֶתְכֶם מִן־הַעַמִּים וְאֶסְפַּתִּי אֶתְכֶם מִן־הָאֶרְצוֹת אֲשֶׁר נִפְצַזְתֶּם בָּהֶם וְנָתַתִּי לָכֶם אֶת־אֶרְצַת יִשְׂרָאֵל:</p>	<p>(17) Yet say: Thus said the Lord GOD: I will gather you from the peoples and assemble you out of the countries where you have been scattered, and I will give you the Land of Israel.</p>

5. יחזקאל ל"ג	
(כג) וַיְהִי דְבַר־ה' אֵלַי לֵאמֹר:	(23) The word of the LORD came to me:
(כד) בְּוֹאֲאֵלֶם יֹשְׁבֵי הַחֲרֻבוֹת הָאֵלֶּה עַל־אֲדַמַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל אֲמַרְיִם לֵאמֹר אֶחָד הָיָה אֲבֹרְהֶם וַיִּירַשׁ אֶת־הָאָרֶץ וְאַנְחֵנוּ רַבִּים לָנוּ נִתְּנָה הָאָרֶץ לְמוֹרָשָׁה:	(24) O mortal, those who live in these ruins in the land of Israel argue, "Abraham was but one man, yet he was granted possession of the land. We are many; surely, the land has been given as a possession to us."
(כה) לְכֹן אֲמַר אֱלֹהִים כֹּה־אָמַר ה' א-להים עליהם על־הַדָּם הַתֹּאכְלוּ וְעַיְנֵיכֶם תִּשְׁאֹוּ אֶל־גְּלוּלֵיכֶם וְגַם תִּשְׁפְּכוּ וְהָאָרֶץ תִּירָשׁוּ: אֶל־גְּלוּלֵיכֶם וְגַם תִּשְׁפְּכוּ וְהָאָרֶץ תִּירָשׁוּ:	(25) Therefore say to them: Thus said the Lord GOD: You eat with the blood, you raise your eyes to your fetishes, and you shed blood—yet you expect to possess the land!
(כו) עֲמַדְתֶּם עַל־חַרְבְּכֶם עָשִׂיתֶן תּוֹעֵבָה וְאִישׁ אֶת־אִשְׁתׁוֹ רָעָהוּ וְטִמַּאתֶם וְהָאָרֶץ תִּירָשׁוּ:	(26) You have relied on your sword, you have committed abominations, you have all defiled other men's wives—yet you expect to possess the land!
(כז) כֹּה־תֹאמַר אֱלֹהִים כֹּה־אָמַר ה' א-להים חיי־אֲנִי אִם־לֹא אֲשֶׁר בְּחֲרֻבוֹת בְּחָרֵב יִפְּלוּ וְאֲשֶׁר עַל־פְּנֵי הַשָּׂדֶה לַחַיָּה נִמְתָּיו לְאֶכְלוּ וְאֲשֶׁר בְּמַצְדּוֹת וּבְמַעְרֹוֹת בְּדִבְרֵי מוֹתוֹ:	(27) Thus shall you speak to them: Thus said the Lord GOD: As I live, those who are in the ruins shall fall by the sword, and those who are in the open I have allotted as food to the beasts, and those who are in the strongholds and caves shall die by pestilence.
(כח) וְנִתְּמִי אֶת־הָאָרֶץ שְׂמֵמָה וּמִשְׁמָה וְנִשְׁבַּת גְּאוֹן עִזָּה וְשִׁמְמוֹ הָרִי יִשְׂרָאֵל מֵאֵין עוֹבֵר:	(28) I will make the land a desolate waste, and her proud glory shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, with none passing through.
(כט) וַיֵּדְעוּ כִּי־אֲנִי ה' בְּתַמִּי אֶת־הָאָרֶץ שְׂמֵמָה וּמִשְׁמָה עַל כָּל־תּוֹעֵבוֹתֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר עָשִׂיתָ:	(29) And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I make the land a desolate waste on account of all the abominations which they have committed.

6. יחזקאל כ"ב	
(א) וַיְהִי דְבַר־יהוָה אֵלַי לֵאמֹר:	(1) The word of the LORD came to me:
(ב) וְאַתָּה בְּוֹאֲאֵלֶם הַתְּשִׁפֹּט הַתְּשִׁפֹּט אֶת־עִיר הַדְּמָיִם וְהוֹדַעְתָּהּ אֵת כָּל־תּוֹעֵבוֹתֶיהָ:	(2) Further, O mortal, arraign, arraign the city of bloodshed; declare to her all her abhorrent deeds!
(ג) וְאָמַרְתְּ כֹּה אָמַר ה' א-להים עִיר שִׁפְכַת דָּם בְּתוֹכָהּ לְבוֹא עִתָּהּ וְעָשִׂיתָ גְּלוּלִים עָלֶיהָ לְטִמְאָה:	(3) Say: Thus said the Lord GOD: O city in whose midst blood is shed, so that your hour is approaching; within which fetishes are made, so that you have become unclean!
(ד) בְּדַמְךָ אֲשֶׁר־שִׁפְכַת אֲשַׁמְתָּ וּבְגִלוּלֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר־עָשִׂיתָ טִמַּאת וּמִקְרִיבֵי יְמִיד וּנְתִיבָה עַד־שְׁנוֹתֶיךָ עַל־כֵּן נִמְתָּיִךְ חֲרָפָה לְגוֹיִם וְקִלְסָה לְכָל־הָאָרָצוֹת:	(4) You stand guilty of the blood you have shed, defiled by the fetishes you have made. You have brought on your day; you have reached your year. Therefore I will make you the mockery of the nations and the scorn of all the lands.
(ה) הַקְּרֻבוֹת וְהַרְחֻקוֹת מִמֶּךָ יִתְקַלְסוּ־בְךָ טִמַּאת הַשֵּׁם רַבַּת הַמִּהוּמָה: ...	(5) Both the near and the far shall scorn you, O besmirched of name, O laden with iniquity!...
(יג) וְהִנֵּה הִכִּיתִי כַּף אֶל־בִּצְעֶךָ אֲשֶׁר עָשִׂיתָ וְעַל־דַּמְךָ אֲשֶׁר הָיָה בְּתוֹכָהּ:	(13) Lo, I will strike My hands over the ill-gotten gains that you have amassed, and over the bloodshed that has been committed in your midst.
(יד) הֲיִעֲמֵד לְבוֹךְ אִם־תִּתְקַנֶּה יְדֶיךָ לְיָמִים אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי עֹשֶׂה אִתְּךָ אֲנִי ה' דִּבַּרְתִּי וְעָשִׂיתִי:	(14) Will your courage endure, will your hands remain firm in the days when I deal with you? I the LORD have spoken and I will act.
(טו) וְהִפִּיצוּתִי אוֹתְךָ בְּגוֹיִם וְנִרְיִתֶיךָ בְּאָרָצוֹת וְהִתְמַתִּי טִמְאָתְךָ מִמֶּךָ:	(15) I will scatter you among the nations and disperse you through the lands; I will consume the uncleanness out of you.

(טז) ונתלת בך לעיני גוים ונדעת כִּי־אֲנִי ה':	(16) You shall be dishonored in the sight of nations, and you shall know that I am the LORD.
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7. יחזקאל ל"ג	
(א) וַיְהִי דְבַר־ה' אֵלַי לֵאמֹר:	(1) The word of the LORD came to me:
(ב) בְּוֹאֲלֵם דְּבַר אֶל־בְּנֵי־עַמּוֹהָ וְאָמַרְתָּ אֲלֵיהֶם אֲרֻץ כִּי־אָבִיא עֲלֵיהָ חֶרֶב וְלָקַחוּ עִם־הָאָרֶץ אִישׁ אֶחָד מִקְצֵיהֶם וַנִּתְּנוּ אֹתוֹ לָהֶם לְצִפָּה:	(2) O mortal, speak to your fellow countrymen and say to them: When I bring the sword against a country, the citizens of that country take one of their number and appoint him their watchman.
(ג) וַרְאָה אֶת־הַחֶרֶב בָּאָה עַל־הָאָרֶץ וַתִּקַּע בְּשׁוֹפָר וַהֲזִיקֵר אֶת־הָעָם:	(3) Suppose he sees the sword advancing against the country, and he blows the horn and warns the people.
(ד) וְשָׁמַע הַשְּׁמַע אֶת־קוֹל הַשׁוֹפָר וְלֹא נִזְקָר וַתָּבוֹא חֶרֶב וַתִּקַּחְהוּ דָמוֹ כְּרָאֲשׁוֹ יְהִיָּה:	(4) If anybody hears the sound of the horn but ignores the warning, and the sword comes and dispatches him, his blood shall be on his own head.
(ה) אֵת קוֹל הַשׁוֹפָר שָׁמַע וְלֹא נִזְקָר דָּמוֹ בּוֹ יִהְיֶה וְהוּא נִזְקָר נִפְשׁוֹ מִלֹּט:	(5) Since he heard the sound of the horn but ignored the warning, his bloodguilt shall be upon himself; had he taken the warning, he would have saved his life.
(ו) וְהִצַּפָּה כִּי־יִרְאָה אֶת־הַחֶרֶב בָּאָה וְלֹא־תִקַּע בְּשׁוֹפָר וְהָעָם לֹא־נִזְקָר וַתָּבוֹא חֶרֶב וַתִּקַּח מֵהֶם גּוֹשׁ הוּא בְּעוֹנוֹ נִלְקַח וְדָמוֹ מִן־הַצַּפָּה אֲדַרְשׁ:	(6) But if the watchman sees the sword advancing and does not blow the horn, so that the people are not warned, and the sword comes and destroys one of them, that person was destroyed for his own sins; however, I will demand a reckoning for his blood from the watchman.
(ז) וְאַתָּה בְּוֹאֲלֵם צַפָּה וַתְּהִיָּה לְבַיִת יִשְׂרָאֵל וְשָׁמַעְתָּ מִפִּי דְבַר וְהִזְהַרְתָּ אֹתָם מִמֶּנִּי:	(7) Now, O mortal, I have appointed you a watchman for the House of Israel; and whenever you hear a message from My mouth, you must transmit My warning to them.
(ח) בְּאָמַרְי לְרָשָׁע רָשָׁע מוֹת תָּמוּת וְלֹא דְבַרְתָּ לְהַזְהִיר רָשָׁע מִדַּרְכּוֹ הוּא רָשָׁע בְּעוֹנוֹ יָמוּת וְדָמוֹ מִיָּדְךָ אֲבַקֵּשׁ:	(8) When I say to the wicked, “Wicked man, you shall die,” but you have not spoken to warn the wicked man against his way, he, that wicked man, shall die for his sins, but I will demand a reckoning for his blood from you.
(ט) וְאִם־הוּא כִּי־הִזְהַרְתָּ רָשָׁע מִדַּרְכּוֹ לְשׁוּב מִמֶּנֶּה וְלֹא־שָׁב מִדַּרְכּוֹ הוּא בְּעוֹנוֹ יָמוּת וְאַתָּה נִפְשׁוֹ הַצַּלְתָּ:	(9) But if you have warned the wicked man to turn back from his way, and he has not turned from his way, he shall die for his own sins, but you will have saved your life.
(י) וְאַתָּה בְּוֹאֲלֵם אָמַר אֶל־בְּיַת יִשְׂרָאֵל כֵּן אָמַרְתֶּם לֵאמֹר כִּי־פָשַׁעְנוּ וְחַטָּאתֵינוּ עָלֵינוּ וַיָּבֵם אַנְהֵנוּ נִמְקִים וְאִיךָ נִחְיֶה:	(10) Now, O mortal, say to the House of Israel: This is what you have been saying: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh heavily upon us; we are sick at heart about them. How can we survive?”
(יא) אָמַר אֲלֵיהֶם חַי־אֲנִי ה' אֱלֹהִים אִם־יִחַפְּזוּ בְּמִוֹת הַרְשָׁע כִּי אִם־בְּשׁוּב רָשָׁע מִדַּרְכּוֹ וַתִּגַּה שׁוּבוֹ שׁוּבוֹ מִדַּרְכֵיכֶם הַרְעִים וְלָמָּה תָּמוּתוּ בַּיִת יִשְׂרָאֵל:	(11) Say to them: As I live—declares the Lord GOD—it is not My desire that the wicked shall die, but that the wicked turn from his [evil] ways and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways, that you may not die, O House of Israel!
(יב) וְאַתָּה בְּוֹאֲלֵם אָמַר אֶל־בְּנֵי־עַמּוֹהָ צְדָקַת הַצַּדִּיק לֹא תִצַּלְנוּ בְּיָוֵם פְּשָׁעוֹ וְרִשְׁעוֹ הַרְשָׁע לֹא־יִגְשַׁל בָּהּ בְּיָוֵם שׁוּבוֹ מִרִשְׁעוֹ וְצַדִּיק לֹא יִגְבַּל לְחַיּוֹת בַּהּ בְּיָוֵם חַטָּאתוֹ:	(12) Now, O mortal, say to your fellow countrymen: The righteousness of the righteous shall not save him when he transgresses, nor shall the wickedness of the wicked cause him to stumble when he turns back from his wickedness. The righteous shall not survive through his righteousness when he sins.
(יג) בְּאָמַרְי לְצַדִּיק תִּזְהַ יְהִיָּה וְהוּא־בָטַח עַל־צְדָקָתוֹ וַעֲשָׂה עָוֹל כְּלִי־צְדָקָתוֹ [צְדָקְתוֹ] לֹא תִזְכָּרְנָה וּבְעוֹלוֹ אֲשַׁר־עָשָׂה בּוֹ יָמוּת:	(13) When I say of the righteous “He shall surely live,” and, relying on his righteousness, he commits iniquity, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered; but for the iniquity that he has committed

	he shall die.
(ד) וּבְאֶמְרֵי לְרָשָׁע מוֹת תָּמוּת וְשָׁב מִחַטָּאתוֹ וַעֲשֵׂה מִשְׁפָּט וּצְדָקָה:	(14) So, too, when I say to the wicked, “You shall die,” and he turns back from his sinfulness and does what is just and right—
(טו) חָבֵל יִשְׁיֵב רָשָׁע גְּזֵלָה יִשְׁלַם בְּחֻקוֹת הַחַיִּים הַלֵּל לְבַלְתִּי עֲשׂוֹת עוֹל חִנּוּ יִחַיָּה לֹא יָמוּת:	(15) if the wicked man restores a pledge, makes good what he has taken by robbery, follows the laws of life, and does not commit iniquity—he shall live, he shall not die.
(טז) כָּל־חַטָּאתוֹ [חַטָּאתָיו] אֲשֶׁר חָטָא לֹא תִזְכְּרָנָה לוֹ מִשְׁפָּט וּצְדָקָה עֲשֵׂה חִנּוּ יִחַיָּה:	(16) None of the sins that he committed shall be remembered against him; since he does what is just and right, he shall live.
(יז) וְאָמְרוּ בְּנֵי עַמּוֹד לֹא יִתְּבוּ דְרֹד ה' וְהַמָּה דְרָבָם לֹא־יִתְּבוּ:	(17) Your fellow countrymen say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” But it is their way that is unfair!
(יח) בְּשׁוֹב־צְדִיק מִצְדָּקָתוֹ וַעֲשֵׂה עוֹל וּמַת בָּהֶם:	(18) When a righteous man turns away from his righteous deeds and commits iniquity, he shall die for it.
(יט) וּבְשׁוֹב רָשָׁע מִרְשָׁעוֹ וַעֲשֵׂה מִשְׁפָּט וּצְדָקָה עֲלֵיהֶם הוּא יִחַיָּה:	(19) And when a wicked man turns back from his wickedness and does what is just and right, it is he who shall live by virtue of these things.
(כ) וְנֹאמְרָם לֹא יִתְּבוּ דְרֹד ה' אִישׁ כְּדַרְכּוֹ אֲשַׁפּוּט אֶתְכֶם בַּיַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל.	(20) And will you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair”? I will judge each one of you according to his ways, O House of Israel!

8. יחזקאל ל"ו	
(טז) וַיְהִי דְבַר־ה' אֵלַי לֵאמֹר:	(16) The word of the LORD came to me:
(יז) בְּרֹאֲלֶם בַּיַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל יִשְׁבִּים עַל־אֲדָמָתָם וַיִּטְמְאוּ אוֹתָהּ בְּדַרְכָּם וּבַעֲלִילוֹתָם כְּטִמְאַת הַנְּדִיָּה הַיְּתֵה דְרָבָם לִפְנֵי:	(17) O mortal, when the House of Israel dwelt on their own soil, they defiled it with their ways and their deeds; their ways were in My sight like the uncleanness of a menstruous woman.
(יח) וַאֲשַׁפְּדוּ חַמְתִּי עֲלֵיהֶם עַל־הַדָּם אֲשֶׁר־שָׁפְכוּ עַל־הָאָרֶץ וּבְגִלּוֹלֵיהֶם טִמְאוּהָ:	(18) So I poured out My wrath on them for the blood which they shed upon their land, and for the fetishes with which they defiled it.
(יט) וַאֲפִיץ אֹתָם בְּגוֹיִם וַיִּזְרוּ בְּאַרְצוֹת כְּדַרְכָּם וּכְעִלּוֹתָם שִׁפְטוּתִים:	(19) I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed through the countries: I punished them in accordance with their ways and their deeds.
(כ) וַיָּבֹאוּ אֶל־הַגּוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר־בָּאוּ שָׁם וַיְחַלְלוּ אֶת־שֵׁם קְדוֹשִׁי בְּאֵמֶר לֵהֶם עַם־ה' אֵלֶּה וּמֵאַרְצוֹ יֵצְאוּ:	(20) But when they came to those nations, they caused My holy name to be profaned, in that it was said of them, “These are the people of the LORD, yet they had to leave His land.”
(כא) וְאֶחְמַל עַל־שֵׁם קְדוֹשִׁי אֲשֶׁר חָלְלוּהוּ בַּיַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּגוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר־בָּאוּ שָׁמָּה:	(21) Therefore I am concerned for My holy name, which the House of Israel have caused to be profaned among the nations to which they have come.
(כב) לָכֵן אֵמַר לְבַיַּת־יִשְׂרָאֵל כֹּה אָמַר ה' אֱלֹהִים לֹא לְמַעַנְכֶם אֲנִי עֹשֶׂה בַּיַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל כִּי אִם־לְשֵׁם־קְדוֹשִׁי אֲשֶׁר חָלְלֵתֶם בְּגוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר־בָּאתֶם שָׁמָּה:	(22) Say to the House of Israel: Thus said the Lord GOD: Not for your sake will I act, O House of Israel, but for My holy name, which you have caused to be profaned among the nations to which you have come.
(כג) וְקִדְשִׁיתִי אֶת־שְׁמִי הַגָּדוֹל הַמְּחַלְלִל בְּגוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר חָלְלֵתֶם בְּתוֹכָם וַיִּדְעוּ הַגּוֹיִם כִּי־אֲנִי יְהוָה וְנֹאֵם ה' אֱלֹהִים בְּהַקְדוֹשִׁי בְּכֶם לְעֵינֵיהֶם:	(23) I will sanctify My great name which has been profaned among the nations—among whom you have caused it to be profaned. And the nations shall know that I am the LORD—declares the Lord GOD—when I manifest My holiness before their eyes through you.
(כד) וְלָקַחְתִּי אֶתְכֶם מִן־הַגּוֹיִם וּקְבַצְתִּי אֶתְכֶם מִכָּל־הָאֲרָצוֹת וְהִבַּאתִי אֶתְכֶם אֶל־אֲדָמַתְכֶם:	(24) I will take you from among the nations and gather you from all the countries, and I will bring you back to your own land.
(כה) וַיִּזְרַקְתִּי עֲלֵיכֶם מַיִם טְהוֹרִים וְטִהַרְתֶּם מִכָּל טִמְאוֹתֵיכֶם וּמִכָּל־גִּלְגָּלֵיכֶם אֲסַהַר:	(25) I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean: I will cleanse you from all your uncleanness and from all your fetishes.

אתכם:	
(כו) ונתתי לכם לב חדש ורוח חדשה אתו בקרבכם והסרתי את־לב האבן מבשרכם ונתתי לכם לב בשר:	(26) And I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit into you: I will remove the heart of stone from your body and give you a heart of flesh;
(כז) ואת־רוחי אתו בקרבכם ועשיתי את אשר־בחקי תלכו ומשפט־י משפטי תשמרו ועשיתם:	(27) and I will put My spirit into you. Thus I will cause you to follow My laws and faithfully to observe My rules.
(כח) וישבתם בארץ אשר נתתי לאבותיכם והייתם לי לעם ואנכי אהיה לכם לא־להים:	(28) Then you shall dwell in the land which I gave to your fathers, and you shall be My people and I will be your God.
(כט) והושעתי אתכם מפל טמאותיכם וקראתי אליהם ויהי רב־ביתי אתו ולא־אתו עליכם רעב:	(29) And when I have delivered you from all your uncleanness, I will summon the grain and make it abundant, and I will not bring famine upon you.
(ל) והרביתי את־פרי העץ ותגובת השדה למען אשר לא תקחו עוד חרפת רעב בגוים:	(30) I will make the fruit of your trees and the crops of your fields abundant, so that you shall never again be humiliated before the nations because of famine.
(לא) וזכרתם את־דרכיכם הרעים ומעלליכם אשר לא־טובים ונקטתם בפניכם על עוונותיכם ועל תועבותיכם:	(31) Then you shall recall your evil ways and your base conduct, and you shall loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abhorrent practices.
(לב) לא למענכם אני־עושה נאם ה' א־להים יודע לכם בושו והפלקו מדרכיכם בית ישראל:	(32) Not for your sake will I act—declares the Lord GOD—take good note! Be ashamed and humiliated because of your ways, O House of Israel!

9. דברים ט'

(ד) אל־תאמר בלבבך בהנהיג ה' א־להיך אתם מלפניו לאמר בצדקתי הביאני ה' לרשת את־הארץ הזאת וברשעת הגוים האלה ה' מורישם מפניו:	(4) And when the LORD your God has thrust them from your path, say not to yourselves, “The LORD has enabled us to possess this land because of our virtues”; it is rather because of the wickedness of those nations that the LORD is dispossessing them before you.
(ה) לא בצדקתך ובישר לבבך אתה בא לרשת את־ארצם כי ברשעת הגוים האלה ה' א־להיך מורישם מפניו ולמען הקים את־הדבר אשר נשבע ה' לאבותיך לאברהם ליצחק וליעקב:	(5) It is not because of your virtues and your rectitude that you will be able to possess their country; but it is because of their wickedness that the LORD your God is dispossessing those nations before you, and in order to fulfill the oath that the LORD made to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
וידעתם כי לא בצדקתך ה' א־להיך נתן לך את־הארץ הטובה הזאת לרשתה כי עם־קשה־עורף אתה:	Know, then, that it is not for any virtue of yours that the LORD your God is giving you this good land to possess; for you are a stiffnecked people.

10. דברים ל"ב

(כו) אמרתי אפאיהם אשבייתה מאנוש זכרם:	(26) I might have reduced them to naught, Made their memory cease among men,
(כז) לולי בעס אויב אגור פון־ינקרו צרימו פון־יאמרו גנינו רמה ולא ה' פעל כל־זאת:	(27) But for fear of the taunts of the foe, Their enemies who might misjudge And say, “Our own hand has prevailed; None of this was wrought by the LORD!”