

NEW LIVING TRANSLATION	THE EXPANDED BIBLE	THE SCRIPTURES 1998	THE NET BIBLE
<p>¹¹ Then this message came to me from the LORD:</p>	<p>¹¹ Then the ·LORD spoke his word [·word of the LORD came] to me, saying:</p>	<p>¹¹ And the word of יהוה came to me, saying,</p>	<p>¹¹ Then the word of the LORD came to me:</p>
<p>¹² “Say to these rebels of Israel: Don’t you understand the meaning of this riddle of the eagles? The king of Babylon came to Jerusalem, took away her king and princes, and brought them to Babylon.</p>	<p>¹² “Say now to the ·people who refuse to obey [·rebellious house]: ‘Don’t you know what these things mean?’ Say: ‘[·Look; †Behold] The king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and took the king [·Jehoiachin; 2 Kin. 24:12] and ·important men [nobles; officials] of Jerusalem and brought them to Babylon.</p>	<p>¹² “Please say to the rebellious house, ‘Do you not know what these mean?’ Say, ‘See, the sovereign of Babel went to Yerushalayim and took its sovereign and heads, and brought them with him to Babel.</p>	<p>¹² “Say to the rebellious house of Israel:¹⁶ ‘Don’t you know what these things mean?’¹⁷ Say: ‘See here, the king of Babylon came to Jerusalem¹⁸ and took her king and her officials prisoner and brought them to himself in Babylon.</p>
<p>¹³ He made a treaty with a member of the royal family and forced him to take an oath of loyalty. He also exiled Israel’s most influential leaders,</p>	<p>¹³ Then he took ·a member of the family of the king of Judah [·from the royal offspring/seed; †Zedekiah, Jehoiachin’s uncle; 2 Kin. 24:17] and made an ·agreement [covenant; treaty] with him, ·forcing him to take an [putting him under] oath. The king also took away the leaders of ·Judah [·the land]</p>	<p>¹³ ‘And he took one of the royal seed, and made a covenant with him, and put him under oath. And he took away the mighty of the land,</p>	<p>¹³ He took one from the royal family,¹⁹ made a treaty with him, and put him under oath.²⁰ He then took the leaders of the land.</p>
<p>¹⁴ so Israel would not become strong again and revolt. Only by keeping her treaty with Babylon could Israel survive.</p>	<p>¹⁴ to ·make the kingdom weak [humble/bring low the kingdom] so it would not ·be strong [rise; exalt itself] again. Then the kingdom of Judah ·could continue only [would stand] by keeping its ·agreement [covenant; treaty] with the king of Babylon.</p>	<p>¹⁴ so that the reign would be brought low and not lift itself up, but guard his covenant, that it might stand.</p>	<p>¹⁴ so it would be a lowly kingdom which could not rise on its own but must keep its treaty with him in order to stand.</p>
<p>¹⁵ “Nevertheless, this man of Israel’s royal family rebelled against Babylon, sending ambassadors to Egypt to request a great army and many horses. Can Israel break her sworn treaties like that and get away with it?</p>	<p>¹⁵ But ·the king of Judah [·he; †referring to Zedekiah; 2 Kin. 24:20] ·turned [rebelled] against the king of Babylon by sending his ·messengers [emissaries] to Egypt and asking them for horses and many soldiers [2 Kin. 24:20]. Will ·the king of Judah succeed [he prosper/succeed]? Will</p>	<p>¹⁵ ‘But he rebelled against him by sending his messengers to Mitsrayim, to give him horses and many people. Shall he thrive? Shall he escape who is doing these? And shall he break a covenant and still escape?’”</p>	<p>¹⁵ But this one from Israel’s royal family²¹ rebelled against the king of Babylon²² by sending his emissaries to Egypt to obtain horses and a large army. Will he prosper? Will the one doing these things escape? Can he break the covenant and escape?</p>

	the one who does such things escape? ·He cannot [Can he...?] break the ·agreement [covenant; treaty] and escape.		
¹⁶ No! For as surely as I live, says the Sovereign LORD, the king of Israel will die in Babylon, the land of the king who put him in power and whose treaty he disregarded and broke.	¹⁶ “As surely as I live, says the Lord GOD, he will die in Babylon, in the land of the king who made him king of Judah. The king of Judah ·hated [despised] his ·promise [oath] to the king of Babylon and broke his ·agreement [covenant; treaty] with him.	¹⁶ ‘As I live,’ declares the Master יהוה, ‘in the place where the sovereign dwells who set him up to reign, whose oath he despised and whose covenant he broke, with him in the midst of Babel he shall die!	¹⁶ ‘As surely as I live, declares the sovereign LORD, surely in the city ²³ of the king who crowned him, whose oath he despised and whose covenant he broke—in the middle of Babylon he will die!
¹⁷ Pharaoh and all his mighty army will fail to help Israel when the king of Babylon lays siege to Jerusalem again and destroys many lives.	¹⁷ ·The king of Egypt [Pharaoh] with his mighty army and ·many people [vast horde] will not help ·the king of Judah [him] in the war. The Babylonians will build ·devices [ramps and siege walls] to attack the cities and to ·kill [destroy; cut off] many people.	¹⁷ ‘And Pharaoh with his great army and great company is not going to help him in battle, when they heap up a siege mound and build a wall to cut off many beings.	¹⁷ Pharaoh with his great army and mighty horde will not help ²⁴ him in battle, when siege ramps are erected and siege-walls are built to kill many people.
¹⁸ For the king of Israel disregarded his treaty and broke it after swearing to obey; therefore, he will not escape.	¹⁸ The king of Judah showed that he ·hated [despised] the ·promise [oath] by breaking the ·agreement [covenant; treaty]. He ·promised to support Babylon [gave his hand (in pledge)], but he did all these things. So he will not escape.	¹⁸ ‘And he despised the oath by breaking the covenant. And see, he has given his hand and he has done all this, he is not going to escape.’	¹⁸ He despised the oath by breaking the covenant. Take note ²⁵ —he gave his promise ²⁶ and did all these things—he will not escape!