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Transcribed from tape of Jeremiah using the Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible.

This is YAHWEH speaking.

Verse 1:

Listen to me in silence, O coastlands; let the peoples renew their strength; let them approach, then let them speak; let us together draw near for judgment.

Okay now, when YAHWEH speaks of the coastlands, this is a land that's across the sea, this is a foreign land. In other words, He is speaking of the different parts of the earth. All over the earth, they all have their regular coasts.

Now "let the peoples renew their strength." Smith's is clearer, "Let the nations await my argument." Then let them approach, then let them speak." Now, here YAHWEH is addressing all the peoples all over the earth. He has an argument with the nations. He wants the nations to prepare their argument in order to contest whatever they want to contest. "And let us together draw near for judgment." He begins by showing what He has done. He says:

Verse 2:

Who stirred up one from the east whom victory meets at every step?

YAHWEH is speaking as though the whole thing had already happened. But He is referring to Yahshua. He is the one from the east, from the rising of the sun, from the beginning of the new day. He begins to rule in the beginning of the 1000 years, the beginning of the new day, so He's known as the one from the east. And He comes conquering and to conquer. "Who victory meets at every step." So actually every step that He takes He is victorious.

Verse 2 continues:

He gives up nations before him, so that he tramples kings under foot.

Okay, this is not done at the time YAHWEH is speaking. But He's bringing out that He has begun with His Son, and the world is falling apart, and that He will finally fulfill this so that the nations will truly be trampled underfoot and finished.

Verse 2 continues:

He makes them like the dust with His sword, like driven stubble with His bow.

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He is pictured like a warrior, who is fighting with carnal weapons, and with these weapons, He's actually destroying them. Now, we know that Yahshua doesn't actually literally kill anyone. He strikes the nations with the sword of His mouth. So this is the way YAHWEH draws the battle, in justice, in judgment. He brings out the Truth, and He is YAHWEH's spokesman. Now YAHWEH's spokesman gives the message over to Jerusalem, Jerusalem gives it to the Prophets, the Prophets give it to the rest of Israel. It's actually on earth, it's YAHWEH speaking, it's Israel that is speaking YAHWEH's words. So when Israel speaks, it is YAHWEH speaking. Because YAHWEH reveals His truths to Israel, and we are His spokesmen.

Verse 3:

He pursues them and passes on safely, by paths His feet have not trod.

He's bringing out that Yahshua, His Chosen Warrior catches up to them. He is not hurt Himself, He conquers them, "but by paths He feet have not trod." This means that never before has He been instrumental in having anyone killed. So He never trod this road before. But now, when the time comes for the wicked satanic forces to be cleansed from the earth, for the first time Yahshua has a hand in the destruction of the enemy. Now Yahshua when He was through with His creation, as we brought out, He never had a hand in running His organization of Israel. He never had a hand in slaying anyone, although He was used as Gabriel and Michael, when He had to interfere with the chief demon who was preventing the message from getting to Daniel. But He was actually not ruling until YAHWEH placed Him on the throne which was in 1917.

Verse 4:

Who has performed and done this, calling the generations from the beginning? I, the LORD, the first, and with the last; I am He.

In other words, "Who's telling you, the generations of the future, now from the beginning, Who can tell the future of YAHWEH?"

"I the Lord, the first and with the last, I am He."

He will be throughout eternity. If there is such a thing as a last person, He is there. He will be there and there will never be an end.

Verse 5:

The coastlands have seen and are afraid.

In other words, the nations all over the world will hear the message of Israel and it's going to frighten them. Because here is a people who finally speak of the Bible in truth and understanding. Plus the fact that they back up what they are saying, by fulfillment, by proof that the nations are really wicked and corrupt and confused, and the history of the nations is nothing less than one big failure. Never have they succeeded at anything. so He says,

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Verse 5 continues:

The coastland have seen and are afraid, [In other words, they understand] the ends of the earth tremble. [This is all around the globe. This is not just Israel] they have drawn near and come

Verse 6:

Everyone helps his neighbor, and says to his brother, "Take courage!"

Now when they hear this message and they are afraid, they begin to assemble together comforting one another, ready to build something, some structure, some image that is going to oppose what YAHWEH is doing. So they oppose right till the very end. "Everyone helps his neighbor, and says to his brother, 'Take Courage.'"

Verse 7:

The craftsman encourages the goldsmith, and he who smooths with the hammer him who strikes the anvil, saying of the soldering, "It is good"; and they fasten it with nails so that it cannot be moved.

In other words, they make a graven image. This image is something that is done by man. This is something that displeases YAHWEH, and caused the obedience of the worship of YAHWEH to be turned to this image. This is nothing more or less than the nations banding together and making the abomination of desolation which they will worship and obey, and all the neighbors get together, work together feverishly to attempt to outdo what Israel is doing. And in this way they comfort one another down to the very end, until they go down dying, or die because of the course they take.

Verses 8 and 9:

8 But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, the offspring of Abraham, my friend.

9 you whom I took from the ends of the earth, and called from its farthest corners.

Now here HE speaks of Israel, Israel is different. My servant Jacob whom I have chosen. Jacob, his name is changed to Israel so instead of repeating Israel twice, He says, Jacob then Israel. But Jacob is Israel. You might as well say He's repeating Israel, and saying that first he's His servant and Israel whom I have chosen.

"The offspring of Abraham my friend." Now those who have the faith of Abraham are the children of Abraham. So what He's bringing out here is that Israel has the characteristics of Abraham, so for this reason, He calls them the offspring of Abraham. Now we know that True Israel is not just the Israel of the flesh, or the literal descendants of Abraham. It's made up of all nationalities who are obedient to YAHWEH as Abraham was. "You whom I took for the ends of the earth, and called from its farthest corners." Showing Israel is taken from all around you, from all the

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nations. And it's not just the Israel of the flesh, but they are taken from all over the world, from all races.

Verse 9 continues:

Saying to you, 'You are my servant, I have chosen you and not cast you off.

Okay now, This is a promise, YAHWEH cannot lie. He never gave them a date. We didn't understand the timetable, no one did, everyone thought the promises were going to be fulfilled immediately, in their own lifetime. And yet YAHWEH does not lie. He never gave them a date, but when they are resurrected, their death is like a nights sleep. They're back, and the Kingdom will be here, and functioning. So He says... .

Verse 10:

Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Okay, the right hand is the hand that He uses and this refers to Yahshua who is His right hand, His executive officer, the one that actually accomplishes His Purpose. YAHWEH's Purpose.

Now here Israel should take heart, never to be dismayed regardless what seems to be happening in the world, how much you appear to be loosing the battle, or not making any progress. It's all for a reason, it's for our own correction, it's to show how filthy the world really is, or how evil satan has blinded the members of this world. We're going to see that more and more, we can't believe anyone can be so ignorant. They're so ignorant, not only do they not understand, but they don't understand when you explain it to them. This is pretty serious, but He will uphold Israel, and Yahshua will be used in upholding Israel. Now He says....

Verse 11:

Behold, all who are incensed against you [or all who are aroused or angry against you] shall be put to shame and confounded.

Now this is a promise. All those who make fun of you on the boardwalk, Bill, and all the others, when they see Israel really prospering and going forward, as the only true teachers of the Scriptures, and all the righteous people flocking in, they're going to be put to shame and confounded. They never made such progress. They never have any answers. None can contest with Israel.

Verse 11 continues:

Those who strive against you shall be as nothing and shall perish.

They will be as though they didn't exist.

Verse 12:

You shall seek those who contend with you, but you shall not find them.

Now YAHWEH showed me in a vision, where I had so many problems. After the great victory where this mighty arm went across the sky and actually covered the sun, I felt so beautiful, and I remember all the problems I had, and I looked in that direction and that particular problem and it was gone. Then I looked in the other direction and another problem I had and that was gone. And every direction I looked for and all the problems were gone; and with each one, I felt beautiful. So this is what He brings out here "You shall seek those who contend with you but you shall not find them." In other words, all those who oppose Israel, they'll be nowhere around. There will be no opposition. Israel will be able to do YAHWEH's Will without any opposition.

Verse 12 continues:

Those who war against you shall be as nothing at all.

Verse 13:

For I the LORD your God, hold your right hand.

This like leading a child, a child that's insecure, it fears the world, it needs protection, it doesn't know where to go. He takes you by the right hand and leads you, like a parent.

Verse 13 continues:

It is I who says to you, "Fear not, I will help you."

Now these are promises, and don't ever forget that. YAHWEH is definitely with Israel. I've noticed that many times it's been a long time between YAHWEH visiting me, or revealing anything. But at the proper time when you really need, and you can't go on without His guidance, He's there. And He brings out what He has to bring out. If He's not bringing out anything use what you've got. He considers that enough, and you do have a lot more than anyone else. Stop to think!

Verse 14:

Fear not, you worm Jacob, you men of Israel!

The word worm is actually "maggot." Now, when the people, especially the rich, of the world look down at us and say, how could you ever get involved with such a thing, spending your time, instead of making money, instead of building a nice home, and going on vacation, living a life of ease and pleasure? How could you become associated with such a thing that people actually look down upon you and frown upon you as though you were a maggot in a dead body? You actually look at a maggot and ask how could a maggot exist in all that smell and everything else. And that's the way they look at Israel, like they are lowly people. One of the people Esther

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works for, when she found out that one of the members was related to someone that has a jewelry shop, she said, "How come she's with you people?" So, in other words, anyone who is related to someone with a jewelry store should never be a member of Israel. After all we're only Israel because we're down and out a don't know any better. We're just lowly people. In other words, we're looked down upon. YAHWEH knows this so He says, "Fear not you worm Jacob." Worm in the eyes of the world. Actually we are the best people, because we got for what is truly precious we're not going after silver or gold.

Verse 14 continues:

I will help you, says the LORD; your redeemer is the Holy One of Israel

See how He repeats over and over and over again, "the God of Israel," "Holy one of Israel," and "He take Israel by the hand." It's all Israel, all reprove themselves. How anybody could actually be steered off to a system that is run by satan. And try to say christians are the true LORD'S People or anyone else is the Lord people but Israel.

Verse 15:

Behold, I will make of you a threshing sledge, new, sharp, and having teeth

Now this is an instrument that the farmer uses to thresh the wheat, cut the wheat, separate the wheat from the chaff. But it's an instrument that really thrashes everything about, brakes everything up, cuts and thrashes. He says you will be new, sharp, and having teeth.

Verse 15 continues:

you shall thresh the mountains and crush them.

The mountains represent the kingdoms. We are going all over the kingdoms of the earth and thresh them. In other words, we are going to chew them all up, you might say. Cut them up smash them, kill all the vegetation, all the prosperity.

Verse 15 continues:

And you shall make the hills like chaff.

The hills are like the smaller kingdoms, smaller buildings, chaff is the residue of the wheat, something that's left over, something of no value, something that's either used for fertilizer or burned.

Verse 16:

You shall winnow them and the wind shall carry them away.

This is something that's done with wheat when it's purified. It is thrown in the wind and the chaff blows away. So they are like chaff and

the wind blows them away. Well when the wind blows it away, it is lost, nowhere to be found. But this is what He's bringing out that will happen to the nations.

Verse 16 continues:

And the tempest shall scatter them.

Okay if it was not enough, the wind blows them away, the tempest also will scatter them. Showing it will be completely lost.

Verse 16 continues:

And you shall rejoice in the LORD; in the Holy One of Israel you shall glory.

Israel will have YAHWEH alone. No one else will deal with YAHWEH, and Israel will not deal with anyone else. We will have YAHWEH all to ourselves. As Israel will be His spokesman here on earth.

Verse 17:

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue is parched with thirst, I the LORD will answer them.

He is not speaking here of literal water and food. He is speaking of the desire of those people who are deprived, because they long for truth, for true answers, and they have none. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled" (Matthew 5:6). Now these people who are poor and needy, don't necessarily have to be literally poor and in want of food or drink, but they are poor because they are deprived of what they truly want to possess, and that is the truth.

"Their tongue is parched with thirst." This is just a symbol of a craving, a need, for not literal water, but for Truth.

I remember before I had the Truth, how sick I felt because I didn't understand the Scriptures. This is an example how the others are longing for answers in this cruel world. And all they do is face one problem after another until they enter in the grave. What's it all about? Is this all there is? There's a song written, "Is This All There Is?" There's got to be more, so they are looking for answers.

Verse 17 continues:

I the LORD will answer them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

Verse 18:

I will open rivers on the bare heights.

Now there's no rivers on the bare heights. The water runs down. What this means is, where there is no waters or where there is no truth, YAHWEH will provide truth. And how is He going to provide it? But His servants Israel. Israel will be everywhere.

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Verse 18 continues:

And fountains in the midst of the valleys [okay, water, on the bare heights, in the valleys]; I will make the wilderness a pool of water.

Actually some translations say desert. The wilderness is anyplace that is barren--without any means of eating or drinking or any means of a livelihood. So where there is no water in the wilderness, in the desert, is a pool of water, indicating there will be plenty of Truth.

Verse 18 continues:

And in the dry land springs of water.

The truth will prevail, so that there will be water everywhere. Truth everywhere, in abundance.

Verse 19:

I will put in the wilderness the cedar, the acacia, the myrtle, and the olive; I will set in the desert the cypress, the plane and the pine together.

Now here is a place where there was no water, there was no vegetation. All of a sudden all of these trees grow. It means that people will flourish because of the Truth. The places or the people who were once without hope and were not flourishing will flourish by responding to the Truth. Receiving YAHWEH'S Spirit and going forward with a message and serving Him.

Verse 20:

That men may see and know, may consider and understand together, that the hand of the LORD has done this, the Holy One of Israel has created it.

In other words, it will be a miraculous thing to see the people all of a sudden come out in full strength, with a perfect understanding of all of the scriptures, giving the message to all of the hungry people, and the hungry people pouring in by the millions. And for once, in the history of man, the Bible is understood, and is broadcast all over. There will be truth all over and they'll know YAHWEH has done this.

Verses 21 and 22:

21 Set forth your case, says the LORD; bring your proofs, says the King of Jacob.

22 Let them bring them, and tell us what is to happen. Tell us the former things, what they are, that we may consider them [He actually speaking to the men of the world], that we may know their outcome; or declare to us the things to come.

If you're so smart, if you have truth, let's see you tell us truth. What's going to happen to you people? What's the outcome of all these wars, all these peace agreements, all this confusion, all this poverty, and all this murder, hatred, bribery? Tell us what's going to happen. So YAHWEH continues to taunt them and He says...

Verse 23:

Tell us what is to come hereafter, that we may know that you are gods; do good, or do harm, that we may be dismayed and terrified.

"That we may be dismayed and terrified." In other words, do something. Let's hear you say something, do something and succeed in it.

Verse 24:

Behold, you are nothing, and your work is nought; and abomination is he who chooses you.

So anyone who chooses the men of this world, after they are seen the failures that they just repeat continuously and still chooses them, is an abominable person.

Verse 25:

I stirred up one from the north, and he has come, And he has come from the rising of the sun. And he shall call on my name; he shall trample on rulers as on mortar, as the potter treads clay.

"I stirred up one from the north, and he has come." This is the seat of authority. This is from YAHWEH.

"And he has come from the rising of the sun." This is from the east. This is where He begins, this is Yahshua who has YAHWEH'S authority.

"And he shall call on my name." He is taking His council, He is taking His orders from YAHWEH.

"He shall trample on rulers as on mortar, as the potter treads clay." When you trample on mortar with your weight, you squash it. You actually break it all up. You destroy it's former form, whatever it had. You walk on wet concrete and see what happens. Or, as a potter treads clay or changes the shape of it completely. This is what Yahshua does, and, naturally, He does this with His army, and His army is Israel because He's the king of Israel.

Verse 26:

Who declared it from the beginning, that we might know, and beforetime, that we might say, "He is right"?

He is asking her, who has ever declared this concerning Yahshua. Which one of you men of the world, you rulers, has ever declared that these things were going to happen--that Israel was going to come forth and declare the kingdom and pronounce your judgment and predict accurately the numbers that will come in, and that Harmageddon* will destroy you.

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Verse 26 continues:

There was none who declared it, none who proclaimed, none who heard your words.

In other words, you didn't do anything. He is speaking to the rulers of this world. You haven't done anything for Me.

Verse 27:

I first have declared it to Zion, and I give to Jerusalem a herald of good tidings.

YAHWEH'S Heavenly Organization is the first. And the Head of Zion is Yahshua. Yahshua gives it to Jerusalem. YAHWEH is actually pictured as though He gave it to one and then the other, but it is handed down to Yahshua then to Jerusalem.

Verse 28:

But when I look there is no one; among these there is no counselor who, when I ask, gives an answer.

He is still speaking to the world. Even though this went forth, the kingdom message was preached by Russell and Rutherford, no one took up the cry, no one had any answers. All these religions are keeping their subjects in ignorance.

Verse 29:

Behold, they are all a delusion; their works are nothing; their molten images are empty wind.

Anything they construct, anything they make is just a waste of time. Naturally, in ignoring the Truth and the direction that Israel and all of His people must go in order to avoid death. Not taking this message, they do end up dying. Because YAHWEH alone, through His Organization can lead us to life and safety. He's the Creator and He's the only One that knows the way out. Israel is intelligent enough to take it. So Israel is actually going to be speaking the words that come down from the King of Zion to Jerusalem, down to the Prophets, and the word is heard and learned, and spoken by Israel. so, all together you make up YAHWEH'S spokesman. There will be 200,000,000 who will make up YAHWEH'S spokesman. You'll cover all mountains, and thresh them and you'll cover all the hills. You'll separate the wheat from the chaff, and the chaff will be blown away. It'll be destroyed and disappear forever.