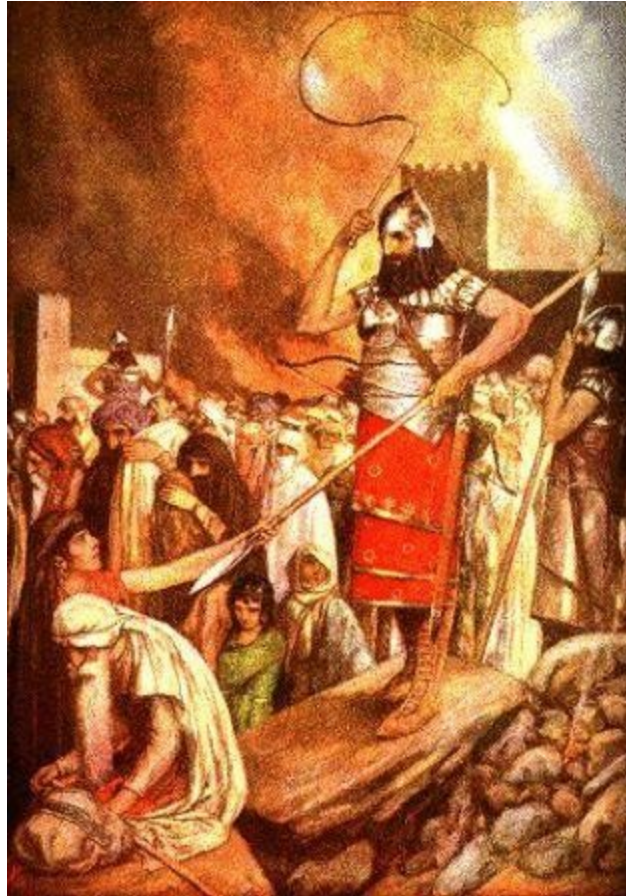


# Books By YAHWEH's Sword

## **PDF Book 1 Of BARUCH**

Chapters 1 through 6



## **1 Baruch 1**

### **1 BARUCH 1:1**

And these are the words of the book, which Baruch the son of NeraiYah, the son of MahseiYah, the son of ZedekiYah, the son of HasadiYah, the son of HilkiYah, wrote in Babylon,

### **1 BARUCH 1:2**

In the fifth year, and in the seventh day of the month, what time as the Chaldeans took Yerusalem, and burnt it with fire.

### **1 BARUCH 1:3**

And Baruch did read the words of this book in the hearing of JeconiYah the son of Joachim king of Yahuda, and in the ears of all the people that came to hear the book,

### **1 BARUCH 1:4**

And in the hearing of the nobles, and of the king's sons, and in the hearing of the elders, and of all the people, from the lowest unto the highest, even of all them that dwelt at Babylon by the river Sud.

### **1 BARUCH 1:5**

Whereupon they wept, fasted, and prayed before YAHWEH.

### **1 BARUCH 1:6**

They made also a collection of money according to every man's power:

### **1 BARUCH 1:7**

And they sent it to Yerusalem unto Jehoiakim the high kohen, the son of Hilkiah, son of Shallum, and to the kohenim, and to all the people which were found with him at Yerusalem,

### **1 BARUCH 1:8**

At the same time when he received the vessels of the house of YAHWEH, that were carried out of the tabernacle, to return them into the land of Yahuda, the tenth day of the month Sivan, namely, silver vessels, which ZedekiYah the son of YoshiYah king of Yahuda had made,

### **1 BARUCH 1:9**

After that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had carried away YeconiYah, and the princes, and the captives, and the mighty men, and the people of the land, from Yerusalem, and brought them unto Babylon.

### **1 BARUCH 1:10**

And they said, Behold, we have sent you money to buy you burnt offerings, and sin offerings, and incense, and prepare you a grain offering, and offer upon the altar of YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY;

**1 BARUCH 1:11**

And pray for the life of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and for the life of Belshazzar his son, that their days may be upon earth as the days of heaven:

**1 BARUCH 1:12**

And YAHWEH will give us strength, and lighten our eyes, and we shall live under the shadow of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and under the shadow of Belshazzar his son, and we shall serve them many days, and find favor in their sight.

**1 BARUCH 1:13**

Pray for us also unto YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, for we have sinned against YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY; and unto this day the fury of YAHWEH and HIS wrath is not turned from us.

**1 BARUCH 1:14**

And you shall read this book which we have sent unto you, to make confession in the house of YAHWEH, upon the feasts and solemn days.

**1 BARUCH 1:15**

And you shall say, To YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY belongs righteousness, but unto us the confusion of faces, as it is come to pass this day, unto them of Yahuda, and to the inhabitants of Yerusalem,

**1 BARUCH 1:16**

And to our kings, and to our princes, and to our kohanim, and to our prophets, and to our fathers:

**1 BARUCH 1:17**

For we have sinned before YAHWEH,

**1 BARUCH 1:18**

And disobeyed HIM, and have not hearkened unto the voice of YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, to walk in the commandments that HE gave us openly:

**1 BARUCH 1:19**

Since the day that YAHWEH brought our forefathers out of the land of Egypt, unto this present day, we have been disobedient unto YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, and we have been negligent in not hearing HIS voice.

**1 BARUCH 1:20**

Wherefore the evils cleaved unto us, and the curse, which YAHWEH appointed by Mosheh HIS servant at the time that HE brought our fathers out of the land of Egypt, to give us a land that flows with milk and honey, like as it is to see this day.

**1 BARUCH 1:21**

Nevertheless we have not hearkened unto the voice of YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, according unto all the words of the prophets, whom HE sent unto us:

**1 BARUCH 1:22**

But every man followed the imagination of his own wicked heart, to serve strange gods, and to do evil in the sight of YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY.

**1 Baruch 2**

**1 BARUCH 2:1**

Therefore YAHWEH has made tov HIS Word, which HE pronounced against us, and against our judges that judged Yisrael, and against our kings, and against our princes, and against the men of Yisrael and Yahuda,

**1 BARUCH 2:2**

To bring upon us great plagues, such as never happened under the whole heaven, as it came to pass in Yerusalem, according to the things that were written in the Torah of Mosheh;

**1 BARUCH 2:3**

That a man should eat the flesh of his own son, and the flesh of his own daughter.

**1 BARUCH 2:4**

Moreover HE has delivered them to be in subjection to all the kingdoms that are round about us, to be as a reproach and desolation among all the people round about, where YAHWEH has scattered them.

**1 BARUCH 2:5**

Thus we were cast down, and not exalted, because we have sinned against YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, and have not been obedient unto HIS Voice.

**1 BARUCH 2:6**

To YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY appertains righteousness: but unto us and to our fathers open shame, as appears this day.

**1 BARUCH 2:7**

For all these plagues are come upon us, which YAHWEH has pronounced against us

**1 BARUCH 2:8**

Yet have we not prayed before YAHWEH, that we might turn every one from the imaginations of his wicked heart.

**1 BARUCH 2:9**

Wherefore YAHWEH watched over us for evil, and YAHWEH has brought it upon us: for YAHWEH is righteous in all HIS works which HE has commanded us.

**1 BARUCH 2:10**

Yet we have not hearkened unto HIS voice, to walk in the commandments of YAHWEH, that HE has set before us.

**1 BARUCH 2:11**

And now, O YAHWEH the ALMIGHTY of Yisrael, that hast brought YOUR people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and high arm, and with signs, and with wonders, and with great power, and have gotten YOURSELF a NAME, as appears this day:

**1 BARUCH 2:12**

O YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, we have sinned, we have done wickedly, we have dealt unrighteously in all YOUR ordinances.

**1 BARUCH 2:13**

Let YOUR wrath turn from us: for we are but a few left among the heathen, where YOU have scattered us.

**1 BARUCH 2:14**

Hear our prayers, O YAHWEH, and our petitions, and deliver us for YOUR own sake, and give us favor in the sight of them which have led us away:

**1 BARUCH 2:15**

That all the earth may know that YOU are YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, because Yisrael and HIS posterity is called by YOUR NAME.

**1 BARUCH 2:16**

O YAHWEH, look down from YOUR Kodesh house, and consider us: bow down YOUR ear, O YAHWEH, to hear us.

**1 BARUCH 2:17**

Open YOUR eyes, and behold; for the dead that are in the graves, whose souls are taken from their bodies, will give unto YAHWEH neither praise nor righteousness:

**1 BARUCH 2:18**

But the soul that is greatly vexed, which goes stooping and feeble, and the eyes that fail, and the hungry soul, will give YOU praise and righteousness, O YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 2:19**

Therefore we do not make our humble supplication before YOU, O YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, for the righteousness of our fathers, and of our kings.

**1 BARUCH 2:20**

For YOU have sent out YOUR wrath and indignation upon us, as YOU have spoken by YOUR servants the prophets, saying,

**1 BARUCH 2:21**

Thus saith YAHWEH, Bow down your shoulders to serve the king of Babylon: so shall you remain in the land that I gave unto your fathers.

**1 BARUCH 2:22**

But if you will not hear the Voice of YAHWEH, to serve the king of Babylon,

**1 BARUCH 2:23**

I will cause to cease out of the cities of Yahudah, and from without Yerusalem, the voice of mirth, and the voice of joy, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: and the whole land shall be desolate of inhabitants.

**1 BARUCH 2:24**

But we would not hearken unto YOUR voice, to serve the king of Babylon: therefore have YOU made tov the Words that YOU spoke by YOUR servants the prophets, namely, that the bones of our kings, and the bones of our fathers, should be taken out of their place.

**1 BARUCH 2:25**

And, lo, they are cast out to the heat of the day, and to the frost of the night, and they died in great miseries, by famine, by sword, and by pestilence.

**1 BARUCH 2:26**

And the House which is called by YOUR NAME have YOU laid waste, as it is to be seen this day, for the wickedness of the house of Yisrael and the house of Yahuda.

**1 BARUCH 2:27**

O YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, YOU have dealt with us after all YOUR tov, and according to all that great mercy of YOURS,

**1 BARUCH 2:28**

As YOU spoke by YOUR servant Mosheh in the day when YOU did command him to write the Torah before the children of Yisrael, saying,

**1 BARUCH 2:29**

If you will not hear MY Voice, surely this very great multitude shall be turned into a small number among the nations, where I will scatter them.

**1 BARUCH 2:30**

For I knew that they would not hear ME, because it is a stiffnecked people: but in the land of their captivities they shall remember themselves.

**1 BARUCH 2:31**

And shall know that I am YAHWEH their ALMIGHTY: for I will give them a heart, and ears to hear:

**1 BARUCH 2:32**

And they shall praise ME in the land of their captivity, and think upon MY NAME,

**1 BARUCH 2:33**

And return from their stiff neck, and from their wicked deeds: for they shall remember the way of their fathers, which sinned before YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 2:34**

And I will bring them again into the land which I promised with an oath unto their fathers, Abraham, Yitschaq, and Yacob, and they shall be stewards of it: and I will increase them, and they shall not be diminished.

**1 BARUCH 2:35**

And I will make an everlasting covenant with them to be their ALMIGHTY, and they shall be MY people: and I will no more drive MY people out of Yisrael, the land that I have given them.

**1 Baruch 3**

**1 BARUCH 3:1**

O YAHWEH ALMIGHTY, Sovereign Master of Yisrael, the soul in anguish the troubled ruach, cries unto YOU.

**1 BARUCH 3:2**

Hear, O YAHWEH, and have mercy; YOU are merciful: and have pity upon us, because we have sinned before YOU.

**1 BARUCH 3:3**

For YOU endure forever, and we perish utterly.

**1 BARUCH 3:4**

O YAHWEH ALMIGHTY, Sovereign Master of Yisrael, hear now the prayers of the dead Yisraelites, and of their children, which have sinned before YOU, and not hearkened unto the voice of YOU their ALMIGHTY: for the which cause these plagues cleave unto us.

**1 BARUCH 3:5**

Remember not the iniquities and injustice of our forefathers: but think upon YOUR power and YOUR NAME now at this time.

**1 BARUCH 3:6**

For YOU are YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, and YOU, O YAHWEH, will we praise.

**1 BARUCH 3:7**

And for this cause YOU have put YOUR fear in our hearts, to the intent that we should call upon YOUR NAME, and praise YOU in our captivity: for we have called to mind all the iniquity and injustice of our forefathers, that sinned before YOU.

**1 BARUCH 3:8**

Behold, we are yet this day in our captivity, where YOU have scattered us, for a reproach and a curse, and to be subject to payments, according to all the iniquities and injustice of our fathers, which departed from YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY.

**1 BARUCH 3:9**

Hear, Yisrael, the commandments of Life: give ear to understand wisdom.

**1 BARUCH 3:10**

How happens it Yisrael, that you are in your enemies' land, that you are waxen old in a strange country, that you are defiled with the dead,

**1 BARUCH 3:11**

That you are counted with them that go down into the grave?

**1 BARUCH 3:12**

You have forsaken the fountain of wisdom.

**1 BARUCH 3:13**

For if you had walked in the way of YAHWEH, you should have dwelled in shalom forever.

**1 BARUCH 3:14**

Learn where is wisdom, where is strength, where is understanding; that you may know also where is length of days, and Life, where is the Light of the eyes, and shalom.

**1 BARUCH 3:15**

Who has found out her place? Or who has come into her treasures?

**1 BARUCH 3:16**

Where are the princes of the heathen become, and such as ruled the beasts upon the earth;

**1 BARUCH 3:17**

They that had their pastime with the fowls of the air, and they that hoarded up silver and gold, wherein men trust, and made no end of their getting?

**1 BARUCH 3:18**

For they that worked in silver, and were so careful, and whose works are unsearchable,

**1 BARUCH 3:19**

They are vanished and gone down to the grave, and others are come up in their steads.

**1 BARUCH 3:20**

Young men have seen light, and dwelt upon the earth: but the way of knowledge have they not known,

**1 BARUCH 3:21**

Nor understood the paths thereof, nor laid hold of it: their children were afar off from that way.



**1 BARUCH 3:22**

It has not been heard of in Canaan, neither has it been seen in Theman.

**1 BARUCH 3:23**

The sons of Hagar that seek wisdom and understanding on the earth, the merchants of Merran and of Teman, the authors of fables, and seekers out of understanding; none of these have known the way of wisdom, or remember her paths.

**1 BARUCH 3:24**

O Yisrael, how great is the House of YAHWEH! and how large is the place of HIS possession!

**1 BARUCH 3:25**

Great, and has no end; high, and unmeasurable.

**1 BARUCH 3:26**

There were the giants famous from the beginning, that were of so great stature, and so expert in war.

**1 BARUCH 3:27**

Those did not YAHWEH choose, neither gave HE the way of knowledge unto them:

**1 BARUCH 3:28**

But they were destroyed, because they had no wisdom, and perished through their own foolishness.

**1 BARUCH 3:29**

Who has gone up into heaven, and taken her, and brought her down from the clouds?

**1 BARUCH 3:30**

Who has gone over the sea, and found her, and will bring her for pure gold?

**1 BARUCH 3:31**

No man knows her way, nor think of her path.

**1 BARUCH 3:32**

But HE that knows all things knows her, and has found her out with HIS understanding: HE that prepared the earth for evermore has filled it with fourfooted beasts:

**1 BARUCH 3:33**

HE that sends forth Light, and it goes, calls it again, and it obeys HIM with fear.

**1 BARUCH 3:34**

The stars shined in their watches, and rejoiced: when HE calls them, they say, Here we be; and so with cheerfulness they show light unto YAHWEH that made them.

**1 BARUCH 3:35**

This is YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY, and there shall none other be accounted of in comparison of HIM

**1 BARUCH 3:36**

HE has found out all the way of knowledge, and has given it unto Yacob HIS servant, and to Yisrael HIS beloved.

**1 BARUCH 3:37**

Afterward did HE show HIMSELF upon earth, and conversed with men.

**1 Baruch 4**

**1 BARUCH 4:1**

This is the book of the commandments of YAHWEH, and the Torah that endures forever: all they that keep it shall come to Life; but such as leave it shall die.

**1 BARUCH 4:2**

Turn you, O Yacob, and take hold of it: walk in the presence of the Light thereof, that you may be illuminated.

**1 BARUCH 4:3**

Give not your honor to another, nor the things that are profitable unto you to a strange nation.

**1 BARUCH 4:4**

O Yisrael, happy are we: for things that are pleasing to YAHWEH are made known unto us.

**1 BARUCH 4:5**

Be of tov cheer, MY people, the memorial of Yisrael.

**1 BARUCH 4:6**

You were sold to the nations, not for your destruction: but because you moved YAHWEH to wrath, you were delivered unto the enemies.

**1 BARUCH 4:7**

For you provoked HIM that made you by sacrificing unto devils, and not to YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 4:8**

You have forgotten the everlasting YAHWEH, that brought you up; and you have grieved Yerusalem, that nursed you.

**1 BARUCH 4:9**

For when she saw the wrath of YAHWEH coming upon you, she said, Hearken, O you that dwell about Zion: YAHWEH has brought upon me great mourning;

**1 BARUCH 4:10**

For I saw the captivity of my sons and daughters, which the Everlasting YAHWEH brought upon them.

**1 BARUCH 4:11**

With joy did I nourish them; but sent them away with weeping and mourning.

**1 BARUCH 4:12**

Let no man rejoice over me, a widow, and forsaken of many, who for the sins of my children am left desolate; because they departed from the Torah of YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 4:13**

They knew not HIS statutes, nor walked in the ways of HIS commandments, nor trod in the paths of discipline in HIS righteousness.

**1 BARUCH 4:14**

Let them that dwell about Zion come, and remember you the captivity of my sons and daughters, which the Everlasting YAHWEH has brought upon them.

**1 BARUCH 4:15**

For HE has brought a nation upon them from far, a shameless nation, and of a strange language, who neither revered old man, nor pitied child.

**1 BARUCH 4:16**

These have carried away the dear beloved children of the widow, and left her that was alone desolate without daughters.

**1 BARUCH 4:17**

But what can I help you?

**1 BARUCH 4:18**

For HE that brought these plagues upon you will deliver you from the hands of your enemies.

**1 BARUCH 4:19**

Go your way, O my children, go your way: for I am left desolate.

**1 BARUCH 4:20**

I have put off the clothing of shalom, and put upon me the sackcloth of my prayer: I will cry unto the Everlasting YAHWEH in my days.

**1 BARUCH 4:21**

Be of tov cheer, O my children, cry unto YAHWEH, and HE will deliver you from the power and hand of the enemies.

**1 BARUCH 4:22**

For my hope is in the Everlasting YAHWEH, that HE will save you; and joy is come unto me from the Kodesh One, because of the mercy which shall soon come unto you from the Everlasting our Deliverer.

**1 BARUCH 4:23**

For I sent you out with mourning and weeping: but YAHWEH will give you to me again with joy and gladness forever.

**1 BARUCH 4:24**

Like as now the neighbors of Zion have seen your captivity: so shall they see shortly your deliverance from YAHWEH our ALMIGHTY which shall come upon you with great splendor, and brightness of the Everlasting YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 4:25**

My children, suffer patiently the wrath that is come upon you from YAHWEH ALMIGHTY: for your enemy has persecuted you; but shortly you shall see his destruction, and shall tread upon his neck.

**1 BARUCH 4:26**

My delicate ones have gone rough ways, and were taken away as a flock caught of the enemies.

**1 BARUCH 4:27**

Be of tov comfort, O my children, and cry unto YAHWEH: for you shall be remembered of HIM that brought these things upon you.

**1 BARUCH 4:28**

For as it was your mind to go astray from YAHWEH: so, being returned, seek HIM ten times more.

**1 BARUCH 4:29**

For HE that has brought these plagues upon you shall bring you everlasting joy with your deliverance.

**1 BARUCH 4:30**

Take a tov heart, O Yerusalem: for HE that gave you that NAME will comfort you.

**1 BARUCH 4:31**

Miserable are they that afflicted you, and rejoiced at your fall.

**1 BARUCH 4:32**

Miserable are the cities which your children served: miserable is she that received your sons.

**1 BARUCH 4:33**

For as she rejoiced at your ruin, and was glad of your fall: so shall she be grieved for her own desolation.

**1 BARUCH 4:34**

For I will take away the rejoicing of her great multitude, and her pride shall be turned into mourning.

**1 BARUCH 4:35**

For fire shall come upon her from the Everlasting YAHWEH, long to endure; and she shall be inhabited of devils for a great time.

**1 BARUCH 4:36**

O Yerusalem, look about you toward the east, and behold the joy that comes unto you from YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 4:37**

Lo, your sons come, whom you sent away, they come gathered together from the east to the west by the Word of the Kodesh One, rejoicing in the splendor of YAHWEH.

**1 Baruch 5**

**1 BARUCH 5:1**

Put off, O Yerusalem, the garment of mourning and affliction, and put on the comeliness of the splendor that comes from YAHWEH forever.

**1 BARUCH 5:2**

Cast about you a double garment of the righteousness which comes from YAHWEH; and set a diadem on your head of the splendor of the Everlasting YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 5:3**

For YAHWEH will show your splendor to every country under heaven.

**1 BARUCH 5:4**

For your name shall be called by YAHWEH ALMIGHTY forever, "The shalom of righteousness, and The splendor of ALMIGHTY's worship.

**1 BARUCH 5:5**

Arise, O Yerusalem, and stand on high, and look about toward the east, and behold your children gathered from the west unto the east by the Word of the Kodesh One, rejoicing in the remembrance of YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 5:6**

For they departed from you on foot, and were led away of their enemies: but YAHWEH brings them to you exalted with splendor, as children of the Kingdom.

**1 BARUCH 5:7**

For YAHWEH has appointed that every high hill, and banks of long continuance, should be cast down, and valleys filled up, to make even the ground, that Yisrael may go safely in the splendor of YAHWEH,

**1 BARUCH 5:8**

Moreover even the woods and every sweetsmelling tree shall overshadow Yisrael by the commandment of YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 5:9**

For YAHWEH shall lead Yisrael with joy in the Light of HIS splendor with the mercy and righteousness that comes from HIM.

**1 Baruch 6**

**The Letter of YermeYah To Baruch On The False Gods Of Babylon**

**1 BARUCH 6:1**

A copy of an epistle, which YermeYah sent unto them which were to be led captives into Babylon by the king of the Babylonians, to certify them, as it was commanded him of YAHWEH.

**1 BARUCH 6:2**

Because of the sins which you have committed before YAHWEH, you shall be led away captives into Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar king of the Babylonians.

**1 BARUCH 6:3**

So when you come to Babylon, you shall remain there many years, and for a long season, namely, seven generations: and after that I will bring you away peaceably from there.

**1 BARUCH 6:4**

Now shall you see in Babylon gods of silver, and of gold, and of wood, borne upon shoulders, which cause the nations to fear.

**1 BARUCH 6:5**

Beware therefore that you in no wise be like to strangers, neither be you and of them, when you see the multitude before them and behind them, worshipping them.

**1 BARUCH 6:6**

But say you in your hearts, O YAHWEH, we must worship YOU.

**1 BARUCH 6:7**

For MY malak is with you, and I myself caring for your souls.

**1 BARUCH 6:8**

As for their tongue, it is polished by the workman, and they themselves are gilded and laid over with silver; yet are they but false, and cannot speak.

**1 BARUCH 6:9**

And taking gold, as it were for a virgin that loves to go gay, they make crowns for the heads of their gods.

**1 BARUCH 6:10**

Sometimes also the priests convey from their gods gold and silver, and bestow it upon themselves.

**1 BARUCH 6:11**

Yes, they will give thereof to the common harlots, and deck them as men with garments, being gods of silver, and gods of gold, and wood.

**1 BARUCH 6:12**

Yet cannot these gods save themselves from rust and moth, though they be covered with purple raiment.

**1 BARUCH 6:13**

They wipe their faces because of the dust of the temple, when there is much upon them.

**1 BARUCH 6:14**

And he that cannot put to death one that offends him holds a sceptre, as though he were a judge of the country.

**1 BARUCH 6:15**

He has also in his right hand a dagger and an ax: but cannot deliver himself from war and thieves.

**1 BARUCH 6:16**

Whereby they are known not to be YAHWEH: therefore fear them not.

**1 BARUCH 6:17**

For like as a vessel that a man uses is nothing worth when it is broken; even so it is with their gods: when they be set up in the temple, their eyes be full of dust through the feet of them that come in.

**1 BARUCH 6:18**

And as the doors are made sure on every side upon him that offends the king, as being committed to suffer death: even so the priests make fast their temples with doors, with locks, and bars, lest their gods be spoiled with robbers.

**1 BARUCH 6:19**

They light them candles, yes, more than for themselves, whereof they cannot see one.

**1 BARUCH 6:20**

They are as one of the beams of the temple, yet they say their hearts are gnawed upon by things creeping out of the earth; and when they eat them and their clothes, they feel it not.

**1 BARUCH 6:21**

Their faces are blacked through the smoke that comes out of the temple.

**1 BARUCH 6:22**

Upon their bodies and heads sit bats, swallows, and birds, and the cats also.

**1 BARUCH 6:23**

By this you may know that they are not YAHWEH: therefore fear them not.

**1 BARUCH 6:24**

Notwithstanding the gold that is about them to make them beautiful, except they wipe off the rust, they will not shine: for neither when they were molten did they feel it.

**1 BARUCH 6:25**

The things wherein there is no breath are bought for a very high price.

**1 BARUCH 6:26**

They are borne upon shoulders, having no feet whereby they declare unto men that they be nothing worth.

**1 BARUCH 6:27**

They also that serve them are ashamed: for if they fall to the ground at any time, they cannot rise up again of themselves: neither, if one set them upright, can they move of themselves: neither, if they be bowed down, can they make themselves straight: but they set gifts before them as unto dead men.

**1 BARUCH 6:28**

As for the things that are sacrificed unto them, their priests sell and abuse; in like manner their wives lay up part thereof in salt; but unto the poor and impotent they give nothing of it.

**1 BARUCH 6:29**

Menstruous women and women in childbed eat their sacrifices: by these things you may know that they are not YAHWEH: fear them not.

**1 BARUCH 6:30**

For how can they be called gods? because women set meat before the gods of silver, gold, and wood.

**1 BARUCH 6:31**

And the priests sit in their temples, having their clothes rent, and their heads and beards shaven, and nothing upon their heads.

**1 BARUCH 6:32**

They roar and cry before their gods, as men do at the feast when one is dead.

**1 BARUCH 6:33**

The priests also take off their garments, and clothe their wives and children.

**1 BARUCH 6:34**



Whether it be evil that one does unto them, or tov, they are not able to recompense it: they can neither set up a king, nor put him down.

**1 BARUCH 6:35**

In like manner, they can neither give riches nor money: though a man make a vow unto them, and keep it not, they will not require it.

**1 BARUCH 6:36**

They can save no man from death, neither deliver the weak from the mighty.

**1 BARUCH 6:37**

They cannot restore a blind man to his sight, nor help any man in his distress.

**1 BARUCH 6:38**

They can show no mercy to the widow, nor do tov to the fatherless.

**1 BARUCH 6:39**

Their gods of wood, and which are overlaid with gold and silver, are like the stones that be hewn out of the mountain: they that worship them shall be confounded.

**1 BARUCH 6:40**

How should a man then think and say that they are gods, when even the Chaldeans themselves dishonor them?

**1 BARUCH 6:41**

Who if they shall see one dumb that cannot speak, they bring him, and intreat Bel that he may speak, as though he were able to understand.

**1 BARUCH 6:42**

Yet they cannot understand this themselves, and leave them: for they have no knowledge.

**1 BARUCH 6:43**

The women also with cords about them, sitting in the ways, burn bran for perfume: but if any of them, drawn by some that passes by, lie with him, she reproaches her fellow, that she was not thought as worthy as herself, nor her cord broken.

**1 BARUCH 6:44**

Whatsoever is done among them is false: how may it then be thought or said that they are gods?

**1 BARUCH 6:45**

They are made of carpenters and goldsmiths: they can be nothing else than the workmen will have them to be.

**1 BARUCH 6:46**

And they themselves that made them can never continue long; how should then the things that are made of them be gods?

**1 BARUCH 6:47**

For they left lies and reproaches to them that come after.

**1 BARUCH 6:48**

For when there comes any war or plague upon them, the priests consult with themselves, where they may be hidden with them.

**1 BARUCH 6:49**

How then cannot men perceive that they be not YAHWEH, which can neither save themselves from war, nor from plague?

**1 BARUCH 6:50**

For seeing they be but of wood, and overlaid with silver and gold, it shall be known hereafter that they are false:

**1 BARUCH 6:51**

And it shall manifestly appear to all nations and kings that they are not YAHWEH, but the works of men's hands, and that there is no work of YAHWEH in them.

**1 BARUCH 6:52**

Who then may not know that they are not YAHWEH?

**1 BARUCH 6:53**

For neither can they set up a king in the land, nor give rain unto men.

**1 BARUCH 6:54**

Neither can they judge their own cause, nor redress a wrong, being unable: for they are as crows between heaven and earth.

**1 BARUCH 6:55**

Whereupon when fire falls upon the house of gods of wood, or laid over with gold or silver, their priests will flee away, and escape; but they themselves shall be burned asunder like beams.

**1 BARUCH 6:56**

Moreover they cannot withstand any king or enemies: how can it then be thought or said that they be YAHWEH?

**1 BARUCH 6:57**

Neither are those gods of wood, and laid over with silver or gold, able to escape either from thieves or robbers.

**1 BARUCH 6:58**

Whose gold, and silver, and garments wherewith they are clothed, they that are strong take, and go away withal: neither are they able to help themselves.

**1 BARUCH 6:59**

Therefore it is better to be a king that shows his power, or else a profitable vessel in a house, which the owner shall have use of, than such false gods; or to be a door in a house, to keep such things therein, than such false gods, or a pillar of wood in a palace, than such false gods.

**1 BARUCH 6:60**

For sun, moon, and stars, being bright and sent to do their offices, are obedient.

**1 BARUCH 6:61**

In like manner the lightning when it breaks forth is easy to be seen; and after the same manner the wind blows in every country.

**1 BARUCH 6:62**

And when YAHWEH commands the clouds to go over the whole world, they do as they are bidden.

**1 BARUCH 6:63**

And the fire sent from above to consume hills and woods does as it is commanded: but these are like unto them neither in show nor power.

**1 BARUCH 6:64**

Wherefore it is neither to be supposed nor said that they are YAHWEH, seeing, they are able neither to judge causes, nor to do tov unto men.

**1 BARUCH 6:65**

Knowing therefore that they are not YAHWEH, fear them not,

**1 BARUCH 6:66**

For they can neither curse nor bless kings:

**1 BARUCH 6:67**

Neither can they show signs in the heavens among the heathen, nor shine as the sun, nor give light as the moon.

**1 BARUCH 6:68**

The beasts are better than they: for they can get under a cover and help themselves.

**1 BARUCH 6:69**

It is then by no means manifest unto us that they are not YAHWEH: therefore fear them not.

**1 BARUCH 6:70**

For as a scarecrow in a garden of cucumbers keeps nothing: so are their gods of wood, and laid over with silver and gold.

**1 BARUCH 6:71**

And likewise their gods of wood, and laid over with silver and gold, are like to a white

thorn in an orchard, that every bird sits upon; as also to a dead body, that is east into the dark.

**1 BARUCH** 6:72

And you shall not know them to be YAHWEH by the bright purple that rots upon them, and they themselves afterward shall be eaten, and shall be a reproach in the country.

**1 BARUCH** 6:73

Better therefore is the just man that has no idols: for he shall be far from reproach.

## **Shalom**

Blessed are they that do the word of YAHWEH.

**YAHWEH's Sword**