

CHANOCH, FIRST ETHIOPIC, TRUE NAMES

Book I

The Parable of Chanoch

VISIONS AND PARABLES

Evil vs. righteous

1 Chanoch 1

1 The words of the blessing of Chanoch, wherewith he blessed the elect and righteous, who will be 2 living in the day of tribulation, when all the wicked and godless are to be removed. And he took up his parable and said:

Chanoch a *zaddik*,¹ whose eyes were opened by Eloha², saw the vision of the Kadosh³ One in the heavens that the angels showed me, and from them I heard everything, and from them I understood as I saw, but not for this generation, but for a remote generation, one that is 3 to come. Concerning the elect I spoke, and took up my parable concerning them:

The Shaddai⁴ ha Kodesh will come forth from His dwelling, 4 And the ageless⁵ Eloha will tread upon the earth, *even* on Mount Sinai, and appear from His camp and appear in the strength of His might from the heaven of heavens. 5 And all will be smitten with fear; Even the Watchers⁶ will quake, And great fear and trembling will seize them to the ends of the earth. 6 And the high mountains will be shaken and the high hills will be made low, and *all* will melt like wax before the flame. 7 And the earth will be wholly torn in half, and all that is upon the earth will perish, And there will be a judgment upon all.

8 But with the righteous He will make peace. And will protect the elect, And mercy will be upon them. And they will all belong to Eloha, And they will be prospered, And they will all be blessed. And He will help

¹ zaddik = a righteous man of the order of zaddikim.

² eloha, elohim = the mighty or mighty ones, the title of spiritual beings created by Yahweh Elohim.

³ kadosh, kodesh = set-apart for righteousness, holy.

⁴ Shaddai = Almighty, Most High.

⁵ ageless = eternal.

⁶ Watchers = the eyrim, spiritual beings set over the earth to watch and report to higher authorities.

them all, And light will appear to them, And He will make peace with them.

9 And behold! He cometh with ten thousands of His separated ones To execute judgment upon all, And to destroy all the unrighteous: And to convict all flesh Of all the works of their unrighteousness that they have committed in unrighteousness, And of all the hard things that unrighteous sinners have spoken against Him.

1 Chanoch 2

1 Observe you everything that takes place in the heaven, how they do not change their orbits, and the luminaries that are in the heaven, how they all rise and set in order each in its season, and 2 transgress not against their appointed order. Behold you the earth, and give heed to the things that take place upon it from first to last, how steadfast they are, how none of the things upon earth 3 change, but all the works of Eloha appear to you. Behold the summer and the winter, how the whole earth is filled with water, and clouds and dew and rain lie upon it.

1 Chanoch 3

Observe and see how (in the winter) all the trees seem as though they had withered and shed all their leaves, except fourteen trees that do not lose their foliage but retain the old foliage from two to three years until the new comes.

1 Chanoch 4

And again, observe you the days of summer how the sun is above the earth over against it. And you seek shade and shelter by reason of the heat of the sun, and the earth also burns with growing heat, and so you cannot tread on the earth, or on a rock by reason of its heat.

1 Chanoch 5

1 Observe you how the trees cover themselves with green leaves and bear fruit: Why give you heed and know with regard to all His works, and recognize how He that lives forever has made them so. 2 And all His works go on thus from year to year forever, and all the tasks that they accomplish for Him, and their tasks change not, but according as Eloha has ordained so is it done. 3 And behold how the sea and the rivers in like manner accomplish and change not their tasks from His commandments.

4 But You, you have not been steadfast, nor done the commandments of YHWH,⁷ But you have turned away and spoken proud and hard words With your impure mouths against His greatness. O, you hard-hearted, you will find no peace. 5 Therefore will you utterly detest your days, And the years of your life will perish, And the years of your destruction will be multiplied in ageless detestation, And you will find no mercy.

6 In those days you will make your names an ageless abomination to all the righteous, And by you will all who curse, curse; And all the sinners and unrighteous will curse by you, And for you the unrighteous there will be a curse. And all the *humble*⁸ will rejoice, And there will be forgiveness of sins, And every mercy and peace and forbearance: There will be salvation to them, a goodly light. And for all of you sinners there will be no salvation, But on you all will abide a curse.

7a But for the elect there will be light and joy and peace, And they will inherit the earth. 8 And then there will be bestowed upon the elect wisdom, And they will all live and never again sin, Either through unrighteousness or through pride: But they who are wise will be humble. 9 And they will not again transgress, Nor will they sin all the days of their life, Nor will they die of (the divine) anger or wrath, But they will complete the number of the days of their life. And their lives will be increased in peace, And the years of their joy will be multiplied, In ageless gladness and peace, All the days of their life

Fall of angels

1 Chanoch 6

1 And it came to pass when the children of men had multiplied that in those days were born to 2 them beautiful and comely daughters. And the angels, the children of the heaven, saw and lusted after them, and said to one another: 'Come, let us choose us wives from among the children of men 3 and beget us children.'

And Semyaza, who was their leader, said to them: 'I fear you will not 4 indeed agree to do this deed, and I alone will have to pay the penalty of a great sin.' And they all answered him and said: 'Let us all swear an oath, and all bind ourselves by mutual vows 5 not to abandon this plan but to do this thing.' Then they all swore together and bound

⁷ YHWH = the name of the mighty one of Zion in its abbreviated form, pronounced Yahweh or Yahuweh; the abbreviation is known as the Tetragrammaton.

⁸ Psalms 9:11-14

themselves 6 by mutual vows upon it. And they were in all two hundred; who descended in the days of Jared on the summit of Mount Hermon, and they called it Mount Hermon, because they had sworn 7 and bound themselves by mutual vows upon it.⁹

And these are the names of their leaders: Semyaza, their leader, Araklba, Rameel, Kokabel, Tamlel, Ramlel, Danel, Ezeqeel, Baraqiyal, 8 Asael, Armaros, Batarel, Ananel, Zaqiel, Samsapeel, Satarel, Turel, Jomyael, Sariel. These are their chiefs of tens.

1 Chanoch 7

1 And all the others together with them took to themselves wives, and each chose for himself one, and they began to go in to them and to defile themselves with them, and they taught them charms 2 and enchantments, and the cutting of roots, and made them acquainted with plants. And they 3 became pregnant, and they bare great giants, whose height was three thousand ells: Who consumed 4 all the acquisitions of men. And when men could no longer sustain them, the giants turned against 5 them and devoured humankind. And they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and 6 fish, and to devour one another's flesh, and drink the blood.

Then the earth laid accusation against the lawless ones.

1 Chanoch 8

1 And Azazel taught men to make swords, and knives, and shields, and breastplates, and made known to them the metals of the earth and the art of working them, and bracelets, and ornaments, and the use of antimony, and the beautifying of the eyelids, and all kinds of costly stones, and all 2 coloring tinctures. And there arose much unrighteousness, and they committed fornication, and they 3 were led astray, and became corrupt in all their ways. Semyaza taught enchantments, and root-cuttings, 'Armaros the resolving of enchantments, Baraqiyal *taught* astrology, Kokabel the constellations, Ezeqeel the knowledge of the clouds, Araquel the signs of the earth, Shamsiel the signs of the sun, and Sariel the course of the moon.

And as men perished, they cried, and their cry went up to heaven.

1 Chanoch 9

1 And then Michael, Uriel, Raphael, and Gabriel looked down from heaven and saw much blood being 2 shed upon the earth, and all

⁹ Hermon = curse, anathema.

lawlessness being wrought upon the earth. And they said one to another: "The empty earth has brought the voice of their crying up to the gates of heaven. 3 And now to you, the set-apart of heaven, the souls of men make their suit, saying, "Bring our cause 4 before the Most High."

And they said to YHWH of the ages: "Sovereign of masters, Eloha of mighty ones, King of kings, and Ancient of Days, the throne of Your Kavod *stands* to all the generations of the 5 ages, and Your name *is* set-apart and magnificent and blessed to all the ages! You have made all things, and You have power over all things: and all things are naked and open in Your sight, and You see all 6 things, and nothing can hide itself from You.

"You see what Azazel has done, who has taught all unrighteousness on earth and revealed the ageless secrets that were (preserved) in heaven that 7 men were striving to learn: And Semyaza, to whom You have given authority to bear rule over his associates. 8 And they have gone to the daughters of men upon the earth, and have slept with the 9 women, and have defiled themselves, and revealed to them all kinds of sins. And the women have 10 borne giants, and the whole earth has thereby been filled with blood and unrighteousness. And now, behold, the souls of those who have died are crying and making their suit to the gates of heaven, and their lamentations have ascended: and cannot cease because of the lawless deeds that are 11 wrought on the earth. And You know all things before they come to pass, and You see these things and You do suffer them, and You do not say to us what we are to do to them in regard to these."

1 Chanoch 10

1 Then said the Most High, the Kadosh and Shaddai spoke, and sent Uriel to the son of Lamech, 2 and said to him: 'Go to Noach and tell him in my name "Hide thyself!" And reveal to him the end that is approaching: that the whole earth will be destroyed, and a deluge is about to come 3 upon the whole earth, and will destroy all that is on it. And now instruct him that he may escape 4 and his seed may be preserved for all the generations of the world.'

And again YHWH said to Raphael: 'Bind Azazel hand and foot, and cast him into the darkness: and make an opening 5 in the desert, that is in Dudael, and cast him therein. And place upon him rough and jagged rocks, and cover him with darkness, and let him abide there forever, and cover his face that he may 6,7 not see light. And on the day of the great judgment he will be cast into the fire.

'And heal the earth that the angels have corrupted, and proclaim the healing of the earth, that they may heal the plague, and that all the children of men may not perish through all the secret things that the 8 Watchers have disclosed and have taught their sons. And the whole earth has been corrupted 9 through the works that were taught by Azazel: to him ascribe all sin.'

And to Gabriel said YHWH: 'Proceed against the bastards and the degenerate, and against the children of fornication: and destroy the children of fornication and the children of the Watchers from amongst men and cause them to go forth: send them one against the other that they may destroy each other in 10 battle: for length of days will they not have. And no request that they make of you will be granted to their fathers on their behalf; for they hope to live an ageless life, and 11 that each one of them will live five hundred years.'

And YHWH said to Michael: 'Go, bind Semyaza and his associates who have united themselves with women so as to have defiled themselves 12 with them in all their uncleanness. And when their sons have slain one another, and they have seen the destruction of their beloved ones, bind them fast for seventy generations in the valleys of the earth, until the day of their judgment and of their consummation, until the judgment that is 13 forever and ever is consummated.

'In those days they will be led off to the abyss of fire: and 14 to the torment and the prison in that they will be confined forever. And whosoever will be condemned and destroyed will from thereafter be bound together with them to the end of all 15 generations. And destroy all the spirits of the degenerate and the children of the Watchers, because 16 they have wronged humankind. Destroy all wrong from the face of the earth and let every evil work come to an end: and let the plant of righteousness and truth appear: and it will prove a blessing; the works of righteousness and truth will be planted in truth and joy forevermore.

17 And then will all the righteous escape, And will live until they beget thousands of children And all the days of their youth and their old age Shall they complete in peace. 18 And then will the whole earth be turned over¹⁰ in righteousness, and will all be planted with trees and 19 be full of blessing. And all desirable trees will be planted on it, and they will plant vines on it: and the vine that they plant thereon will yield wine in abundance, and as for all the seed that is sown thereon each

¹⁰ turned over = tilled.

measure will bear a thousand, and each measure of olives will yield 20 ten presses of oil.

'And cleanse you the earth from all oppression, and from all lawlessness, and from all sin, and from all unrighteousness: and all the uncleanness that is wrought upon the earth 21 destroy from off the earth. And all the children of men will become righteous, and all nations 22 will offer adoration and will praise Me, and all will worship Me. And the earth will be cleansed from all defilement, and from all sin, and from all punishment, and from all torment, and I will never again send *such* upon it from generation to generation and forever.

1 Chanoch 11

1 'And in those days I will open the store chambers of blessing that are in the heaven, so as to send 2 them down upon the earth over the work and labor of the children of men. And truth and peace will be associated together throughout all the days of the world and throughout all the generations of men.'

Dream vision: intercession for angels

1 Chanoch 12

1 Before these things Chanoch was hidden, and no one of the children of men knew where he was 2 hidden, and where he lived, and what had become of him. For his activities had to do with the Watchers, and his days were with the set-apart ones.

3 And I Chanoch was blessing YHWH of majesty and the King of the ages, and lo! the Watchers 4 called me "Chanoch the Scribe" and said to me: 'Chanoch, you scribe of righteousness, go, declare to the Watchers of the heaven who have left the high heaven, the separated ageless place, and have defiled themselves with women, and have done as the children of earth do, and have taken to themselves 5 wives:

"You have wrought great destruction on the earth: And you will have no peace nor forgiveness 6 of sin: and inasmuch as they delight themselves in their children, The murder of their beloved ones will they see, and over the destruction of their children will they lament, and will make supplication to eternity, but mercy and peace will you not attain."

1 Chanoch 13

1 And Chanoch went and said: 'Azazel, you will have no peace: a severe sentence has gone forth 2 against you to put you in bonds: And you will

not have toleration nor request granted to you, because of the unrighteousness that you have taught, and because of all the works of deviousness 3 and lawlessness and sin that you have shown to men.'

Then I went and spoke to them all 4 together, and they were all afraid, and fear and trembling seized them. And they sought me to draw up a petition for them that they might find forgiveness, and to read their petition in the presence 5 of YHWH of heaven. For from there on they could not speak (with Him) nor lift up their 6 eyes to heaven for shame of their sins for which they had been condemned.

Then I wrote out their petition and the prayer about their spirits and their deeds individually and about their 7 requests – that they should have forgiveness and length. And I went off and sat down at the waters of Dan, in the land of Dan, to the south of the west of Hermon: I read their petition until I fell 8 asleep.

And behold a dream came to me, and visions fell down upon me, and I saw visions of chastisement, and a voice came bidding (me) I to tell it to the sons of heaven, and reprimand them. 9 And when I awaked, I came to them, and they were all sitting gathered together, weeping in 10 'Abelsyail that is between Lebanon and Seneser, with their faces covered. And I recounted before them all the visions that I had seen in sleep, and I began to speak the words of righteousness, and to reprimand the heavenly Watchers.

1 Chanoch 14

1 The book of the words of righteousness, and of the reprimand of the ageless Watchers in accordance 2 with the command of the Kadosh Shaddai in that vision: I saw in my sleep what I will now tell with a tongue of flesh and with the breath of my mouth: that El Shaddai has given to men to 3 converse with and understand with the heart. As He has created and given to humankind the power of understanding the word of wisdom, so has He also created me and given me the power of reprimanding 4 the Watchers, the children of heaven. I wrote out your petition, and in my vision it appeared that your petition will not be granted to you throughout all the days of eternity, and that judgment 5 has been finally passed upon you: yea *it* will not be granted to you.

And from henceforth you will not ascend into heaven for all eternity. And in bonds of the earth the decree 6 has gone forth to bind you for all the days of the world. And previously you will have seen the destruction of your beloved sons and you will have no pleasure in them, but they will fall before 7 you by the sword. And your petition on their

behalf will not be granted, nor yet on your own: even though you weep and pray and speak all the words contained in the writing that I have 8 written.

And the vision was shown to me thus: Behold, in the vision clouds invited me and a mist summoned me, and the course of the stars and the lightning sped and hastened me, and the winds in 9 the vision caused me to fly and lifted me upward, and bore me into heaven. And I went in until I drew near to a wall that is built of crystals and surrounded by tongues of fire: and it began to frighten 10 me. And I went into the tongues of fire and drew near to a large house that was built of crystals: and the walls of the house were like a tessellated floor of crystals, and its groundwork was 11 of crystal. Its ceiling was like the path of the stars and the lightning, and between them were 12 fiery cherubim, and their sky was *as* water. A flaming fire surrounded the walls, and its 13 portals blazed with fire. And I entered into that house, and it was hot as fire and cold as ice. There 14 were no delights of life therein.

Fear covered me, and trembling got hold upon me. And as I quaked 15 and trembled, I fell upon my face. And I beheld a vision, And look! there was a second house, greater 16 than the former, and the entire portal stood open before me, and it was built of flames of fire. And in every respect it so excelled in splendor and magnificence and extent that I cannot describe to 17 you its splendor and its extent. And its floor was of fire, and above it were lightning and the path 18 of the stars, and its ceiling also was flaming fire.

And I looked and saw therein a lofty throne: its appearance was as crystal, and the wheels of it as the shining sun, and there was the vision of 19 cherubim. And from underneath the throne came streams of flaming fire so that I could not look 20 thereon. And the Great Kavod sat thereon, and His raiment shone more brightly than the sun and 21 was whiter than any snow. None of the angels could enter and could behold His face by reason 22 of the magnificence and esteem and no flesh could behold Him. The flaming fire was round about Him, and a great fire stood before Him, and none around could get near Him: ten thousand times 23 ten thousand *stood* before Him, yet He needed no counselor. And the most devoted ones who were 24 near to Him did not leave by night nor depart from Him.

And until then I had been prostrate on my face, trembling: and YHWH called me with His own mouth, and said to me: 'Come hither, 25 Chanoch, and hear my word.' And one of the devoted ones came to me

and awakened me, and He made me rise up and approach the door as I bowed my face.

1 Chanoch 15

1 And He answered and said to me, and I heard His voice: 'Fear not, Chanoch, you *zaddik* 2 and scribe of righteousness: approach here and hear my voice. Then go, say to the Watchers of heaven, who have sent you to intercede for them: "You should intercede for men, and not men 3 for you: Why have you left the high, separated, and ageless heaven, and lain with women, and defiled yourselves with the daughters of men and taken to yourselves wives, and done like the children 4 of earth, and begotten giants as sons? And though you were set-apart, spiritual, living the ageless life, you have defiled yourselves with the blood of women, and have begotten with the blood of flesh, and, as the children of men, have lusted after flesh and blood as those also do who die 5 and perish?

"I have given them wives also that they might impregnate them, and beget 6 children by them, so that nothing might be wanting to them on earth. But you were formerly 7 spiritual, living the ageless life, and immortal for all generations of the world. So I have not appointed wives for you. As for the spiritual ones of the heaven, in heaven is their dwelling.

8 "And now, the giants, who are produced from the spirits and flesh, will be called evil spirits upon 9 the earth, and on the earth will be their dwelling. Evil spirits have proceeded from their bodies; because they are born from men and from the set-apart Watchers is their beginning and primal origin; 10 they will be evil spirits on earth, and evil spirits will they be called.

"As for the spirits of heaven, in heaven will be their dwelling, but as for the spirits of the earth that were born upon the earth, on the earth will be their dwelling. And the spirits of the giants afflict, oppress, destroy, attack, do battle, and work destruction on the earth, and cause havoc: they take no food, yet still 12 hunger and thirst, and cause offences. And these spirits will rise up against the children of men and against the women, because they have proceeded from them."

1 Chanoch 16

1 "From the days of the slaughter and destruction and death of the giants, from the souls of whose flesh the spirits, having gone forth, will destroy without incurring judgment. They will destroy until the day of the completion, the great judgment in that the age will be 2 completed,

over the Watchers and the unbelieving, yes, will be wholly consummated.”

‘And now, as to the watchers who have sent you to intercede for them, who, in heaven, had been: 3 “You have been in heaven, but all the mysteries had not yet been revealed to you, and you *only* knew the worthless. These in the hardness of your hearts you have made known to the women, and through these mysteries women and men work much evil on earth.”

4 ‘Say to them therefore: “You *will* have no peace.”

First journey: tour of Earth and in Sheol

1 Chanoch 17

1 They took me and carried me to a place where those who were present were like flaming fire. 2 When they wished, they appeared as men. And they brought me to the place of darkness, and to a mountain – the point of the summit reached to the sky. And I saw the places of the *great* lights and the treasuries of the stars; and of the thunder, even in the uttermost depths, where *there* were 4 a fiery bow and arrows and the quiver, and a fiery sword and all the lightning.

They took 5 me to the living waters, and to the fire of the west that receives every setting of the sun. And I came to a river of fire in that the fire flows like water and discharges itself into the Great Sea¹¹ towards 6 the west. I saw the great rivers and came to the great river and to the great darkness, and went 7 to the place where no flesh walks. I saw the mountains of the darkness of winter and the place 8 where all the waters of the deep flow. I saw the mouths of all the rivers of the earth and the mouth of the deep.

1 Chanoch 18

1 I saw the treasuries of all the winds: I saw how He had furnished with them the whole creation 2 and the firm foundations of the earth. And I saw the corner-stone of the earth: I saw the four 3 winds that bear the earth and the firmament of the heaven. And I saw how the winds stretch out the vaults of heaven, and have their station between heaven and earth: these are the pillars 4 of the heaven. I saw the winds of heaven that turn and bring the circumference of the sun and 5 all the stars to their setting. I saw the winds on the earth carrying the clouds.

¹¹ Great Sea = Mediterranean Sea.

I saw the paths 6 of the angels. I saw at the end of the earth the firmament of the heaven above. And I proceeded and saw a place that burns day and night, where there are seven mountains of magnificent stones, 7 three towards the east, and three towards the south. And those towards the east were of colored stone, one of pearl, one of jacinth, and those towards the south of red stone.

8 But the middle one reached to sky like the throne of Eloha, of alabaster, and the summit of the 9,10 throne was of sapphire. And I saw a flaming fire. And beyond these mountains is the end of the great earth: there the heavens were completed.

And I saw a deep abyss, with columns of heavenly fire, and among them I saw columns of fire fall that were beyond measure alike towards 12 the height and towards the depth. And beyond that abyss I saw a place that had no firmament of the heaven above, and no firmly founded earth beneath it. There was no water on it, and no 13 birds; but it was a waste and horrible place.

I saw there seven stars like great burning mountains, 14 and to me, when I inquired regarding them, the angel said: 'This place is the end of heaven and earth: this has become a prison for the stars and the host of heaven. And the stars that roll over the fire are they that have transgressed the commandment of YHWH in the beginning of 16 their rising, because they did not come forth at their appointed times. And He was wroth with them, and bound them until the time when their guilt should be completed - for ten thousand years.'

1 Chanoch 19

1 And Uriel said to me: 'Here will stand the angels who have connected with women, and their spirits assuming many different forms are defiling humankind and will lead them astray into sacrificing to demons as mighty ones, *here they stay* until the day of the great judgment. 2 They will endure judgment until they are made to end. And the women also of the angels who 3 went astray will become sirens.'

And I, Chanoch, alone saw the vision, the ends of all things: and no man will see as I have seen.

Names of set-apart angels

1 Chanoch 20 - The Seven Angels

1,2 And these are the names of the set-apart angels who watch.

Uriel, one of the set-apart angels, who is 3 over the world and over Tartarus.

Raphael, one of the set-apart angels, who is over the spirits of men.
4,5 Raguel, one of the set-apart angels who takes vengeance on the world of the luminaries.

Michael, one 6 of the set-apart angels, that is, he that is set over the best part of humankind and over chaos.

Saraqael, 7 one of the set-apart angels, who is set over the spirits: those who sin in the spirit.

Gabriel, one of the set-apart 8 angels, who is over Paradise and the serpents and the Cherubim.

Remiel, one of the set-apart angels, whom Eloha set over those who rise.

Second journey: place of angelic punishment

1 Chanoch 21

1,2 Then I went forth to where things were chaotic. And I saw there something horrible: I saw neither 3 a heaven above nor a firmly founded earth, but a place chaotic and horrible. And there I saw 4 seven stars of the heaven bound together in it, like great mountains and burning with fire. Then 5 I said: 'For what sin are they bound, and on what account have they been cast in here?' Then said Uriel, one of the set-apart angels, who was with me, and was chief over them: 'Chanoch, why 6 do you ask, and why are you *so* eager for the truth? These are of the number of the stars of heaven that have transgressed the commandment of YHWH and bound here until ten thousand years, 7 the time entailed by their sins, are fulfilled.'

And from there I went to another place that was still more horrible than the former, and I saw a horrible thing: a great fire there that burnt and blazed, and the place was cleft as far as the abyss, being full of great descending columns of 8 fire. Neither its extent nor magnitude could I see, nor could I guess. Then I said: 'How 9 fearful is the place and how terrible to look upon!'

Then Uriel answered me, one of the set-apart angels who was with me, and said to me: 'Chanoch, why have you such fear and fright?' And 10 I answered: 'Because of this fearful place, and because of the spectacle of the pain.'

And he said to me: 'This place is the prison of the angels, and here they will be imprisoned forever.'

1 Chanoch 22

1 Then I went to another place: *to* the mountain of hard rock. 2 And there was in it four hollows, deep and wide and very smooth. How smooth are the hollows and deep and dark to see! 3 Then Raphael answered, one of the set-apart angels who was with me, and said to me: 'These hollows have been created for this very purpose, that the spirits of the souls of the dead should 4 assemble inside, yes, that all the souls of the children of men should assemble here. And these places have been made to receive them until the day of their judgment and until their appointed period, until the great judgment *falls* upon them.'

I saw a dead man complaining, 5 and his voice went forth to heaven and complained. And I asked Raphael the angel who was 6 with me, and I said to him: 'This spirit that complains, whose is it, whose voice goes forth and complains to heaven?' 7 And he answered me saying: 'This is the spirit that went forth from Abel, whom his brother Cain slew, and he makes his suit against him until his seed is destroyed from the face of the earth, and his seed is annihilated from among the seed of humanity.'

8 Then I asked regarding it, and regarding all the hollow places: 'Why is one separated from the other?' 9 And he answered me and said to me: 'These three have been made so the spirits of the dead might be separated. And such a division has been made *for* the spirits of the righteous, in that there is the bright spring of 10 water. And such has been made for sinners when they die and are buried in the earth and judgment has not been executed on them in their 11 lifetime. Here their spirits will be set apart in this great pain until the great Day of Judgment and punishment and torment of those who curse forever and *exact* retribution for their spirits. There 12 He will bind them forever.

And such a division has been made for the spirits of those who make their complaint, who make confessions about their destruction, when they were slain in the days 13 of the sinners. Such has been made for the spirits of people who were not righteous but sinners, who were complete in transgression, and of the transgressors they will be companions: but their spirits will not be slain in the Day of Judgment nor will they be raised from there.'

14 I blessed YHWH of esteem and said: 'Blessed be Eli, my YHWH of righteousness, who rules forever.'

Fire of the Sky Lights

1 Chanoch 23

1,2 From there I went to another place to the west of the ends of the earth. And I saw a burning 3 fire that ran on without resting, and did not pause from its course day or night, but *ran on* regularly. And 4 I asked saying: 'What is this that rests not?' Then Raguel, one of the set-apart angels who was with me, answered me and said to me: 'This course of fire that you have seen is the fire in the west that pursues all the luminaries of heaven.'

Seven mountains of the northwest and the tree of life

1 Chanoch 24

1 And from there I went to another place of the earth, and he showed me a mountain range of 2 fire that burnt day and night. And I went beyond it and saw seven magnificent mountains, all differing one from another. And the stones were magnificent and beautiful, magnificent as a whole, of radiant appearance and splendid exterior: three towards the east, one founded upon the other, and three towards the south, one upon the other, and deep rough ravines, not one 3 joined with any other.

And the seventh mountain was in the midst of these, and it excelled them 4 in height, resembling the seat of a throne: and fragrant trees encircled the throne. And amongst them was a tree such as I had never yet smelt, neither was any amongst them nor were others like it: it had a fragrance beyond all fragrance, and its leaves and blooms and wood wither not forever: 5 and its fruit is beautiful, and its fruit resembles the dates of a palm.

Then I said: 'How beautiful is this tree, and fragrant, and its leaves are fair, and its blooms very delightful in appearance.' 6 Then answered Michael, one of the set-apart and esteemed angels who was with me, and was their leader.

1 Chanoch 25

1 And he said to me: 'Chanoch, why do you ask me regarding the fragrance of the tree, 2 and why do you wish to learn the truth?' Then I answered him saying: 'I wish to 3 know about everything, but especially about this tree.' And he answered saying: 'This high mountain that you have seen, whose summit is like the throne of Eloha, is His throne, where the Kadosh Shaddai, YHWH of Kavod, the Ageless King, will sit, when He will come down to visit 4 the earth with goodness.'

'And as for this fragrant tree no mortal is permitted to touch it until the great judgment, when He will take vengeance on all and bring (everything) to its consummation 5 forever. It will then be given to the righteous and separated. Its fruit will be for food to the elect: it will be transplanted to the separated place, to the temple of YHWH, the Ageless King.

6 Then will they rejoice with joy and be glad,
And into the separated place will they enter;
And its fragrance will be in their bones,
And they will live a long life on earth,
Such as your fathers lived:
And in their days will no sorrow or plague
Or torment or calamity touch them.'

7 Then I blessed the Eloha of Kavod, the Ageless King, who has prepared such things for the righteous, and has created them and promised to give to them.

Blessed find

1 Chanoch 26

1 And I went from there to the middle of the earth, and I saw a blessed place in that there were 2 trees with branches abiding and blooming of a dismembered tree. And there I saw a radiant mountain, 3 and underneath the mountain to the east there was a stream and it flowed towards the south. And I saw towards the east another mountain higher than this, and between them a deep and narrow 4 ravine in which also ran a stream underneath the mountain. And to the west of it there was another mountain, lower than the former and of small elevation, and a ravine deep and dry between them: and another deep and dry ravine was at the extremities of the three mountains. And all the ravines were deep and narrow, of hard rock, and trees were not planted upon 6 them. And I marveled at the rocks, and I marveled at the ravine, yes, I marveled very much.

Cursed valley

1 Chanoch 27

1 Then said I: 'For what purpose is this blessed land that is entirely filled with trees, and this 2 accursed valley between?' Then Uriel, one of

the set-apart angels with me, answered and said: "This cursed valley is for those who are accursed forever: Here will all the cursed be gathered together who utter with their lips against YHWH unbecoming words and of His esteem speak rough things. Here will they be gathered together, and here 3 will be their place of judgment. In the last days, the spectacle of righteous judgment will be upon them in the presence of the righteous forever: here will the merciful bless YHWH of esteem, the Ageless King. 4 In the days of judgment over the former, they will bless Him for the mercy in accordance with 5 what He has assigned them *to do.*' Then I blessed YHWH of Kavod and broadcast His esteem, and I praised Him gloriously.

Journey to the east

1 Chanoch 28

1 And there I went towards the east, into the midst of the mountain range of the desert, and 2 I saw a wilderness and it was solitary, full of trees and plants. And water gushed forth from 3 above. Rushing like a copious watercourse that flowed towards the northwest it caused clouds and dew to ascend on every side.

1 Chanoch 29

1 And there I went to another place in the desert, and approached to the east of this mountain 2 range. And there I saw aromatic trees exhaling the fragrance of frankincense and myrrh, and the trees also were similar to the almond tree.

1 Chanoch 30

1,2 And beyond these, I went afar to the east, and I saw another place, a valley of water. And 3 therein was a tree, the odor of fragrant trees such as the mastic. And on the sides of those valleys I saw fragrant cinnamon. And beyond these I proceeded to the east.

1 Chanoch 31

1 And I saw other mountains, and amongst them were groves of trees, and there flowed forth from 2 them nectar, that is named sarara and galbanum. And beyond these mountains I saw another mountain to the east of the ends of the earth, whereon were aloe trees, and all the trees

were full of stacte, being like almond-trees.¹² And when one burnt it, it smelt sweeter than any fragrant odor.

1 Chanoch 32

1 And after these fragrant odors, as I looked towards the north over the mountains I saw seven mountains full of choice nard and fragrant trees and cinnamon and pepper.

2 And there I went over the summits of all these mountains, far towards the east of the earth, and passed above the Erythraean sea and went far from it, and passed over the angel Zotiel. And I came to the Garden of Righteousness,

3 I and from afar off trees more numerous than I these trees and great-trees there, very great, beautiful, and glorious, and magnificent, and the tree of knowledge, whose separated fruit they eat and know great wisdom.

4 That tree is in height like the fir, and its leaves are like (those of) the Carob tree: and its fruit

5 is like the clusters of the vine, very beautiful: and the fragrance of the tree penetrates afar. Then

6 I said: 'How beautiful is the tree, and how attractive is its look!' Then Raphael the separated angel, who was with me, answered me and said: 'This is the tree of wisdom, of that your father old (in years) and your aged mother, who were before you, have eaten, and they learned wisdom and their eyes were opened, and they knew that they were naked and they were driven out of the garden.'

1 Chanoch 33

1 And from there I went to the ends of the earth and saw there great beasts, and each differed from the other; and birds also differing in appearance and beauty and voice, the one differing from the other. And to the east of those beasts I saw the ends of the earth where on the heaven 2 rests, and the portals of the heaven open. And I saw how the stars of heaven come forth. 3 I counted the portals out of which they proceed, and wrote down all their outlets, of each individual star by itself, according to their number and their names, their courses and their positions, and their 4 times and their months, as Uriel the devoted angel showed me. He showed all things to me and wrote them down for

¹² stacte = myrrh resin.

me: even their names he wrote for me, and their laws and their companies.

Journey to the north

1 Chanoch 34

1 And from there I went towards the north to the ends of the earth, and there I saw a great and 2 wonderful device at the ends of the whole earth. And here I saw three portals of heaven open in the heaven: through each of them proceed north winds: when they blow there is cold, hail, frost, 3 snow, dew, and rain. And out of one portal they blow for good: but when they blow through the other two portals, it is with violence and affliction on the earth, and they blow with violence.

Journey to the west

1 Chanoch 35

1 And from there I went towards the west to the ends of the earth, and saw there three portals of the heaven open such as I had seen in the east, the same number of portals, and the same number of outlets.

Journey to the south

1 Chanoch 36

1 And from there I went to the south to the ends of the earth, and saw there three open portals 2 of the heaven: and from there come dew, rain, and wind. And from there I went to the east to the ends of the heaven, and saw here the three eastern portals of heaven open and small portals 3 above them. Through each of these small portals pass the stars of heaven and run their course to the west on the path shown to them.

And as often as I saw I blessed always YHWH of Kavod, and I continued to bless YHWH of Kavod who has wrought great and glorious wonders, to show the greatness of His work to the angels and to spirits and to men, that they might praise His work and all His creation: that they might see the work of His might and praise the great work of His hands and bless Him forever.

Book II, Similitudes

Introduction

1 Chanoch 37

1 The second vision that he saw, the vision of wisdom that Chanoch the son of Jared, the son 2 of Mahalalel, the son of Cainan, the son of Enos, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, saw. And this is the beginning of the words of wisdom that I lifted up my voice to speak and say to those that dwell on earth: Hear, you men of old time, and see, you that come after, the words of the Kadosh 3 that I will speak before YHWH Elohim. It was better to declare *them* to the men of old time, but even from those that come after we will not withhold the beginning of wisdom.

4 Till the present day such wisdom has never been given by YHWH Elohim as I have received according to my insight, according to the good pleasure of YHWH Elohim by whom the lot of 5 ageless life has been given to me. Now three Parables were imparted to me, and I lifted up my voice and recounted them to those that dwell on the earth.

The First Parable: judgment of the wicked

1 Chanoch 38

1 When the congregation of the righteous will appear,
And sinners will be judged for their sins,
And will be driven from the face of the earth:

2 And when the Righteous One will appear before the eyes of the
righteous,
Whose elect works hang upon YHWH Elohim,
And light will appear to the righteous and the elect who dwell on the
earth,
Where then will be the dwelling of the sinners,
And where the resting place of those who have denied YHWH
Elohim?

It had been good for them if they had not been born.

3 When the secrets of the righteous will be revealed and the sinners
judged,

And the godless driven from the presence of the righteous and elect,

4 From that time those that possess the earth will no longer be
powerful and exalted:

And they will not be able to behold the face of the kadoshim,¹³

¹³ kadoshim – those separated unto Yahweh and cleansed.

For YHWH Elohim has caused His light to appear
On the face of the separated, righteous, and elect.
5 Then will the kings and the mighty perish
And be given into the hands of the righteous and separated.
6 And there on none will seek for themselves mercy from YHWH
Elohim
For their life is at an end.

Home of the righteous

1 Chanoch 39

1 And it will pass in those days that elect and separated children will
descend from the 2 high heaven, and their seed will become one
with the children of men. And in those days Chanoch received
books of zeal and wrath, and books of disquiet and expulsion.
And mercy will not be accorded to them, says YHWH Elohim.
3 And in those days, a whirlwind carried me off from the earth,
And set me down at the end of the heavens.
4 And there I saw another vision, the dwelling-places of the set-
apart,
And the resting-places of the righteous.
5 Here my eyes saw their dwellings with His righteous angels,
And their resting-places with the separated.
And they petitioned and interceded and prayed for the children of
humanity,
And righteousness flowed before them as water,
And mercy like dew upon the earth:
Thus it is among them forever and ever.
6a And in that place my eyes saw the Elect One of righteousness and
of faith,
7a And I saw his dwelling under the wings of YHWH Elohim.
6b And righteousness will prevail in his days,
And the righteous and elect will be without number before Him
forever and ever.
7b And all the righteous and elect before Him will be strong as fiery
lights,
And their mouth will be full of blessing,

And their lips extol the name of YHWH Elohim,
And righteousness before Him will never fail,
And uprightness will never fail before Him.

8 There I wished to dwell,
And my spirit longed for which dwelling-place:
And there heretofore has been my portion,

For so has it been established concerning me before YHWH Elohim.

9 In those days I praised and extolled the name of YHWH Elohim with blessings and praises, because He has destined me for blessing and esteem according to the good pleasure of YHWH of 10 Spirits. For a long time my eyes regarded that place, and I blessed Him and praised Him, saying: 'Blessed is He, and may He be blessed from the beginning and forevermore. And before Him there is no ending. He knows before the world was created what is forever and what will be from 12 generation to generation. Those who sleep not bless You: they stand before Your esteem and bless, praise, and extol, saying: "Kadosh, kadosh, is YHWH Elohim: He fills the earth with 13 spirits."'

'And here my eyes saw all those who sleep not: they stand before Him and bless and say: 'Blessed be You, and blessed be the name of YHWH forever and ever.' And my face was changed; for I could no longer *take it all in*.¹⁴

Four angels

1 Chanoch 40

1 And after that I saw thousands of thousands and ten thousand times ten thousand, I saw a multitude 2 beyond number and reckoning, who stood before YHWH Elohim. And on the four sides of YHWH Elohim I saw four presences, different from those that sleep not, and I learned their names: for the angel that went with me made known to me their names, and showed me all the hidden things.

3 And I heard the voices of those four presences as they uttered praises before YHWH of esteem. 4,5 The first voice blesses YHWH Elohim forever and ever. And the second voice: I heard blessing 6 the Elect One and the elect ones who suspend upon YHWH Elohim. And the third voice I heard pray and intercede for those who dwell on the earth and supplicate in the name of YHWH Elohim. 7 And I heard the fourth voice

¹⁴ take it all in = behold it.

fending off the Adversaries and forbidding them to come before YHWH
8 Elohim to accuse them who dwell on the earth.

After that I asked the angel of peace who went with me, who showed me everything that is hidden: 'Who are these four presences that I have 9 seen and whose words I have heard and written down?' And he said to me: 'This first is Michael, the merciful and long-suffering; and the second, who is set over all the diseases and all the wounds of the children of men, is Raphael; and the third, who is set over all the powers, is Gabriel; and the fourth, who is set over the repentance to hope of those who inherit ageless life, is named Phanuel.' 10 And these are the four angels of YHWH Elohim and the four voices I heard in those days.

YHWH Elohim, Sovereign

1 Chanoch 41

1 And after, I saw all the secrets of the heavens, and how the kingdom is divided, and how the 2 actions of men are weighed in the balance. And there I saw the mansions of the elect and the mansions of the set apart, and my eyes saw all the sinners being driven from there – those that deny the name of YHWH Elohim – being dragged off: and they could not abide because of the punishment that proceeds from YHWH Elohim.

Secrets of the universe

3 And there my eyes saw the secrets of the lightning and of the thunder, and the secrets of the winds, how they are divided to blow over the earth, and the secrets of the clouds and dew, and there 4 I saw from where they proceed in that place and from where they saturate the dusty earth. And there I saw closed chambers that divided the winds, the chamber of the hail and winds, the chamber of the mist and of the clouds, and the cloud of it *that* hovers over the earth from the 5 beginning of the world.

And I saw the chambers of the sun and moon, from where they proceed and where they come again, and their glorious return, and how one is superior to the other, and their stately orbit, and how they do not leave their orbit, and they add nothing to their orbit and they take nothing from it, and they keep faith with each other, in accordance with the oath by which they 6 are bound together.

And first the sun goes forth and traverses his path according to the commandment 7 of YHWH Elohim, and mighty is His name forever and

ever. And after that I saw the hidden and the visible path of the moon, and she accomplishes the course of her path in that place by day and by night – holding a positions opposite each other before YHWH Elohim.

And they give thanks and praise and rest not;

For to them is their thanksgiving rest.

8 For the sun changes often for a blessing or a curse,

And the course of the path of the moon is light to the righteous

And darkness to the sinners in the name of YHWH,

Who made a separation between the light and the darkness,

And divided the spirits of men,

And strengthened the spirits of the righteous,

In the name of His righteousness.

9 For no angel hinders and no power is able to hinder; for He appoints a judge for them all and He judges them all before Him.

Dwelling of Wisdom

1 Chanoch 42

1 Wisdom found no place where she might dwell;

Then a dwelling was assigned her in the heavens.

2 Wisdom went forth to make her dwelling among the children of men,

And found no dwelling:

Wisdom returned to her place,

And took her seat among the angels.

3 And unrighteousness went forth from her chambers:

Whom she sought not she found,

And dwelt with them,

As rain in a desert

And dew on a thirsty land.

More mysteries of the universe

1 Chanoch 43

1 And I saw other lightning and the stars of heaven, and I saw how He called them all by their 2 names and they hearkened to Him. And I saw

how they are weighed in a righteous balance according to their proportions of light: the width of their spaces and the day of their appearing, and how their revolution produces lightning: and their revolution according to the 3 number of the angels, and *how they all* keep faith one with the other.

And I asked the angel who went 4 with me who showed me what was hidden: 'What are these?' And he said to me: 'The YHWH Elohim has showed you their parable: these are the names of the kadoshim who dwell on the earth and believe in the name of YHWH Elohim forever and ever.'

1 Chanoch 44

Another event I saw in the lightning: how some of the stars arise and become lightning and cannot part from their new form.

Second Parable: fate of the righteous

1 Chanoch 45

1 And this is the second Parable concerning those who deny the name of the dwelling of the kadoshim and YHWH Elohim.

2 And into the heaven they will not ascend,

And on the earth they will not come:

Such will be the lot of the sinners

Who have denied the name of YHWH Elohim,

Who are thus preserved for the day of suffering and tribulation.

3 On that day My Elect One will sit on the throne of esteem

And will try their works,

And their places of rest will be innumerable.

And their souls will grow strong within them when they see My Elect Ones,

And those who have called upon My hallowed name:

4 Then will I cause My Elect One to dwell among them.

And I will transform the heaven and make it an ageless blessing and light

5 And I will transform the earth and make it a blessing:

And I will cause My elect ones to dwell upon it:

But the sinners and evil-doers will not set foot thereon.

6 For I have provided and satisfied with peace My righteous ones
And have caused them to dwell before Me:
But for the sinners there is impending judgment with Me,
So that I will destroy them from the face of the earth.

1 Chanoch 46

1 And there I saw One who had a head of days,
And His head was white like wool,
And with Him was another being whose countenance had the
appearance of a man,
And his face was full of graciousness, like one of the set-apart
angels.

2 And I asked the angel who went with me and showed me all the
hidden things, concerning that 3 Son of Man, who he was, and
from where he *came*, and why he went with the Head of Days?
And he answered and said to me:

This is the Son of Man who has righteousness,
With whom dwells righteousness,
And who reveals all the treasures of that that is hidden,
Because YHWH Elohim has chosen him,
And whose fate has pre-eminence before YHWH Elohim in
uprightness forever.

4 And this Son of Man whom you have seen
Shall raise up the kings and the mighty from their seats,
Even the strong from their thrones
And will loosen the reins of the strong,
And break the teeth of sinners.

5 *And he will put down the kings from their thrones and kingdoms*
Because they do not extol and praise Him,
Nor humbly acknowledge that the kingdom was bestowed upon
them.

6 And he will put down the countenance of the strong,
And will fill them with shame.
And darkness will be their dwelling,
And worms will be their bed,
And they will have no hope of rising from their beds,

Because they do not extol the name of YHWH Elohim.
And raise their hands against the Most High,
And tread upon the earth and dwell upon it.
And all their deeds manifest unrighteousness,
And their power rests upon their riches,
And their faith is in the mighty ones that they have made with their
hands,
And they deny the name of YHWH Elohim,
8 And they persecute the houses of His congregations,
And the faithful who hang upon the name of YHWH Elohim.

Prayer of the Righteous

1 Chanoch 47

1 And in those days the prayer of the righteous will have ascended,
Even the blood of the righteous from the earth before YHWH
Elohim.

2 In those days the set-apart who dwell above in the heavens
Shall unite with one voice
And supplicate and pray *and praise,*
And give thanks and bless the name of YHWH Elohim
On behalf of the blood of the righteous that has been shed,
That the prayer of the righteous may not be in vain before YHWH
Elohim,
That judgment may be accounted to them,
And that they may not have to suffer forever.

3 In those days I saw the Head of Days when He seated himself upon
the throne of His Kavod,
And the books of the living were opened before Him:
And all His host that is in heaven above and His counselors stood
before Him,

4 And the hearts of the kadoshim were filled with joy;
Because the number of the righteous had been offered,
And the prayer of the righteous had been heard,
And the blood of the righteous been filled before YHWH Elohim.

Son of Man, Head of Days, judgment

1 Chanoch 48

1 And in that place I saw the fountain of righteousness
Which was inexhaustible:
And around it were many fountains of wisdom:
And all the thirsty drank of them,
And were filled with wisdom,
And their dwellings were with the righteous and separated and
elect.

2 And at that hour that Son of Man was named In the presence of
YHWH Elohim,
And his name before the Head of Days.

3 Yes, before the sun and the signs were created,
Before the stars of the heaven were made,
His name was named before YHWH Elohim.

4 He will be a staff to the righteous to steady themselves and not
fall,
And he will be the light of the Gentiles,
And the hope of those who are troubled of heart.

5 All who dwell on earth will fall down and worship before him,
And will praise and bless and celebrate with song YHWH Elohim.

6 And for this reason has he been chosen and hidden before Him,
Before the creation of the world and forevermore.

7 And the wisdom of YHWH Elohim has revealed him to the kadosh
and righteous;
For he has preserved the lot of the righteous,
Because they have hated and despised this world of
unrighteousness,
And have hated all its works and ways in the name of YHWH
Elohim:
For in his name they are saved,

And according to his good pleasure has it been regarding their lives.¹⁵

8 In these days, the kings of the earth will have become downcast in countenance,

And *so will* the strong who possess the land because of the works of their hands,

For on the day of their anguish and affliction they will not save themselves.

And I will give them over into the hands of My elect:

9 As straw in the fire so will they burn before the face of the separated:

As lead in the water will they sink before the face of the righteous,

And no trace of them will any more be found.

10 And on the day of their affliction there will be rest on the earth,

And before them they will fall and not rise again:

And there will be no one to take them with his hands and raise them:

For they have denied YHWH Elohim and His Anointed.

The name of YHWH Elohim be blessed.

Wisdom of the righteous elect

1 Chanoch 49

1 For wisdom is poured out like water,

And esteem never fails before him.

2 For he is mighty in all the secrets of righteousness,

And unrighteousness will disappear as a shadow,

And have no continuance;

Because the Elect One stands before YHWH Elohim,

And his fame is forever and ever,

And his might to all generations.

3 And in him dwells the spirit of wisdom,

And the spirit that gives insight,

And the spirit of understanding and of might,

¹⁵ lives = life.

And the spirit of those who have fallen asleep in righteousness.
4 And he will judge the secret things,
And none will be able to utter a lying word before him;
For he is the Elect One before YHWH Elohim according to His good
pleasure.

Compassion in judgment

1 Chanoch 50

1 And in those days a change will take place for the kadosh and
elect,
And the light of days will abide upon them,
And esteem and honor will turn to the kadoshim,
2 On the day of affliction, when evil will have been treasured up
against the sinners,
The righteous will be victorious in the name of YHWH Elohim:
And He will cause the others to witness *this*
That they may repent
And forgo the works of their hands.
3 They will have no honor through the name of YHWH Elohim,
Yet through His name they will be saved,
And YHWH Elohim will have compassion on them,
For His compassion is great.
4 But He is also righteous in His judgment,
And in the presence of His Kavod, unrighteousness will not
continue:
At His judgment, the unrepentant will perish before Him.
5 And from then on, 'I will have no mercy on them,' says YHWH
Elohim.

Resurrection

1 Chanoch 51

1 And in those days will the earth give back that that has been
entrusted to it,
And Sheol also will give back what it has received,

And Hades will give back what it owes.

5a For in those days the Elect One will arise,

2 And he will choose the righteous and separated from among them:

For the day has drawn near that they should be saved.

3 And the Elect One will sit on My throne in those days,

And his mouth will pour forth all the secrets of wisdom and counsel:

For YHWH Elohim has given to him and has esteemed him.

4 And in those days will the mountains leap like rams,

And the hills also will skip like lambs satisfied with milk,

And the faces of the angels in heaven will be lighted up with joy.

5b And the earth will rejoice,

c And the righteous will dwell upon it,

d And the elect will walk thereon.

Mountains of metal

1 Chanoch 52

I And after those days, in that place where I had seen all the visions of what is hidden, (for 2 I had been carried off in a whirlwind and they had *flown* me towards the west), my eyes saw all the secret things of heaven that will become: a mountain of iron, and a mountain of copper, and a mountain of silver, and a mountain of gold, and a mountain of soft metal, and a mountain of lead.

3 And I asked the angel who went with me, saying, 'What things are these that I have seen in 4 secret?' And he said to me: 'All these things that you have seen will serve the dominion of His Anointed that he may be powerful and mighty on the earth.' 5 And that angel of peace answered, saying to me: 'Wait a little, and there will be revealed to you all the secret things that surround YHWH Elohim.

6 And these mountains that your eyes have seen,

The mountain of iron, and the mountain of copper, and the
mountain of silver,

And the mountain of gold, and the mountain of soft metal, and the
mountain of lead,

All these will be in the presence of the Elect One

As wax: before the fire,

And like the water that streams down from above *upon those mountains,*

And they will become powerless before his feet.

7 And it will come to pass in those days that none will be saved,
Either by gold or by silver,

And none be able to escape.

8 And there will be no iron for war,

Nor will one clothe oneself with a breastplate.

Bronze will be of no service,

And tin *shall be of no service and* will not be valued,

And lead will not be wanted.

9 And all these things will be discarded and destroyed from the
surface of the earth,

When the Elect One will appear before the face of YHWH Elohim.'

Deep valley of judgment

1 Chanoch 53

1 There my eyes saw a deep valley with open mouths, and all who dwell on the earth and sea and islands will bring to him gifts and presents and tokens of homage, but that deep valley will not become full.

2 And their hands commit lawless deeds,

And the sinners devour all whom they lawlessly oppress:

Yet the sinners will be destroyed before the face of YHWH Elohim,

And they will be banished from off the face of His earth,

And they will perish forever and ever.

3 For I saw all the angels of punishment abiding (there) and preparing all the instruments of Satan. 4 And I asked the angel of peace who went with me: 'For whom are they preparing these Instruments?' 5 And he said to me: 'They prepare these for the kings and the mighty of this earth, that they may thereby be destroyed. 6 And after this the Righteous and Elect One will cause the house of his congregation to appear: henceforth they will be no more hindered in the name of YHWH Elohim.

7 And these mountains will not stand as the earth before his
righteousness,

But the hills will be as a fountain of water,
And the righteous will have rest from the oppression of sinners.'

1 Chanoch 54

1 And I looked and turned to another part of the earth, and saw there a deep valley with burning 2 fire. And they brought the kings and the mighty, and began to cast them into this deep valley. 3 And there my eyes saw how they made these their instruments, iron chains of immeasurable weight. 4 And I asked the angel of peace who went with me, saying: 'For whom are these chains being prepared?' And he said to me: 'These are being prepared for the hosts of Azazel, so that they may take them and cast them into the abyss of complete condemnation, and they will cover their jaws with rough stones as YHWH Elohim commanded.

6 And Michael, and Gabriel, and Raphael, and Phanuel will take hold of them on that great day, and cast them on that day into the burning furnace, that YHWH Elohim may take vengeance on them for their unrighteousness in becoming subject to Satan and leading astray those who dwell on the earth.'

The Flood and its judgment

7 And in those days will punishment come from YHWH Elohim, and he will open all the chambers of waters that are above the heavens, and of the fountains that are beneath the earth.

8 And all the waters will be joined with the waters: that that is above the heavens is the masculine,

9 and the water that is beneath the earth is the feminine. And they will destroy all who dwell

10 on the earth and those who dwell under the ends of the heaven. And when they have recognized their unrighteousness that they have wrought on the earth, then by these will they perish.

1 Chanoch 55

1 And after that the Head of Days repented and said: 'In vain have I destroyed all who dwell 2 on the earth.' And He vowed by His great name: 'Henceforth I will not do so to all who dwell on the earth, and I will set a sign in the heaven: and this will be a pledge of good faith between Me and them forever, so long as heaven is above the earth. And this is in accordance with My command.

Judgment of Azazel

3 When I have desired to take hold of them by the hand of the angels on the day of tribulation and pain because of this, I will cause My chastisement and My wrath to abide upon them, says 4 Eloha, YHWH Elohim. You mighty kings who dwell on the earth, you will have to observe My Elect One, how he sits on the throne of esteem and judges Azazel, and all his associates, and all his hosts in the name of YHWH Elohim.'

1 Chanoch 56

1 And I saw there the hosts of the angels of punishment going, and they held scourges and chains 2 of iron and bronze. And I asked the angel of peace who went with me, saying: 'To whom are 3 these who hold the scourges going? 'And he said to me: 'To their elect and beloved ones, that they may be cast into the chasm of the abyss of the valley.

4 And then that valley will be filled with their elect and beloved,
And the days of their lives will be at an end,
And the days of their leading astray will not there on be reckoned.

Israel vs. enemies

5 And in those days the angels will return
And hurl themselves to the east upon the Parthians and Medes:
They will stir up the kings, so that a spirit of unrest will come upon
them,

And they will rouse them from their thrones,
That they may break forth as lions from their lairs,
And as hungry wolves among their flocks.

6 And they will go up and tread under foot the land of His elect ones
*And the land of His elect ones will be before them a threshing-floor
and a highway.*

7 But the city of my righteous will be a hindrance to their horses.
And they will begin to fight among themselves,
And their right hand will be strong against themselves,
And a man will not know his brother,
Nor a son his father or his mother,

Till there be no number of the corpses through their slaughter,
And their punishment be not in vain.

8 In those days Sheol will open its jaws,
And they will be swallowed up therein
And their destruction will be at an end;
Sheol will devour the sinners in the presence of the elect.'

1 Chanoch 57

1 And it came to pass after this that I saw another host of wagons, and men riding thereon, and 2 coming on the winds from the east, and from the west to the south. And the noise of their wagons was heard, and when this turmoil took place the separated ones from heaven remarked it, and the pillars of the earth were moved from their place, and the sound of it was heard from the one end of heaven 3 to the other, in one day. And they will all fall down and worship YHWH Elohim. And this is the end of the second Parable.

Third Parable, the light of the Elect Zaddikim

1 Chanoch 58

1 And I began to speak the third Parable concerning the righteous and elect.

2 Blessed are you, all you righteous and elect,
For highly favored will be your fate.

3 And the righteous will be in the light of the sun.
And the elect in the light of ageless life:

The days of their life will be unending,
And the days of the kadosh without number.

4 And they will seek the light and find righteousness with YHWH
Elohim:

There will be peace to the righteous in the name of the Ever Living
YHWH.

5 And after this it will be said to the kadosh in heaven

That they should seek out the secrets of righteousness, the heritage
of faith:

For earth has become bright as the sun,
And the darkness is past.

6 And there will be a light that never ends,
And to a number of days they will not arrive,
For the darkness will first have been destroyed,
And the light established before YHWH Elohim,
And the light of uprightness established forever before YHWH
Elohim.

Thunder and Blazes

1 Chanoch 59

1 In those days my eyes saw the secrets of the lightning, and of the lights, and their judgment: and they lighten for a blessing or a curse as YHWH 2 Elohim may decide. And there I saw the secrets of the thunder, and how when it resounds above in the heaven, the sound of it is heard, and he caused me to see the judgments executed on the earth, whether they be for well being and blessing, or for a curse according to the word of YHWH Elohim. 3 And after that all the secrets of the lights and lightning were shown to me, and they lighten for blessing and for satisfying

A Fragment of the Book of Noach, quake, monsters, mysteries

1 Chanoch 60

1 In the year 500, in the seventh month, on the fourteenth day of the month in the life of Chanoch: in that Parable I saw how a mighty quaking made the heaven of heavens to shake, and the host of the Most High, and the angels, a thousand thousands and ten thousand times ten thousand, were 2 troubled with a great uneasiness. And the Head of Days sat on the throne of His Kavod, and the angels and the righteous stood around Him.

3 And a great shaking seized me,
And fear took hold of me,
And my bowels gave way,
And my kidneys were dissolved,
And I fell on my face.

4 And Michael sent another angel from among the set-apart ones and he raised me up, and when he had raised me up, my spirit returned; for I had not been able to endure the look of this host, and the 5 commotion and the quaking of the heaven.

And Michael said to me: 'Why are you terrified by such a vision? Until today, the day of His mercy has lasted; He has been merciful and long-suffering towards those who dwell on the earth. And when the day, and the power, and the punishment, and the judgment arrive that YHWH Elohim has prepared for those who do not worship *in the way of* the righteous law, and for those who deny the righteous judgment, and for those who take His name in vain. That day is prepared: for the elect a covenant, but for sinners an inquisition.

25 'When the punishment of YHWH Elohim will rest upon them, it will rest in order that the punishment of YHWH Elohim may not come in vain, and it will slay the children with their mothers and the children with their fathers. Afterwards the judgment will take place according to His mercy and His patience.'

7 And on that day were two monsters parted, a female monster named Leviathan, to dwell in the 8 abysses of the ocean over the fountains of the waters. But the male is named Behemoth, who keeps his torso in a waste wilderness named Duidain, on the east of the garden where the elect and righteous dwell, where my grandfather was taken up, the seventh from Adam, the first 9 man whom YHWH Elohim created. And I sought the other angel that he should show me the might of those monsters, how they were parted on one day and cast, the one into the abysses 10 of the sea, and the other to the dry land of the wilderness.

23 And the angel of peace who was with me said to me: "These two monsters are prepared for the great day of Eloha when they will be eaten as food. The punishment of YHWH Elohim pours down upon them in order that it not be issued in vain, but kill the offspring with their mothers and the offspring with their fathers when the punishment of YHWH descends upon all. Afterward there will be judgment according to his mercy and patience.¹⁶

And *the angel* said to me: 'You son of man, herein you seek to know what is hidden.'

11 And the other angel who went with me and showed me what was hidden told me what is first and last in the heaven in the height, and beneath the earth in the depth, and at the ends of the 12 heaven, and on the foundation of the heaven; Even the chambers of the winds, and how the winds are divided, and how they are weighed, and *how* the portals of the winds are reckoned, each according to the power of the wind, and the power of the lights of the moon, and according to the power

¹⁶ The last two sentences from sources used by E. Isaac.

that is fitting: and the divisions of the stars according to their names, and how all the divisions 13 are divided.

And the thunders according to the places where they fall, and all the divisions that are made among the lightning that it may lighten, and their host that they may at once obey. 14 For the thunder has places of rest assigned while waiting for its peal; and the thunder and lightning are inseparable, and although not one and undivided, they both go together 15 through the spirit and do not separate. For when the lightning lightens, the thunder utters its voice, and the spirit enforces a pause during the peal, and divides equally between them. For the treasury of their peals is like the sand, and each one of them as it peals is held in with a bridle, and turned back by the power of the spirit, and pushed forward according to the many quarters of the earth.

16 And the spirit of the sea is masculine and strong, and according to the might of his strength he draws it back with a rein, and in like manner it is driven forward and disperses amid all the mountains 17 of the earth. And the spirit of the frost is his own angel, and the spirit of the hail is a good 18 angel. And the spirit of the snow has forsaken his chambers on account of his strength (There is a special spirit therein, and that which ascends from it is like smoke, and its name is frost.) And the spirit of the mist is not united with them in their chambers, but it has a special chamber; for its course is glorious both in light and in darkness, and in winter and in summer, and in its chamber is an angel.

19 And the spirit of the dew has its dwelling at the ends of the heaven, and is connected with the chambers of the rain, and its course is in winter and summer: and its clouds and the clouds of the 20 mist are connected, and the one gives to the other. And when the spirit of the rain goes forth from its chamber, the angels come and open the chamber and lead it out, and when it is diffused over the whole earth it unites with the water on the earth. And whenever it unites with the water on 21 the earth *it makes more water*. The waters are for those who dwell on the earth. They are nourishment for the earth from the Most High who is in heaven: so there is a *certain* measure for the rain, 22 and the angels take it in charge. And these things I saw towards the Garden of the Righteous.

Judgment of the Elect and measuring of Eden

1 Chanoch 61

1 And I saw in those days how long cords were given to those angels,
and they took to themselves wings and flew, and they went towards the
north. 2 And I asked the angel, saying to him: 'Why have those taken
these cords and gone off?' And he said to me: 'They have gone to
measure.' 3 And the angel who went with me said to me:

'These will bring the measures of the righteous, And the ropes of the
righteous to the righteous, that they may stay themselves on the name
of YHWH Elohim forever and ever.

4 'The elect will begin to dwell with the elect,
And those are the measures that will be given to faith
And that will strengthen righteousness.

5 And these measures will reveal all the secrets of the depths of the
earth,

And those who have been destroyed by the desert,
And those who have been devoured by the beasts,
And those who have been devoured by the fish of the sea,
That they may return and stay themselves
On the day of the Elect One;

For none will be destroyed before YHWH Elohim,
And none are able to be destroyed.

6 And all who dwell above in the heaven received a command
and power and one voice and one light like fire.

7 And that One they blessed with their first words,
And extolled and praised with wisdom,
And they were wise in utterance and in the spirit of life.

8 And YHWH Elohim placed the Elect One on the throne of esteem.
So he will judge all the works of the set-apart above in the heaven,
And in the balance will their deeds be weighed

9 And when he will lift up his countenance
To judge their secret ways according to the word of the name of
YHWH Elohim,

And their path according to the way of the righteous judgment of
YHWH Elohim,

Then will they all with one voice speak and bless,
And esteem and extol and sanctify the name of YHWH Elohim.

10,11 'And He will summon all the host of the heavens, and all the set-apart ones above, and the host of Elohim, the Cherubim, Seraphim and Ophanim, and all the angels of power, and the angels of principalities, and the Elect One, and the other powers on the earth *and* over the water. On that day, they will raise one voice, and bless and esteem and exalt in the spirit of faith, and in the spirit of wisdom, and in the spirit of patience, and in the spirit of mercy, and in the spirit of judgment and of peace, and in the spirit of goodness. All will say with one voice:

"Blessed is He, and may the name of YHWH Elohim be blessed forever and ever."

12 'All who sleep not above in heaven will bless Him:

All the set-apart ones who are in heaven will bless Him,

And all the elect who dwell in the Garden of Life:

And every spirit of light who is able to bless,

and glorify, and extol, and consecrate Your blessed name,

And all flesh will beyond measure esteem and bless Your name
forever and ever.

13 For great is the mercy of YHWH Elohim, and He is long-suffering,

And all His works and all that He has created He has revealed to the
righteous and elect

In the name of YHWH Elohim.'

Condemnation of kings and masters

1 Chanoch 62

1 And thus YHWH commanded the kings and the mighty and the
exalted, and those who dwell on the earth, and said:

'Open your eyes and lift up your horns if you are able to recognize
the Elect One.'

2 And YHWH Elohim seated him on the throne of His esteem,

And the spirit of righteousness was poured out upon him,

And the word of his mouth slays all the sinners,

And all the unrighteous are destroyed from before his face.

3 And there will stand up in that day all the kings and the mighty,

And the exalted and those who hold the earth,

And they will see and recognize How he sits on the throne of his
esteem,

And righteousness is judged before him,
And no lying word is spoken before him.
4 Then will pain come upon them as on a woman in travail,
And she has pain in bringing forth
When her child enters the mouth of the womb,
And she has pain in bringing forth.
5 And one portion of them will look on the other,
And they will be terrified,
And they will be downcast of countenance,
And pain will seize them,
When they see that Son of Man
Sitting on the throne of his esteem.
6 And the kings and the mighty and all who possess the earth
will bless and esteem and extol him who rules over all, who was
hidden.
7 For from the beginning the Son of Man was hidden,
And the Most High preserved him in the presence of His might,
And revealed him to the elect.
8 And the congregation of the elect and set-apart will be sown,
And all the elect will stand before him on that day.
9 And all the kings and the mighty
and the exalted and those who rule the earth
Shall fall down before him on their faces,
And worship and set their hope upon that Son of Man,
And petition him and supplicate for mercy at his hands.
10 Yet YHWH Elohim will so press them
That they will hastily go forth from His presence,
And their faces will be filled with shame,
And the darkness grow deeper on their faces.
11 And He will deliver them to the angels for punishment,
To execute vengeance on them because
they have oppressed His children and His elect
12 And they will be a spectacle for the righteous and for His elect:
They will rejoice over them,

Because the wrath of YHWH Elohim rests upon them,
And His sword is drunk with their blood.

13 And the righteous and elect will be saved on that day,
And they will never again see the face of the sinners and
unrighteous.

14 And YHWH Elohim will abide over them,
And with the Son of Man they will dine
And lie down and rise up forever and ever.

15 And the righteous and elect will have risen from the earth,
And ceased to be of downcast countenance.

And they will have been clothed with suits of esteem,

16 And these will be the suits of life from YHWH Elohim:

And your suits will not grow old,

Nor your fame pass away before YHWH Elohim.'

Hopeless end for kings and masters

1 Chanoch 63

1 In those days will the mighty and the kings who possess the earth
implore *Him* to grant them a little respite from His angels of
punishment to whom they were delivered, that they might fall 2 down
and worship before YHWH Elohim, and confess their sins before Him.
And they will bless and esteem YHWH Elohim, and say:

'Blessed is YHWH Elohim and the Sovereign of kings,
And Sovereign of the mighty and Sovereign of the rich,
And Sovereign of esteem and Sovereign of wisdom,

3 And splendid in every secret thing is Your power from generation
to generation,

And Your esteem forever and ever:

Deep are all Your secrets and innumerable,
And Your righteousness is beyond reckoning.

4 We have now learned that we should glorify

And bless the Sovereign of kings and Him who is king over all kings.'

5 And they will say:

'Would that we had rest to esteem and give thanks

And confess our faith before His Kavod!

6 And now we long for a little rest but find it not:
We follow hard upon *it* yet obtain *it* not:
And light has vanished from before us,
And darkness is our dwelling-place forever and ever:
7 For we have not believed before Him
Nor esteemed the name of YHWH Elohim,
nor esteemed our YHWH;
But our hope was in the scepter of our kingdom,
And in our own fame.
8 And in the day of our suffering and tribulation, He saves us not,
And we find no rest for confession:
That our Sovereign is true in all His works, and in His judgments
and His justice,
And His judgments have no respect of persons.
And we pass away from before His face on account of our works,
And all our sins are reckoned against righteousness.’
10 Now they will say to themselves: ‘Our souls are full of
unrighteous gain, but it does not prevent us from descending
from the midst of it into the weight of Sheol.’
11 And after that their faces will be filled with darkness
And shame before that Son of Man,
And they will be driven from his presence,
And the sword will abide before his face in their midst.
12 Thus spoke YHWH Elohim: ‘This is the ordinance and judgment
with respect to the mighty and the kings and the exalted and
those who possess the earth before YHWH Elohim.’

More on fallen angels

1 Chanoch 64

1,2 And other forms I saw hidden in that place. I heard the voice of the angel saying, ‘These are the angels who descended to the earth, and revealed what was hidden to the children of men and seduced the children of men into committing sin.’

Predictions of Chanoch

1 Chanoch 65

1,2 And in those days Noach saw the earth – that it had sunk down and its destruction was nigh. And he arose from there and went to the ends of the earth, and cried aloud to his grandfather Chanoch. 3 And Noach said three times with an embittered voice: ‘Hear me, hear me, hear me.’ And I said to him: ‘Tell me what it is that is falling out on the earth that the earth is in such evil plight 4 and shaken, for fear that I might perish with it?’ And there was a great commotion on the earth, and a voice was heard from heaven, and I fell on my face.

And Chanoch my grandfather came and stood by me, and said to me: ‘Why have you cried to me with a bitter cry and weeping?’

6 A command has gone forth from the presence of YHWH concerning those who dwell on the earth. Their ruin is accomplished. They have learned all the secrets of the angels, and all the violence of the Adversaries, and all their powers – even the most secret ones: All the power of those who practice sorcery, and the power of witchcraft, and the power of those who make molten images 7 for the whole world. Even how silver is produced from the dust of the earth, and how soft metal 8 originates in the earth. For lead and tin are not produced from the earth like the first: it is a fountain 9 that produces them, and an angel stands therein, and that angel is pre-eminent.

And after that my grandfather Chanoch took hold of me by my hand and raised me up, and said to me: ‘Go, for I have 10 asked YHWH Elohim about this commotion on the earth. He said to me: “Because of their unrighteousness their judgment has been determined upon and will not be withheld by Me forever. Because of the sorceries that they have searched out and learned, the earth and those 11 who dwell upon it will be destroyed.” And these – well, they have no place of repentance forever, because they have shown what was hidden, and they are the condemned. As for you, my son, YHWH Elohim knows that you are pure and guiltless of this reproach in regards to the secrets.

12 And He has destined your name to be among the set-apart,
And *He* will preserve you amongst those who dwell on the earth,
And *He* has destined your righteous seed both for royalty and for
great honors,
And from your seed will *gush* a fountain of the righteous and kadosh
without number forever.

Angels mastering the Flood

1 Chanoch 66

1 And after that he showed me the angels of punishment who are prepared to come and let loose all the powers of the waters that are beneath in the earth in order to bring judgment and destruction 2 on all who dwell on the earth. And YHWH Elohim gave commandment to the angels who were going forth, that they should not cause the waters to rise but should hold them 3 in check; for those angels were over the powers of the waters. And I left the presence of Chanoch.

The promise of Eloha to Noach

1 Chanoch 67

1 And in those days the word of Eloha came to me, and He said to me: 'Noach, your life has come 2 up before Me, a life without blame, a life of love and uprightness. And now the angels are making a wooden *contraption*. When they have completed that task, I will place My hand upon it and preserve it, and there will come forth from it the seed of life. And a change will set in so that the 3 earth will not remain without inhabitant. And I will fasten your family before me forever and ever, and I will spread abroad those who dwell with you: *such* will not be unfruitful on the face of the earth, but will be blessed and multiply on the earth in the name of YHWH.'

4 And He will imprison those angels who have shown unrighteousness in that burning valley that my grandfather Chanoch had formerly shown to me in the west among the mountains of gold 5 and silver and iron and soft metal and tin. And I saw that valley in that there was a great 6 earthquake and a quaking of the waters. And when all this took place, from that fiery molten metal and from the quaking of it in that place, there was produced a smell of sulphur, and it was connected with those waters, and that valley of the angels who had led *humankind* astray burned 7 beneath that land. And through its valleys proceed streams of fire, where these angels are punished who had led astray those who dwell upon the earth.

8 But those waters will in those days serve for the kings and the mighty and the exalted, and those who dwell on the earth, for the healing of the body, but for the punishment of the spirit; now their spirit is full of lust, that they may be punished in their body, for they have denied YHWH Elohim. 9 *They* see their punishment daily, yet *still* do not believe in His name. And in proportion to the severity of their burning bodies, a

corresponding change will take place in their spirit forever and ever; 10 for before YHWH Elohim none will utter an idle word.

For the judgment will come upon them, 11 because they believe in the lust of their body and deny the Spirit of YHWH. And those same waters will undergo a change in those days; for when those angels are punished in these waters, these water-springs will change their temperature, and when the angels ascend, this water of the 12 springs will change and become cold.

And I heard Michael answering and saying: 'This judgment wherewith the angels are judged is a testimony for the kings and the mighty who possess the 13 earth.' Because these waters of judgment minister to the healing of the body of the kings and the lust of their body; therefore they will not see and will not believe that those waters will change and become a fire that burns forever.

Michael and Raphael discuss judgment

1 Chanoch 68

1 Afterward, my grandfather Chanoch taught me all the Secrets in the book of parables given to him, and he put them together for me in the words of the Book 2 of the Parables. And on that day Michael spoke to Raphael and said: 'The power of the spirit transfixes me and makes me tremble because of the severity of the judgment in the Secrets; *that is*, the judgment of the angels. Who can endure the severe judgment that has been executed before 3 they melt away?' And Michael spoke again and said to Raphael: 'Who is he whose heart is not softened concerning it, and whose insides are not troubled by this word of judgment 4 *that* has gone forth upon them because of those who have led them?'

And it came to pass when he stood before YHWH Elohim, Michael said this to Raphael: 'I will not take their part under the eye of YHWH; for YHWH Elohim has been angry with them because they do 5 as if they were YHWH *himself*. Therefore all that is hidden will come upon them age after age, for neither angel nor man will take his part *in it*, but alone they have received their judgment age after age and forever.

Names and crimes of fallen angels

1 Chanoch 69

1 And after this judgment they will terrify and make them to tremble because they have shown this to those who dwell on the earth.

2 Behold the names of those angels; *and these are their names: the first of them is Semyaza, the second Artaqifa, and the third Armen, the fourth Kokabel, the fifth Turael, the sixth Rumyal, the seventh Danyal, the eighth Neqael, the ninth Baraqel, the tenth Azazel, the eleventh Armaros, the twelfth Batayal, the thirteenth Busaseyal, the fourteenth Hananel, the fifteenth Turel, and the sixteenth Simapesiel, the seventeenth Jetrel, the eighteenth Tumael, the nineteenth Turel, 3 the twentieth Rumael, the twenty-first Azazel. And these are the chiefs of their angels and their names, and their chief ones over hundreds and over fifties and over tens.*

4 The name of the first Yeqon: that is, the one who led astray the sons of Elohim, and brought them 5 down to the earth, and led them astray through the daughters of men. And the second was named Asba'al: he imparted to the set-apart sons of Eloha evil counsel, and led them astray so that they defiled 6 their bodies with the daughters of men. And the third was named Gadreel: he it is who showed the children of men all the blows of death, and he led astray Eve, and showed *the weapons of death to the sons of men*, the shield and the coat of mail, and the sword for battle, and all the weapons 7 of death to the children of men. And from his hand they have proceeded against those who dwell 8 on the earth from that day and from age to age.

And the fourth was named Penemuel: he taught the 9 children of men the bitter and the sweet, and he taught them all the secrets of their wisdom. And he instructed humankind in writing with ink and paper, and thereby many sinned from eternity to 10 eternity and until this day. For men were not created for such a purpose, to give confirmation 11 to their good faith with pen and ink. For men were created exactly like the angels, to the intent that they should continue pure and righteous, and death that destroys everything, could not have taken hold of them, but through this their knowledge they are perishing, and through this power 12 I am being consumed.

And the fifth was named Kasdeya: this is he who showed the children of men all the evil beatings of spirits and demons. Also the dashing of the embryo in the womb so that it may die, *the beatings of the soul*, the bites of the serpent, the beatings 13 that fell by noontide heat: by the son of the serpent named Taba'et.

And this is the task of Kasba'al, the chief of the oath that was shown to the set-apart ones when he lived high 14 above in kavod. Its name is Biqu. This (angel) requested Michael to show him the hidden name that he might say it in the oath; that those who revealed all secrets to the children of humankind might quake before that name and oath. This is

the power of this oath – for it is powerful and strong – and Akae placed this oath in the hand of Michael. 16 And these are the secrets of this oath, sustained through the power of this oath:

The heaven was suspended before the world was created,
And forever;

17 And through it the earth was founded upon the water,
And from the secret recesses of the mountains come beautiful
waters,

From the creation of the world and to eternity.

18 And through that oath the sea was created,
And as its foundation He set for it the sand against the time of his
wrath,

And it dare not pass beyond it from the creation of the world and
forever.

19 And through that oath are the depths made fast,
And abide and stir not from their place from forever to forever.

20 And through that oath the sun and moon complete their course,
And deviate not from their ordinance from forever to forever.

21 And through that oath the stars complete their course,
And He calls them by their names,

And they answer Him from forever to forever.

22 And in like manner the spirits of the water, and of the winds, and of all zephyrs, and (their) paths 23 from all the quarters of the winds. And there are preserved the voices of the thunder and the light of the lightning: and there are preserved the chambers of the hail and the chambers of the 24 frost, and the chambers of the mist, and the chambers of the rain and the dew. And all these believe and give thanks before YHWH Elohim, and esteem YHWH with all their power Their food is in every act of thanksgiving: they thank and esteem and extol the name of YHWH Elohim forever and ever.

25 And this oath is mighty over them
And through it their paths are preserved,
And their course is not obliterated.

26 And there was great joy among them,
They blessed and esteemed and extolled
Since the name of that Son of Man had been revealed to them.

27 So he sat on the throne of his kavod,
And the sum of judgment was given to that Son of Man,
And he caused the sinners to pass away
and be destroyed from off the face of the earth,
And those who have led the world astray.
28 With chains they will be bound,
And in their church of destruction will be imprisoned,
And all their works *will* vanish from the face of the earth.
29 And from here one there will be nothing corruptible;
For that Son of Man has appeared,
And has seated himself on the throne of his kavod,
And all evil will pass away before his face,
And the word of that Son of Man will go forth
And be mighty before YHWH Elohim.

Prehistoric fathers

1 Chanoch 70

1 And after this, his lifelong name was raised aloft to that Son of 2 Man and to YHWH Elohim from amongst those who dwell on the earth. And he was raised aloft 3 on the chariots of the spirit and his name vanished among them. And from that day I was no longer numbered amongst them. He set me between the two winds, between the North and the 4 West, where the angels took the cords to measure for me the place of the elect and righteous. There I saw the first fathers and the righteous who from the beginning lived there.

Chanoch is translated, the fiery house

1 Chanoch 71

1 And it came to pass after this that my spirit was translated
And it ascended into the heavens.
I saw the set-apart sons of Elohim.
They were stepping upon flames of fire:
White were their clothing,
And their faces shone like snow.
2 And I saw two streams of fire,

And the light of that fire shone like hyacinth.

I fell on my face before YHWH Elohim.

3 And the angel *archangel* Michael seized me by my right hand,
And lifted me up and led me forth into all the secrets,
And he showed me all the secrets of righteousness.

4 And he showed me all the secrets of the ends of the sky,
And all the chambers of all the stars, and all the luminaries,
The places from which they proceed
to *assemble* before the face of the set-apart.

5 And he translated my spirit into the heaven of heavens,
And I saw there something like a building of crystals;
Between those crystals were tongues of living fire.

6 My spirit saw the restraint that held that house of fire *together*,
And on its four sides were streams full of living fire,
And they surrounded that house.

7 Round about were Seraphim, Cherubim, and Ophanim:
Such do not sleep
But guard the throne of His Kavod.

8 And I saw uncountable multitudes of angels,
A thousand thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand,
Circling that house.

Michael, and Raphael, and Gabriel, and Phanuel,
And the set-apart angels who are above the heavens,
Go in and out of that house.

9 And they came forth from that house,
And Michael and Gabriel, Raphael and Phanuel,
And many set-apart angels without number.

10 And with them the Head of Days,
His head white and pure as wool,
And His clothing indescribable.

11 And I fell on my face,
And my whole body lightened,
And my spirit was transfigured;
And I cried with a loud voice, with the spirit of power,

And blessed and esteemed and extolled.

12 And these blessings going forth from my mouth were well-pleasing before that Head of Days. 13 And that Head of Days came with Michael and Gabriel, Raphael and Phanuel, and thousands and ten thousands of angels – without number.

14 And *the angel* came to me and greeted me with his voice, and said to me:

‘This is the Son of Man who is born to righteousness,
And righteousness abides over him,
And the righteousness of the Head of Days forsakes him not.’

15 He also said to me:

‘He proclaims to you peace in the name of the world to come;
For from hence has proceeded peace since the creation of the world,
And so will it be to you forever and forever and ever.

16 And all will walk in his ways since righteousness never forsakes him:

With him will be their dwellings, and with him their heritage,
And they will not be separated from him forever and ever and ever.
So there will be length of days with that Son of Man,
And the righteous will have peace and an upright way
In the name of YHWH Elohim forever and ever.’

Book III: Sky Lights

The sun

1 Chanoch 72

1 The book of the courses of the lights of the sky, the relations of each, according to their classes, their dominion and their seasons, according to their names and places of origin, and according to their months that Uriel, the devoted angel, who was with me, who is their guide, showed me. He showed me all their laws exactly as they are, and how it is with regard to all the years of the world, even 2 to eternity, until the eternal new creation is completed.

And this is the first law of the lights: the light ‘the Sun’ has its rising in the eastern portals of the sky 3 and its setting in the western portals of the sky. I saw six portals through which the sun rises and six portals

through which the sun sets. And the moon rises and sets in these portals; also the leaders of the stars and those whom they lead: six in the east, six in the west, and all following each other 4 in accurately corresponding order – and many windows to the right and left of these portals.

Yes, there goes forth first the great luminary named ‘the Sun,’ and his circumference is like the 5 circumference of the sky, and he is quite filled with illuminating and heating fire. The chariot upon which he ascends is wind-driven. The sun then goes down from the sky and returns by the north to reach the east. It is guided so that he comes to that portal and 6 shines in the face of the sky. In this way, he rises in the first month in the great portal that 7 is the fourth *of those six portals*.

In that fourth portal (through which the sun rises in the first month) there are twelve windows, from which proceed flame when opened in 8 their season. When the sun rises in the sky, he comes forth through that fourth portal thirty 9 mornings in succession, and sets accurately in the fourth portal in the west of the sky. And during this period the day becomes daily longer and the night nightly shorter to the thirtieth 10 morning. On that day the day is longer than the night by a ninth part, and the day amounts exactly to ten parts and the night to eight parts. And the sun rises from that fourth portal, and sets in the fourth and returns to the fifth portal of the east thirty mornings, and rises from it and sets in the fifth 12 portal. Then the day becomes longer by two parts and amounts to eleven parts, and the night 13 becomes shorter and amounts to seven parts.

And it returns to the east and enters into the sixth 14 portal, and rises and sets in the sixth portal one-and-thirty mornings on account of its sign. On that day the day becomes longer than the night, and the day becomes double the night, and the day 15 becomes twelve parts, and the night is shortened and becomes six parts. And the sun mounts up to make the day shorter and the night longer, and the sun returns to the east and enters into the 16 sixth portal, and rises from it and sets thirty mornings. And when thirty mornings are accomplished, 17 the day decreases by exactly one part, and becomes eleven parts, and the night seven.

And the sun goes forth from that sixth portal in the west, and goes to the east and rises in the fifth portal for 18 thirty mornings, and sets in the west again in the fifth western portal. On that day the day decreases by two parts, and amounts to ten parts and the night to eight parts. And the sun goes forth from that fifth portal and sets in the fifth portal of the

west, and rises in the fourth portal for one- 20 and-thirty mornings on account of its sign, and sets in the west. On that day the day is equalized with the night, *and becomes of equal length*, and the night amounts to nine parts and the day to 21 nine parts.

And the sun rises from that portal and sets in the west, and returns to the east and rises 22 thirty mornings in the third portal and sets in the west in the third portal. And on that day the night becomes longer than the day, and night becomes longer than night, and day shorter than day until the thirtieth morning, and the night amounts exactly to ten parts and the day to eight 23 parts. And the sun rises from that third portal and sets in the third portal in the west and returns to the east, and for thirty mornings rises 24 in the second portal in the east, and in like manner sets in the second portal in the west of the sky. And on that day the night amounts to eleven 25 parts and the day to seven parts.

And the sun rises on that day from that second portal and sets in the west in the second portal, and returns to the east into the first portal for one-and-thirty 26 mornings, and sets in the first portal in the west of the sky. And on that day the night becomes longer and amounts to the double of the day: and the night amounts exactly to twelve parts and 27 the day to six. And the sun has traversed the divisions of his orbit and turns again on those divisions of his orbit, and enters that portal thirty mornings and sets also in the west 28 opposite to it. And on that night has the night decreased in length by a ninth part, and the night 29 has become eleven parts and the day seven parts.

And the sun has returned and entered into the second portal in the east, and returns on those his divisions of his orbit for thirty mornings, rising 30 and setting. And on that day the night decreases in length, and the night amounts to ten parts 31 and the day to eight. And on that day the sun rises from that portal, and sets in the west, and returns to the east, and rises in the third portal for one-and-thirty mornings, and sets in the west of the sky. 32 On that day the night decreases and amounts to nine parts, and the day to nine parts, and the night 33 is equal to the day and the year is exactly as to its days three hundred and sixty-four.

And the length of the day and of the night, and the shortness of the day and of the night arise – through the course 34 of the sun they are separated. So it happens that its course becomes 35 longer daily and its course shorter nightly. And this is the law and the course of the sun, and his return as often as he returns sixty times and rises, that great light that is named the sun, forever and ever. And that which *thus* rises is the great light, and is so named according to 37 its appearance,

according as YHWH commanded. As he rises, so he sets and decreases not, and rests not, but runs day and night, and his light is sevenfold brighter than that of the moon; but as regards size they are both equal.

Light of the moon

1 Chanoch 73

1-5 And after this law I saw another law dealing with the lesser luminary that is named the Moon. And her circumference is like the circumference of the sky, and her chariot in that she rides is driven by the wind, and light is given to her in measure. And her rising and setting change every month: and her days are like the days of the sun, and when her light is full it amounts to the seventh part of the light of the sun, And thus she rises.

And her first phase in the east comes forth on the thirtieth morning: and on that day she becomes visible, and constitutes for you the first phase of the moon on the thirtieth day together with the sun in the portal where the sun rises. And the one half of her goes forth by a seventh part, and her whole circumference is empty, without light, with the exception of one-seventh part of it; the 6 fourteenth part of her light. And when she receives one-seventh part of the half of her light, her light 7 amounts to one-seventh part and the half of it.

And she sets with the sun. When the sun rises the moon rises with him and receives the half of one part of light, and in that night in the beginning of her morning *in the commencement of the lunar day* the moon sets with the sun, and 8 is invisible that night with the fourteen parts and the half of one of them. And she rises on that day with exactly a seventh part, and comes forth and recedes from the rising of the sun, and in her remaining days she becomes bright in the thirteen parts *remaining*.

1 Chanoch 74

1 And I saw another course, a law for her: how according to that law she performs her monthly 2 revolution. And all these Uriel, the devoted angel who is the leader of them all, showed to me, and their positions, and I wrote down their positions as he showed them to me, and I wrote down their months 3 as they were, and the appearance of their lights until fifteen days were accomplished. In single seventh parts she accomplishes all her light in the east, and in single seventh parts accomplishes all her 4 darkness in the west. And in certain months she

alters her settings, and in certain months she pursues 5 her own peculiar course.

In two months the moon sets with the sun: in those two middle portals the 6 third and the fourth. She goes forth for seven days, and turns about and returns again through the portal where the sun rises, and accomplishes all her light: and she recedes from the sun, and in eight 7 days enters the sixth portal from that the sun goes forth. And when the sun goes forth from the fourth portal she goes forth seven days, until she goes forth from the fifth and turns back again in seven days into the fourth portal and accomplishes all her light: and she recedes and enters into the 8 first portal in eight days. And she returns again in seven days into the fourth portal from that the 9, 10 sun goes forth.

So I saw their position – how the moons rose and the sun set in those days. And if five years are added together the sun has an overage of thirty days, and all the days that accrue 11 to it for one of those five years, when they are full, amount to 364 days. And the overage of the sun and of the stars amounts to six days: in 5 years 6 days every year come to 30 days: and the 12 moon falls behind the sun and stars to the number of 30 days. And the sun and the stars bring in all the years exactly, so that they do not advance or delay their position by a single day to eternity; but complete the years with perfect justice in 364 days.

In 3 years there are 1,092 days, and in

5 years 1,820 days, so that in

8 years there are 2,912 days. For the moon alone the days are

3 years to 1,062 days, and in

5 years she falls 50 days behind: *i.e. to the sum of 1,770 there is 5 to be added 1,000 and 62 days.*

And in 5 years there are 1,770 days, so that for the moon the days 6 in 8 years amount to 21,832 days.

For in 8 years she falls behind to the amount of 80 days,

all the 17 days she falls behind in

8 years are 80.

And the year is accurately completed in conformity with their world-stations and the stations of the sun that rise from the portals through, which it rises and sets 30 days.

Twelve winds and gates

1 Chanoch 75

1 And the leaders of the heads of the thousands, who are placed over the whole creation and over all the stars, have to do with the four inserted days, being inseparable from their office, according to the reckoning of the year, and these render service on the four days that are not 2 counted in ascertaining the year. And owing to them men go wrong, for those lights truly render service on the stations, one in the first portal, one in the third portal of the sky, one in the fourth portal, and one in the sixth portal. The exactness of the year is 3 accomplished through its separate three hundred and sixty-four stations. For *these* signs and the times and the years and the days the angel Uriel showed to me.

(*Uriel is the one* whom YHWH of Kavod has set forever over all the sky and world lights, so they may rule from the face of the sky to be seen on the earth, and be leaders for the day and the night. *These include* the sun, moon, and stars, and all the ministering creatures that make their revolution in all the chariots 4 of the sky.)

In like manner, twelve doors Uriel showed me, open in the circumference of the sun's chariot in the sky, through which the rays of the sun break forth: and from them is warmth 5 diffused over the earth, when they are opened at their appointed seasons. *And for the winds and 6 the spirit of the dew when they are opened, standing open in the heavens at the ends.*

As for the twelve portals in the heaven, at the ends of the earth, out of that go forth the sun, moon, and stars, 7 and all the works of heaven in the east and in the west. There are many windows open to the left and right of them, and one window at its season produces warmth, corresponding to those doors from that the stars come forth according as He has commanded them, 8 and wherein they set corresponding to their number.

And I saw chariots in the sky, running 9 in the world, above those portals in which revolve the stars that never set. One is larger than all the rest, and it is that which makes its course through the entire world.

1 Chanoch 76

1 And at the ends of the earth, I saw twelve portals open to all the quarters from 2 which the winds go forth and blow over the earth. Three of them are open on the east of the skies, and three on the west, and three on the *south* of the sky, and 3 three on the *north*. And the three first are those of the east, and three are of the 4 north, and three,

after those on the left, of the south, and three of the west. Through four of these come winds of blessing and prosperity and from those eight come hurtful winds. When they are sent *forth*, they bring destruction on all the earth and on the water upon it, and on all who dwell thereon, and on everything that is in the water and on the land.

5 And the first wind from those portals, called the east wind, comes forth through the first portal that is in the east, inclining towards the south: from it come forth desolation, drought, heat, 6 and destruction. And through the second portal in the middle comes what is fitting, and from it there come rain and fruitfulness and prosperity and dew; and through the third portal that lies toward the north come cold and drought. 7 And after these come forth the south winds through three portals: through the first portal of 8 them inclining to the east comes forth a hot wind. And through the middle portal next to it there 9 come forth fragrant smells, and dew and rain, and prosperity and health. And through the third portal lying to the west come forth dew and rain, locusts and desolation.

10 And after these the north winds: from the seventh portal in the east come dew and rain, locusts and desolation. And from the middle portal come in a direct direction health and rain and dew and prosperity; and through the third portal in the west come cloud and frost, and snow and rain, and dew and locusts. 12 And after these [four] are the west winds: through the first portal adjoining the north come forth dew and frost, and cold and snow and ice. And from the middle portal come forth dew and rain, and prosperity and blessing; and through the last portal that adjoins the south come forth drought and desolation, and burning and destruction. And the twelve portals of the four quarters of the sky are completed, and all their laws and all their plagues and all their benefactions have I shown to you, my son Methuselah.

Four directions, twelve mountains, as many rivers

1 Chanoch 77

1 And the first quarter is called the east, because it is the first: and the second, the south, because the Most High will descend there, yes, there (in quite a special sense) will He who is blessed forever 2 descend. And the west quarter is named the diminished, because there all the lights of the 3 sky wane and go down. And the fourth quarter, named the north, is divided into three parts: the first of them is for the dwelling of men: and the second contains seas of water, and the abysses and forests

and rivers, and darkness and clouds; and the third part contains the garden of righteousness.

4 I saw seven high mountains, higher than all the mountains that are on the earth: and there 5 comes forth frost, and days, seasons, and years pass away.

I saw seven rivers on the earth larger than all the rivers: one of them coming from the west pours its waters into the Great Sea. 6 And these two come from the north to the sea and pour their waters into the Erythraean Sea¹⁷ in the 7 east. And the remaining, four come forth on the side of the north to their own sea, two of them to the Erythraean Sea, and two into the Great Sea and discharge themselves there (*and some say 8 into the desert*).

Seven great islands I saw in the sea and in the mainland: two in the mainland and five in the Great Sea.

Names of sun and moon; moon times

1 Chanoch 78

1,2 And the names of the sun are the following: the first Oryares, and the second Tomas. And the moon has four names: the first name is Asonya, the second Ebla, the third Benase, and the fourth 3 Erae. These are the two great lights: their circumference is like the circumference of the 4 sky, and the size of the circumference of both is alike. In the circumference of the sun there are seven portions of light that are added to it more than to the moon, and in definite measures it is transferred until the seventh portion of the sun is exhausted.

And they set and enter the portals of the west, and make their revolution by the north, and come forth through the eastern portals 6 on the face of the sky. And when the moon rises one-fourteenth part appears in the sky: 7 *the light becomes full in her*: on the fourteenth day she accomplishes her light. And fifteen parts of light are transferred to her until the fifteenth day *when her light is accomplished*, according to the sign of the year, and she becomes fifteen parts, and the moon grows by *the addition of the fourteenth* 8 parts.

And *the moon's* waning decreases on the first day to fourteen parts of her light, on the second to thirteen parts of light, on the third to twelve, on the fourth to eleven, on the fifth to ten, on the sixth to nine, on the

¹⁷ Erythraean Sea = the Indian Ocean or its attached gulfs, specifically, the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea.

seventh to eight, on the eighth to seven, on the ninth to six, on the tenth to five, on the eleventh to four, on the twelfth to three, on the thirteenth to two, on the 9 fourteenth to the half of a seventh, and all her remaining light disappears wholly on the fifteenth. And 10,11 in certain months the month has twenty-nine days and once twenty-eight.

And Uriel showed me another law: when light is transferred to the moon, and on that side it is transferred to her by the sun. During all the period the moon is growing in her light, she is transferring it to herself when opposite to the sun during fourteen days *her light is completed in the sky*, 12 and when she is illumined throughout, her light is accomplished full in the sky.

And on the first 13 day she is called the new moon, for on that day the light rises upon her. She becomes full moon exactly on the day when the sun sets in the west, and from the east she rises at night, and the moon shines the whole night through until the sun rises over against her and the moon is seen over against the sun. On the side whence the light of the moon comes forth, there again she wanes until all the light vanishes and all the days of the month are at an end, and her circumference is empty, void of 5 light.

And three months she makes of thirty days, and at her time she makes three months of twenty- nine days each, in that she accomplishes her waning in the first period of time, and in the first 6 portal for one hundred and seventy-seven days. And in the time of her going out she appears for three months *of* thirty days each, and for three months she appears *of* twenty-nine each. At night she appears like a man for twenty days each time, and by day she appears like the sky, and there is nothing else in her save her light.

Laws of the skies completed

1 Chanoch 79

1 And now, my son, I have shown you everything, and the law of all the stars of the sky is 2 completed. And he showed me all the laws of these for every day, and for every season of bearing rule, and for every year, and for its going forth, and for the order prescribed to it every month 3 and every week: And the waning of the moon that takes place in the sixth portal: for in this 4 sixth portal her light is completed, and after that there is the beginning of the waning.

And the waning that takes place in the first portal in its season, until one hundred and seventy-seven 5 days are accomplished: reckoned

according to weeks, twenty-five plus two days. She falls behind the sun and the order of the stars exactly five days in the course of one period, even when 6 this place that you see has been traversed. Such is the picture and sketch of every light that Uriel the archangel, who is their leader, showed to me.

1 Chanoch 80

1 And in those days the angel Uriel answered and said to me: 'See now, I have shown you everything, Chanoch, and I have revealed everything to you that you should see *regarding* this sun and this moon, and the leaders of the stars of the sky and all those who turn them, their tasks and times and departures.

2 'And in the days of the sinners the years will be shortened,
And their seed will be late upon their lands and fields,
And all things on the ground will alter,
And will not appear in their time:
And the rain will be kept back
And the sky will withhold.

3 And in those times the fruits of the earth will be backward,
And will not grow in their time,
And the fruits of the trees will be withheld in their time.

4 And the moon will alter her order,
And not appear at her time.

5 *And in those days the sun will be seen and he will journey in the evening on the extremity of the great chariot in the west*
And will shine more brightly than accords with the order of light.

6 And many chiefs of the stars will transgress the *set* order.
And these will alter their orbits and duties,
And not appear at the seasons prescribed to them.

7 And the whole order of the stars will be concealed from the sinners,
And the thoughts of those on the earth will err concerning them,
And they will be altered from all their ways,
Yea, they will err and take them to be mighty ones.¹⁸

8 And evil will be multiplied upon them,

¹⁸ Mighty ones = gods.

And punishment will come upon them
So as to destroy all.'

The heavenly tablets

1 Chanoch 81

1 And he said to me:
'Observe, Chanoch, these heavenly tablets,
And read what is written thereon,
And mark every individual fact.'

2 And I observed the heavenly tablets, and read everything that was written *thereon* and understood everything, and read the book of all the deeds of humankind, and of all the children of flesh ³ that will be upon the earth to the remotest generations. And immediately I blessed great YHWH the King of Kavod forever, in that He has made all the works of the world,

And I extolled YHWH because of His patience,
And blessed Him because of the children of men.

4 And after that I said:
'Blessed is the man who dies in righteousness and goodness,
Concerning whom there is no book of unrighteousness written,
And against whom no day of judgment will be found.'

5 And those seven set-apart ones brought me *down* and placed me on the earth before the door of my house, and said to me: 'Declare everything to your son Methuselah, and show to all your children that no ⁶ flesh is righteous in the sight of YHWH, for He is their Creator. One year we will leave you with your son, until you give your final commands, so that you may teach your children and record *these things* for them, and testify to all your children; and in the second year they will take you from their midst.

7 Let your heart be strong,
For the Good News: announce righteousness to the good.
The righteous with the righteous will rejoice,
And will offer congratulation to one another.

8 But the sinners will die with sinners,
And the apostate go down with apostate.

9 And those who practice righteousness will die because of the deeds of men,

And be taken away because of the doings of the devious.'

10 And in those days, they ceased to speak to me, and I came to my people, blessing YHWH of the world.

Visions and sky watchers

1 Chanoch 82

1 And now, my son Methuselah, all these things I am recounting to you and writing down! I have revealed to you everything, and given you books concerning all these *things*: so preserve, my son Methuselah, the books from your father's hand, and *see* that you deliver them to the generations of the world.

2 I have given Wisdom to you and to your children,

And your children that will be to thee,

That they may give it to their children for generations:

Such wisdom that surpasses their thought.

3 And those who understand it will not sleep,

But will listen with the ear that they may learn this wisdom,

And it will please those that eat of it better than good food.

4 Blessed are all the righteous! Blessed are all those who walk In the way of righteousness and sin not as the sinners! In the reckoning of all their days the sun traverses the sky, entering into and departing from the portals for thirty days, with the heads of thousands of the order of the stars, together with the four that are inserted, that divide the four portions of the year, that 5 lead them and enter with them four days.

Owing to them, humankind will be at fault and not reckon them in the whole reckoning of the year. Yes, men will make mistakes and not register them 6 accurately. For they belong to the reckoning of the year and are truly recorded *thereon* forever, one in the first portal and one in the third, and one in the fourth and one in the sixth, and the year is completed in three hundred and sixty-four days.

7 And the account of it is accurate and the recorded reckoning of it exact; for the lights, and months and feasts, and years and days, has Uriel shown and revealed to me, to which 8 YHWH of the whole creation of the world has subjected the host of the sky. And he has power over night and day in the sky to cause the light to give

illumination to men – sun, moon, and stars – 9 and all the powers of the sky that revolve in their circular chariots. And these are the orders of the stars that set in their places, and in their seasons and festivals and months.

10 And these are the names of those who lead them, who watch that they enter at their times, in their orders, in their seasons, in their months, in their periods of dominion, and in their positions. Their four leaders, who divide the four parts of the year, enter first. After them the twelve leaders of the orders who divide the months. For the three hundred and sixty *days*, there are heads over thousands who divide the days. And for the four inserted days, there are the leaders that divide 12 the four parts of the year.

And these heads over thousands are inserted between 13 leader and leader, each behind a station, but their leaders make the division. And these are the names of the leaders who divide the four parts of the year that are ordained: Milki'el, Hel'emmelek, and Mel'eyal, 14 and Narel. And the names of those who lead them: Adnar'el, and Iyasusa'el, and 'Elome'el – these three follow the leaders of the orders, and there is one that follows the three leaders of the orders that follow those leaders of stations that divide the four parts of the year.

In the beginning of the year, Melkeyal rises first and rules, who is named Tam'Aini and sun, and 16 all the days of his dominion when he rules are ninety-one days. And these are the signs of the days that are to be seen on earth in the days of his dominion: sweat and heat and calms. All the trees bear fruit and leaves are produced on all the trees. And the harvest of wheat, and the rose-flowers, and all the flowers that come forth in the field, but the trees of the winter season become withered.

And these are the names of the leaders that are under them: Berka'el, Zelebs'el, and another who is added a head of a thousand, called Hiluyaseph: and the days of the dominion of this *leader* are at an end. 18 The next leader after him is Hel'emmelek, whom one names the shining sun, and all the days 19 of his light are ninety-one days. And these are the signs of *his* days on the earth: glowing heat and dryness, and the trees ripen their fruits and produce all their fruits ripe and ready. The sheep pair and become pregnant, and all the fruits of the earth are gathered, *along with* all that is 20 in the fields. Even the winepress: these things take place in the days of his dominion.

These are the names, and the orders, and the leaders of those heads of thousands: Gida'lyal, Ke'el, and He'el, and the name of the head of a

thousand added to them, Asfa'el: and the days of his dominion are at an end.

Book IV: Dream Visions

Flood vision

1 Chanoch 83

1 And now, my son Methuselah, I will show you all my visions that I have seen, recounting 2 them before thee. Two visions I saw before I took a wife, and the one was quite unlike the other: the first when I was learning to write: the second before I took your mother, *when* I saw a terrible 3 vision. Regarding the *visions* I prayed to YHWH. I had laid me down in the house of my grandfather Mahalalel *when* I saw in a vision how the sky collapsed and was torn off and fell to 4 the earth. And when it fell to the earth I saw how the earth was swallowed up in a great abyss, and mountains were suspended on mountains, and hills sank down on hills, and high trees were rent 5 from their trunks and hurled down to sink in the abyss.

A word then fell into my mouth, 6 and I lifted up to cry aloud, and said: 'The earth is destroyed.' And my grandfather Mahalalel waked me as I lay near him, and said to me: 'Why do you cry so, my son, and why 7 do you make such lamentation?' So I recounted to him the whole vision that I had seen.

And he said to me: 'My son, a terrible thing, a grave moment, you have seen in your dream-vision about the secrets of all the sin in the world: it must sink into the abyss and be destroyed with 8 a great destruction. And now, my son, arise and make petition to YHWH of Kavod, since you are a believer, that a remnant may remain on the earth, and that He may not destroy the whole 9 world. My son, from the sky all this will come upon the earth, and upon the earth there will be great 10 destruction.'

After that I arose and prayed and implored and besought, and wrote down my prayer for the generations of the world, and I will show everything to you, my son Methuselah. When I had gone forth below and seen the sky, and the sun rising in the east, and the moon setting in the west, and a few stars, and the whole earth, and all as He had known it in the beginning, I blessed YHWH of judgment and extolled Him. For He had made the sun to go forth from the windows of the east, and *the sun again* ascended and rose on the face of the sky, and set out and kept traversing the path shown to him.

1 Chanoch 84

1 And I lifted up my hands in righteousness and blessed the Kadosh and Shaddai, and spoke with the breath of my mouth, and with the tongue of flesh that Eloha has made for the children of the flesh of men, that they should speak. And He gave them breath and a tongue and a mouth that they should speak *blessing*:

2 Blessed be You, O YHWH, King,
Great and mighty in Your greatness,
Sovereign of the whole creation of the sky,
King of kings and Eloha of the whole world.
And Your power and kingship and greatness abide forever and ever,
And throughout all generations Your dominion;
And all the heavens are Your throne forever,
And the whole earth Your footstool forever and ever.

3 For You have made and You rule all,
And nothing is too hard for You.
Wisdom departs not from the place of Your throne,
Nor turns away from Your presence.
And You know and see and hear all,
And there is nothing hidden from You *for You see all*.

4 And now the angels of Your heavens are guilty of trespass,
And upon the flesh of men abide Your wrath until the great Day of
Judgment.

5 And now, O Eloha and YHWH and Great King,
I implore and beseech You to fulfill my prayer,
To leave me a posterity on earth,
And not destroy all the flesh of man,
And make the earth without inhabitant,
So that there should be an ageless destruction.

6 And now, my YHWH, destroy from the earth the flesh that has
aroused Your anger.
But the flesh of righteousness and uprightness establish as a plant of
the ageless seed,
And hide not Your face from the prayer of Your servant, O YHWH.'

Visions of bulls and fallen stars

1 Chanoch 85

1,2 And after this I saw another dream, and I will show the whole dream to you, my son. And Chanoch lifted up (his voice) and spoke to his son Methuselah: 'To you, my son, will I speak: hear my words and incline your ear to the dream-vision of your father.

'Before I took your mother Edna, I saw in a vision on my bed, and behold a bull came forth from the earth, and that bull was white; and after it came forth a heifer, and along with this came forth two bulls, one of them black and 4 the other red. And that black bull gored the red one and pursued him over the earth, and 5 I could no longer see that red bull. But that black bull grew and that heifer went with him, and 6 I saw that many oxen proceeded from him that resembled him and followed him. And that cow, that first one, went from the presence of that first bull in order to seek that red one, but found him 7 not, and lamented with a great lamentation over him and sought him.

'And I looked until that first 8 bull came to her and quieted her, and from that time onward she cried no more. And after that she bore another white bull, and after him she bore many bulls and black cows. 9 And I saw in my sleep that white bull likewise grow and become a great white bull, and from Him proceeded many white bulls, and they resembled him. And they began to beget many white bulls that resembled them, one following the other, many.'

1 Chanoch 86

1 'And again I saw with my eyes as I slept, and I saw the heaven above, and behold a star fell 2 from heaven, and it arose and eat and pastured amongst those oxen. And after that I saw the large and the black oxen, and behold they all changed their stalls and pastures and their cattle, and began 3 to live with each other.

'And again I saw in the vision, and looked towards the sky, and behold, I saw many stars descend and cast themselves down from the sky to that first star, and they became 4 bulls amongst those cattle and pastured among them. And I looked at them and saw, and behold, they all let out their private parts, like horses, and began to cover the cows of the oxen, 5 and they all became pregnant and bare elephants, camels, and asses. And all the oxen feared them and were frightened at them, and began to bite with their teeth and to devour, and to gore with their 6 horns. And

they began to devour those oxen; and look! all the children of the earth began to tremble and quake before them and to flee from them.'

Sky beings in white

1 Chanoch 87

1 'And again I saw how they began to gore each other and to devour each other, and the earth 2 began to cry aloud. And I raised my eyes again to sky, and I saw in the vision, and behold there came forth from the sky beings who were like white men: and four went forth from that place 3 and three with them.

'And those three that had last come forth grasped me by my hand and took me up, away from the generations of the earth, and raised me up to a lofty place, and showed me 4 a tower raised high above the earth, and all the hills were lower. And one said to me: "Remain here until you see all that befalls those elephants, camels, and asses, and the stars and the oxen, and all of them."

1 Chanoch 88

1 'And I saw one of those four who had come forth first, and he seized that first star that had fallen from the sky, and bound it hand and foot and cast it into an abyss: now that abyss was 2 narrow and deep, and horrible and dark. And one of them drew a sword, and gave it to those elephants and camels and asses: then they began to smite each other, and the whole earth quaked 3 because of them.

'And as I was beholding in the vision, look! one of those four who had come forth stoned *them* from the sky, and gathered and took all the great stars whose private parts were like those of horses, and bound them all hand and foot, and cast them in an abyss of the earth.'

Great ship

1 Chanoch 89

1 'And one of those four went to that white bull and instructed him in a secret, without his being terrified: he was born a bull and became a man, and built for himself a great ship and on it stayed; 2 and three bulls stayed with him in that ship and they were covered over. And again I raised my eyes towards the sky and saw a high roof, with seven water torrents upon it, and those torrents 3 flowed with much water into an enclosure.

'And I saw again, and look! fountains were opened on the surface of that great enclosed vessel, and water began to swell and rise upon the surface, 4 and I saw that vessel until all its surface was covered with water. And the water, the darkness, and mist increased upon it; and as I looked at the height of that water, it had risen above the height of that vessel, and was streaming over that vessel, and it stood up upon the earth.

5 'And all the cattle of that enclosure were gathered together until I saw how they sank and were 6 swallowed up and perished in that water. But that ship floated on the water, while all the oxen and elephants and camels and asses sank to the bottom with all the animals, so that I could no longer see them, and they were not able to escape, *They all* perished, sinking into the depths. Again I saw the vision until those water torrents were removed from that high roof, and the chasms 8 of the earth were leveled up and other pits were opened. Then the water began to run down into these until the earth *again* became visible; but that ship settled on the earth, and the darkness 9 retired and light appeared.

'But the white bull that had become a man came out of that vessel, and the three bulls with him, and one of those three was white like that bull, and one of them was red as blood, and one black: and that white bull departed from them.

Flood to journey out

10 'And they began to bring forth beasts of the field and birds, so that there arose different types: lions, tigers, wolves, dogs, hyenas, wild boars, foxes, squirrels, swine, falcons, vultures, kites, eagles, and ravens; and among them was born a white bull. And they began to bite one another; but that white bull born amongst them begat a wild ass and a white bull with it, and 12 wild asses multiplied. But the bull that was born from him begat a black wild boar and a white 13 sheep; and the former begat many boars, but that sheep begat twelve sheep.

'And when those twelve sheep had grown, they gave up one of them to the asses, and those asses again gave up that sheep to the wolves, and that sheep grew up among the wolves. And their Sovereign brought the eleven sheep to live with *the one sheep* and to pasture with it among the wolves: and they multiplied and became many flocks of sheep. And the wolves began to fear them, and they oppressed them until they destroyed their little ones, and they cast their young into a river of much water.

'Those sheep began to 16 cry aloud on account of their little ones, and to complain to their Sovereign. And a sheep that had been saved from the wolves fled and escaped to the wild asses; and I saw the sheep how they lamented and cried, and sought their Sovereign with all their might, until the Sovereign of the sheep descended at the voice of the sheep from a lofty abode, and came to them and pastured them. He called on that sheep that had escaped the wolves, and spoke with it concerning the wolves, that it should 18 admonish them not to touch the sheep.

'And the sheep went to the wolves according to the word of their Sovereign, and another sheep met *that sheep* and went with it, and the two went and entered together into the assembly of those wolves, and spoke with them and admonished them not to touch the 19 sheep from then on. And I saw the wolves, and how they oppressed the sheep 20 exceedingly with all their power; and the sheep cried aloud.

'And their Sovereign came to the sheep and they began to smite those wolves: and the wolves began to make lamentation; but the sheep became 21 quiet and forthwith ceased to cry out. I saw the sheep until they departed from among the wolves; but the eyes of the wolves were blinded, and those wolves departed in pursuit of the sheep 22 with all their power. And the Sovereign of the sheep went with them, as their leader, and all His sheep 23 followed Him: and his face was dazzling and glorious and terrible to behold.

'But the wolves 24 began to pursue those sheep until they reached a sea of water. That sea was rent in two, the water stood up on this side and on that before their face, and their Sovereign led them, and placed Himself between 25 them and the wolves. And as those wolves did not yet see the sheep, they proceeded into the midst of that sea, and the wolves followed the sheep, and *those wolves* ran after them into that sea.

26 'And when they saw the Sovereign of the sheep, they turned to flee before His face, but that sea gathered itself together, and became as it had been created, and the water swelled and rose until it covered 27 those wolves. And I saw until all the wolves who pursued those sheep perished and were drowned.

Sheep in the wilderness

28 But the sheep escaped from that water and went forth into a wilderness, where there was no water and no grass; and they began to

open their eyes and to see; and I saw the Sovereign of the sheep 29 pasturing them and giving them water and grass, and that sheep going and leading them.

'And that 30 sheep ascended to the summit of that lofty rock, and the Sovereign of the sheep sent it to them. And after that I saw the Sovereign of the sheep who stood before them, and His appearance was great and 31 terrible and majestic, and all those sheep saw Him and were afraid before His face. And they all feared and trembled because of Him, and they cried to that sheep with them 32: "We are not able to stand before our Elohim or to behold Him."

'And that sheep that led them again ascended to the summit of that rock, but the sheep began to be blinded and to wander 33 from the way that he had showed them, but that sheep knew not of it. And the Sovereign of the sheep was wrathful exceedingly against them, and that sheep discovered it, and went down from the summit of the rock, and came to the sheep, and found the greatest part of them blinded and fallen 34 away. And when they saw it they feared and trembled at its presence, and desired to return to their 35 folds.

'And that sheep took other sheep with it, and came to those sheep that had fallen away, and began to slay them; and the sheep feared its presence, and thus that sheep brought back those 36 sheep that had fallen away, and they returned to their folds. And I saw in this vision until that sheep became a man and built a house for the Sovereign of the sheep, and placed all the sheep in that house. 37 And I saw until this sheep that had met that sheep that led them fell asleep: and I saw until all the great sheep perished and little ones arose in their place, and they came to a pasture, and 38 approached a stream of water.

'Then that sheep, their leader that had become a man, withdrew 39 from them and fell asleep, and all the sheep sought it and cried over it with a great crying. And I saw until they left off crying for which sheep and crossed that stream of water, and there arose the two sheep as leaders in the place of those that had led them and fallen asleep 40. And I saw until the sheep came to a goodly place, and a pleasant and glorious land, and I saw until those sheep were satisfied; and that house stood amongst them in the pleasant land.

Great house

41 'And sometimes their eyes were opened, and sometimes blinded, until another sheep arose and led them and brought them all back, and

their eyes were opened. 42 And the dogs and the foxes and the wild boars began to devour those sheep until the Sovereign of the sheep raised up a ram from their 43 midst that led them. And that ram began to butt on either side those dogs, foxes, and wild 44 boars until he had destroyed them all. And that sheep whose eyes were opened saw that ram that was amongst the sheep, until it forsook its kavod and began to butt those sheep, and trampled upon them, and behaved itself 45 unseemly.

‘And the Sovereign of the sheep sent the lamb to another lamb and raised it to being a ram and leader of the sheep instead of that 46 ram that had forsaken its kavod. And it went to it and spoke to it alone, and raised it to being a ram, and made it the prince and leader of the sheep; but during all these things those dogs 47 oppressed the sheep. And the first ram pursued that second ram, and that second ram arose and fled before it; and I saw until those dogs pulled 48 down the first ram. And that second ram arose 49 and led the *little* sheep. And those sheep grew and multiplied; but all the dogs, and foxes, and wild boars feared and fled before it, and that ram butted and killed the wild beasts, and those wild beasts had no longer any power among the 48b sheep and robbed them no more of ought.

‘And that ram bore many sheep and fell asleep; and a little sheep became ram in its stead, and became prince and leader of those sheep. 50 And that house became great and broad, and it was built for those sheep. A lofty and great tower was built on the house for the Sovereign of the sheep, and that house was low, but the tower was elevated and lofty, and the Sovereign of the sheep stood on that tower and they offered a full table before Him.

Destruction of the great house

51 ‘And again I saw those sheep that they again erred and went many ways, and forsook that their house, and the Sovereign of the sheep called some from amongst the sheep and sent them to the sheep, 52 but the sheep began to slay them. And one of them was saved and was not slain, and it sped away and cried aloud over the sheep; and they sought to slay it, but YHWH of the sheep saved it from 53 the sheep, and brought it up to me, and caused it to dwell there. And many other sheep He sent to those sheep to testify to them and lament over them.

54 ‘And after that I saw that when they forsook the house of the Sovereign and His tower they fell away entirely, and their eyes were

blinded; and I saw the Sovereign of the sheep, how He produced much carnage amongst them in their herds until 55 those sheep invited that carnage and betrayed His dwelling. So He gave them over into the hands of the lions and tigers, and wolves and hyenas, and into the hand of the foxes, and to all the wild 56 beasts, and those wild beasts began to tear in pieces those sheep.

‘And I saw that He forsook that their house and their tower and gave them all into the hand of the lions, to tear and devour them, 57 into the hand of all the wild beasts. And I began to cry aloud with all my power, and to appeal to the Sovereign of the sheep, and to intercede with Him about the sheep, that they were *being* devoured 58 by all the wild beasts. But He remained unmoved, though He saw it, and rejoiced that they were devoured and swallowed and robbed, and left them to be devoured in the hand of all the beasts.

59 ‘And He called seventy shepherds, and cast those sheep to them that they might pasture them, and He spoke to the shepherds and their companions: “Let each individual of you pasture the sheep 60 from now on, and all that I will command you, you do. And I will deliver them over to you properly numbered, and tell you which of them are to be destroyed, and you will destroy them.” 61 And He gave over to them those sheep.

‘And He called another and spoke to him: “Observe and mark everything that the shepherds will do to those sheep; for they will destroy more of them than 62 I have commanded them. And every excess and the destruction that will be produced through the shepherds, record how many they destroy according to my command, and how many according to their own whim: record against every individual shepherd all the destruction he 63 effects.

““Then read out before me by number how many they destroy, and how many they deliver over for destruction, so I may hold this as a testimony against them, and know every deed of the shepherds, that I may comprehend and see what they do, whether or not they abide by my 64 command that I have commanded them. But they will not know it, and you will not declare it to them, nor admonish them, but only record against each individual all the destruction that 65 the shepherds effect each in his time and lay it all before me.”

‘And I observed until those shepherds pastured in their season, and they began to slay and to destroy more than they were bidden, and they delivered 66 those sheep into the hand of the lions. And the lions and tigers eat and devoured the greater part of those sheep, and the wild

boars eat along with them; and they burned that tower and demolished 67 that house. And I became exceedingly sorrowful over that tower because that house of the sheep was demolished, and afterwards I was unable to see if those sheep entered that house.

Exile and return

68 'And the shepherds and their associates delivered over those sheep to all the wild beasts, to devour them, and each one of them received in his time a definite number: it was written by the other 69 in a book how many each one of them destroyed of them. And each one slew and destroyed many 70 more than was prescribed; and I began to weep and lament on account of those sheep. And thus in the vision I saw the one who wrote; and how he copied down every *single person* that was destroyed by those shepherds, day by day. And he carried *it* up and laid *it* down and showed the entire book to the Sovereign of the sheep: *even* everything they had done, and all that each one had made 71 away with, and all they had given over to destruction.

'And the book was read before the Sovereign of the sheep, and He took the book from his hand and read it and sealed it and laid it down. 72 And immediately I saw how the shepherds pastured for twelve hours, and witnessed three of those sheep turn back and coming and entering and beginning to build up all that had fallen down of that 73 house.

'The wild boars tried to hinder them, but they were not able. And they began again to build as before, and they reared up that tower, and it was named The High Tower; and they began again to place a table before the tower, but all the bread on it was polluted and not pure.

74 'Regarding all this, the eyes of those sheep were blinded so that they saw not, and *the eyes of* their shepherds the same; and they delivered them in large numbers to their shepherds for 75 destruction, and they trampled the sheep with their feet and devoured them.

Shepherds vs. eagles

And the Sovereign of the sheep remained unmoved until all the sheep were dispersed over the field and mingled with the 76 *beasts there*. And *the shepherds* did not save them out of the hand of the beasts.

'And this one who wrote the book carried it up, and showed it and read it before the Sovereign of the sheep, and implored Him on their account, and sought Him on their account as he showed Him all the

doings 77 of the shepherds, and gave testimony before Him against all the shepherds. And he took the actual book and laid it down beside *the Sovereign* and departed.'

1 Chanoch 90

1 And I saw until that in this manner thirty-five shepherds undertook the pasturing *of the sheep*, and they severally completed their periods as did the first; and others received them into their 2 hands, to pasture them for their period, each shepherd in his own period. And after that I saw in my vision all the birds of heaven coming, the eagles, the vultures, the kites, the ravens; but the eagles led all the birds; and they began to devour those sheep, and to pick out their eyes and to 3 devour their flesh. And the sheep cried out because their flesh was being devoured by the birds.

4 As for me, I looked and lamented in my sleep over that shepherd who pastured the sheep. And I saw until those sheep were devoured by the dogs and eagles and kites, and they left neither flesh nor skin nor sinew remaining on them until only their bones stood there: and their bones too fell 5 to the ground and the sheep became few. And I saw until that twenty-three had undertaken the pasturing and completed in their several periods fifty-eight times.

Messianic kingdom

6 But look! lambs were borne by those white sheep, and they began to open their eyes and to see, 7 and to cry to the sheep. O yes, they cried to them, but they did not heed what they said to 8 them, but were exceptionally deaf, and their eyes were exceptionally blind. And I saw in the vision how the ravens flew upon those lambs and took one of those lambs, and dashed the sheep 9 in pieces and devoured them. And I watched until horns grew on those lambs, and the ravens cast down their horns; and I watched until there sprouted a great horn of one of those sheep, and their eyes 10 were all opened! And it looked at them *and their eyes opened*, and it cried to the sheep, and the 11-18 rams saw it and all ran to it.

Nevertheless, those eagles and vultures and ravens and kites still kept tearing the sheep and swooping down upon them and devouring them. And still the sheep remained silent. But the rams lamented and cried out. And those ravens fought and battled with it and tried to knock off its horn, but they had no power over it. All the eagles and vultures and ravens and kites were gathered together, and there came with them all

the sheep of the field, yes! they all came together and helped each other to break that horn of the ram.

19 And I saw until a great sword was given to the sheep, and the sheep proceeded against all the beasts of the field to slay them, and all the beasts and the birds of the sky fled before their face. And I saw that man, who wrote the book according to the command of YHWH, while he opened that book about the destruction that those last twelve shepherds had caused, and showed that they destroyed much more than their predecessors, before the Sovereign of the sheep.

And I watched until the Sovereign of the sheep came to them and took in His hand the pole of His wrath, and struck the ground, and the ground broke to pieces, and all the beasts and all the birds of the sky fell from among those sheep, and were swallowed up in the earth. And it covered them.

20 And I watched until a throne was built in the pleasant land, and the Sovereign of the sheep sat Himself thereon, and the other one took the sealed books and opened those books before the Sovereign of the sheep. 21 And the Sovereign called those men – the first seven white ones – and commanded they should bring before Him, all the stars whose Private parts 22 were like those of horses, beginning with the first star that led the way. So they brought them all before Him.

And He said to that man who wrote before Him, being one of those seven white ones, and said to him: 'Take those seventy shepherds to whom I delivered the sheep, who, taking them on their own authority, slew more 23 than I commanded them.' And behold they were all bound, I watched, and they all stood before Him. 24 And the judgment was held first over the stars, and they were judged and found guilty, and went to the place of condemnation, and they were cast into an abyss, full of fire and flaming, and full 25 of pillars of fire.

And those seventy shepherds were judged and found guilty, and they were cast 26 into that fiery abyss. And I saw at that time how a like abyss was opened in the midst of the earth, full of fire, and they brought those blinded sheep, and they were all judged and found guilty and 27 cast into this fiery abyss, and they burned; now this abyss was to the right of that house. And I saw those sheep burning and their bones burning.

28 And I stood up to see until they folded up that old house; and carried off all the pillars, and all the beams and ornaments of the house were at the same time folded up with it, and they carried 29 it off and laid it in a

place in the south of the land. And I watched until the Sovereign of the sheep brought a new house greater and loftier than that first, and set it up in the place of the first that had been folded up. All its pillars were new, and its ornaments were new and larger than those of the first, the old one that He had taken away, and all the sheep were within it.

30 And I observed that all the sheep left, and all the beasts on the ground, and all the birds of the sky, *all* falling down and doing homage to those sheep *that were within the house* – petitioning and obeying 31 them in every matter. And afterward those three who were clothed in white, *who* had seized me by my hand (*those who had taken me up before*), and the hand of that ram also seizing hold of me – they 32 took me up and set me down in the midst of those sheep before the judgment took place.

And those 33 sheep were all white, and their wool was abundant and clean. And all that had been destroyed and dispersed, and all the beasts of the field, and all the birds of the sky, assembled in that house, and the Sovereign of the sheep rejoiced with great joy because they were all good and had returned to 34 His house. And I watched until they laid down that sword given to the sheep, and they brought it back into the house, and it was sealed before the presence of the Sovereign, and all the sheep 35 that were invited into that house, but it held them not.

And the eyes of them all were opened, and they 36 saw the good, and there was not one among them that did not see. I noticed that the house was large and broad and very full. 37 And I saw that a white bull was born, with large horns. And all the beasts of the field and all the 38 birds of the air feared him and made petition to him constantly. And I observed until all their generations were transformed. They all became white bulls! And the first among them became a lamb, and that lamb became a great animal and had great black horns on its head. The Sovereign of the sheep 39 rejoiced over it and over all the oxen. And I slept in their midst: and I awoke and saw everything.

40 This is the vision that I saw while I slept. And I awoke and blessed the Sovereign of righteousness and 41 gave Him *my* esteem. Then I wept with a great weeping and my tears stayed not until I could no longer endure it: when I noticed, they flowed on account of what I had seen; for all this will come *to pass* and 42 be accomplished, and all the deeds of humanity in their organization were shown to me. On that night, I remembered the first dream, and because of it, I wept and was troubled – *all* because I had seen that vision.

Book V: The Two Ways, Apocalypse of Weeks

Chanoch to his children

1 Chanoch 92

1 The book written by Chanoch – *Chanoch indeed wrote this complete teaching on wisdom: praised by all humankind; a judge of all the earth:* for all my children who will live on earth and for the future generations who will observe uprightness and peace.

2 Let not your spirit be troubled on account of the times; For the Kadosh Shaddai has appointed days for all things. 3 And the righteous one will arise from sleep, *arise* and walk in the paths of righteousness, and all his path and deportment will be of ageless goodness and favor. 4 He will be gracious to the righteous and grant *the righteous* ageless standing. He will give the *righteous* power so that he will be *full* of goodness and righteousness. And he will walk in ageless light. 5 And sin will perish in darkness forever, and will no more be seen from that day and forever.

1 Chanoch 91

1 And now, my son Methuselah, call to me all your brothers
And gather together to me all the sons of your mother;
For the word calls me,
And the spirit is poured out upon me,
That I may show you everything
That will befall you forever.’

2 And Methuselah went forth and summoned all his brothers and
assembled his relatives to him. 3 And he spoke to all the children
of righteousness, and said:

‘Hear, you sons of Chanoch, to all the words of your father,
And strictly heed the voice of my mouth;
For I speak to you, yes, I urge you! Beloved:
4 Love uprightness and walk in it.
And do not draw near to uprightness with a double heart,
And do not associate with those of a double heart,
But walk in righteousness, my sons.
Righteousness will guide you on good paths,
And righteousness will be your companion.

5 For I know that violence must increase on the earth,
And a great reprimand be executed in the world,
Yes, it will be cut off at its roots,
And its whole structure will be destroyed.

6 Unrighteousness will again be consummated on the earth,
And all the deeds of unrighteousness and violence
And transgression will prevail in a double degree.

7 And when sin and unrighteousness and blasphemy
And violence in all kinds of deeds increase,
And apostasy and transgression and uncleanness increase,
A great punishment will come from heaven upon all these,
And the Kadosh YHWH will come forth with wrath and rebuke
To execute judgment on earth.

8 In those days violence will be cut off at its roots,
And the roots of unrighteousness together with deceit,
And they will be destroyed from under the sky.

9 And all the idols of the heathen will be abandoned,
And the towers burned with fire,
And they will remove them from the whole earth,
And *the heathen* will be cast into the judgment of fire,
And will perish in anger and in grievous justice forever.

10 And the righteous will arise from their sleep,
And Wisdom will arise and be given to them.

'And through Him, the roots of unrighteousness will be cut off. Sinners will be destroyed by the sword along with blasphemers in every place; and those who plan violence and those who commit blasphemy will perish by the knife.

12 'Then after that the second eight week will come to pass – the week of righteousness. A sword will be given it in order that justice may be executed in righteousness upon the oppressors, and sinners will be delivered into the hands of the righteous. 13 At its completion, they will acquire greatness through their righteousness. A house will be built for the Great King in Kavod, *standing* agelessly.

14 'Afterward, in the ninth week, the righteous judgment will be revealed to the whole world. All the acts of sinners will depart from the

entire earth, and be written off for entire destruction. Then all people will direct their gaze to the path of uprightness. 15 After this, in the tenth week in the seventh part, there will be ageless judgment executed by the angels of the ageless heaven: the Great *One* that emanates from all the angels.

16 'The first heaven will depart and pass away; a new sky will appear! Then all the powers of the heavens will shine sevenfold forever.

17 'Afterward, there will be many weeks – weeks without number forever. It will be *an era* of goodness and righteousness. Sin will be spoken of no more.

18 'And now I tell you, my sons, and show you the paths of righteousness and the paths of violence. Yes, I will show them to you again that you may know what will come to pass. 19 And now, hearken to me, my sons, and walk in the paths of righteousness, and walk not in the paths of violence; for all who walk in the paths of unrighteousness will perish forever.'

Apocalypse of Weeks

1 Chanoch 93

1,2 And after that Chanoch both gave and began to recount from the books. And Chanoch said:

'Concerning the children of righteousness
And concerning the elect of the world,
And concerning the plant of uprightness, I will speak these things,
Yea, I Chanoch will declare *them* to you, my sons:
According to that which appeared to me in the heavenly vision,
And that I have known through the word of the set-apart angels,
And have learned from the heavenly tablets.'

3 And Chanoch began to recount from the books and said:

'I was born the seventh in the first week,
While judgment and righteousness still endured.

4 And after me, there will arise in the second week great
wickedness,

And deceit will have sprung up;
And in it there will be the first end.
And in it a man will be saved;

And after it is ended unrighteousness will grow up,
And a law will be made for the sinners.
And after that in the third week at its close
A man will be elected as the plant of righteous judgment,
And his posterity will become the plant of righteousness
forevermore.

6 And after that in the fourth week, at its close,
Visions of the separated and righteous will be seen,
And a law for all generations and an enclosure will be made for
them.

7 And after that in the fifth week, at its close,
The House of Esteem and Dominion will be built *to last* forever.

8 And after that, in the sixth week, all who live in it will be blinded,
And the hearts of all of them will deviously forsake wisdom.
And in it a man will ascend;
And at its close the House of Dominion will be burnt with fire,
And the whole tribe of the chosen root will be dispersed.

9 And after that, in the seventh week, an apostate generation will
arise,

And many will be its deeds,
And all its deeds will be apostate.

10 And at its close will be elected
The elect righteous of the ageless plant of righteousness,
To receive sevenfold instruction concerning all His creation.

11 'For who is there of all the children of men that is able to hear the voice of the Kadosh One without being troubled? And who can think His thoughts? and who is there that can behold all the works 12 of heaven? And how should there be one who could behold the heaven, and who is there that could understand the things of heaven and see a soul or a spirit and could tell of it, or ascend and see 13 all their ends and think them or do like them? And who is there of all men that could know the breadth and the length of the earth, and to whom has been shown the measure of all of them?

14 'Or is there any one who could discern the length of the heaven and how great is its height, and upon what it is founded, and how great is the number of the stars, and where all the lights rest?'

Chanoch advises the righteous

1 Chanoch 94

1 'And now I say to you, my sons, love righteousness and walk therein;

For the paths of righteousness are worthy of accepting,
But the paths of unrighteousness will suddenly be destroyed and vanish.

2 And to certain men of a generation will the paths of violence and of death be revealed,

And they will hold themselves afar from them,

And will not follow them.

3 And now I say to you, the righteous:

Walk not in the paths of wickedness, nor in the paths of death,
And draw not near to them, lest you be destroyed.

4 But seek and choose for yourselves righteousness and an elect life,
And walk in the paths of peace,

And you will live and prosper.

5 And hold fast my words in the thoughts of your hearts,
And suffer them not to be eradicated from your hearts;

For I know that sinners will tempt men to call on evil wisdom,
So that no place may be found for her,

And no manner of temptation may diminish.

Woe to unrighteous

6 Woe to those who build unrighteousness and oppression
And lay deceit as a foundation;

For they will be suddenly overthrown,
And they will have no peace.

7 Woe to those who build their houses with sin;

For from all their foundations will they be overthrown,
And by the sword will they fall.

And those who acquire gold and silver in judgment suddenly will perish.

8 Woe to you, you rich, for you have trusted in your riches,

And from your riches will you depart,
Because you have not remembered the Most High in the days of
your riches.

9 You have committed blasphemy and unrighteousness,
And have become ready for the day of slaughter,
And the day of darkness and the day of the great judgment.

10 Thus I speak and declare to you:
He who has created you will overthrow you,
And for your fall there will be no compassion,
And your Creator will rejoice at your destruction.
11 And your righteous ones in those days will be
A rebuke to the sinners and the godless.

1 Chanoch 95

1 'Oh that my eyes were waters
That I might weep over you,
And pour down my tears as a cloud of waters:
That so I might rest from my heart trouble!
2 Who has permitted you to practice reproaches and wickedness?
Such that judgment will overtake you, sinners.
3 You righteous, fear not the sinners;
For again will YHWH deliver them into your hands,
That you may execute judgment upon them according to your
desires.
4 Woe to you who loudly issue curses that cannot be reversed:
Healing will be far from you because of your sins.
5 Woe to you who requite your neighbor with evil;
For you will be requited according to your works.
6 Woe to you, lying witnesses,
And to those who weigh out injustice,
For suddenly will you perish.
7 Woe to you, sinners, for you persecute the righteous;
For you will be delivered up and persecuted because of injustice,
And heavy will its yoke be upon you.'

1 Chanoch 96

1 'Be hopeful, you righteous; for suddenly will sinners perish before you,

And you will have dominion over them according to your desires.

2 And in the day of the tribulation of the sinners,

your children will mount and rise as eagles,

And higher than the vultures will be your nest,

And you will ascend and enter the crevices of the earth,

And the clefts of the rock forever as hyraces¹⁹ before the unrighteous,

And the sirens will sigh because of you-and weep.

3 Why fear not, you who have suffered;

For healing will be your portion,

And a bright light will illuminate you,

And the voice of rest you will hear from the sky.

4 Woe to you, you sinners, for your riches make you appear like the righteous,

But your hearts convict you of being sinners,

And this fact will be a testimony against you for a memorial of *your* evil deeds.

5 Woe to you who devour the finest of the wheat,

And drink wine in large bowls,

And tread under foot the lowly with your highness.

6 Woe to you who drink water from every fountain,

For suddenly will you be consumed and wither away,

Because you have forsaken the fountain of life.

7 Woe to you who work unrighteousness

And deceit and blasphemy:

It will be a memorial against you for evil.

8 Woe to you, you mighty,

Who with power oppress the righteous;

For the day of your destruction is coming.

In those days, the days of your judgment,

Many and good days will come to the righteous.

¹⁹ hyrax, hyraces = coneys; rabbit-like animals also referred to as rock badgers.

The end of sinners, masters, rich

1 Chanoch 97

1 'Believe, you righteous, that the sinners will become a shame
And perish in the day of unrighteousness.

2 Be it known to you, *sinners*, that the El Shaddai is mindful of your
destruction,
And the angels of heaven rejoice over your devastation.

3 What will you do, you sinners,
And where will you flee on that day of judgment,
When you hear the voice of the prayer of the righteous?

4 Yea, you will fare like to them,
Against whom this word will be a testimony:
"You have been companions of sinners."

5 And in those days the prayer of the righteous will reach to YHWH,
And for you the days of your judgment will come.

6 And all the words of your unrighteousness will be read out before
the Great Kadosh One,
And your faces will be covered with shame,
And He will reject every work that is grounded on unrighteousness.

7 Woe to you, you sinners, who live on the ocean and on the dry
land,
Whose remembrance is evil against you.

8 Woe to you who acquire silver and gold in unrighteousness and
say:
"We have become rich with riches and have possessions;
And have acquired everything we have desired.

9 And now let us do what we purposed:
For we have gathered silver,
9c And many are the slaves in our houses.
9d And our granaries are full as with water."

10 Yes, like water your lies will flow away;
For your riches will not abide
But speedily ascend *away* from you;
For you have acquired it all in unrighteousness,

And you will be given over to a great curse.'

1 Chanoch 98

1 'And now, I swear to you, to the wise and to the foolish,
For you will have many incidents on the earth.

2 For you men will put on more adornments than a woman,
And colored garments more than a virgin:

In royalty and in grandeur and in power,
And in silver and in gold and in purple,
And in splendor and in food – they will be poured out as water.

3 Therefore they will be wanting in doctrine and wisdom,
And they will perish together with their possessions *because of it*;
Even with all their esteem and their splendor,
Even in shame and in slaughter and in great destitution,
Their spirits will be cast into the furnace of fire.

4 I have sworn to you, you sinners, as a mountain has not become a
slave,

And a hill does not become the handmaid of a woman,
Even so sin has not been sent upon the earth,
But man of himself has created it,
And under a great curse will they fall who commit it.

5 And barrenness has not been given to the woman,
But on account of the deeds of her own hands she dies without
children.

6 I have sworn to you, you sinners, by the Kadosh Shaddai,
That all your evil deeds are revealed in the heavens,
And that none of your deeds of oppression are covered and hidden.

7 'And do not think in your spirit nor say in your heart that you do not
know and that you do not see 8 that every sin is recorded every day in
heaven in the presence of the El Shaddai? From now on you know that
all your oppression with which you oppress is written down every day
until the day of your judgment?

9 'Woe to you, you fools, for through your folly will you perish: and you
transgress against the wise, 10 and so good happenings will not be your
lot. And now, know you that you are prepared for the day of
destruction: Why do not hope to live, you sinners, but you will depart

and die; for you know no ransom; for you are prepared for the day of the great judgment, for the day of tribulation and great shame for your spirits.

11 'Woe to you, you obstinate of heart, who work evil and eat blood: From where have you such good things to eat and to drink and to be filled? From all the good things that YHWH the Most High has placed in abundance on the earth; therefore you will have no peace. 12 Woe to you who love the deeds of unrighteousness: Why do you hope for good happenings? Know that you will be delivered into the hands of the righteous, and they will cut 13 your throats and slay you, and have no mercy upon you.

'Woe to you who rejoice in the tribulation of the righteous; for no grave will be hewed out for you. Woe to you who set no value on the words of 15 the righteous; you will have no hope of life. Woe to you who write down lying and godless words; they write down their lies that men may hear them and act unfairly towards *their* 16 neighbor. So they will have no peace but die a sudden death.'

1 Chanoch 99

- 1 'Woe to you who work unrighteousness,
And take fame in lying and lift up lies:
You will perish, and no life of happiness will be yours.
- 2 Woe to them who pervert the words of uprightness,
And transgress the ageless law,
And transform themselves into what they were not:
They will be tromped under foot upon the earth.
- 3 In those days make ready, you righteous, to raise your prayers as a memorial,
And place them as a testimony before the angels,
That they may place the sin of the sinners for a memorial before El Shaddai.
- 4 In those days the nations will be stirred up,
And the families of the nations will arise on the day of destruction.
- 5 And in those days the destitute will go forth and carry off their children,
And they will abandon them, so that their children will die through them:

Yea, they will abandon their children *that are yet* sucking, and not return to them,

And will have no pity on their beloved ones.'

6,7 'And again I swear to you, you sinners, that sin is prepared for a day of unceasing bloodshed. They who worship stones and sculpt images of gold and silver and wood *and stone* and clay, and those who worship impure spirits and demons, and all kinds of idols not according to knowledge, will get no manner of help from them.'

8 'And they will become devious by reason of the folly of their hearts,

And their eyes will be blinded through the fear of their hearts

And through visions in their dreams.

9 Through these they will become devious and fearful;

For they will have brought forth all their works in a lie,

And will have worshiped a stone:

So in an instant will they perish.

10 'But in those days blessed are all they who accept the words of wisdom, and understand them,

And become not devious with the devious;

But observe the paths of the El Shaddai *instead*,

And walk in the path of His righteousness,

For they will be saved.

11 Woe to you who spread evil to your neighbors;

For you will be slain in Sheol.

12 Woe to you who make deceitful and false measures,

And who cause bitterness on the earth;

For they will thereby be utterly consumed.

13 Woe to you who build your houses through the grievous toil of others,

And all their building materials are the bricks and stones of sin;

I tell you – you will have no peace.

14 Woe to them who reject the portioned and ageless heritage of their fathers

And whose souls follow after idols;

For they will have no rest.

15 Woe to them who work deviously, helping to oppress,
And slay their neighbors until the day of the great judgment.
16 For He will cast down your fame,
And bring affliction on your hearts,
And will arouse His fierce indignation
And destroy you all with the sword;
And all the set-apart and righteous will remember your sins.'

Final judgment of all unrighteous sinners

1 Chanoch 100

1 'And in those days in one place the fathers together with their
sons will be smitten
And brothers one with another will fall in death
Till the streams flow with their blood.
2 For a man will not withhold his hand from slaying his sons and his
grandsons,
And the sinner will not withhold his hand from his honored brother:
From dawn until sunset they will slay one another.
3 And the horse will walk up to the breast in the blood of sinners,
And the chariot will be submerged to its height.
4 In those days the angels will descend into the secret places
And gather together into one place all those who brought down sin
And the Most High will arise on that day of judgment
To execute great judgment amongst sinners.
5 And over all the righteous and set-apart,
He will appoint guardians from amongst the kadosh angels
To guard them as the apple of an eye,
Until He makes an end of all wickedness and all sin.
And though the righteous sleep a long sleep, they have nothing to
fear.
6 Then the children of the earth will see the wise *living* in security,
And will understand all the words of this book,
And recognize that their riches will not be able to save them
In the overthrow of their sins.

7 Woe to you, sinners, on the day of strong anguish,
You who afflict the righteous and burn them with fire:
You will be paid according to your works.

8 Woe to you, you obstinate of heart,
Who watch in order to devise wickedness:
Fear will fear come upon you
And there will be none to help you.

9 Woe to you, you sinners, on account of the words of your mouth,
And on account of the deeds of your hands that your
unrighteousness as rendered,
In blazing flames burning worse than fire will you burn *also*.'

10 'And now, know you that from the angels He will inquire as to your deeds in heaven, from the sun and from the moon and from the stars in reference to your sins because upon the earth you execute 11 judgment on the righteous. He will summon every cloud and mist and dew and rain to testify against you; for they will all be withheld because of you from descending upon you, and they 12 will be mindful of your sins.

'And now give presents to the rain, that it be not withheld from descending upon you, nor yet the dew, when it has received gold and silver from you that it may descend. When the frost and snow with their chilliness, and all the snowstorms with all their plagues fall upon you, in those days you will not be able to stand before them.'

Fearing Elohim

1 Chanoch 101

1 'Observe the sky, you children of heaven, and every work of the Most High, and fear you Him 2 and work no evil in His presence. If He closes the windows of the sky, and withholds the rain and 3 the dew from descending on the earth on your account, what will you do then? And if He sends His anger upon you because of your deeds, you cannot petition Him; for you spoke proud and insolent 4 words against His righteousness: therefore you will have no peace.

'And see you not the sailors of the ships, how their ships are tossed to and fro by the waves, and are shaken by the winds, and are 5 in bad trouble? So do they fear because all their goodly possessions go upon the sea with them, and they have evil forebodings of heart that the sea will swallow them and they will 6 perish therein. Are not the entire sea

and all its waters, and all its movements, the work of the El 7 Shaddai, and has He not set limits to its doings, confined *the waters* by the sand? And at His reproof *the water* is afraid and dries up, and all its fish die and all that is in it.

'But you sinners that are 8 on the earth fear Him not. Has He not made the heaven and the earth, and all that is therein? Who has given understanding and wisdom to everything that moves on the earth and in the sea? 9 Do not the sailors of the ships fear the sea? Yet sinners fear not the Most High.'

Terror and comfort on judgment day

1 Chanoch 102

1 'In those days, when He has brought a grievous fire upon you,
Where will you flee and find deliverance?

And when He launches forth His Word against you,
Will you not be frightened and fear?

2 And all the luminaries will be frightened with great fear,
And all the earth will be frightened and tremble and be alarmed.

3 And all the angels will execute their commands
And will seek to hide themselves from the presence of the Great
Kavod,

And the children of earth will tremble and quake;
And you sinners will be cursed forever,
And you will have no peace.

4 Fear you not, you souls of the righteous,
And be hopeful you that have died in righteousness.

5 And grieve not if your soul has descended in grief into Sheol,
And that in your life your body fared not according to your
goodness,

But wait for the day of the judgment of sinners
And for the day of cursing and chastisement.

6 And yet when you die the sinners speak over you:
"As we die, so die the righteous,
And what benefit do they reap for their deeds?"

7 Behold, even as we, so do they die in grief and darkness,

And what have they more than we?

From now on, we are equal.

8 And what will they receive and what will they see forever?

Behold, they too have died,

And now and forever will see no light.”

9 I tell you, you sinners, you are content to eat and drink, and rob and sin, and strip men naked, and 10 acquire wealth and see good days. Have you seen the righteous how their end shakes out, that no manner 11 of violence is found in them until their death? “Nevertheless they perished and became as though they had not been, and their spirits descended into Sheol in tribulation.””

Destinies of righteous and sinners

1 Chanoch 103

1 Now I swear to you, the Righteous One, by the esteem of the Great and Honored and 2 Mighty One in dominion, and by His Majesty I swear to you.

I know a mystery

And have read the heavenly tablets,

And have seen the separated books,

And have found written therein and inscribed regarding them:

3 That all goodness and joy and esteem are prepared for them,

And written down for the spirits of those who have died in
righteousness,

And that manifold good will be given to you in payment for your
work,

And that your fate is abundantly beyond the lot of the living.

4 And the spirits of you who have died in righteousness will live and
rejoice,

And their spirits will not perish, nor their memorial from before the
face of El Shaddai

Unto all the generations of the world:

Why fear their contemptuous treatment any longer?

5 Woe to you, you sinners, when you have died,

If you die in the wealth of your sins,

And those who are like you say regarding you:

'Blessed are the sinners: they have seen all their days.

6 See how they have died in prosperity and in wealth,

And have not seen tribulation or murder in their life;

And they have died in honor,

And judgment has not been executed on them during their life."

7 Know ye, that their souls will be made to descend into Sheol,

And they will be wretched in their great tribulation.

8 And into darkness and chains and a burning flame where there is
grievous judgment will your spirits enter;

And the great judgment will be for all the generations of the world.

Woe to you, for you will have no peace.

9 Say not in regard to the righteous and good who are living,

"In our troubled days we have toiled hard and had every trouble,

And met with much evil and been consumed,

And have become few and our breath light.

10 We have been destroyed and have not found any to help us even
with a word!

We have been tortured and not hoped to see life from day to day.

11 We hoped to be the head and have become the tail.

We worked hard and had no satisfaction in our work;

And we have become the food of the sinners and the unrighteous,

And they have laid their yoke heavily upon us.

12 They have had dominion over us; *they* that hated us and smote
us;

And to those that hated us have we bowed our heads,

But they did not pity us.

13 We wanted to get away from them so we might escape and rest,

But found no place to flee and be safe from them.

14 We complained to the rulers in our tribulation,

And cried out against those who devoured us,

But they did not attend to our cries

And would not hearken to our voice.

15 They helped those who robbed us and devoured us and made us
few; and they concealed their oppression, and they did not remove the

yoke of those that devoured us and dispersed us and murdered us, and they concealed their murder, and did not even remember that they had lifted up their hands against us!

1 Chanoch 104

1 I swear to you, that in heaven the angels remember you for good before the Kavod of the Great 2 One. Your names are written before the magnificence of El Shaddai. Be hopeful; for earlier you were put to shame through illness and affliction; but now you will shine as the lights of the sky; 3 you will shine and you will be seen, and the portals of the sky will be opened to you.

And in your cry, cry for judgment, and it will appear to you; for all your tribulation will be visited on the 4 rulers, and on all who helped those who plundered you. Be hopeful, and do not cast away your hopes, for you will have great joy as the angels of heaven. What will you be obliged to do? You will not have to hide on the day of the great judgment, and you will not be found out as sinners, and the ageless 6 judgment will be far away from you for all the generations of the world.

Fear not, you righteous, when you see the sinners growing strong and prospering in their ways! Do not fellowship with them, 7 but keep away from their violence; for you are to become friends of the heavenly host! And, although you sinners say: "All our sins will not be found out and written down, nevertheless 8 they write down all your sins every day.

And now I demonstrate to you that the light and the darkness, 9 the day and the night, behold all your sins! Be not wicked in your hearts; do not lie and nor alter the words of decency, nor charge the Kadosh Shaddai with lying the words, nor take notice of your 10 idols; for all your lying and all your bedevilment issue not from righteousness but from great sin.

Even now I know this mystery, that sinners will alter and pervert the words of righteousness in many ways, and will speak wicked words, and lie, and practice great deceits, and write books of 11 their *own* words. But when they write down truthfully all my words in their languages, and do not change or diminish ought from my words, but write them all down truthfully – all that I first testified 12 about them.

Then, I know another mystery, that books will be given to the righteous and the 13 wise to become a cause of joy and uprightness and much wisdom. And to them will the books be given, and they will believe in them and rejoice over them, and then will all the righteous who have learned all the paths of uprightness be repaid.

1 Chanoch 105

1 In those days YHWH bade *them* to summon and testify to the children of earth about wisdom: Show *it* to them! For you are their guides, and a reward to the whole earth. 2 For I and My son will be united with them forever in the paths of uprightness in their lives; and you will have peace. Rejoice, you children of uprightness! Amein.

Another piece of the Book of Noach

1 Chanoch 106

1 And after some days my son Methuselah took a wife for his son Lamech, and she became 2 pregnant by him and bore a son. And his body was white as snow and red as the blooming of a rose, and the hair of his head and his long locks were white as wool, and his eyes beautiful. And when he opened his eyes, he lighted up the whole house like the sun, and the whole house 3 was very bright. And immediately he arose in the hands of the midwife, opened his mouth, and conversed with YHWH of righteousness.

4 And his father Lamech was afraid of him and 5 fled, and came to his father Methuselah. And he said to him: 'I have begotten a strange son, diverse from and unlike man, and resembling the sons of the Eloha of heaven; and his nature is different and he is not like us, and his eyes are as the rays of the sun, and his 6 countenance is glorious. And it seems to me that he is not sprung from me but from the angels, and I fear that in his days a wonder may be 7 wrought on the earth. And now, my father, I am here to petition you, even beg you, to go to Chanoch, our father, and learn from him the truth, for his abode is 8 among the angels.'

And when Methuselah heard the words of his son, he came to me – to the ends of the earth – for he had heard that I was there, and he cried aloud, and I heard his voice and came to him. And I said to him: 'Behold, here am I, my son, Why have 9 you come to me?' And he answered and said: 'Because of a great cause of anxiety have I come to you, and because of a disturbing vision 10 have I approached. And now, my father, hear me:

'To Lamech my son there has been born a son the like of whom there is no other. And his nature is not like human nature, and the color of his body is whiter than snow and redder than the bloom of a rose, and the hair of his head is whiter than white wool, and his eyes are like the rays of the sun, and he opened his eyes and 11 immediately lighted the

whole house. And he arose in the hands of the midwife, and opened 12-15 his mouth and blessed YHWH of heaven.

‘And his father Lamech became afraid and fled to me, and did not believe that he was sprung from him, but that he was in the likeness of the angels of heaven; and look! I have come to you that you might tell me the truth.’

And I, Chanoch, answered and said to him: ‘The Sovereign will do a new thing on the earth, and this I have already seen in a vision, and make known to you that in the generation of my father Jared some of the angels of heaven transgressed the word of YHWH. And look! they commit sin and transgress the law, and have united themselves with women and commit sin with them, and have married some of them, and have begot children by them. And they will produce on the earth giants not according to the spirit, but according to the flesh, and there will be a great punishment on the world, and the earth will be cleansed from all impurity.

‘Yes, there will come a great destruction over the whole earth, and there will be a deluge and 16 a great destruction for one year. And this son who has been born to you will be left on the earth, and his three children will be saved with him: when all humankind that are on the earth 18 will die, *he and his sons will be saved.*

‘And now tell your son Lamech that he who has been born is in truth his son. Call his name Noach, for he will be left of you for he and his sons will be saved from the destruction that will come upon the earth because of all the sin and unrighteousness that will be consummated on the earth in his days. Afterward, there will still be even more unrighteousness than that which first accomplished on the earth; for I know the mysteries of the set-apart ones; for He, YHWH, has showed me and informed me, and I have read *about them* in the heavenly tablets.’

1 Chanoch 107

1 ‘And I saw written on them that generation upon generation will transgress, until a generation of righteousness arises, and transgression is destroyed and sin passes away from the earth, and all 2 manner of good comes upon it. And now, my son, go and make known to your son Lamech that this 3 son that has been born is in truth his son, and that *this word* is no lie.’

And when Methuselah heard the words of his father Chanoch – for he had shown to him everything in secret – he returned and showed *them*

to *Lamech* and called the name of that son Noach; for he will comfort the earth after all the destruction.

Another Book of Chanoch promised

1 Chanoch 108

1 Another book Chanoch wrote for his son Methuselah and for those who will come after him, 2-4 and keep the law in the last days:

You who have done good will wait for those days in which an end is made of those who work evil – an end of the might of the transgressors. And indeed wait until sin has passed away. For their names will be blotted out of the book of life, out of the set-apart books also. And their seed will be destroyed forever, even their spirits will be slain, and they will cry and make lamentation in a chaotic wilderness, and in the fire they will burn; for there is no *solid* ground there.

And I saw there something like an invisible cloud; for by reason of its depth I could not see over it, but I saw a flame of fire blazing brightly, and things like shining 5 mountains circling and sweeping to and fro. And I asked one of the set-apart angels who was with me, saying to him: 'What is this shining thing? for it is not a heaven but only the flame of a blazing 6 fire, and the voice of weeping and crying and lamentation and strong pain.'

And he said to me: 'This place that you see – herein are cast the spirits of sinners and blasphemers, and of those who work wickedness, and of those who pervert everything that YHWH has spoken by the mouth 7 of the prophets – *even* the future. For some of them are written and inscribed above in the heaven, in order that the angels may read them and know what will befall the sinners, and the spirits of the humble, and of those who have afflicted their bodies, and been recompensed 8 by Eloha; even of those who have been put to shame by wicked men.

'*I refer to* those who love Eloha and loved neither gold nor silver nor any of the good things in the world; but gave over their bodies to torture. Who, since they came into being, longed not after earthly food, but regarded everything as a passing breath, and lived accordingly, and YHWH tested them much, and their spirits were 10 found pure so that they should bless His name. And all the blessings destined for them I have recounted in the books. And he has assigned them their reward since they have loved heaven more than their life in the world, and though they were trodden under the foot of wicked men, and

experienced abuse and reviling from them and were put to shame, 11 yet they blessed Me.

'And now I will summon the spirits of the good who belong to the generation of light, and I will transform those who were born in darkness, who in the flesh were not recompensed 12 with such honor as their faithfulness deserved. And I will bring forth in shining light those who 13 have loved My set-apart name, and I will seat each on the throne of his honor. And they will be dazzling for times without number; for righteousness is the judgment of Eloha; for to the faithful 14 He will give faithfulness in the habitation of upright paths.

'And they will see those 15 born in darkness led into darkness, while the righteous will be dazzling. And the sinners will cry aloud to see them glittering, and they indeed will go where days and seasons are prescribed for them.'