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The *Apocalypsis of Enoch* survives in a very incomplete form in a Greek manuscript from the second century BC. The manuscript preserves only one-fifth of the original, only thirty-two chapters. In the second half of the 18th century, however, the English traveller James Bruce found the whole work in Abyssinia, brought it to Europe and donated it to the Bodley Library in Oxford. Since then, there have been many translations of the work, and the number of books on it is scarcely known.

In the last century, it was initially thought that the *Apocalypse of Enoch* was written two or three hundred years before our era, but it is no more than five hundred years old. It is a typical product of the pre-Asian apocalyptic current, it was said, which began in pre-Asia in about 600 BC and lasted until the end of the Alexandrian period, about 300 AD. However, some scholars have dated the *Book of Enoch* much earlier. Some have spoken of thousands of years, while others have said that the work was written immediately after the Flood. If these scholars are right, then Enoch lived either in 8000 BC or in 12,000 BC, because the Flood has recently been associated with these two dates. That he is closely linked to the destruction of Atlantis, as Mereskovsky believes, is possible. Many say that Enoch is the oldest book of mankind, that only Hermes Trismegistus and the *Vedas* are older than it, and that it actually dates not from after the Flood but before it.

All this is conjecture. The significance of the *book of Enoch* is not decided by when its author lived or wrote it, any more than the significance of a book is ever decided by when it was written. Anyone who reads just a few sentences of it will definitely feel that it is not a recent work. The book has been read in Europe for two thousand years. From Clemens Alexandrinus to Dimitri Mereskovsky, it has been read by thousands of thinkers. And no one has ever suggested that the work known as the *Apocalypse of Enoch* should be regarded as one of the eternal books of humanity.

The *Book of Enoch* is the book of the events leading up to the first destruction of mankind, the Flood. The prophet tells us that some of the angels, the Revilers, under the leadership of the archangel Azazel, left heaven and began an illicit affair with the daughters of men. The love affair turned into a giant

beings were born, who devoured all the wealth of men, heaped sin upon sin, and committed acts of violence to such an extent that the earth cried to heaven for help.

Enoch, whom the book calls a righteous man and a herald of truth (*grammateus tés dikaiosynés*), was at this time an angelic messenger. The messenger commanded him to go to the fallen Watchers and tell them of the judgment of the Lord of Heaven: "Beware the fallen Watchers, for there is no forgiveness for their terrible sins, and the time is coming when they will be condemned to eternal damnation. When the Watchmen heard the sentence, they were astonished. They were seized, as the text says, with *tromos kai phobos*: terror and dread. They asked Enoch to write a letter of supplication to heaven on their behalf and to obtain forgiveness for them.

Enoch prepared the document, went into the wilderness and read it aloud. The angels of heaven took him, carried him up to the realm of spirits and brought him before the Lord. In the flaming fire-palace of the King of kings, he answered the supplication with a living word, and said to the Watchers: 'It was you who should have supplicated for men, not men for you. He rejected the request and confirmed the sentence of damnation. He condemned the Watchers to be bound and cast into the depths of the earth for eternity. And their children, the giants, to be damned at the end of eternity, and until then to be "outlaws".

Then the angels of heaven led Enoch around the realms of the afterlife, the kingdom of fire, the chamber of the winds. He saw the pillars that hold up the heavens, the farthest reaches of the world, he stood face to face with the angels, he saw the Caos, the Hall of Judgment, the Tree of Salvation and the Garden of Righteousness.

Behold, says the man of today, another of the myths of old. And he thinks: how peculiarly this narrative blends elusive truth with incredible fiction. The situation of the explainer is easier. He finds nothing elusive or unbelievable. It is not a matter of belief or non-belief. He has only one intention: to understand. And as for understanding, this time it is really not difficult. A few basic words need only be explained and the whole situation is clear.

The very first word is Enoch's name. Enoch, tradition says, was of the line of Seth. Seth was the third son born to Adam and Eve, after Cain and Abel. Everyone knows the story of Cain and Abel from the Bible. Many may also have heard that Abel was the divine humanity of the first pair of men, the heavenly man whose sacrificial smoke ascended upwards, and Cain was the dark, material man, dominated by passions, anger, revenge, poison, and therefore the smoke of his sacrifice ascended towards the earthly matter, the matter in which he lived and from which he expected to find his happiness. Cain killed Abel out of revenge and jealousy. The dark and material humanity of the first pair of men destroyed the celestial humanity. This is the meaning of the story of Cain and Abel.

Seth, the third child, was neither material nor celestial. Seth was human. The real man, the human man, under the conditions and circumstances of material nature, but in his heart he retained the great mystery of his origin. Seth is the working, industrious man, here struggling and suffering and wrestling with his destiny, but he is godly, humble, never dark because there are no wild passions in him, never celestial because there are no celestial fires in him, but always human. Enoch says of himself: all his activity was concerned with angels and holy men. This is the main characteristic of Seth: he lives below but looks upwards. The son of Seth is the righteous man, the proclaimer of truth (*grammateus tés dikaiosynés*), who cannot be dissuaded by the passionate darkness of Cain's descendants. The generation of Seth is the "salt of the earth". His sole activity is to care for mankind and to labor for man's salvation. This care is not knowledge, but an emotion of the heart: religion. The great prophets and apostles of antiquity were known to mankind as the sons of Seth. These great wise men and great benefactors are the Chinese Lao Tzu, the Mexican Quetzalcoatl, the Egyptian Hermes Trismegistos, the Iranian Zarathustra and the Greek Orpheus. In his book on ancient religions, Ibn Herun says that in ancient times the religion of Seth was the most widespread. What does this mean? It means that the religion of mankind was one of warm humanum, pious humility, meek diligence, but above all of patient peace.

The tradition of Seth was lost at the beginning of the story. Only very rarely and occasionally does one, a righteous man, a preacher of truth (*grammateus tés dikaiosynés*), stand above the dark passions of the Cainites and proclaim pure humanity.

In this man there is nothing conspicuous, no extraordinary height, nothing incomprehensible or wonderful; only that: he is a man. But a real man.

He was of the generation of Enoch Seth, the only one in a humanity corrupted by the Watchers and the giants who had a relationship with the Lord of Heaven and could be trusted to plead for those who had fallen into impurity. Enoch alone had preserved in his heart the purity of the heavenly spark in man, and so he alone was worthy and able to come before the Lord.

The understanding of Enoch's apocalypse must begin here. The prophet's book was not written to shudder and terrify. What he has written is the will of the spirit world and he communicates it to mankind. To those who wish to be purified, he shows the way; to those who are blinded by their passions and sunk in sins, he reveals the judgment.

The second word to understand in the book of Enoch is what it means: the angel. The angel has two names in Enoch. One is angels - angel. The other is egrégoros, literally meaning Watcher, but also meaning Watcher. The angels and the Ebers, like Dionysus Aeropagite, were written in prehistoric tradition: "preachers whose task is to communicate the meaning of God's silence to the world. Angels are luminous beings who proclaim to the world what is in the adyton." The adyton is the opposite of the public ritual: the profound mystery that takes place within. The angels are the heralds and revelators of these silent mysteries, shrouded in the silence of God. In several places in the Bible they are called Ben Elohim, the sons of God.

In the beginning, the traitor angels were also light-bodied beings and, as part of the divine mysteries, dwelt in the spirit world. But they lusted after the pleasures of human flesh and blood, and thus defiled themselves. They became emaciated. Out of the illicit relations of the Watchers and the daughters of the earth, illicit beings were born: giants, gigas, nephilim, as Enoch says. These degenerates and whoremongers, as the book tells us, with power immeasurably beyond man's strength and knowledge immeasurably beyond man's knowledge, plundered the earth, devoured the wealth, raped, feuded, hated, spread the passions of war, of bloodshed, of revenge, of greed. The Nephilim are a

part of them are corporeal beings, the other part, as Enoch says, are invisible, or demonic spirits. The earth became the prey of these evil demons. Man is powerless against them. But so is the angel of heaven. The nephilim, as Enoch says, are "outside the law". Indescribably violent, shameless, bloodthirsty, lustful, greedy, evil, deceitful, obscene, lying, unclean spirits. It is this spirit that has corrupted material nature and defiled the purity of the human soul.

Enoch tells us that when the Watchers entered into illicit love affairs with the daughters of the earth, they betrayed their hidden knowledge to them. They showed them the secrets of plants, the secrets of roots, how, from what, what can be cooked and prepared. They taught people how to melt metals, how to make swords, weapons, shields, arrows, tools, jewellery; they taught them the secrets of the starry sky, stargazing, face painting, how to make potions. The Slayers, who had been part of the mystery of adyton in the spirit world and knew secrets shrouded in the silence of God, now revealed these secrets. After understanding the Seth-brain man and the essence of the angels, the third point is to understand what it means to know the fallen angels.

Undoubtedly, before the Watchers descended to earth, humanity lived in blessed innocence. It was not guiltless, for the dark generation of Cain had wiped out the human race in the sky. But he did not know the means, the craft, the art of coinage, of writing, of bloodshed, of science. All this mankind was taught by the fallen angels. The only knowledge of mankind was the knowledge of Seth: the remembrance of the celestial origin and the law of pure life, which leads man back to the spirit world. He did not know the means of agriculture, industry, art, craftsmanship: he lived in a golden age, he ate fruit, he was carefree and serene.

The Watchers, after the rapture of lovers' nights, whispered the first secrets into the ears of the daughters of the earth: how to master their faces and skins and hair and nails, how to turn their eyes, how to put their feet, how to bend their voices to make them more seductive and irresistible. Then they were taught magic words and potions and painting and jewellery making, to kill animals and to meat to eat and to knives and to swords to make swords .

They were taught what is now called technique. What was before a covert mystery in the silence of God has now become a public craft. But the trouble was not this, that the key and meaning of the mystery were not known to the Watchers, for, as the Lord had spoken: "ye dwelt in the kingdom of heaven, yet ye knew not all the mysteries, but only the cursed knowledge, and this it was that ye told the women with a corrupt heart".

What this sin was, we no longer know. Baader says it is because we can no longer commit it. Perhaps those who say that the rite of circumcision was introduced in memory of this sin are right. The memory of the sin was carried away by the Flood. The waters of judgment washed away sin: with Sodom and Gomorrah, perhaps, as Mereskovsky says, with Atlantis, but in any case, with the first humanity before the great destruction, which saw the Watchers face to face and which had a direct share in forbidden knowledge, this sin and this knowledge were lost forever.

But even if we don't know what that sin was, the consequences of sin and knowledge have been seen and experienced by every generation since. It is quite possible that this knowledge was linked to what is now commonly called violence. Everybody knows that violence is some indefinable, shuddering magical force, some terrifying empty evil. It rests on unknown factors, but we all know that none of these unknown factors is good, pure or spiritual. Violence is demonic. Is this what the Watchers whispered in the ears of the daughters of the earth on their lover's nights? Is that what made the women dizzy? Was it the terrifying emptiness of this that the daughters of the earth first craved when they began to paint their brows and their faces, began to adorn themselves with the feathers of slain birds? "And the judgment of the seducing women is that they shall be sirens for ever," says the Lord: sirens, that is, birds with seductive voices, monsters with colourful feathers. For ever and ever they will be what they were meant to be: they will have the seduction, the colourful feathers and the enchanting song, and they will no longer be men, they will no longer be souls, but sirens. That is their punishment. Was this the power for which they began to slaughter animals, so that with their noble furs the women might glorify themselves? Why they began to pierce the mountains for a grain of gold, that they might make jewels and hang them about their necks and pin them in their ears, in their ears, in which even echoed the Watchers

the treachery of the watchers? But they have begun the far more terrible and unspeakable, at which the King of Kings himself shudders, when he says: "by means of these secrets women commit their wickednesses against men in the earth". What is this secret? What is this sin? What is this magic? Everyone knows it exists, but no one has ever seen it and can name it. What is this fearful magical power, this cursed knowledge, which the Watchers "with corrupt hearts told the women?"

"There is no peace for them" - *ouk estin eiréné*, says the Lord of Hosts in judgment. There is no more peace and reconciliation on earth while a drop of this knowledge lives in mankind. Was the knowledge of Seth too little for them? Was it little that they lived in innocent simplicity and blessed tranquillity only to fulfil the law? Did they need the knowledge, the craft? Did they need the colourful feathers of birds, gold, iron, weapons, swords, jewellery, machines, ink, pens, paper, writing, science, technology? Did they need what all this conjured up and brought, inevitably and inevitably: strife, envy, confusion, corruption? Did they need the awesome power? Did they need the rioting, the revolution, the evil inspired by demons outside the law? Well, if they had to have it, let them have it. All of humanity was outlawed. And: *ouk estin eiréné* - no peace for them. Is there?

The Nephilim, the unhallowed, lawless children of the evil power, who have brought to earth carnage, violence, injustice, lust, and have corrupted mankind. Therefore, humanity had to perish. The Lord sent the waters of judgment on the earth and all mankind perished except Noah and his family.

Mereskovsky says: The Book of Enoch tells of the destruction of the first humanity, but it is for the second humanity. The very first sentence of the book speaks of this: 'what I have seen, I have seen not for the present generation, but for those who will follow in the far future'. Is it for the second humanity? But which is this second humanity? The present? Enoch's Apocalypse is, according to Mereskovsky, the most contemporary book. Humanity is still standing today where it stood then. The power of the spirits of the Nephilim has not been broken, nor has it ever been greater than it is today. Therefore, from the Book of Enoch, we, the second

people living at the end of humanity understood more than people living in any other age could have understood and could have understood. We understand more than they did. Perhaps even more than we are allowed to. We understand fearfully in it every word spoken, but even more fearfully every word silenced. Is it about us? No. This humanity that Enoch speaks of is not us. But the humanity Enoch speaks of, are we? Are we the generation that is "coming in the far future"? Are we the blinded ones who have extended the lawless power of man to the whole earth: to the belly of the mountains, to the depths of the sea, to the jungles, to the animals, to the fish, to the plants, to the birds, to the colored peoples, to the poor, to the oppressed, and the earth cries out to heaven at the sight of this lawlessness?

What is it that destroyed the first humanity, asks Mereskovsky, and what is it that threatens to destroy the second? Enoch was initiated by the angels - the angels of heaven - into the secret of reading the stars, and there he saw that the world would one day be destroyed by water and one day by fire. In the Greek tradition, Orpheus proclaimed the same: the death of the first mankind by water (hydrosis) and the death of the second mankind by fire (ekpyrosis). But the same was known in Mexico and known to Toth the Egyptian high priest and known to Zarathustra. According to Mereskovsky, the Apocalypse of Enoch is the most ancient book, because it is a warning to the children of the nephilim, the children of violent, lawless power, of money, vanity, greed, science, that after the old death by water, the death by fire, the ecpysis, the world-burning, is now imminent, which will cleanse the wailing earth of the guilty.

There is one more word to be understood in Enoch, though the word does not occur once in the book. This word is apocalypsis, the work that speaks of the judgment of supernatural spiritual forces. Apocalypsis literally means: revelatio, or revelation. In a figurative sense it is the final word, the last judgment. The Book of Enoch is apocalypsis, that is, the irrevocable, revelatory judgment of the spirit on the life and activity of mankind.

The modern man, accustomed from childhood to the idea that mankind, by racial selection, in its struggle for existence from the animal world

from the primitive primitive mankind, this man of today understands apocalypsis either with great difficulty or not at all. On hearing the word, he can never suppress a certain excitement which is different from all other excitement. He is curious, but at the same time he shudders. What a mysterious and frightening word! He wants to understand. She smiles at him and makes a cynical remark, but in her heart she knows that the smile is false and the remark invalid. In this place, of course, there is not even an attempt to shake modern man's faith in progress. It is only one thing: to understand. Understanding Enoch and what that word means: apocalypse.

Not only Enoch, and with him the pre-Asian tradition, but all prehistoric humanity, unanimously taught that at the creation of the world all spiritual and natural beings and things stood in their place and that the existence of all things was determined by the eternal lawful measure of creation. This lawful measure is called logos by Heracleitus. But the Creator did not create beings as instruments to fulfil the law blindly and mechanically; all beings had freedom and the fulfilment of the lawful measure had to be undertaken by each one voluntarily and vigilantly.

In the introductory speech Enoch speaks of this measure. Behold, he says, the stars, the sun, the moon, the seasons, the animals, the plants, the law is kept by all beings and they live in unchangeable order. "But ye have not kept the commandment of the Lord, but have transgressed it."

From the very beginning of time, there have been creatures who have used this divine freedom given to them not to fulfil the law, but to break it. On his journey through the chaos of the afterlife, Enoch saw seven giant stars, seven stars bound together, hovering over nothingness. When asked what this meant, the guiding angel told Enoch that these seven stars had left their law-given orbit and were about to go their own way; at the Lord's command they were bound and suspended above the chaos as a punishment.

When the Watchers left the sky and entered into illicit relations with the daughters of men, the law was also broken. Earthly existence was rendered entirely lawless. When women with forbidden knowledge began to paint their faces and began to paint themselves with furs and feathers

and "commit their iniquities against men" and when men began to plunder the depths of the earth, the mountains, the forests, the sea, the animal and vegetable kingdoms with the knowledge of the traitor angels, the law was also transgressed. Mankind has been outlawed because, like those seven stars, it has used its freedom in unauthorized ways and transgressed the measure. There are people who see this situation and find it intolerable. They feel that being lawless, violating the eternal standard, is intolerable, even for a moment. These are the ones whom Enoch does not lead as righteous and holy and elect. These are the people who, even in the course of their lives, do their utmost to bring themselves back under the law, to keep the eternal standard again by their thoughts, words and deeds. Total sinlessness on earth has become impossible in the existence corrupted by Cain and the Watchers. For it was not the existence of individual men, but universally the whole human existence that was corrupted. The righteous, however, suffer deeply in this corruption and seek to mitigate the sins in every way possible. Here on earth no one can live without sin: in the hereafter is the place where "they will receive wisdom and will sin no more, neither from negligence nor from passion... they will never sin again and suffer punishment... and will not experience the judgment of wrath." People who sin only out of neglect or passion, that is, who commit sins only out of weakness and not "living with a corrupt heart" will not experience the judgment of wrath. These men, who bring themselves back under the law in their lifetime, who strive with all their might to fulfill the standard, who re-legitimize the lawless existence in themselves, will escape judgment.

But men who live their lives in the lawlessness of earthly life without a care, who do not even notice this corrupt existence, who sin with a quiet conscience, heaping sin upon sin, being violent, vain, greedy, lustful, ambitious, lying, boastful, proud, envious, greedy, power-hungry, will come under judgment. For a man is free, and the law may be broken; but woe to him who abuses his freedom and breaks the law.

A part of men come under judgment in life, because they are continually judging themselves, that is, by acknowledging the eternal law above themselves, they are judged.

under judgment. These are the righteous and the elect. But the other part of men, as Enoch says, "if they be not judged in life," will not be able to exempt themselves from judgment, unless they become like the seven stars that transgress the standard, are bound and suspended above the chaos. These people would come under judgment. The judgment is nothing else but that the Lord of Spirits will examine each one personally, whether he has lived in the law or against the law, whether he has kept the standard or broken it. He who has kept it, that is, he who, in his lifetime, of his own will and determination, has "come under judgment," will take up his abode in the hereafter among the saints and the righteous. He who has not kept the law, that is, has not made existence itself lawful again, is "not under judgment" when "good and evil are separated", when "the good are given over to eternal life, the bad to eternal death".

Today's man thinks of the Day of Judgement as an exaggerated horror of the religious imagination, some horrific mass tragedy. To the prehistoric man, what happens on the Day of Judgement is infinitely simple: the restoration of a human existence that has become lawless to the law. That is what it means: judgment. The meaning of the Day of Judgement is to restore the lawfulness of human existence across the board. To make the corrupted existence righteous again. This is the universal and collective judgment: the apocalypse. The apocalypse is the final judgment held over humanity, the restoration of human existence, corrupted by Cain and the Watchers, to the law: those who are righteous are saved, those who are not righteous are given over to nothing.

Here is the peculiar thinking of antiquity, which has become so alien to modern man. Behold the alien mixture of poetry, myth, metaphysics and vision, which is as far removed from the modern age as anything. Until the end of the last century, modern man was only willing to go as far as the Greeks; only the Greeks were still willing to be taken seriously. The situation has changed considerably since then. The great cultures of Asia, Africa, America have been revealed and we have learned to respect the Negro, the Arab, the Iranian, the Tibetan, the Indian spirit. And the relics of pre-Greek antiquity have been revealed: Egyptian, Chinese, Hindu art. The world expanded and deepened. We discovered for the first time the cultures of foreign peoples; and we discovered prehistory. There is no modern discovery of comparable significance.

Of the great books of antiquity, the Chinese Taoist has preserved the great mystery of ancient mankind; the Veda has preserved a clarity by comparison with which all that man has since thought is a dimness; Hermes Trisriegistos has preserved secrets which we have only recently come to first unravel. Enoch preserved something quite different from prehistory: the austere and pure simplicity of the first patriarchal humanity.

The first part, about the rebel angels, is full of more and more sublime details. The celestial vision is as shocking and powerful as few human hands have written. The second part, the prophetic visions and discourses, heralds the solemn and dignified morality of the Seth tradition. It is here that the modern age can come into close proximity with prehistoric man. The third part, on dream visions, will be appreciated especially by those versed in modern psychology. It is a symbolic vision whose secret is not so great. The man whose imagination is only a little above the average will understand what is at stake on the second page and will arbitrarily agree with Heraclitus when he says, "You have not reached the limits of the soul, however great the journey.

To explain every detail of the book would be a task that would require twenty times the length of this introduction. It is a peculiarity of style that Enoch speaks in the first and third person. In several places he identifies himself with Noah. The word Lord also sometimes uses the first person, sometimes the third. The symbolic meaning of some words, such as Wisdom, which, as the book says, 'has no dwelling place on earth' and has moved into heaven among the angels, should be mentioned separately. This Wisdom is none other than Chochma, who was later called Sophia by Philo and was a constant protagonist of mysticism until Jacob Boehme. It should also be mentioned how the flood monuments appear in the Egyptian, Iranian, Chinese, Hindu and Indian traditions, and how Noah Enoch corresponds to the Hindu Manu, the Mexican Quetzalcoatl, the Peruvian Manco-Ceapac, the Egyptian Menes, the Iranian Jiam-Shid. We should also mention, of course, the 'white bull' of dream visions, revered in Iran as Kaimorts, but also found in Egypt, Crete, Greece, India and China. We should also mention the main stages of Enochian literature, from the Alexandrian period to the 19th century, to Jakob Lorber, the great mystic who wrote a whole book on the Enochian mythology.

to Dmitri Mereskovsky, who speaks in the apocalyptic spirit of Enoch in *The Secret of the West*. The references and explanations would clarify much: but for now the aim is a single one: to glimpse the spirit of prehistoric humanity. And it is good to do this with as unbiased and uninfluenced an eye as possible.

# The rebellion of the angels

The blessing of Enoch, with which he will bless the righteous and the elect who will live in the days of need, when the wicked and the ungodly will depart forever. Enoch, the righteous man, whose eyes God opened to see the saints whom the angels showed him, spoke thus; all these things I heard from him, and through him I understood all that I saw, not for the present generation, but for those who are to come in the far future.

## ***Judgement.***

I spoke to the elect, and to them I spoke the following words: out of the house of the holy and great Lord will come forth, and the Lord of the World will come down on Mount Sinai. He will appear in the midst of the hosts and will show the fullness of his heavenly power and might. And they will all tremble and the Watchers will be shaken and great terror and dread will grip them throughout the earth. The towering mountains will shake and the mounds will be level with the ground and will melt like wax on fire. And the earth will be opened and all that lives on the earth will be destroyed and judgment will be pronounced on all creatures. And the righteous he will reward with peace, and the elect he will preserve and stretch out his arm over them, and they will all belong to God: they will be happy and blessed, and the light of the Lord will be their light.

And behold, he came with ten thousand of his saints to execute judgment. He will judge and destroy the wicked and discipline all flesh, so that

to make restitution for what the wicked and ungodly have done against him.

Look at the things of heaven, how they rise and how they set, how the stars in the heavens do not change their courses, each rising and setting in its own time, without going out of its order. Look at the earth and see the things that from their birth to their death are as unchangeable as no work of God. Look at the summer and the winter, and how the earth is filled with water and cloud and dew and rain that falls upon it.

Behold all the trees, wherein they seem dry and bare, except fourteen trees, which shed not their decay, but keep the old leaf until the new one grows, even two and three years.

Look at the days of summer, how the sun is high above the earth in the beginning of summer, and you seek shade and a cool place from the scorching rays, the earth is glowing, so that you cannot step on the ground or on the stone.

See how the trees cover themselves with the green of the leaves and how they bear fruit and look at everything and pay attention to everything, so that everything is made for you and lives forever. And his work is repeated in every year, it never changes, but as God has determined, so everything happens. See how the rivers and seas do their work together.

But you have not kept and obeyed the commandment of the Lord, but have transgressed it with proud and defiant words, which you have uttered from unclean mouths, and have blasphemed his dominion.

You will not know peace, you proud-hearted!

But you will curse your days, and your lives will be destroyed, and your destruction will be strengthened by the power of the curse, and you will not be forgiven. And in those days you will have your names exposed, so that for the righteous you will be cursed with an everlasting curse, and you sinners will be cursed with the rest of the sinners forever.

But the elect will share in the glory, joy and peace. And they will inherit eternal righteousness, but you, the wicked, will be cursed. But the elect will partake of wisdom, and will live, and will sin no more through negligence or passion, but will be humble as those who have attained to wisdom. They will never sin again in their lives, nor will they suffer punishment, nor perish in calamities, nor experience the judgment of wrath, but will fill the days of their lives to the end, and reach old age in peace, and attain years of joy, and spend the days of their lives in everlasting joy and peace.

### ***The rebellion of the angels.***

When the generations of men were multiplied, in those days men had daughters of beauty and charm. And the angels, the sons of heaven, saw them, and desired them, and said one to another, Let us go and choose for ourselves wives from among the daughters of men, and let us bring forth children with them.

And Azazel, who was the head of them all, said: 'I am afraid you must not find it in your hearts to do such a thing, and in the end I myself will have to pay for this great sin.

And they said, We all swear and bind ourselves under a curse, that we will not give up this intention, but will do it. And they all swore and covenanted with one another under curse.

And the head of them all was Azazel, and the leaders were Arathak, Kimbra, Samman, Daniel, Aredros, Semiel, Iomel, Chochariel, Ezekiel, Batriel,

Sathiel, Atriel, Thaniel, Barakiel, Ananthna, Ooniel, Ramiel, Aseal, Rakiel, Turiel.

All these and the rest with them took wives for themselves, and each chose for himself, and visited them, and joined themselves to them. They taught them spells and magic words and showed them how to gather plants and roots.

And the women became pregnant and gave birth to huge giants over three thousand feet tall. And these men ate up all the wealth until there was nothing left to eat. Then the giants became angry with them and began to eat the people. And they began to sin against the birds and the animals and the creepers and the fish, and they devoured each other's flesh and drank each other's blood. And the earth wept at the sight of this lawlessness.

And Azazel taught the people to make swords and knives and shields and blood, and showed them ores and the work of ores and bracelets and jewellery and the craft, how to paint the eyes, how to carve out the eyebrows, and showed them stones and dyes and things of exchange, which were rarer than rare and more precious than costly.

And great and terrible wickedness spread over the land, and men were degraded and went astray in their ways like madmen. Azazel taught the rebels, Armoros the magicians, Rakiel the astrologers, Chochiel the hidden signs, Sadiel the astrologers, Seriel the moon-witnesses. And the people grew desolate and cried out and their voices reached to the skies.

***The sky sees what is happening.***

Michael, Uriel, Raphael and Gabriel then looked down from heaven to earth and saw all the blood that had been shed on earth and the injustice that had been done on earth. And then they said to each other:

The cry of the desecrated earth is heard. It has already reached the threshold of heaven. The souls of men are complaining and saying, "Why does not the Lord on high judge this abomination?

And then they said to the King of Kings, 'You are the Lord of lords, the God of gods, the King of kings, Your dominion extends to all generations of the world, Your name is holy and You are praised for eternity. Thou hast created all things, and in Thy hand is all things, and in Thy hand is the power over all things; before Thee there is no mystery, Thou seest all things, and nothing is hidden from Thy sight. You have seen what Azazel has done, how he has taught injustice on earth and how he has betrayed the secret of the ancient times, whose home is the heavens. How he revealed the mysteries to men, the Azazel to whom you gave power to rule over his fellows. And they went in to the daughters of men on the earth and slept with them, and made themselves unclean with the women and taught them to sin. And the women bore children, and the land was overflowing with blood and violence. And now the souls of the slain complain and cry out, and their voices reach to the very threshold of heaven, and their groaning ascends and is not silenced, seeing the violence that is done on the earth. You know everything, even before it happens, you know this and why it happens and you do not even tell us what to do for them.

The Most High, the Holy and the Great then moved and sent Istariel to the son of Lamech and said:

Go to Noah and tell him in my name: Let him hide himself. And tell him that the end is near, for the whole earth will be submerged and the land will be flooded and all that is on it will be destroyed. Tell him how he can be saved, so that his seed will be preserved for all eternity.

And the LORD said to Raphael, Bind Azazel by his hands and by his feet, cast him into the darkness, open the desert which is in Dudael, and cast him into it. Heap on it sharp and rough stones, and cover it with darkness, and

and cover his face, that he may not see the light. And on the day of great judgment he shall be cast into the fiery abyss. And the earth which the angels have corrupted, heal it, and show how it is to be healed, that the wounds of the earth may be healed, lest they all perish by the secrets which the Watchers have betrayed and told their descendants. The doctrine of Azazel has corrupted the whole earth, and all iniquity is imputed to him.

And the Lord said to Gabriel, Take up arms against the degenerate, and against the harlots, and against the accursed, and cut off the seed of the Watchers from among the people. Lead them out and set them against one another to slaughter one another in battle, for they are not destined to live long. Do nothing of what they ask of you, for they are the sons of their fathers and must not believe in eternal life and that each of them will live five hundred years.

### ***"Wipe away injustice from the face of the earth."***

And to Michael the Lord said, "Go to Azazel and all those who are united with the women, that they may perish with him in their uncleanness, and bind them. And when their sons have all mutually destroyed one another, and when they have seen the destruction of their beloved children, bind them for seventy generations under the mountains of the earth, until the day of their judgment and their doom come, and judgment be executed upon them for ever and ever. Then they shall be taken away and shall be cast into the flaming abyss and shall be cast into everlasting captivity in torments until the end of time. And whosoever shall ever be judged by fire and destruction shall be bound with them from this day until the end of the generations. Destroy from the earth every soul that thirsts for unlawful pleasure, and destroy the sons of the Watchers, for they have dealt ill with men. Wipe away injustice from the face of the earth, put an end to all works of wickedness, and from now on let the tree of righteousness grow and it will ripen into blessing. From

and the fruits of righteousness shall be everlasting for the joy of every living creature. May the righteous avoid destruction and live until they have begotten a thousand offspring, and may they spend every day of their youth and every day of their old age in peace. From that time on, righteousness shall grow in the earth and trees shall grow everywhere on the earth and blessings shall be fulfilled. And the trees of joy shall grow and vines shall be planted and the vine shall yield wine in abundance and every seed that is sown shall yield a thousand grains and a pint of oil shall yield ten acres of oil. And thou shalt cleanse the land from uncleanness and iniquity and sin and wickedness, and shalt drive out all uncleanness from the land. And let the children of men be righteous, and let all the people honour and praise me, and turn to me in prayer. And the earth shall be cleansed from all corruption, sin, violence and suffering, and I will never again afflict them in this way to the end of all generations. In those days I will open the treasure chambers of heaven's blessings and their treasures will descend upon the earth, upon the labour and work of men. Peace and justice will be united until the end of the world and the end of the generations.

### ***Enoch's mandate.***

Even before this happened, Enoch was taken away and none of the people knew where he was taken, where he was and what had happened to him. And all his activities were for the Overseers and the holy men of those times. And I, Enoch, was blessing the Lord of lords, the King of the world, and then behold a voice spoke to me, the voice of angels, and spoke to me:

Enoch, herald of righteousness, go, tell the Watchers of heaven, who have forsaken the high heavens and the eternal holy habitation, and have defiled themselves with women as the sons of men do, have taken women for themselves, and have sunk into ruin on the earth:

"They will not find peace and forgiveness. And because they rejoice over their children, they will see the bloody death of these, and they will wail at the loss of their children. They will beg, but they will never have mercy or peace."

## *Enoch Azazel.*

And Enoch went to Azazel and said: "You will not find peace; a great judgment has been passed on you, that you should be taken captive. Do not expect sympathy and mediation because of the injustice you have spread and the evil works you have shown to the people."

Then I went and talked to all of them. And they were afraid, and were seized with terror and dread. And they asked me to write a supplication on their behalf, that they might be forgiven, and to take the writing to the Lord of Heaven. For from that moment on they can no longer speak to him, nor can they lift up their eyes to heaven, out of shame for their sins, for which they have been cursed and condemned.

But for the sins of their spirits, and for their deeds, and for all that was said, I have written the supplication, that I might obtain for them pardon and forgiveness. Then I went to the land of Dan and sat down by the waters of Dan, south of the west side of Hermon, and read the supplication aloud until I suddenly fell asleep.

And behold, I dreamed a dream and a vision appeared before me and in my vision I saw the judges and a voice called to me to speak to the sons of heaven and rebuke them. And when I awoke, I went to them. In Ublesjael, which lay between Lebanon and Seneser, they were all sitting together in mourning, covering their faces. I told them in my sleep how

visions I had seen and I began to proclaim the words of truth and I began to rebuke the Watchers of heaven.

## *The meaning of the book.*

This book is the voice of truth and the rebuke of the Watchers, the Watchers who have lived forever. It proclaims the truth as I have been commanded by the Holy and Great Lord. In my dream I have seen what I now proclaim with my fleshly tongue and soul, what the Lord has given in my human mouth to speak to them and to their hearts. As he created man and allowed him to understand the word of knowledge, so he created me and allowed me to rebuke the Watchers, the sons of heaven.

I have written your request, but I have seen in my vision that the request will never be granted in the endless ages. The judgment upon you is fulfilled and there is no mercy for you. And from this day forth you will never again ascend into heaven, and you are commanded to be bound and taken captive on earth until the end of time. But first you shall see the destruction of your dear sons, and you shall not rejoice in their life, but they shall fall by the sword before your eyes. And your prayers for them and for yourselves will not be heard, however much you may weep and wail, and not one word of the writing which I have written for you will be heard.

## *The vision.*

And the vision was this:

Behold, in my vision the clouds cried out and the mists called to me and the stars and the lightning cried out to me to hurry and they drove and chased and the winds, in my vision, gave me their wings and lifted me up to the heights and carried me to the realm of the heavens.

And I stepped in, until I came to a wall made of ice cubes, and tongues of flame burst from the cubes of the wall, and I became afraid. I stepped into the tongues of flame and approached a great house, and the house was also built of blocks of ice, and its floor was also cubes of ice, and its ceiling was like the starry sky and lightning, with angels of flame in between, and the sky was like the sea. All around the walls were flames of fire and the door was a burning fire.

I entered the house, which was as hot as the sea. The walls were on fire all around and the door was a burning fire.

I entered the house, which was as hot as this fire and as cold as snow and no sign of the joy of living. I was seized with terror and trembling and fell on my face, trembling and shaking, and then I saw another vision:

There was another house, larger than the first, with its gates wide open. It was built of tongues of flame, and in every little part was so vast and majestic, so magnificent and stately, that I cannot tell you of its grandeur. Its floor was fire, and above it lightning and a host of burning stars, and its ceiling was a blazing fire. I looked and saw a majestically great royal chair, as if it had been made of crystalline gruel, and the chair seemed to be surrounded by the light of the shining sun, and the voices of angels were heard all around. From beneath the royal throne, streams of fire were pouring out with blazing embers and glowing so that I could not look. On the chair sat the Great Highness, his robes whiter than the moon and brighter than the sun. And into this house no angel was allowed to enter, and no one was allowed to see his face, and no one made of flesh was allowed to see him. Around him there was a flaming fire burning, a great fire before him, and no one who was around him approached him. There were tens of thousands of tens of thousands, but he needed no counsel. And the saints of the saints who were near him did not depart from him by night, nor did they forsake him.

And I, when I came here, was as if I had a veil over my face, for I trembled continually. Then the word that came from the mouth of the Lord spoke to me:

Come near, Enoch, and hear what I say.

He lifted me up from the floor and led me to the door, and I bowed down and bowed my face to the ground.

### ***The word of the Lord.***

He raised his voice to me and I listened to his voice:

'Fear not, Enoch, a righteous man, a preacher of truth, come near and hear what I say. Go and tell the Watchers of heaven, 'It was you who should have prayed for men, not men for you. Why have you forsaken the high, holy and eternal kingdom of heaven? Why did you sleep with women? Why have you defiled yourselves with the daughters of men, and taken wives, as the children of the earth do, and begotten giants? You were saints, spirits, partakers of eternal life, and now you have defiled yourselves with the blood of women, and have begotten children with flesh and blood, and have desired human blood and flesh, and have brought blood into the world, as do those whose life is mortal and transient. I have given a woman to men that they may impregnate her and have children by her, so that there may be no lack of anything on earth. But you were spirits, partakers of eternal, immortal life, to the end of all generations of the world. Therefore I have not created a woman for you, for heaven is the house of the spirits of heaven. And the giants, begotten of spirit and flesh together, who are called evil spirits on earth, let them dwell on earth, let them make it their home. Evil spirits sprang from their flesh, for they were begotten from above, the holy Watchers were their begetters, who were the

the very first beings of the world. They shall be evil spirits of the earth and shall be called evil spirits. The spirits of the heavens shall dwell in the heavens, and the spirits of the earth, who are born on the earth, shall dwell on the earth. And the spirits of the giants that are born on the earth shall dwell on the earth. The spirits of the giants, who are called Nephilim, bring injustice, destruction, robbery, murder, destruction on the earth, bring suffering, have no need of food, suffer no thirst, and are invisible. And these evil spirits will rise up against the sons of men and against women, because they are of their blood. From the day of murder and destruction and the death of the giants, because the evil spirits have sprung from their flesh, let them be of destruction and be outlawed, heaping sin upon sin, until the day of great judgment, when the turning of the world will end and stop. But to the Watchers who dwelt in the heavens before, and who sent thee to plead for them, say, Ye dwelt in the kingdom of heaven, yet ye knew not all the secrets, but only the cursed knowledge, and this was that which ye told the women with a corrupt heart, and by means of this secret the women commit their wickedness against men on earth. Tell them: there is no peace for them!

## *Enoch's Rapture.*

Then they took me away, and brought me to the place where they dwell, who are like a flaming fire, and appear to men when they will. Then they took me to the place where the windstorm dwells and to a high mountain whose summit reached to the sky. And I saw the house of the stars and the thunder, on the very edge of the world, in the deep, where the rainbow, the arrow and the quiver, the flaming ball and the lightning have their place.

And they took me and carried me away to the place where the living waters flow, and carried me to the fire of the west, which absorbs the fire of the sunset. And I came to the river of fire, whose fire flows like water and the

and flows into the great western sea. And I have seen the vast rivers and I have reached the great darkness and have gone on to places where no creature of flesh has ever been. And I have seen the mountains of the winter darknesses and the place where all the waters of the deep gather and I have seen the mouths of all the rivers of the earth and the drain of the deep. I have seen the chambers of the winds, and I have seen how the Lord has adorned the whole world with them, and I have seen the foundations of the earth, the cornerstone of the earth, the four winds, the four winds that hold up the earth and the vault of the sky. I have seen the winds that turn the vault of heaven round about, and that cause the sun's disk and all the stars to rest. I have seen the winds that carry the clouds above the earth, I have seen the path of the angels, and I have seen the vault of heaven above it on the edge of the earth.

Thence I went southward, and saw a place that burned day and night, where seven mountains of precious stones rose, three to the east and three to the south. Of those on the east, one was of coloured stone, another of true pearl, and those on the south were of red stone. The middle of these reached to heaven, and was like the throne of God, made of antimony, and the top of its spire was of sapphire.

I saw a blazing fire, and a place between the mountains where all the heavens were one. And beside the pillars of the fires of heaven I saw deep chasms, and here I saw pillars of fire falling down, the beginning and the end of which could not be seen. And above the abyss I saw a place over which there was no firmament, and under it was no foundation of the earth, and there was no water, and no bird lived in it, but it was a desolate and abominable place.

In the same place I saw seven great stars, each one like a mountain of fire, and when I asked the angel standing beside me, he said: This is the place where the earth and the sky end and this will be the prison of the stars and powers of the sky. And the stars which are above the fire are those which have broken the commandment of God and transgressed it from the beginning, because they have not risen at the time appointed for them. And the wrath of the Lord fell upon them, and bound them until their transgression be forgiven, until the year of mysteries.

## *The prison of the Watchers.*

And Uriel said to me, Here shall stand the angels who have mingled with the women of the earth, whose spirit has profaned and deceived mankind in countless forms, to sacrifice to the wicked and to demons. Here they will stand until the day of great judgment, on which day judgment will be fulfilled upon them and they will be given over to nothing. And the women who seduced the angels will be turned into sirens.

I alone of all beings, Enoch, have seen the very end of the universe, and no man shall see what I have seen.

These are the names of the holy archangels: the angel of the world and the underworld, Raphael the angel of human souls, Raguel the angel of vengeance who takes vengeance on the world and the heavenly bodies, Michael who watches over the righteous man and the people, Sarakiel who rules over human souls who sin against the spirits, Gabriel who rules over Paradise, the serpent and the host of cherubim.

## *Chaos.*

And I got to the formless primordial material and there I saw some terrible things. There was no sky above, no solid earth below, but a place where everything was shapeless and terrible. In the same place I saw the seven stars of heaven bound together like vast mountains burning in flaming fire.

Then I said: What was the punishment for the sin for which these stars were bound, and why were they cast into this place?

And Uriel, one of the angels who accompanied and guided me, said: Why do you ask this question, Enoch, what do you want to know, and why are you in trouble? These stars are among those who have transgressed the law of God and have been bound here for ten thousand world-years, until the time of their transgression expires.

From here I came to another place, even more terrible than the one I had just been in, and I saw terrible things. A tremendous fire was blazing, burning and flaming, and a chasm opened up that reached to the bottomless abyss. From the abyss burst forth columns of terrific fire, the beginning of which I could not measure, nor even approximately estimate, either in extent or magnitude.

Then I said: How terrible this place is and what a frightful sight it is! And Uriel, one of the angels around me, said: Why are you afraid and terrified, Enoch? And I answered: Because I see this sight and this fearful place. And he said, This place is the prison of angels, and here they will be imprisoned until the end of time.

### *The hall of judgment.*

From here I went to another place and the angels pointed to the west to a great and high mountain, which was full of rocks. Inside the mountain were four empty, deep, wide, flat cavernous spaces, three of them dark and one light, and in the middle of it a spring. And I said: How shallow these caves are, how deep and how inhospitable!

And Raphael, one of the angels with me, said, 'These great empty halls are for the purpose of collecting the souls of the departed. The Lord has created them so that they can receive all the souls of the children of men. The souls in these halls will

until the day of their judgment and the consummation of their destiny, which they will receive at the great judgment.

I have seen the souls of the children of men, the departed, and there was one among them whose voice of lamentation reached to heaven. And I asked Raphael the angel who was with me, 'Whose is this soul whose voice, out of many, is heard, and whose lamentation reaches to heaven? And he answered and said, This is the spirit of Abel, whom his brother Cain slew, and complaineth of him, until the day that the seed of Cain shall perish from the earth, and his seed shall perish from among mankind for ever.

Then I asked what judgment would be held here. And he answered, These three were made to separate the souls of the departed. But the souls of the righteous will be separated where the fountain of life springs, in the bright hall. And the wicked, likewise, are taken into another hall, after they have died on earth and been buried, if they have not been judged in their life. Here they will be condemned to great suffering, to eternal damnation and sorrow. Here they will be bound for eternity. A separate hall was made for: complainers who blame someone for their destruction, that they were killed before their time by some sinner. And there is a hall made for the souls of men who were not righteous, but sinned and were full of wickedness, and who will suffer the fate of the wicked. On the day of judgment their souls will not be destroyed, but neither will they be resurrected.

Then I began to praise the Lord of the Worlds and said: Glory be to the Lord, the God of Truth, who reigns for eternity!

From there I went westward to another place, to the ends of the earth. I saw a blazing fire, and this fire ran without rest, day and night, and was always the same and unchanging.

And I said, "What is this restless fire here?

And Raguel, one of the angels with me, said: 'This is the rushing fire which you see here running westward, this is the fire which drives away the stars of heaven.

## *The tree of salvation.*

From here I went to the other side of the earth, and here the angel showed me a mountain of fire, burning with flame day and night. I directed my steps towards it, and then I saw seven majestic mountains, each of different shapes, made of dazzling and shining stones, each more brilliant than the last. Three of the mountains stood side by side to the east, three to the south, bounded by deep valleys so that none touched the other. The seventh mountain rose in the middle, high above the first, as the king's chair rises above the other chairs. The mountain was surrounded by fragrant trees.

And there was one of the trees that had a fragrance that I had never smelled before, and no other tree was like it. Its fragrance spread far and wide and its tree, its leaves never withered or withered, its fruit as beautiful as a bunch of date palms.

So I said: What a majestic, beautiful tree this is! How beautiful are its leaves! How beautiful the fruit, and how the eye rejoices when it looks upon it!

Then Michael, the chief of the holy angels who were with me, said to me: Why askest thou, Enoch? Why do you wonder at the smell of the tree and why do you want to know the truth?

I answered: I want to know everything, but mostly what concerns this tree.

And he said, 'This high mountain, with a tower like the throne of the Lord, is the throne of God. It is the seat of the eternal King, the Lord of hosts, when he descends to the earth for its salvation. And this wonderful tree no mortal being shall touch, except when the great judgment comes. Then, when He shall have judged all things, and shall have completed the eternal ages, He will give it to the righteous and the saints. The elect shall obtain eternal life through the fruit of the tree. Then it will be transplanted and put in the place of the North Star, in the holy place, next to the house of the eternal King, the Lord. And then they shall rejoice and be glad and be filled with the fragrance of the tree in the sanctuary'

And they shall enter into the sanctuary and have long life on earth as your ancestors once had. And in their lives there will be no sorrow, no suffering, no trouble, no need.

And I praised the will of God, the King of eternity, that He should so reward the righteous, that He should create this and ordain that it should be given to them.

### *The chasms.*

From there I went to the middle of the earth and saw a blessed, fertile place where trees sprouted for ever and new branches grew from the trees that were cut down. In this place I saw a holy mountain. At the foot of the mountain, water flowed from the east, and it took its course southward. And looking eastward I saw another mountain higher than this one, and between the two I saw a deep chasm, not wide, and the waters of the mountain flowed into it. To the west again another mountain rose, but this one was lower and had no summit. In the meantime, a deep gorge opened up and another dry and deep ravine opened up on the border of the three mountains. Each of these gullies was wide and very deep. It was made of hard rock and no trees grew around it. And I shuddered and wondered at the rock and the gorge.

I said, What is this blessed and wooded land and in the midst of it this cursed ravine?

But Uriel, one of the holy angels who were with me, said, "This cursed abyss awaits the eternally damned. Here shall all be cast into the mouth of the Lord, who have spoken blasphemous words, and who have touched His Majesty with insolent words, here shall they all be cast, for this is the place of their punishment. At the very end of time, on the day when Justice will hold judgment, those who have had modesty and godliness in their hearts will glorify the Lord of hosts, the King of eternity. On the day of judgment

those who had the fear of God will praise him for his mercy, for which he has blessed them.

And I praised the will of the Lord of lords, and in thought, as it pertained to him, I gave thanks to his majestic being.

## ***Mount Madbara.***

From here I went eastwards into the middle of the Madbara Mountains and saw a desolate wasteland, thickly overgrown with trees. Water was running from below and rain was falling from above. There was a stream flowing and the water was flowing in a north-westerly direction and water and dew was falling from all sides.

From here I went to the other side of Madbara and approached the eastern slope of the mountain. I saw the trees of life, pots of incense and myrrh.

Above these, not far above the eastern mountains, I saw another place, a valley where a spring gushed up from the earth, never drying up. I saw a tree that resembled the mastic pine. And at the edge of the valleys I saw fragrant cinnamon trees, and I continued eastwards through these trees.

I saw other mountains again, all of them covered with forest. Above the mountains rose other higher hills, here aloes grew, and all were full of fruit. The fruit was as hard as almonds. If one cracked the fruit, one would smell a fragrance unlike any other.

Looking north from here, I saw seven hills full of nardus and smelly trees, cinnamon and pepper trees. From here I went far east through the mountains,

I passed through the Erythraean Sea, very distant places, I passed by the angel Zotiel.

### ***The garden of truth.***

Thus I came to the garden of truth, and besides the trees I had just seen, I saw many great trees, all fragrant, all huge, each one more magnificent than the last. And I also saw the Tree of Wisdom. Whoever eats of the fruit of this tree will have great knowledge.

The tree was like the carob tree, and its fruit was like the fire-oak, wonderful and its fragrance spread far and wide.

Then I said: How beautifully beautiful this tree is! What a joy and a delight to look upon it.

Raphael, the holy angel who was with me, said to me, "This is the tree of wisdom. From its fruit ate your forefather and your foremother who lived before you. They were partakers of wisdom, and their eyes were opened, and they were cast out of the garden of righteousness.

### ***The end of the world.***

From here I went to the end of the world, I saw great beasts and each belonged to a different species and I saw many birds and each had a different shape, a different

different voices and different plumage of beauty.

To the east of the animals I saw the end of the world, the place where the firmament rests and the gates of heaven were open. I saw the stars come out of the sky and I counted the gates through which they came out and I wrote down the names and numbers and positions and relationships and times and months of each one, just as Uriel, the angel who was with me, had told me. And he showed me everything and I wrote down the names and the laws and the stars.

And from there I went northward along the end of the world, and there at the very end of the world I saw a great and majestic thing. Three gates stood open there, and out of each of them came a north wind. When these winds blow, it is cold, hail, frost, snow, dew and rain. If it blows from one gate, something good happens, if it blows from the other two gates, something violent and wild and harmful and dangerous to the earth happens.

And from here I went westward and saw three gates of heaven open as in the east and as many gates and exits.

From there I went south along the end of the world and saw three open gates of heaven from which the south wind blew and dew and rain fell. From there I went eastward to the end of the sky and saw three gates of heaven open and small gates above them. Out of each of these little gates the stars were coming and going westward on the path marked out for them. Every time I saw this, I praised the Lord of hosts, and I will praise him for having wrought this sublime wonder, that he might show the greatness of his work to the angels and to the souls of men, and that they might glorify the whole created world, the work of his power, and praise it for ever and ever.

# PROPHETIC VISIONS AND DISCOURSES

Adam the son of Seth, Seth the son of Enos, Enos the son of Cainan, Cainan the son of Malaleel, Malaleel the son of Jared, Jared the son of Enoch saw the face of Wisdom in the second vision. And this is the beginning of the manifestation of Wisdom, when I lifted up my voice to speak and to speak to those who dwell on the earth:

Hear, ye old men, and see, ye posterity, the hallowed words which I speak to you at the prompting of the Lord of Spirits. As for the elders, it is best to speak only to them, but the beginning of Wisdom must not be hidden from the offspring. The Lord of Spirits has never spoken the Wisdom that I have received from him. I received it from Him who gave me eternal life. He gave me three words, and I lifted up my voice and said to those who dwell on the earth:

# THE FIRST WORD

When the community of the righteous shall be revealed, and when the transgressors shall be judged for their sins, and when they shall be blotted out from the face of the earth, when righteousness shall appear to the righteous, to the elect who serve the Lord of Spirits by their deeds, and when the light shall appear to the righteous and the elect, where shall the transgressors be then, and where shall the dwelling place of the transgressors who have denied the Lord of Spirits be?

When the mystery of the righteous shall be revealed, the guilty shall be judged and the wicked shall be destroyed from the sight of the righteous and the elect. And from that time on, those who own the earth will no longer possess power and dignity and will no longer be able to look into the faces of the saints, for the light of the Lord of Spirits will shine on the faces of the saints, the righteous and the elect. And the kings and the mighty shall fall and fall into the hands of the righteous and the saints. And from that day no one will pray to the Lord of Spirits for them, for their lives will end.

And in those days the children of the righteous and the elect shall descend from the high heavens, and their seed shall be united with the children of men. In those days Enoch saw the book of wrath and judgment, and the books of confusion and of desolation. And they shall not be forgiven, said the Lord of Spirits.

*The Rapture.*

And in those days, a fierce gale of wind swept me off the ground and dropped me to the sky's doorstep. Here I saw a new vision: the dwelling place of the saints and the dwelling of the righteous. Here I saw their houses among the angels, with the righteous, and their dwelling places with the saints. They prayed and worshipped for the children of men, and righteousness flowed from their mouths like water from a spring, and their compassion was like dew on the ground. And they are like them always.

In those places I have seen with my eyes the chosen of righteousness and faithfulness, and in those times righteousness will reign and the number of the righteous will be endless in his sight for eternity. I saw his house under the wings of the Lord of Spirits and the righteous and the elect shining before him like the light of fire, praising him and glorifying with their lips the name of the Lord of Spirits. And righteousness shall not pass away from him, neither shall it cease. I desired to dwell there, and in the soul that dwelt in me there was a great desire to dwell there, and my place was reserved there, for so the Lord of Spirits had ordained it.

At that time I began to praise the name of the Lord with praise and reverence, for He had commanded me that the blessing and humility which was pleasing to Him should never fail from me. My eyes were long upon that place, and I worshipped and praised him with these words. To him there is no end, he knows what is eternal, even before he made the world and knows from generation to generation what is to come. To Thee are praised by the watchful, who do not sleep, they stand before Thee, they rise up to Thee, they worship Thee, when they say: Thrice holy is the Lord of Spirits, who floods the earth with spirit! In this place have I seen with mine eyes all the watchful ones who do not sleep before his face, and say, Praise be to thee, and glory to the name of the Lord for ever. And then my vision was gone, and I saw no more.

### *The four voices.*

Then I saw thousands and thousands and tens of thousands of innumerable and infinite souls standing before the Lord of Spirits. And on the four sides of the Lord I saw four visions, who were not like the awake ones.

I knew their names, for the angel who came with me told me and showed me all the secrets. I also heard the voices of these four visions as they praised the name of the Lord of Spirits. The first voice praises the Lord of Spirits for ever and ever. The second voice is the voice of the elect and the elect praised the Lord to whom they cling. The third voice pleaded and prayed for those who dwell on earth and pray to the Lord of Spirits. The fourth voice rejected and kept away the evil spirit and did not allow it to come to the Lord of Spirits and complain about those on earth.

Then I asked the Angel of Peace who came with me and who showed me the hidden things: Who are these four visions whose voices I have heard and whose words I have recorded?

He answered, "The first is Michael, patient and merciful; the second, Raphael, who rules over all the wounds and sicknesses of mankind; the third, Gabriel, who is above the powers; the fourth, Fanuel, who is the lord of the hopes and repentance of those who are raised to eternal life.

These are the four angels of the Lord of Spirits, whose voices I have heard.

### ***The secrets of heaven.***

Now I have seen all the secrets of heaven, how the kingdom is divided, how the deeds of men are measured. In the same place I have seen the dwelling of the elect, and my eyes have seen how the transgressors who have denied the name of the Lord of the Spirit are cast out and the Lord of the

by the Lord's chastisement, they shall not and cannot abide there. In the same place my eyes have seen the mystery of the lightning and the thunder, the mystery of the winds which are there distributed to sweep over the earth, and the mystery of the clouds and the dew, from whence they come forth and how they make the dust of the earth to drink. I have seen the closed chambers where the winds are distributed, the chambers of winds and hail, the chambers of mists and clouds, and the primordial cloud from which all the clouds descend to earth from the beginning of time.

I have seen the chambers of the sun and the moon, the place from which they start and to which they return. Sublime is their return, the one more brilliant than the other, marvellous is their course, as they travel the path marked out for them, without adding to it or taking from it, and as they keep their allegiance and keep their vows.

First the Sun comes forth and makes his way according to the command of the Lord of Spirits. His name shall endure forever. Then begins the invisible and visible journey of the Moon: she takes her course from that place and makes her way day and night. The sun and the moon are opposed to each other, but both praise the Lord of Spirits, ceaselessly, for in their thanksgiving neither knows rest. For the Sun circulates the blessing and the curse, and the Moon circulates the light of the righteous and the darkness of the wicked. They both live in the name of the Lord of Spirits, for he has separated light from darkness. He has separated the souls of men, he has established the righteous in the name of truth. No angel can stop them, and no one can hinder their movement, for the High Governor sees all things and all that he governs is before his eyes.

### *The place of wisdom.*

And Wisdom could not find a place to dwell, and therefore she was given a dwelling in heaven. Wisdom went to take up her abode among men;

but found no house. Then he returned to his place and took up his abode among the angels. At the same time he came out of the chamber of unrighteousness, went among men, and was received by men as the desert receives rain and dew in a thirsty land.

### ***The stars and the saints.***

And then I saw again the lightning and the stars of heaven, and I heard the Lord call them by name and they listened to him. I have seen the scales of justice, on which all things are weighed according to the amount of light in them, and I have seen the spaces, the days, the rising of the stars, and the lightning in the orbits of the stars, and I have seen the orbit of the stars, and how it is related to the number of angels, and how they live in fidelity to one another. I asked the angel who was with me and who showed me the secrets: What does this mean? And he said, 'The Lord of Spirits has shown us what is connected with this: it is the name of the saints on earth who remain faithful to the Lord of Spirits.

I have also seen other things concerning the lightning, and how the stars go out and become lightning, and cannot leave this new form.

## THE SECOND SPEECH

This second speech is about those who deny the dwelling place of the righteous and the name of the Lord of Spirits.

But these shall not leave the earth, nor ascend into heaven, nor descend to the earth. Such will be the fate of the transgressors who have denied the name of the Lord of Spirits, and who will have a day of suffering and sorrow. On that day, My Chosen One will take the seat of judgment and begin to separate good from evil. And when My Chosen shall be seen, the souls of those who have prayed to Me will be strengthened. And I will then allow my chosen ones to dwell among them. I will change the heavens and make them eternal in splendor and blessing. And I will change the earth and spread my blessing upon it and make it the dwelling place of my chosen ones. And those who have committed sin and iniquity will not touch it with their feet any more. For I have seen the righteous, and have strengthened them with my Spirit, and have given them a dwelling before my face. But I will reserve judgment for the wicked, to wipe them off the face of the earth.

### *Son of Man.*

In the same place I saw one with a grey old head, his hair as white as wool, and with him was one of a different kind, like a man, his face was attractive and beautiful, like that of a holy angel. And I asked the angel who was with me and showed me the secrets, who is this man's son, whence came he, and why does he go with him who has a grey head?

And the angel answered and said to me: This is the Son of Man, who is the owner of truth, and in whom truth dwells, and who will reveal all the treasures of the mysteries. For the Lord of Spirits has chosen him, and it will be his destiny to reap the triumph of the Lord of Spirits through truth in eternity. This Son of Man, whom you have seen, will put kings and the mighty to shame in their chairs and humble the violent in their power and loose the bonds of authority and crush the teeth of the transgressors. And He will drive the kings from their kingdoms and from their thrones of rule, because they do not praise Him and do not know Him and do not give Him thanks and do not know that their kingdoms come from Him. He will make the faces of the mighty to disappear and they will sink in shame and darkness will be their house, they will dwell among worms and they will have no hope of ever being delivered because they will not know the name of the Lord of Spirits. These are they who lift up their hands to the highest, who tread the earth under foot, and their deeds are nothing but public injustice, their power rests only on their wealth, and they believe in nothing but the gods they can lay their hands on. They deny the name of the Lord of the Spirits, they persecute the congregation of the faithful who cling to the Lord of the Spirits.

And at that time the prayer of the righteous and the blood of the righteous will ascend from the earth to the Lord of Spirits. At the same time, the saints who dwell in the high heavens will unite and all will pray with one voice and give thanks to the Lord of Spirits. They will praise Him for the shed blood of the righteous, for the prayer of the righteous. For they did not cry to heaven in vain. The Lord of Spirits will restore justice and there will be no need to endure and suffer forever.

And at the same time I saw the old gray-headed one take the throne and the Book of Life be opened before him. High up in heaven all the host dwelling before him in the great council assembly. And the hearts of the saints shall be filled with joy that the measure of righteousness shall be filled, the prayer of the righteous shall be heard, and the shedding of the blood of the righteous shall be avenged by the Lord of Spirits.

## ***The source of justice.***

In that place I saw the fountain of righteousness and it was inexhaustible and around it many fountains of wisdom spring up and the thirsty drink of the water and are filled with wisdom. And after they have drunk, they take up their abode with the righteous, the holy and the elect.

In that hour the name of the Son of Man was spoken in the presence of the Lord of Spirits, and his name was spoken in the presence of the old gray-headed man. And before the signs of the heavens and the sun were formed, before the stars of the heavens were born, the Lord of Spirits knew his name. But the Son of Man is the support of the righteous, and they will lean on him and will not fall. He will be the light of the nations and the hope of those who have sorrow in their hearts. All who dwell on the earth will bow down before him and praise him and glorify him before the Lord of Spirits. For this cause he was chosen, for this cause he was hidden before the world was born, for ever and ever.

And the wisdom of the Lord of the Spirits has spoken his name to the saints and the righteous, for he has always cared for the fate of the righteous, and hated and despised the unrighteousness of the world, and will bring the works and deeds of the world under judgment in the name of the Lord of the Spirits. He will be the saviour of the righteous and will avenge the shed blood of the righteous.

In those days, the kings of the earth and the mighty who rule the earth will cast their eyes to the earth for their deeds, for in the days of terror and need nothing will save them. But I will deliver them to the righteous, and they shall burn like stubble in the fire, they shall sink like lead in the water before the righteous, and they shall vanish from the world without a trace. And in the day of their oppression the earth shall be pacified, the mighty shall fall down and shall rise up no more, and there shall be no one to stretch out his hand to them and lift them up, because they have denied the Lord of Spirits and his anointed. Glory be to the Lord of the Spirit, mek!

## ***The Son of Man is the chosen one.***

The Fountain of Wisdom is fountaining and flowing and the Lordship will never run out. For he is mighty in the mysteries of truth, and injustice melts before him like a shadow, evaporating. For the Chosen One has appeared before the Lord of Spirits, his power shall endure forever and shall be extended to all generations. In him dwells the Spirit of Wisdom and the Spirit of Insight and the Spirit of Knowledge and the Spirit of Power and the Spirit of those who have fallen asleep in the truth. The guidance of the hidden things is in his hands and no one can speak useless words before him, for he is the Chosen One before the Lord of Spirits.

## ***The glory of the saints.***

And at that time a great change will take place for the benefit of the saints and the elect: the light of day will shine upon them and dominion and glory will be theirs. And in the day of need, when the sins of the guilty shall be purged away, victory will be for the righteous, in the name of the Lord of Spirits. And He will show repentance. Those who take heed will be saved and the Lord of Spirits will have compassion on them, for his heart is full of compassion. He is just in His judgment and no injustice can stand before Him. And whoever does not repent will be submerged. This is the last time. From this moment, says the Lord of Spirits, I will know no more compassion.

## *The resurrection of the dead.*

At that time, the earth will return what has been put into it, the underworld will return what it has received and hell will pay what it owes. And he will choose the saints and the righteous, for the day of their salvation has finally come. And the chosen one will take my throne in that day, and all the mysteries of wisdom will be revealed in the thoughts of his mouth. For the Lord of Spirits has given him all these things. And in that day the mountains will dance like kids of the goats, the hills will leap like little lambs when they have been fed with milk. And they will all become angels of heaven. And their faces will burn with fire of joy, for on that day the Chosen One will appear and the earth will rejoice and from that day the righteous will dwell and the chosen will walk and wander upon it.

## ***"There shall be no more iron for war."***

And after this, in the place where I saw this vision which revealed the hidden things, - for the fierce wind caught me up and carried me far to the west, - there I saw all the secrets written in the sky, the secrets that are to be in the future, I saw the mountain of iron and the mountain of copper and the mountain of silver and the mountain of gold and the mountain of tin and the mountain of lead. I asked the angel who was with me and I said to him: What is this thing here that I have seen hidden? And he answered, All this that thou hast seen is for the dominion of the Anointed One, that he may be strong and mighty in the earth.

And the Angel of Peace told me: Wait a little and then all the mysteries that the Lord of the Farting Ones keeps closed will be revealed. Those

the mountains which thine eye hath seen, of iron, and brass, and tin, and lead, and silver, and gold, shall be as wax over the fire before the face of the One, as water falling on the mountain and running down from it, and shall all lie powerless at his feet. Then shall no man escape, neither at the price of gold nor of silver, and no man shall escape. There will be no more iron for war and for weapons and for breastplates and ore will be useless and vain and tin will be worthless and lead will be worthless. And all these things will disappear and be wiped off the face of the earth when the Chosen One appears before the Lord of Spirits.

In the same place I have seen a deep valley with wide-open chasms, and all the people who dwell on the land and on the sea and on the islands will bring to him gifts and tribute and offerings, but this deep valley will not be filled with objects. Their hands will sin and all that the righteous labour for will be shamelessly devoured by the transgressors and therefore the transgressors will not come before the Lord of Spirits and will be banished from the earth incessantly and forever.

I have seen that the Angels of Vengeance have already descended and have put all the instruments of evil in readiness. I asked the Angel of Peace who was with me, "Who is it for whom these instruments are being prepared? And he answered, All these things are made for the kings and mighty men of the earth, that they may be made mocked by such instruments. But after this the God of Truth will permit his chosen one to appear in the great assembly of the living. And from that day forth nothing shall hinder the glory of the Lord of Spirits. And these mountains shall not be as the earth before him, for the mountains and the hills shall flow as waters, and the righteous shall be tormented no more by the wicked.

## *Judgment on the angels.*

I looked up and turned to the other side of the earth. And here I saw a deep valley in which a flaming fire swam. And they brought forth kings and mighty men and cast them into this deep valley. And there I saw how they made for them instruments of torture and iron fetters of immense weight. I asked the Angel of Peace who was with me, 'For whom are these handcuffs being made? And he answered, They are made for Azazel and his army, to bind them and cast them into the darkest damnation, to cover them with rough stones, as the Lord of Spirits commanded. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael and Fanuel will seize them on that day and cast them into the fiery furnace to bring the wrath of the Lord of Spirits to pass for their injustice in becoming subjects of the Evil One and corrupting the inhabitants of the earth.

On that day, the punitive judgment of the Lord of Spirits will begin, all water tanks will be opened. And everything will flow into one, water will meet water. The sex of the waters of heaven is male, the sex of the waters of the earth is female. And everyone who dwells on the earth and lives under the threshold of the sky will be destroyed. And then all will know the injustice that they have done on the earth and all will be destroyed.

And the old man with the grey head became sad and said: I have destroyed in vain those who dwell on the earth. And he swore by his own name, 'I will never do this again against those who dwell on the earth. I will put a sign in the sky, and this sign shall be a sign of covenant and faithfulness between us for ever, until the sky is over the earth. Whatever happens, happens at my command. I would that the hands of the angels should take them in their days of need and affliction and bring them to my judgment and besides, I will stand by my will.

Thus said the Lord of Spirits. But you mighty kings who dwell on the earth, behold my Chosen One, who will sit on the throne of glory and who will judge Azazel and all the hosts in the name of the Lord of the Spirit.

And in the same place I saw a great host of the Avenging Angels passing in a long line, carrying handcuffs, chains and iron rods. And I asked the Angel of Peace who was with me: Where are these angels going who are carrying the rods? The angel answered, "To them.

to those who were the favorites and allies of the Watchers here on earth, to bring them and cast them into the deep valley. And the deep valley will be filled with the bodies of the favorites and allies of the Watchers, and their lives will end. The days of their destruction from that time on will no longer be counted.

## *Prediction.*

At that time the angels will turn and cast themselves upon the partisans and mediums in the east. The deeds of kings will challenge their deeds, and these will be driven from their seats of power by the revolution, and they will be driven out, and they will advance like lions when they run out of their dens, and like hungry wolves when they attack the flock. And they shall be taken captive, and shall rush upon the land of the elect, and their blows shall rain down, and the land shall be trodden down as the highway. But the city of my chosen shall be a barrier to their horses. They will fight among themselves and their own law will rise up against them. No man shall know his brother, and the father shall not know his son, nor the son his mother, until the dead shall be numbered and judgment shall begin upon them. At the same time death will gape its throat and they will be caught in it. Destruction will have a free course. And death will swallow up the guilty on the face of the elect.

And after this I saw a great host of chariots, and on the chariots were men, and they, as it were wings, were going from east to west and south. And all shall hear the thunder of their chariots, and when this thunder shall sound, the saints of heaven shall hear it. The pillars of the earth will tremble and move out of their places and this creaking will be heard from heaven for a standing day. They will all bow down before the Lord of Spirits and pray to him.



## THE THIRD SPEECH

I will begin to speak the third speech over the righteous and the elect.

Blessed are you righteous and elect, for a majestic destiny awaits you. The righteous shall live in the brightness of the sun, and the elect in the brightness of eternal life. And the years of their life will never end and the days of the saints will be countless. They will seek the light and find it in the righteousness of the Lord of the Spirit. Glory to the Lord of the world!

The saints will then be led into the realm of heaven to seek the mysteries of truth and the rewards of faithfulness. On earth there will be light as the light of the sun and the time of darkness will be past. And the light will flow unceasingly and there will be no end to it until the end of the years. And darkness will be destroyed and only light will remain before the Lord of the Spirit and the light of truth will live forever.

And at that time I saw with my eyes the mysteries and order of lightning and lightning, according to the purpose of the Lord of the Spirit, as they flashed forth for blessing or for cursing. In the same place I saw the mysteries of the thunder, how it is when thunder is heard on high above, and its roar and noise is spread abroad upon the earth. I have seen the dwellings of the earth, that to men thunder is a curse or a blessing, according as the Lord of Spirits hath commanded. Then again I have seen the mystery of light and lightning, how they serve for blessing and abundance.

***Noah.***

In the five hundredth year of Noah's life, on the fourteenth day of the seventh month.

I saw how a tremendous shaking shook the heavens, and how the army of the Lord, thousands and thousands of angels trembled in the terrible quake. I have seen how the Head sat on the throne of his majesty and how the angels of righteousness surrounded him.

The trembling seized me and I began to be afraid, my bowels quivered and my teeth chattered and I fell on my face. And Michael sent to me an angel from the host of the saints, and he lifted me up. And when he lifted me up, I regained consciousness, for I could not bear the sight of the armies, the trembling of the earth and the shaking of the heavens.

And Michael said to me. To this day He has been merciful and patient to those who dwell on the earth. But, when the time of power and judgment and punishment comes, the time which the Lord of Spirits reserves for those who have not submitted to the law, who have denied the judgment of righteousness and take His name in vain, - that day is the day of the covenant with Heaven for the elect, then shall he perish with the mother of the babe, the father of the son.

## ***Leviathan and Behemoth.***

And at the same time, the two beasts, the female called Leviathan, are released to dwell in the depths of the sea and rule over the source of the waters. The male is called Behemoth, who will cover the desert with his breast. The desert is called Dendain, which lies to the east of the garden in which the righteous and the chosen dwell. Here dwells my ancestor Adam, the first man created by God since this present, the seventh generation.

And I asked the angel to show me the power of the beasts, how they were separated from one another in that day, how they cast one into the depths of the sea and the other into the desert.

And the angel said: "You, son of man, want to know something that is a secret.

But the other angel, who came with me, and showed me that which was hidden, the First and the Last, in the high heavens above and in the depths of the earth beneath, on the threshold and the foundation of the sky. He showed me the chambers of the winds and how the winds are divided and what is the measure of the power of the winds, what is the measure of the light of the moon, what is called the power of uniformity, how the stars are divided according to their names and what is the phase of each star.

### *Secrets of the sky.*

I have seen how the thunder ranks according to the measure of its falls, and I have seen how, classified, the lightnings and their hosts obey at the moment of command. For during the duration of the thunder, while it is sounding, there is a pause, but the thunder and the lightning cannot be separated at any point. By the mediation of the Spirit they move together and are never separated. When the lightning flashes, the thunder also sounds, and when the spirit commands silence, this silence is evenly divided between the two. And the deceptions, as elusive as sand, disperse. Both are disciplined and restrained by the power of the spirit, which turns them back and sets them free towards the parts of the earth.

It is the spirit of the sea that is manly and strong, mighty and powerful, and it is its power that rules over itself, and it is this that drives and gives it dominion even over the mountains of the earth. And his angel is the angel of Frost and the angel of Ice, these two goodly beings. The snow

And the angel of snow shall leave his chamber. He has a strange power. Something like smoke rises from him, and he is called the Dér. The spirit of the Mist is not connected with them and his chamber stands apart. His work is light and dark, winter and summer and this is his angel. And the Dew's dwelling is at the very edge of the Celestial realm and is connected with the chamber of the Rain. He is at work both in summer and winter, his clouds and the rain cloud go together and the power of one always gives to the other. When the spirit of Rain leaves his chamber, the angels come, open the chamber and lead him out.

When the rain floods the land, it unites with the water that is on the land. For the waters are for the inhabitants of the earth, because they are food for the Most High who dwells in the sky. Therefore the Rain has a celestial measure, and therefore the angels must take care of it.

And I have seen all this with my own eyes as far as the Garden of the Righteous. And the Angel of Peace who was with me said. They will kill the babies with their mothers and the sons with their fathers. And when the wrath of the Lord of Spirits is appeased, peace will come, so that judgment will not have been passed on them in vain. Then comes the great judgment, according to the patience and mercy of the Lord of Spirits.

### ***The measure of justice.***

At the same time, I saw that some of the angels had been given cords. The angels took wing, took off and flew north. I asked the angel and said: Why were they given a string and why did they leave? And he answered, They went to measure. And the angel that was with me said, They bring the measure of the righteous, and they bring the cord of righteousness to the righteous, that they may have something to hold on to until the end of time. The righteous go to dwell with the elect and this is the measure which is the faithfulness for

and which confirms the truth. This measure will open up all the secrets of the depths of the earth and the mysteries that the desert has swallowed up, that the fish of the sea and the beasts of the field have devoured, so that they may return and the elect may be strengthened by them. For to the Lord of the Spirit no one can become nothing and no one can be destroyed.

All who dwell in the heavens are commanded and empowered. One word is command and power is like the light of fire. And they glorified him with the first letter of his name, and praised him with wisdom, and they themselves were wise in their speech and in the direction of their lives: but the Lord of Spirits hath set his chosen ones in the throne of his dominion, and he himself shall measure the works of the saints of heaven, and shall himself put their deeds in the balance. And when He shall lift up His countenance to know the secret way of their words spoken in the name of the Lord of Spirits, and the intentions of the Lord of Spirits according to His command, they shall all with one common voice praise and glorify Him, and shall speak with one voice, and shall call the name of the Lord of Spirits holy.

All the hosts of heaven, all the saints above, the people of God, the seraphim, the Ophans, all the angels of power and dominion, all the elect, and all the Powers that be on earth or on water, in that day shall praise him with one voice and shall speak with one voice and shall lift up his voice in faithfulness and wisdom and patience, in mercy and justice, in peace, in goodness, and shall cry out with one common voice: Glory, glory to the Lord of Spirits for ever and ever!

All shall praise him, the watchers up in heaven, the saints who dwell in heaven, the elect who dwell in the Garden of Life, every spirit in whom only brightness dwells shall praise him, and every creature of the flesh shall rapturously praise his name for ever and ever. For great is the compassion and forbearance of the Lord of Spirits, and to the righteous and the elect he reveals all his works and the mystery of his works.

## ***Hymn to the sixth.***

And the Lord commanded the kings, the mighty men, the rulers, and those who dwell on the earth, saying:

Open your eyes and lift up your heads, if you would know my Chosen One.

The Lord of Spirits sat on the throne of his majesty and poured out the waters of truth upon his Chosen One. From that time forth his word shall destroy the wicked, and the unrighteous shall be destroyed in his sight.

At that time all kings and mighty men and all who rule on earth will rise up, and will see him and know him who sits on the throne of righteousness, who judges and before whom no vain word can be uttered.

And then they will be in great pain, like women in labour, the child will be withheld from them, and they will not be able to bear the fetus. They will only stare at each other, their eyes will shine down in terror and their hearts will tremble when they see the Son of Man on the throne of glory. The kings, the mighty, and all who rule on earth will praise and glorify him who commands all that is hidden in the world.

The Son of Man has been hidden from the beginning of time, preserved by the supreme Lord of Spirits and known only to the chosen ones. The seed of knowledge was taken from the hearts of the saints and the elect and they will stand before him on that day. The kings, the mighty and all who rule on earth will fall on their faces before Him and the only hope of them all will be the Son of Man, they will pray to Him and plead for mercy, and He will command them to depart from His presence, and their faces will burn with shame and their eyes will be darkened. They will be handed over to the angels to suffer their punishment, to atone for having afflicted the children of heaven and the elect.

And the righteous and the elect will see the humiliation of the mighty and their hearts will be lightened when the wrath of the Lord of the Spirit comes upon the mighty and wrath will fall upon them like a sword.

That day will be a day of salvation for the righteous and the elect, and the wicked and the unrighteous will see the righteous no more. For the Lord of Spirits will take them to Himself and they will dwell with the Son of Man, lie with Him and rise with Him for ever and ever. The righteous and the elect will leave the earth and will no longer walk in blindness, but will put on the robes of glory. This shall be your garment, the garment of life given by the Lord of the Spirit, and this garment shall not grow old and your glory before the Lord of the Spirit shall not fade away.

### *The lament of the condemned.*

The kings, the mighty, and those who rule on earth, will plead with the punishing angels to whom they are delivered: give them rest and a little peace, so that they may bow down before the Lord of Spirits and confess their sins. They will glorify the Lord of Spirits and say, "Glory to the Lord of Spirits, the Lord of Kings, the Lord of Might, the Lord of the Rich, the Lord of Lordship, the Lord of Wisdom, and may his light spread over all darkness. Thy power extends to all generations and endures forever, Thy secrets are deep and innumerable and Thy justice is beyond question. We have only now seen that we must glorify the King of Kings.

Thus they will complain, "Would that we had peace to glorify him, that we could be thankful to him and bow down before him. This little peace we now desire, but we can no longer obtain. Persecution has become our lot and there is no peace for us. The light is gone and darkness has become our dwelling place **forever**. We have not put our faith in him, nor glorified the

Lord of Spirits, nor acknowledged Him as Lord over us, but all our thoughts were our own power and majesty. Now the day of need and sorrow has come. He will not save us, and we shall not find peace and rest; that we may do penance, and have faith with Him; there is righteousness in His judgment, and judgment is without respect of persons. But we shall perish from his sight because of our deeds, and shall see our deeds measured by righteousness.

They said to the angels of punishment, "Our souls are filled with ill-gotten goods, and these goods will not prevent us from falling to the bottom of hell.

And their faces shall burn in shame before the Son of Man, and they shall be darkness, and they shall be taken away from them, and the sword of judgment shall be upon them. And the Lord of Spirits said: This is the law and judgment upon kings, and upon the mighty, and upon the rulers of the earth.

And in the hidden darkness I saw other figures, and I heard the voice of the angel saying: These are the angels who descended to earth and betrayed to men what they had kept in the silence of God and seduced men to sin.

## ***Enoch and Noah.***

At that time Noah saw the earth shaking and signs of the end of the world. He got up and went to the edge of the earth, called out to his grandfather Enoch three times and spoke in a frightened voice: Enoch, Enoch, Enoch!

I said to him: Tell me, what is happening on earth that he has become so miserable and trembles so? Oh, that I were not to go with the earth

to perish with the earth!

And presently the earth shook with great violence, and there came a voice from heaven, and I fell on my face to the ground. My grandfather Enoch appeared before me, stepped up to me and said: Why did you cry out to me in such a troubled and weeping voice? The command of the Lord is fulfilled on those who dwell on the earth, to put an end at once to all that is here. For they have known the secrets of the angels, all the violence of the wicked, they know the hidden mysteries, the enchantments, how to call up spirits, how to smelt ore from the stones of the earth, how to smelt silver from the dust of the earth, and how the cast ore is formed from the earth. For lead and tin are not in the earth as other things are; they flow from a fountain, and the angel stands guard over them, and the angel is gone away.

Then my grandfather Enoch took me by the hand, lifted me up from the ground and said to me: Go, for I have asked the Lord of the Spirit about the shaking of the earth. And he said to me in other words than the words of the earth, Because of their unrighteousness this judgment shall be fulfilled upon them, and there shall be nothing before me, even after the lapse of many months, that shall remind me of the secret knowledge, and no man knoweth when the time shall come when the land and its inhabitants shall be destroyed. I am speaking of those who will no longer know the return to eternity because they were angels and the secrets were revealed, all of them be damned. As for you, my son, the Lord of Spirits knows that your heart is pure and that you have not been involved in secret machinations. And he has confirmed thy name among the saints, and will preserve thee among all living. According to his decree, your generation will be the king of righteousness and your seed will be the source of the righteous and holy ones who will be born and will be innumerable on earth.

After his words were spoken, he showed me the angels who were already ready to solve the power of water. And they will solve the power of the water that is under the earth, that there may be judgment and destruction of the nations that dwell on the dry land. And the Lord of Spirits commanded his angels, not to lift up their hands, but to take good heed, for these angels were the lords of the waters.

And I departed from the presence of Enoch.

## ***The voice of the Lord to Noah.***

At that time the voice of the Lord spoke to me and said: Noah, I see your life and I see that it is spotless and that love and righteousness dwell in you. The angels are already at work on the tree and when they have fulfilled my command, I will lay my hand on it and keep it. May the seed of life spring from it and flourish freely in the new age, so that the earth will not remain empty. I will strengthen your seed for ever, I will spread it over the face of the earth and bless it and multiply it in the name of the Lord of Spirits.

And the Lord will lead the angels who have spread iniquity into the burning valley that my grandfather Enoch saw, in the west, by the mountain of gold, by the mountains of silver, iron, tin and lead.

And then I saw that valley and the waves of fire were casting great waves.

And when this happened, the smell of sulphur began to spread from the mixture of molten ore and the extremely choppy water, and the smell was absorbed into the water. And the valley of the rebel angels was set alight and has been burning underground ever since. And from the valley came streams of fire. In the days of judgment, these waters will be the waters that will be for the chastisement of kings, the mighty, and the rulers of the earth. It will heal and cleanse the flesh and burn out the spirit. For their spirit is full of low pleasure and their flesh will be under punishment because they have denied the name of the Lord of Spirits. Day by day they see their punishment, yet they do not believe in Him. And the more their bodies burn in torment, the more they will feel the change of their spirit. This change is eternal and irrevocable. For no one can speak vain words before the Lord of Spirits. Judgment will overtake them because they believe in the pleasures of matter and deny the name of the Lord of Spirits.

And the waters that are poured out will be changed, for when the angels are immersed in them, the fountain will change its heat, and when the angels come out of them, the waters will cool.

Then I heard Michael raise his voice and say: 'This judgment which is upon the angels is a revelation to kings, to the mighty, and to the rulers of the earth. For this is the water of judgment, and it purifies the flesh and burns out the pleasures of the flesh. But they do not see or believe that water cleanses and that the power of water is like that of eternal fire.'

### *The conversation of the archangels.*

Then my grandfather Enoch gave me a book, in this book were all the secrets and sayings he had received from heaven. And the book he wrote down especially for me.

At that time Michael said to Raphael: The power of the Spirit shall take me away, and my heart shall burn at the sound of the weight and fire of judgment. Who can endure this judgment, and who is there who will not fall before it?

And Michael said again to Raphael, Who is there that is not guilty in his heart, and whose bowels do not tremble at the voice of judgment? How terrible is this judgment, thus pronounced, and to be executed!

When Michael stood before the Lord of Spirits, he said to Raphael, 'I will not speak a word in the sight of the Lord on their behalf, for the wrath of the Lord is upon them because they thought they were gods. Therefore shall fall upon them that which the world hath hid in itself for ever. Neither angel nor man will share in it, they will be the only ones to suffer eternal judgment.'

And after the judgment, they will be terrified and afraid because they have revealed the secrets of heaven to the inhabitants of the earth.

## *The sins of the angel*

The name of the first is Jequon, he who seduced the children of the angels, he who cast them down to the earth, and he who seduced them with the daughters of men.

The name of the second was Asbiel, he who gave evil counsel to the children of the angels and seduced them to be entangled with the daughters of men.

The name of the third was Gadriel, who taught men to strike deadly blows. He also seduced Eve and taught men to make the tools of murder: the blood, the armour, the sword. From his hand these tools were brought down to the earth among men for eternity.

The fourth is Penemue, who taught men to distinguish between sweet and bitter. It was he who revealed the secrets of wisdom. It was he who taught writing with ink and pen, and thus men have sinned from everlasting to this day. For man was not born to confirm his faithfulness with ink and pen. Man, like the angel, was born to remain true and pure, and then death, which consumes everything, would not have touched them. But this knowledge leads them to death, and this is the cause of their being consumed.

The fifth is called Kasdeya, who taught men the evil employment of spirits and demons, he taught men to cast the fetus out of the womb prematurely, he taught them to read upon it, poisons and diseases.

## *The mystery of the oath.*

Then comes Casiel, who, when he dwelt in heaven above, showed the saints the oath. His name is Bequa. He said to Michael: the hidden Name will be shown to him, so that when he swears the oath he can say it, and by that Name and oath all those who have shown the secrets to men will tremble. This is the great power of this oath, for the oath is mighty and powerful. And he put this oath into Michael's hand. This is the mystery of the oath: for in the heavens, before the world was made, his place was fixed for ever.

The earth was created above the waters, and from the hiding places of the mountains, wonderful waters will flow from the beginning of the world until the end of the world. The oath created the sea, from which the earth was made, and that is why he placed his wrath in the depths of the sea, and why he has set an impenetrable boundary for the sea. It is the oath that keeps the secret of the deeps and they stand in one place and will not be moved until the end of the world. It is the oath that guides the course of the sun and the moon and that is why they never leave their path. When He speaks and calls them by name, the stars answer and respond as long as the world lasts. In the same way the spirits of the waters answer Him, the spirits of the winds that blow in every direction of the wind rose. Here is the storehouse of lightning and the sound of thunder, here is the storehouse of hail, here is the storehouse of frost, of fog, of rain, of dew. They all serve the Lord of the Spirit and keep his commandments. Their food is gratitude and they glorify the name of the Lord of Spirits.

Over all of them the oath rules, the oath watches over them and guards their activities and their way can be disturbed by nothing.

Great joy reigns among them and they have glorified the name of the Lord of Spirits because the name of the Son of Man has been revealed to them. He has taken the throne of dominion and all judgment over all things has been given to the Son of Man. And He will blot out the transgressions from the face of the earth, and will blot out those who have corrupted the world. And they shall be bound, and shall be shut up in the place of their destruction, and their work shall perish from off the face of the earth. And from that day there shall be no more

destruction, for the Son of Man has appeared and taken the throne of dominion, and from his presence all evil will be removed and destroyed. But the word of the Son of Man shall ever remain before the Lord of Spirits.

# The Ascension of Enoch.

And it came to pass after these things, that while he was yet alive, his name was lifted up to the Lord of Spirits, and he went forth from among those who live. He ascended in the chariot of spirits and his name disappeared from among men. From that day on he was no longer counted among men.

My place was taken between the two corners of the world, between the west and the north, where the angels were given the measure of the cord to measure out for me the place between the righteous and the elect. And here I saw the Fathers and the Righteous, who have dwelt here since the beginning of time.

It was here that my spirit was caught up and lifted up to heaven. I saw the sons of the holy angels walking on the living flames, their robes and faces as white as snow. I saw two streams of fire and the light of the fire was like the blooming hyacinth flower.

And I fell on my face before the Lord of Spirits: and Michael, one of the archangels, taking me by the right hand, lifted me up and led me out to the mysteries to show them to me, and unveiled to me the mysteries of mercy and truth, showing me the secrets of the threshold of heaven, the chambers of stars and lights, as they ran their course, emerging from among the saints. And then my spirit was caught up into the highest heaven, and there, amidst the radiance of the lights, I saw what seemed to be built of ice, but through the cracks of the stones of ice flames burst forth. A fiery circle surrounded the house. Four rivers of flame came out of the four corners of the house and they surrounded the house. And round about them walked the seraphim, the cherubim, and the ofans, who never sleep, the watchful ones, and these guarded his majestic house.

I saw thousands and thousands and thousands of angels around the house and I saw Michael, Raphael, Gabriel and Fanuel, the holy angels in heaven, coming in and out of the gate of the house. And the angels came out of the gate of the house and

and with them came out the old gray-headed man. His head was as white as wool and his clothes were indescribably beautiful and majestic.

### ***The old gray-head's blessing.***

I fell face down, my body melted and my soul was completely changed. I cried out in a loud voice and praised him with the power of my spirit. This praise that left my mouth was sweet to the old gray-headed man. The old man, accompanied by the archangels and the angels, came to me, greeted me and said to me:

'You are the son of man, born to righteousness. The truth dwells above you and the truth of the old goat-head will not forsake you.'

And then he said to me: In the name of the world to come he saluteth thee, for out of it proceedeth the happiness and perfection of the created world, and in it thou shalt also abide for ever and ever. And the whole earth will follow in your path, for righteousness will never forsake you. You will have his dwelling place, you will have his destiny and he will never be separated from you.

Thus shall the righteous have long life and peace with the Son of Man, in the name of the Lord of Spirits, on the straight path for ever and ever.

## - Enoch's teaching to his son.

And now, my son Methuselah, I will tell you all the visions I have ever seen and recount them to you. I saw two visions before I married a wife and neither was like the other. First when I was learning to write, and secondly before I married your mother I had a terrible vision and then I fled to the Lord to escape them.

### *The destruction of the earth.*

I went to sleep in my grandfather Malaleel's house, and then I had a vision of the earth being swallowed up by a deep abyss, the mountains hanging over each other, the hills disappearing, tall trees being broken in two at the waist, falling and sinking into the abyss.

When I saw this, words fell from my mouth, I cried out and said, "The earth is destroyed!

And my grandfather Malaleel woke me up because he was lying next to me and he said to me: "Why are you crying out, my son, and why are you wailing so?

I told him the vision I had seen, and he said: 'You have seen terrible things, my son, and your vision has great meaning. It concerns the mystery of the sins of the earth, and the earth must sink and be submerged with a terrible immersion. Rise up, my son, and pray to the armies of the

to the Lord of hosts, for thou art chosen that one may remain on earth and not all the earth perish. The heavens will send this plague upon the earth and the earth will be devastated.

I rose up, prayed, asked the Lord and wrote down my prayers for the generations of the earth. I will show you everything, my son of Methuselah. I will tell you how I came out of the earth, how I saw the sky, how I saw the sun rise in the east and the moon set in the west, and how I saw the stars and the whole earth and all that the Lord created in the beginning. And then I gave thanks to the Lord of judgment, and worshipped him, because he had caused the sun to rise, and to appear in the heavens, and to begin his course which he had appointed for him, and to ascend.

I lifted up my hands in the name of righteousness, I praised the holy and great Lord, and I spoke with the breath of my mouth and with my tongue of flesh, which the Lord made for man to speak, because he gave me breath, tongue and mouth. Glory be to You, O Lord, King of the World, great, mighty, majestic, Lord of all creation, King of Kings, God of all the earth! Thy deity, Thy kingdom, Thy majesty shall endure for ever, for ever, and Thy dominion shall extend to all generations, all heavens are Thy throne, and all the earth is Thy footstool for ever and ever. You are the One who created all things, You are the One who rules the world and nothing is difficult for You. Nothing escapes Your wisdom and it never departs from Your spirit, Your throne and Your face. Thou knowest all things, seest all things, hearest all things, and nothing can be hidden from Thee. And the angels of Thy heavenly kingdom shall sin, and the flesh of man shall be in Thy wrath in the day of great judgment. Now, O Lord my God, my King, I beseech Thee, and I beseech Thee, hear my voice and grant that there may be seed in this land that will bring forth offspring, and that Thou mayest not utterly destroy the flesh of man, that the land may remain desolate and destruction may reign. Destroy the flesh that has provoked You to anger, but let the flesh of righteousness remain as seed-bearing forever, and do not hide Your face from Your servants who seek You, O Lord.

## *The second dream vision.*

And after this I have had another dream and I will tell you of the same nature, my son.

And Enoch lifted up his voice and said to his son Methuselah:

I am speaking to you, my son. Hear me, and incline thine ear to thy father's dream. Before I married your mother Edna, I had a vision in my bed, and behold, a young cow came out of the ground, and with her two young steers, one black and the other red. And the black steer started to fist the red one and chase him. And from that time on I never saw the red steer again.

The black steer got bigger and then a heifer came to him and I saw that he had sired a lot of cattle and they all looked like him and all followed him. And the first cow went away from the bull to look for the red steer, but she could not find him anywhere. Then he began to complain with great wailing and searched and searched. And I looked and saw the bull come up to her and calm her down, and from that time on she stopped wailing.

Then she gave birth to another white bull, and after that she gave birth to many more white and black bulls and cows. And in my dream I saw the white bull grow up and become a huge animal, and from him came countless white cattle, all of which looked like him. And they all bore cattle like them.

*Stars are falling.*

In my sleep I saw other things with my eyes. I looked up at the sky and behold one of the stars fell, stood up on the ground and began to graze with the other animals. Then I saw big black bulls and they kept changing their pens and changing their pastures and heifers and calling out.

In my vision I looked again at the sky and saw that after the first one many stars had fallen and among the heifers, they had changed into bulls and were grazing with them. And then the bulls were united with the heifers, and they became pregnant and gave birth to elephants, camels and donkeys. And the bulls were frightened by these creatures and began to gnaw them with their teeth and to beat them with their horns and to tear them to pieces. But they devoured the bulls and devoured them, and the children of the earth trembled and trembled and fled from them.

I have seen in my vision how the bulls and their offspring fought and destroyed each other until the earth cried out. I lifted my eyes to the sky and saw four figures, like four men in white and three others, coming out. These three, who stepped out later, took my hand, lifted me up, took me out of the generations of the earth and carried me up a high mountain. There he pointed to a tower that rose far above the ground, so that beside it all the rise seemed but a low little hill. And they said to me: 'Stay here until you see what happens to these elephants, camels, donkeys, and what happens to the stars and the bulls, that is, to everything that is on earth.'

### ***The punishment of the stars.***

And then I saw one of the four white figures seize the star that fell first from the sky, bind it hand and foot and throw it into the abyss. But the abyss was narrow, you couldn't see the bottom, it was fearful and dark. And one of them drew a sword and struck the

to elephants, camels and donkeys, and they immediately began to fight and fight, so that the ground shook. And when I looked, I saw that one of the four white figures had gathered the great stars. And the stars were like stallions. And the white figure bound them hand and foot and threw them into the abyss of the earth.

### *The flood.*

One of the four white figures that had landed went up to the white bull and whispered a secret to him that made him shiver. He was born as a bull and now all at once he became a man, built a great big ark and went to live there and three bulls lived with him and covered the ark.

Then I raised my eyes again to the sky and saw a high roof, and on the roof four gutters, and from the gutters the water was pouring in a great stream. On the ground, water began to gush from the springs and flood the land. And the water, the darkness and the mist increased, and when I looked at how high the water had risen, I saw that it had already exceeded the fence and had rushed over the fence and stopped on the ground.

And the cattle were crowded inside the fence and I saw them slowly sinking and drowning in the rising water. And the ark floated on the water and the cattle, elephants and donkeys died so that I could no longer see them and they could not escape, but sank in the depths.

## ***The sun is coming out.***

I saw in my vision that the abundant streams from the eaves kept flowing and the depths of the earth were swollen and the water completely flooded the whole earth, so that it was like the sea.

Then the water began to flow down into the depths of the earth and all at once the land became visible and the ark was stranded. The gloom lifted and the sun came out.

And the white bull, which had turned into a man, stepped out of the ark and with him the other three white bulls. One was white as the very first, the other red as blood, the third black. And the white bull passed away from them. And they were joined with the beasts and birds of the field and the forest, and so there came into being all kinds of animals: lions, panthers, dogs, wolves, hyenas, wild boars, foxes, rabbits, pigs, hawks, falcons, vultures, hawks, eagles and crows.

A white bull was born among them. And they began to fist each other. But the white bull begat a wild ass, and another white bull besides. The wild ass continued to breed. The white bull sired by the first white bull had a black boar and a white lamb. And the lamb had twelve white lamb sons.

## ***The white lambs.***

When the twelve white lambs grew up, one was given to the flock of donkeys, and the donkeys gave one to the wolves, and the lamb was

grew up.

And the Lord brought eleven lambs to dwell with him and to live among the wolves, and they multiplied and became a great flock. And the wolves began to press them, and pressed them so hard that they killed their young for fear and threw them into the river. The sheep then began to cry out and complain about the fate of their offspring and cried out to the Lord.

### ***The wolves and the lambs.***

One of the lambs that escaped from the pack of wolves was among the wild donkeys. I saw the lambs complaining and braying and crying out to the Lord and calling on the Lord with all their might, until the Lord of kings came down from his high seat, came to them and fed them himself.

Then he called forth the lamb that had fled from the wolves and spoke to it about the wolves. He talked about the lamb getting the wolves to stop hurting the sheep.

Then the lamb went to the wolves at the Lord's command. On the way he met another lamb and he went with him and together they went to the meeting of the wolves. As they entered the meeting, they began to speak to them and exhorted them to stop hurting the lambs from that day on.

Now I saw that the wolves from then on persecuted the sheep all the more and committed a whole host of violent acts against them. The sheep began to cry out. And the Lord came to the sheep and chastised the wolves. The wolves howled, and the sheep were silent and cried no more.

## ***The sheep went out.***

And then I saw the sheep flee from the wolves, for the eyes of the wolves were blinded. Then the wolves also withdrew and began to pursue the sheep with all their might. The Lord of the sheep went with them and he was their leader and the sheep followed him. His face was radiant and radiant, majestic and fearsome, so that it was impossible to look at him.

The wolves chased the sheep until they came to big water. And the water split in two and stopped on two sides. And the lord of the sheep, who led the flock, stood between the flock and the wolves. And the wolves, who had not yet seen the sheep, stepped between the parted water and pursued the sheep. When they saw the lord of the sheep, they turned and tried to escape from his face. But then the split water suddenly clashed, the water merged and buried the wolves. And I saw that the wolves who had been chasing the sheep were all submerged in the water to the last mouthful and had died.

## ***In the desert.***

The sheep escaped the water and went into the desert where there was no water and no grass. I saw them swimming up and coming to themselves and I also saw the master of the sheep grazing them and the white sheep was there giving them water and grass.

The white lamb was standing on the top of the high cliff, but the lord of the lambs sent him back to the flock. His face was majestic and radiant and fearsome. The lambs stood before him and were all afraid. Terror and dread

and they began to cry out to the white lamb who was among them: We cannot stand before our Lord and look into his face!

The leader of the lambs went to the top of the rock. At the same time, the sheep, as if they had lost the sight of the world, went astray and could not see the path that their leader had shown them.

The Lord of the flocks then flew into a rage. The leader of the sheep became aware of the anger and, coming down from the cliff top, went to the sheep. But they were like madmen and fools and lost their way, for they did not know the way.

And when they saw him, they were afraid and trembled before him, and went back into the flock.

Then this Lamb took others and went to those who had gone astray and killed them one by one. The flock was frightened by the wrathful face of the leader. Those who survived returned with the leader to the great flock.

## ***Building the house.***

I saw in my vision that the leading sheep suddenly became a man and built a house for the flock and placed the whole flock there. I saw the leader fall asleep with the white sheep. One by one the big sheep died out and were replaced by little sheep, which came to pasture and grazed by the big river. And the leader parted from them and fell asleep. The sheep then began to search for him and complained loudly. I could hear them slowly quieting down. Soon after that

the stream was crossed and then the sleepy leader was replaced and the flock was led by another.

I watched the flock of sheep arrive on a beautiful and cozy land. And on this land they all fed well. And the house stood in the middle of the beautiful place. Their eyes were sometimes open, sometimes asleep, while another lamb was born among them, which led them all to one place and opened their eyes.

### ***Attacks of wild beasts.***

Then dogs, foxes and wild boars began to devour the lambs, until the sheep gave birth to a big ram, and from that time on this ram led them. The ram began to fist the dogs, the foxes and the boars, until he had killed them all. Now the sheep's eyes were opened and he saw the ram among the sheep, who, forgetting his dignity, began to fist the sheep and trample and stamp on them. The Lord of the lambs then sent the lamb away and the ram replaced him as the leader and took his dignity.

### ***The battle of the ram.***

Then he went and spoke to him and made him a ram and a prince of the lambs. During this time, however, the dogs were pressing the flock of sheep. The first ram now began to chase the second, and the latter fled. And I saw the dogs rush the ram, and

and trampled them. The second ram, however, gained strength and became the gallant leader of the sheep. While he slept, he sired a great many lambs. He was succeeded in dignity by a very small lamb, and this one became the ruler. And the lambs grew and multiplied. The dogs, the foxes and the wild boars became afraid and shied away. The young ram fisted them and killed the beasts until they were powerless against the lambs and could take nothing from them.

The house that they built for the lord of the lambs was large, wide and spacious, with a high tower. The house itself was low, but the tower was high, and the Lord of the Lambs stood in the tower and set a table before him.

### *The straying of the lambs.*

At the same time, I saw again that some of the lambs had gone astray and each had gone its own way and left the great house. Then the Lord of the lambs called some of them together. He sent them to the others and they began to destroy the others. Only one of them escaped, and he cried out loudly and complained that the lambs were being killed. This one was rescued by the Lord of the lambs from the hands of the killers, brought up to me and sat beside me.

To that one he then sent many lambs to complain and testify. And after that I saw that after they had left the house of the Lord, they had gone astray and become blind. And the Lord stirred up the spirit of bloodshed among them. But the cause of the bloodshed was the sheep.

The Lord gave them over to the claws of lions, panthers, wolves and hyenas, and to the claws of foxes and other duvad. And the wild beasts of the woods and of the fields attacked the sheep, and those they caught were torn to pieces.

And then I saw him come out of the great house and the tower, and cast them into the claws of the lions, so that the lions tore them to pieces and devoured them, as is the custom of wild beasts. And then I began to cry out with all my might, and I called to the Lord of the sheep, and I told him the fate of the sheep, and I complained that the wild beasts were tearing them to pieces. But he remained motionless and indifferent, and was pleased when he saw the sheep being torn and devoured, and let them go to the wild beasts for food.

### *The appearance of the shepherds.*

Then he summoned seventy shepherds, drove the former away, and ordered the flocks to be grazed by them. And to the shepherds and their companions he said: 'From this day on, it is the duty of every one of you to feed the sheep, and you must do as I tell you. And I will give them to you by number, and I will tell you which ones may be killed and which ones must not be killed.

Then he called out the other and said to him: 'Take good care and see how the shepherds treat the sheep, for they will kill more than I have allowed them to kill. For every excess and lawlessness you see on the part of the shepherds, write down how many they kill with my permission and how many they kill arbitrarily without my permission, and for each shepherd write down separately how many he has destroyed. Read to me by number how many were destroyed, and how many were delivered to them for destruction, that I may have proof of it, and know all the acts of the shepherds, to check their account, to see what they do, whether they keep the command which they have received from me or not. But they shall know nothing of this. Show them not your writing. Do not give them orders, but write down all that they have destroyed, keep a separate book for each shepherd and give an account of each day, and then bring it up to me and give it to me.

## *The illegitimacy of the shepherds.*

And then I saw that the shepherds started killing the sheep and destroyed more than they should have and gave the lambs to the lions. The lions and the panthers devoured most of the sheep, knocked down the tower and undermined the house.

And I was very sad about the tower and the house and from that moment on I could no longer see the sheep going into the house.

The shepherds and their companions let the sheep go to the wild beasts of the fields, and at certain intervals each shepherd was given a lamb. They wrote the number of lambs in each other's books, for in these books they kept a record of how many they had killed. And they killed many, many more than they had been given.

## *The notary reports.*

I have seen the notary who wrote down everything, how many sheep the shepherds killed from day to day and took the book to the Lord of the Lambs, gave it to him and gave him an exact account and showed who killed how many. And he read the book to the Lord of the sheep. And the Lord took it from him, read it, sealed it and put it away.

And after that I saw the shepherds grazing the flock for twelve hours, and then three sheep returned at once and began to repair the house that had fallen into ruin. The wild boars, however, prevented them from working, and the work could not proceed. As before, they began to build again and what they built was called the High Tower. Another table

They put bread on it, but the bread was not clean, it was dirty.

But the sheep's eyes were blinded and they could not see. The shepherds also saw nothing. Now the shepherds had more and more of the sheep, and the shepherds were harassing and tearing them to pieces. But the Lord of the sheep remained calm and undisturbed until the sheep were completely scattered. But the shepherds did not protect them from the attack of the wild beasts.

But the one who wrote the book took it up, showed it to the Lord of the sheep, read it, and pleaded with him on behalf of the sheep, exposing the deeds of the shepherds and testifying against the shepherds. Then he laid the book by the Lord and departed.

### ***The destruction of the birds of the air.***

I have seen in my vision that thirty-two generations have thus taken dominion over the sheep, each doing its work, each feeding the flock in its season, and each shepherding in its own time.

And then I saw in my vision that the birds of the sky had descended, the eagles, the vultures, the hawks, the crows, and the birds were led by the eagles. And they attacked the sheep and cut out their eyes with their beaks and ate their flesh. The sheep then began to cry out in complaint because the birds were killing them one by one.

And what I saw made me weep in my sleep, especially for the shepherds who were grazing the flock. I had to see the dogs and eagles mauling the sheep and not leaving even a drop of flesh on the sheep's bones. Even their bones fell apart on the ground and the sheep became fewer and fewer.

I watched for a while as twenty-three shepherds took over the flock and they ruled the flock for fifty-eight seasons.

### *The beginning of the awakening.*

And behold then the white sheep had offspring and their eyes slowly opened and they began to wake the sheep. But the sheep seemed not to recognize them and their voices seemed not to be heard. They were like deaf people and their eyes could not see anything. And in my dream I saw the crows tear one of the lambs in two and devour it. I saw that some of the sheep had grown horns, but the crows had gnawed the horns off with their beaks. And one of them had a very big horn and then the sheep's eyes opened.

And when their eyes were opened, they began to look for the lamb, and cried after it. When the shepherds heard this, they all ran to it. But still the eagles, the vultures, the crows and the hawks swooped down among the sheep and seized and devoured them. The sheep endured, but the rams cried out. Then the crows attacked the ram and tried to break off its horns, but they could not. I have heard that when the shepherds, the eagles, the vultures, and the hawks came out and urged the crows to break off the ram's horns, they fought and struggled with him, and the ram stood the struggle and cried for help.

### *The struggle of the ram.*

Then I saw the man come who wrote the names of the shepherds and took the writing up to the Lord of the sheep. The man intervened in the struggle and saved the ram. He revealed who he was and came to the aid of the rams.

I saw that the Lord of the Sheep was enraged and all who saw him fled from him and were as if they had lost their minds in fear before him.

And the eagles, the vultures, the crows and the hawks gathered together and herded before them all the lambs of the fields, and together they all helped each other to break off the ram's horn. And the man who wrote that certain book at the command of the Lord opened the book of Destruction. This destruction was evoked by the last twelve shepherds who killed more sheep than their predecessors had been allowed to kill.

I have seen the Lord of the sheep come to them, take the rod of wrath in his hand and strike the ground with it so that the ground opened up, and all the wild beasts and birds, as many as there were, fell into the pit. And the earth, when all the animals had fallen into it, buried the deep pit in itself.

### ***The sword and the throne.***

I saw that the sheep were given a great sword and from that time on they could use it against the beasts of the field to kill them. The beasts and birds did not flee from them from that day.

I saw a throne of rulership rise up in the lovely and beautiful land and the Lord of the sheep took it. The other took out the sealed books and opened them before the Lord of the sheep.

And the Lord called forth the first seven generations of white bulls and commanded them to reveal and tell all about the first star that fell on the earth first. They revealed everything. And the Lord said to the one who wrote the book, who was one of the seven generations: 'Seize the seventy shepherds to whom I gave the sheep, and who, although I had given them the number of lambs they were allowed to kill, arbitrarily killed more.'

### ***Judgment on the shepherds.***

And behold then I saw them all bound and standing before the Lord. Above all, they judged the stars. They were pronounced guilty and condemned, and they were condemned to the place of damnation. They were cast into a dark, deep place from which great pillars of fire burst forth. The seventy shepherds were pronounced guilty and all were thrown into the fiery pit.

And in that hour I saw in the midst of the earth a ravine like the one before, rising up full of fire. And they brought the blinded sheep and pronounced them guilty, and judged them, and they were all thrown into the abyss and burned in the fire. This ravine opened on the right side of the house. I saw the sheep burn and their bones were set on fire.

### ***The house is being rebuilt.***

I got up to see and then I noticed that the old house was being dismantled, its pillars were being packed together and all the parts of the house were being packed together, taken to the south of the country and placed there.

And I saw that the Lord of the sheep had brought a new house. This house was higher than the first and rose up on the site of the first. Every pillar was new, every corner was new, much bigger than the old one they had put together. In this house all the lambs could fit.

I saw the other sheep, and I saw the beasts of the earth and the birds of the air, as they crouched down and bowed down before the great Lamb and worshipped him and obeyed his every word.

### ***All the animals returned to the house.***

Then the three white-robed figures who had held my hand and who had just set me on high were now taken down and the ram's hand touched me and the three white figures were set down in the midst of the sheep before the judgment was given.

The sheep were then all white as snow and their fleece was thick and strong and clean.

And all the sheep were gathered together in the house, all the sheep that were driven away and killed, and all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air were gathered together; and the lord was glad, because they were all good, and they all returned to the house.

## ***The sword is put down.***

I saw the sword that had been given to the sheep being put down and brought back into the house and sealed before the Lord.

Then all the sheep were called into the house and there were so many that there was not enough room.

## ***The eyes were opened.***

Then all their eyes were opened and they all saw, and there was not one among them who did not see.

I saw that the house was very large and full. And I saw that a white bull with great horns was born, and all the beasts of the field and of the forest, and all the birds of the air, feared him and worshipped him.

I saw all their kind change and slowly they all became white bulls. The first of them was the huge white bull with the black horns.

And the Lord of the sheep was pleased with him and all the bulls. I went to sleep in the middle of them and woke up and saw it all from the beginning. And that was the vision I saw while I was asleep.

## ***The end of the dream vision.***

When I woke up, I praised the Lord of Truth and gave Him thanks. And then I burst into tears, and my tears didn't stop until I couldn't take it anymore. Every time I looked, I would start crying again because of what I saw, because everything was going to happen as I saw it and the deeds of men passed before me one by one. And that night I thought of my first dream and cried for it and my heart was shaken because I had seen this vision.