Thus said the LORD to Cyrus, His anointed one-

Whose right hand a-He has-a grasped, Treading down nations before him,

b-Ungirding the loins of kings,-b

Opening doors before him

And letting no gate stay shut:

²I will march before you

And level c-the hills that loom up;-c

I will shatter doors of bronze

And cut down iron bars.

³I will give you treasures concealed in the dark

And secret hoards—

So that you may know that it is I the LORD,

The God of Israel, who call you by name.

⁴For the sake of My servant Jacob,

Israel My chosen one,

I call you by name,

I hail you by title, though you have not known

Me.

⁵I am the LORD and there is none else;

Beside Me, there is no god.

I engird you, though you have not known Me,

6So that they may know, from east to west,

That there is none but Me.

I am the LORD and there is none else,

7I form light and create darkness,

I make weal and create woe—

I the LORD do all these things.

8Pour down, O skies, from above!

Let the heavens rain down victory!

Let the earth open up and triumph sprout,

Yes, let vindication spring up:

I the LORD have created it.

9Shame on him who argues with his Maker, Though naught but a potsherd of earth!

a-a Heb. "I have." Cf. note at 8.11.

כהיאַמֵר

אשר־החוקתי בימינו לְרֵד־לְפַנֵיוֹ גּוֹיְם וּמָתִנֵי מִלְכֵים אֲפַתַּחַ לפתח לפניו דלתים ושערים לא יפגרו: 2 אַני לפניק אַלֶּךְ וַהַדוּרִים אושר אַיַשַׁר דַלְתִוֹת נָחוּשָׁה אֲשֶׁבֶּׁר וּבְרִיחֵי בַרְזֵל אֲגַדֵּע: נּוָנֶתַתִּי לְבֶּ אוֹצְרְוַת חֹשֶׁךְ ומַטְמָנֵי מִסְתַּרֵים

לִמַען תַּדַע בַּי־אַנִי יִהנָה

יַקוֹרָא בִשִּׁמִרָּ אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל:

4 למַעוֹ עַבְדֵי יַעֵלְב וִישִׁרָאֵל בִּחִירֵי

וַאָקרָא לְרָ בִּשְמֶׁרְּ

אַכַנָּרָ וַלֹא יִדְעַתַנִי:

זאַני יהוה ואין עוד 5

זוּלָתִי אֵין אֱלֹהָים

אַאַזֶרְרָּ וַלְא יִדְעְתַּנִי:

ּ לְמַעַן יֵדְעוּ מִמְּוֹרַח־שֵׁמֵשׁ וּמִמַעַרַבָּה

בִּי־אֵפֶס בִּלְעַדֵי

:אַני יהוָה וְאֵין עור

זיוצר אור ובורא חשר

עשה שלום ובורא רע

אַני יהוה עשה כל־אַלה: ס

אַהַרעִיפוּ שַׁמַּיִם מַמַּעַל 8

ושחקים יולו־צדק

תִּבְּתַּח־אָרֵץ וִיִּבְּרוּ־יַּשְׁע

וּצְדָקָה תַצִּמִּיתַ יַּחַר

אַנֵי יָהוָה בְּרָאתְיו: ס

9 הוי רב את־יצרו ָחֶרֶשׁ אֶת־חַרִשֵּׁי אֲדָמָה

b-b I.e., I made them helpless; one who wished to move freely belted his garment around the waist; cf. "engird," v. 5.