

Ecclesiastes 4:1-12

הַעֲשֻׁקִים אֶת-כָּל- וְאֵרָאָה אֲנִי וּשְׁבַתִּי 1
the ones being oppressed all and I saw I and I returned/repeated

אֲשֶׁר נַעֲשִׂים תַּחַת הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ
which being done under the sun

וְהִנֵּה | דְּמַעַת הַעֲשֻׁקִים
and behold tears of the ones being oppressed

וְאֵין לָהֶם מְנַחֵם
and there is not to them comforting

וּמִיַּד עֹשֵׂקֵיהֶם כֹּחַ
and from hand of ones oppressing them strength/power

וְאֵין לָהֶם מְנַחֵם
and there is not to them comforting

וּשְׁבַח אֲנִי אֶת- הַמֵּתִים שֶׁכַּבֵּר מֵתוֹ 2
and praising/lauding I the dying who already they died

מִן- הַחַיִּים אֲשֶׁר הַחַיִּים עַדְנָה
than the living who they still

וְטוֹב מִשְׁנֵיהֶם אֶת אֲשֶׁר- עֵדוֹן לֹא הָיָה 3
and better than two of them which so far not he was

אֲשֶׁר לֹא- רָאָה אֶת- הַמַּעֲשֵׂה הָרָע
which not he has seen the work/labor the evil

אֲשֶׁר נַעֲשָׂה תַּחַת הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ
which it is done under the sun

עֲמַל כָּל־ אֶת־ אֲנִי וְרָאִיתִי 4
work/toil all I and I saw

הַמַּעֲשֵׂה כִשְׂרוֹן כָּל־ וְאֵת
the deed/work success/skill of all and

מֵרֵעֵהוּ אִישׁ קִנְאָת־ הִיא כִּי
from his neighbor man zealously of it because/for

רוּחַ וְרַעוּת הַבֶּל גַּם־ זֶה
wind and to strive/chase after vapor/vanity this also

יָדָיו אֶת־ חֲבֵק הַכֹּסִיל 5
his hands folding the fool

בְּשָׂרוֹ אֶת־ וְאָכַל
his flesh and eating

נַחַת כַּף מְלֵא טוֹב 6
rest/quietness palm/hand of fullness of good/better

עֲמַל חֲפָנִים מִמְּלֵא
labor/toil the hollowness of both hands than fullness of

רוּחַ וְרַעוּת
wind and to strive/chase after

אֲנִי וּשְׁבַתִּי 7
I and I returned/repeated

הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ תַּחַת הַבֶּל וְאָרָאָה
the sun under vanity and I saw

שְׁנַיִם וְאֵין אֶחָד יֵשׁ 8
two and there is not one there is

לּוֹ אֵין וְאָח בֶּן גַּם
to him there is not and brother son also

עֲמָלוֹ לְכָל-קֵץ וְאֵין
his toil/work to all of end and there is not

עֲשָׂרָה תִשְׁבַּע לֹא- [עֵינָיו] (עֵינָיו) גַּם-
riches she will be satisfied not his eye his eyes also

עֹמֵל אֲנִי וְלִמִּי
toiling I and for whom?

מִטּוֹבָה אֶת- וּמַחֲסֵר
from the good my soul and causing to lack/denying

הוּא רַע וְעֵנִין הַבֵּל גַּם-זֶה
it evil/bad and business/activity vanity this also

הָאֶחָד מִן- הַשְּׁנַיִם טוֹבִים 9
the one than the two good/better

בְּעֲמָלָם טוֹב שֹׂכֵר לָהֶם יֵשׁ- אֲשֶׁר
in their work/toil good wages to them there is which

הָאֶחָד יִפְּלוּ כִּי אִם- 10
the one they fall if for

חֲבֵרוֹ אֶת- יִקְוֶה
his companion he will raise up

שִׁיפֹל הָאֶחָד וְאֵילוֹ
which he will fall the one and alas/woe to him

לְהִקְיָמוֹ שְׁנַיִם וְאֵין
to raise him up second and there is not

שְׁנַיִם יִשְׁכְּבוּ אִם- גַּם 11
two they will lie down if also

לָהֶם וְחָם
to them and it will be warm

יָחַם אֵיךְ וּלְאַחַד
he will be warm how? and to wone

הָאֶחָד יִתְקַפּוּ וְאִם- 12
the one he will overpower him and if

נִגְדוּ יַעֲמִדוּ הַשְּׁנַיִם
before/against him they will stand the two

יִנְתַּק בְּמַהֲרָה לֹא הַמְשַׁלֵּשׁ וְהַחֹט'
it will be torn in two in haste not the being threefold and the thread/cord