

4:1 וּמֹרְדָכַי יְדֻעַ אֶת כָּל - אֲתָה נִعְשָׂה וַיַּקְרֵעַ מֹרְדָכַי אֶת  
u.mrdki ido ath - kl - ashr noshe u.iqro mrdki ath -  
and.Mordecai he-was-informed » all-of which he-was-done and.he-is-tearing Mordecai »

בְּגִנְיוֹ וַיַּלְבַּשׁ שֶׁקְ וְאַפְרֵר וְיִצְאָה בְּתוֹךְ הָעִיר  
bgdi.u u.ilbsh shq u.apfr u.itza b.thuk e.oir  
clothes-of.him and.he-is-putting-on sackcloth and.ash and.he-is-going-forth in.midst-of the.city

וַיַּזְעַק וַיַּזְעַק זָקָה וְמַרְאָה גְּדַלָּה :  
u.izog zoqe gdle u.mre :  
and.he-is-crying-out outcry loud and.bitter

4:2 גַּבּוֹא עַד לְפָנֵי שַׁעַר הַמֶּלֶךְ אֵין לְבוֹא אֶל -  
u.ibua od l.phni shor - e.mlk ki ain l.bua al -  
and.he-is-coming unto to.faces-of gate-of the.king that there-is-no to.to-come-of to

שַׁעַר הַמֶּלֶךְ בְּלֹבֶשׁ שֶׁקְ :  
shor e.mlk b.lbush shq :  
gate-of the.king in.clothing-of sackcloth

4:3 וּבָכֶל מִדְינָה מִדְינָה מִקְומָם אֲשֶׁר דְּבָר הַמֶּלֶךְ וַדְתּוֹ  
u.b.kl - mdine u.mdine mqum ashr dbr e.mlk u.dth.u  
and.in.every-of province and.province placeri-of which word-of the.king and.edict-of.him

מְנוּעַ אָבֶל לִיהְוִים גָּדוֹל וְצָוּם וּבְכֵי וְמִסְפֵּד שֶׁקְ אַפְרֵר  
mgio abl gdul l.ieudim utzum ubki u.msphd shq u.apfr  
attaining mourning great to.the.Jews and.fasting and.weeping and.wailing sackcloth and.ash

וַיַּצְעַע לְרַבִּים :  
itzo l.rbm :  
he-is-cbecoming-berth to.the.many-ones

4:4 | וְתַבּוֹאֵנָה | וְתַבּוֹאֵנָה | נָעָרֹת וְאַסְתָּר וְסִרְיִשָּׁה  
u.thbuaine u.thbuane noruth asthr u.srisi.e  
and.they-are-coming and.they-are-coming maidens-of Esther and.eunuchs-of.her

וְנִגְדֵּו לָה וְתַחַלְלֵה הַמֶּלֶכה קָאֵד וְתַשְׁלִיחֵה  
u.igdu l.e u.ththchlch e.mlke mad u.thshlch  
and.they-are-celling to.her and.she-is-extremely-travailing the.queen very and.she-is-sending

לְהַלְבִּישׁ בְּגָדִים אֶת מֹרְדָכַי וְלַהֲסִיר מִשְׁעָן מַעֲלֵוֹ  
bgdim l.elbish ath - mrdki u.l.esir shq.u m.ol.u  
clothes to.to-cput-on-of » Mordecai and.to.to-ctake-off-of sackcloth-of.him from.on.him

וְלֹא קָבַל :  
ula qbl :  
and.not he-was-receptive

4:5 וְתַקְרָא אָסְתָּר לְהַחַק מִסְרִיסִי הַמֶּלֶךְ אֲשֶׁר הַמְּמִיד אֲשֶׁר  
u.thqra asthr l.ethk m.srisi e.mlk ashr eomid  
and.she-is-calling Esther for.Hathach from.eunuchs-of the.king whom he-cinstalled

לְפִנֵּיה וְתַצְוֹהוּ לְדָעַת מֹרְדָכַי - עַל מִה זֶה - מַה וְעַל -  
l.phni.e u.thtzu.eu ol - mrdki l.doth me - ze u.ol -  
to.faces-of.her and.she-is-minstructing.him on Mordecai to.to-know-of what ? this and.on

מֵה זֶה :  
me - ze :  
what ? this

4:6 וְיִצְאָה הַחַק אֶל מֹרְדָכַי - אֶל רְחוֹב - אֶל הָעִיר אֲשֶׁר לְפָנֵי  
u.itza ethk al - mrdki al - rchub e.oir ashr i.phni  
and.he-is-going-forth Hatach to Mordecai to square-of the.city which to.faces-of

שַׁעַר הַמֶּלֶךְ :  
shor - e.mlk :  
gate-of the.king

4:7 וַיַּגְדֵּל לֹא מֹרְדָכַי אֶת כָּל אֲשֶׁר קָרְדוֹן וְאַת וְאַת  
u.igd - l.u mrdki ath kl - ashr qr.eu u.ath phrsth  
and.he-is-celling to.him Mordecai » all-of which he-happened-to.him and.» spreading-of

הַכְּסָף אֲשֶׁר אָמַר אָמַר הַמָּן לְשֻׁקוּל גָּנוּ עַל הַמֶּלֶךְ בְּיִהְוּדִים  
e.kspf ashr amr emm l.shqul ol - gnzi e.mlk b.ieudiim  
the.silver which he-said Haman to.to-weigh-of on depositaries-of the.king in.the.Jews

וְאַבְדָּם לְאַבְדָּם :  
b.ieudim l.abd.m :  
in.the.Jews to.to-destroy-of.them

<sup>1</sup> When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry;

<sup>2</sup> And came even before the king's gate: for none [might] enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.

<sup>3</sup> And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, [there was] great mourning among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.

<sup>4</sup> So Esther's maids and her chamberlains came and told [it] her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him: but he received [it] not.

<sup>5</sup> Then called Esther for Hatach, [one] of the king's chamberlains, whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment to Mordecai, to know what it [was], and why it [was].

<sup>6</sup> So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which [was] before the king's gate.

<sup>7</sup> And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasures for the Jews, to destroy them.

4:8 פְתַשְׁנָן וְאֵת כִּתְבָה הַדְתָה אֲשֶׁר נָתַן בְּשֻׁשָׁן  
u·ath - phtshgn kthb - e·dth ashr - nthn b·shushn  
and » copy-of writing-of the·edict which he-was-given in·Susa

וְלֹא תִמְרֹך לְהַשְׁמִידם לְנָתַן לְהַרְאֹת אֲסָתָר אֶת וְלֹא תִגְדַּל לְהַנְּגִיד  
l·eshmid·m nthn l·u l·erauth ath - asthr u·l·egid l·e  
to·to·extirpate-of them he-gave to·him to·to·show-of » Esther and·to·to·tell-of to·her

וְלֹא תִזְעַזְעַת לְבָא עַלְיהָ לְהַמְלָךְ אֶל לְהַתְחִנָּן לְהַקְרִין לְזַעַם  
u·l·tzuuth oli·e l·bua al - e·mlk l·ethchnn - l·u  
and·to·to·instruct-of on·her to·to·come-of to the·king to·to·supplicate-of to·him

וְלֹא תִבְקַשׁ מִלְפָנָיו עַמְּנָה עַל דְּבָרֵי אֶת מַרְדְּכָי :  
u·l·bqsh m·l·phni·u ol - om·e :  
and·to·to·seek-of from·to·faces-of him on people-of her

4:9 יְבוּא אֶת מַרְדְּכָי :  
u·ibua ethk u·igd 1·asthr ath dbri mrdki :  
and·he-is-coming Hatach and·he-is-telling to·Esther » words-of Mordecai

4:10 וְתָאמָר אֶת מַרְדְּכָי :  
u·thamr asthr 1·ethk u·thtzu·eu al - mrdki :  
and·she-is-saying Esther to·Hatach and·she-is-instructing·him for Mordecai

4:11 כָּל עֲבָדִי כָּל הַמֶּלֶךְ וְעַם הַמֶּלֶךְ מִדְינּוֹת הַמֶּלֶךְ יְוּדָעִים אֲשֶׁר  
kl - obdi e·mlk u·om - mdinuth e·mlk iudoim ashr  
all-of servants-of the·king and·people-of provinces-of the·king ones-knowing which

לֹא אֲשֶׁר אִישׁ כָּל הַחֲצֵר אֶל הַמֶּלֶךְ הַכְּפִנִּימִית לֹא אֲשֶׁר הַכְּפִנִּימִית  
kl - aish u·ashe ashr ibua - al - e·mlk al - e·chtzr e·phnimith ashr la -  
any-of man and·woman who he-is-coming to the·king to the·court the·inner who not

יִקְרָא אֶחָת דְתֹהַר לְהַמִּינָה לְבָד מַאֲשֶׁר  
iqra achth dth·u 1·emith 1·bd m·ashr  
he-is-being-called one edict-of·him to·to·put-to-death-of to·aside from·whom

לו שְׁלָשִׁים זֶה שְׁרָבִיט אֶת הַזָּבֵב וְחַיָּה וְאַנְגִּיל  
lo - l·u e·mlk ath - shrbit e·zeb u·chie u·ani la  
he-is-waving-to-and-fro to·him the·king » scepter-of the·gold and·he-lives and·I not

לֹא נִקְרָא לְבָא הַמֶּלֶךְ אֶל שְׁלָשִׁים יּוֹם  
nqrathi l·bua al - e·mlk ze shlushim ium :  
I-was-called to·to·come-of to the·king this thirty day

4:12 גִּנְידָו אֶת מַרְדְּכָי :  
u·igidu 1·mrdki ath dbri asthr : p  
and·they-are-telling to·Mordecai » words-of Esther

4:13 וְיִאמֶר מַרְדְּכָי לְהַשִּׁיב אֶל אֲסָתָר אֶל תְּהִמְמִי :  
u·iamr mrdki 1·eshib al - asthr al - thmi  
and·he-is-saying Mordecai to·to·reply-of to Esther must-not-be you-are-inimating

בְּנֶפֶשׁ לְהַפְלֵט בֵּית הַמֶּלֶךְ מִכָּל הַחַיִּים :  
b·nphsh·k 1·emlt bith - e·mlk m·kl - e·ieudim :  
in·soul-of·you to·to·escape-of house-of the·king from·all-of the·Jews

4:14 הַתְּרַשֵּׁשׁ אֵם כִּי תְּחִרְשֵׁי בְּעֵת הַזָּהָת רֹוח וְהַצְלָה  
ki am - echrsh thchrshi b·oth e·zath ruch u·etzle  
that if to-be-silent you-are-being-silent in·the·time the·this interval and·rescue

יַעֲמֹד לִיהְוִדים מִמְּקוּם אַחֲרָיו וְאַתָּה וּבֵית אֲבִיךָ :  
iomud 1·ieuclid m·mqum achr u·ath u·bith - abi·k  
he-shall-stand-up for·the·Jews from·place another and·you and·house-of father-of·you

תָּאֶבֶד וְמַיִּוְדָךְ יְזַעַם לְיעַת אָמֵן קְזֹאת הַגְּנָעָת לְפָלָכוֹת :  
thabdu u·mi iudo am - l·oth k·zath egoth 1·mlkuth :  
you(p)-shall-perish and·who ? knowing if for-time as·this you-attained to·the·kingdom

4:15 וְתָאמָר אֶת מַרְדְּכָי לְהַשִּׁיב אֶל מַרְדְּכָי :  
u·thamr asthr 1·eshib al - mrdki :  
and·she-is-saying Esther to·to·reply-of to Mordecai

4:16 לְקָרְבָּן כְּנָס אֶת כָּל הַמְּמֹצָאים בְּשֻׁשָׁן בְּצָוֹמָה  
lk knus ath - kl - e·ieudim e·nmtzaim b·shushn u·tzumu  
go-you ! collect-you ! » all-of the·Jews the·ones-being-found in·Susa and·fast-you(p) !

וְאַל עַל תְּאַכְּלֹו לְאַל תְּשַׁתְּחוּ לְאַל שְׁלָשָׁת לִילָה יְמִים  
ol·i u·al - thaklu u·al - thshthu shlshtim imim lile  
on·me and·must-not-be you(p)-are-eating and·must-not-be you(p)-are-drinking three-of days night

8 Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them, to shew [it] unto Esther, and to declare [it] unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her people.

9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.

10 Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai;

11 All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, [there is] one law of his to put [him] to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live; but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days.

12 And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, [then] shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for [such] a time as this?

15 Then Esther bade [them] return Mordecai [this answer],

16 Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I

וַיֹּאמֶר נָ�מֵן וְנִגְעַרְתִּי אֲנִי וְאַצּוֹם  
u·ium gm - ani u·north·i atzum  
and.day moreover I and·maidens-of·me I-shall-fast so and.in·so I-shall-come to the·king

כַּדְתַּה - לֹא אָשָׁר וְכַאֲשָׁר אָבְדָתִי אָבְדָתִי :  
ashr la - k·dth u·k·ashr abdthi abdthi :  
which not as.the.edict and.as·which I-perish I-perish

4:17 וַיַּעֲבֹר מְרֻדְקִי וַיַּעֲשֶׂה כָּל צוֹתָה - אָשָׁר עַלּוֹ : אָסְתָּר  
u·iobr mrdki u·iosh k·kl ashr - tzuthe oli·u asthr :  
and·he-is-passing Mordecai and·he-is-doing as·all which she-<sup>מִ</sup>instructed·her on·him Esther

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go in unto the king, which [is] not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish.

<sup>17</sup> So Mordecai went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.