

Ether 14

¹& now there began to be a great curse upon the land
because of the iniquity of the people
in the which if a man should lay his tool or his sword upon the shelf
or upon the place ~~wh~~^{whither}~~eh~~ he would keep it
& behold upon the morrow he could not find it
so great was the curse upon the land

²wherefore every man did cleave
unto that which was his own
with his hands
& would not borrow neither would he lend
& every man kept the hilt of his sword thereof in his right hand
in the defence of his property
& his own life & they of his wives & children

³& now after the space of two years & after the death of Shared
behold there arose the brother of Shared
& ^{he} gave battle unto Coriantumr
in the which Coriantumr did beat him
& did persue him to the wilderness of Akish

⁴& it came to pass that
the brother of ~~Jar~~^{Shared}~~ed~~ did give battle unto him in the wilderness of Akish
& the battle became exceeding sore
& many thousands fell by the sword

⁵& it came to pass that Coriantumr did lay siege to the wilderness
& the brother of Shared did march forth out of the wilderness by night
& slew a part of the army of Coriantumr
as they were drunken

⁶& he came forth to the land of Moron
& placed himself upon the throne of Coriantumr

⁷& it came to pass that
Coriantumr dwelt with his army in the wilderness for the space of two years
in the which he did receive great strength to his army

⁸now the brother of Shared whose name was Gilead

also received great strength to his army also because of secret combinations

⁹& it came to pass that his High Priest murdered him as he sat upon his throne

¹⁰& it came to pass that

^{one} of the secret combinations murdered him in a secret pass

& obtained unto himself the kingdom

& his name was Lib

& Lib was a man of great stature

more than any other man among ~~t~~^{all the}~~hem~~ people

¹¹& it came to pass that in the first year of Lib

Coriantumr came up unto the land of Moron & gave battle unto Lib

¹²& it came to pass that he fought with Lib
in the which Lib did smite upon his arm that he was wounded
nevertheless the army of Coriantumr did ~~press~~ press forward upon Lib
that he fled to the borders upon the sea shore
¹³& it came to pass that Coriantumr persued him
& Lib gave battle unto him upon the sea shore
¹⁴& it came to pass that Lib did smite the army of Coriantumr
that they fled again to the wilderness of Akish
¹⁵& it came to pass that Lib did persue him
until he came to the plains of Agosh
& coriantumr had taken all the people with him as he fled before Lib
in that quarter of the [land](#) whither he fled
¹⁶& when he had came to the plains of Agosh he gave battle ~~un~~^{unto} to Lib
& he [smote](#) upon him until he died
nevertheless the brother of Lib [did come against](#) Coriantumr in the stead thereof
& the battle became exceeding sore
in [the which](#) Coriantumr fled again before the army of the brother of Lib

¹⁷now the name of the brother of Lib was called Shiz
& it came to pass that Shiz persued after Coriantumr
& he did over throw many cities
& he did slay both women & children
& did burn the cities thereof

¹⁸& there went a fear of Shiz throughout all the land
yea a cry went forth throughout the land
Who can stand before the army of Shiz
behold he sweepeth the earth before him

¹⁹& it came to pass that the people began to flock together in armies
throughout all the face of the land

²⁰& they were [divided](#)
& a part of them fled to the army of Shiz
& a part of them fled to the ~~an~~[army of Coriantumr](#)

²¹& so great & lasting had been the war
& so long had been the scene of [bloodshed & Carnage](#)
that the whole face of the land was covered with the bodies of the [dead](#)

²²& [so swift & speady](#) was the war
that there was none left to bury the dead
but [they did march forth from](#) the [shedding](#) of blood to the shedding of blood
leaving the [bodies of both men women & children](#)
strewed upon the face of the land
to become a prey to the [worms of the flesh](#)

²³& [the](#) scent thereof went forth upon the face of the land
[even upon all the face of the land](#)
[wherefore the](#) people became troubled by day & by night
[because of the Scent thereof](#)

²⁴nevertheless Shez did not cease to persue Coriantumr
for he had sworn to avenge himself upon ~~the~~ Coreantumr
of the blood of his brother which had been slain
& the word of the Lord which came to Ether
that Coriantumr should not fall by the sword
²⁵& thus we see that the Lord did visit them in the fulness of his wrath
& their wickedness & abominations had prepared away
for their everlasting destruction

²⁶& it came to pass that Shiz did persue Coriantumr eastward
even to the borders by the sea shore
& there he gave battle unto Shiz for the space of three days
²⁷& so terrible was the destruction among the armies of Shiz
that the people began to be frightened
& began to flee before the armies of Coriantumr
& they fled to the land of Corihor
& swept off the inhabitants before them
all them that would not join them
²⁸& they pitched their tents in the vally of Corihor
& Coriantumr pitched his tents in the vally of Shurr
now the vally of Shurr was near the hill Comron
wherefore Coriantumr did gather his armies together upon the hill Comron
& did sound a trumpet unto the armies of Shiz to invite them forth to battle
²⁹& it came to pass that they came forth but were driven again
& they came the second time & they were driven again the second time
& it came to pass that they came again the third time
& the battle became exceeding sore
³⁰& it came to pass that Shiz smote upon Coriantumr
that he gave him many deep wounds
& Coriantumr having lost his blood fainted
& was carried away as though he were dead
³¹now the loss of men women & children on both sides w∅re so great
that Shiz commanded his people
that they should not persue the armies of Coriantumr
wherefore they returned to their camp