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#### 1 Kings 1.

##### 1 . Adonijah Presumes to Be King..                      1 The First Book of Kings!

Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he couldn't keep warm.

2 Therefore his servants said to him, "Let there be sought for my master the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and cherish him; and let her lie in your bosom, that my master the king may keep warm."

3 So they sought for a beautiful young lady throughout all the borders of Israel, and found Abishag the Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

4 The young lady was very beautiful; and she cherished the king, and ministered to him; but the king didn't know her intimately.

5 Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, "I will be king." Then he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.

6 His father had not displeased him at any time in saying, "Why have you done so?" and he was also a very handsome man; and he was born after Absalom.

7 He conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him.

8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men who belonged to David, were not with Adonijah.

9 Adonijah killed sheep and cattle and fatlings by the stone of Zoheleth, which is beside En Rogel; and he called all his brothers, the king's sons, and all the men of Judah, the king's servants:

10 but Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he didn't call.

11 Then Nathan spoke to Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, saying, "Haven't you heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith reigns, and David our master doesn't know it?"

12 Now therefore come, please let me give you counsel, that you may save your own life, and the life of your son Solomon.

13 Go in to king David, and tell him, 'Didn't you, my master, king, swear to your handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne? Why then does Adonijah reign?'

14 Behold, while you yet talk there with the king, I also will come in after you, and confirm your words."

15 Bathsheba went in to the king into the room. The king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite was ministering to the king.

16 Bathsheba bowed, and showed respect to the king. The king said, "What would you like?"

17 She said to him, "My master, you swore by YAHWEH your ELOHIM to your handmaid, 'Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne.'

18 Now, behold, Adonijah reigns; and you, my master the king, don't know it.

19 He has slain cattle and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the army; but he hasn't called Solomon your servant.

20 You, my master the king, the eyes of all Israel are on you, that you should tell them who shall sit on the throne of my master the king after him.

21 Otherwise it will happen, when my master the king shall sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted offenders."

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22 Behold, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet came in.

23 They told the king, saying, "Behold, Nathan the prophet!" When he had come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.

24 Nathan said, "My master, king, have you said, 'Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne?'"

25 For he is gone down this day, and has slain cattle and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has called all the king's sons, and the captains of the army, and Abiathar the priest. Behold, they are eating and drinking before him, and say, 'Long live king Adonijah!'

26 But he hasn't called me, even me your servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and your servant Solomon.

27 Is this thing done by my master the king, and you haven't shown to your servants who should sit on the throne of my master the king after him?"

### 28 David Proclaims Solomon King.

Then king David answered, "Call to me Bathsheba." She came into the king's presence, and stood before the king.

29 The king swore, and said, "As YAHWEH lives, who has redeemed my soul out of all adversity,

30 most certainly as I swore to you by YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of Israel, saying, 'Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne in my place;' most certainly so will I do this day."

31 Then Bathsheba bowed with her face to the earth, and showed respect to the king, and said, "Let my master king David live forever!"

32 King David said, "Call to me Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada." They came before the king.

33 The king said to them, "Take with you the servants of your master, and cause Solomon my son to ride on my own mule, and bring him down to Gihon.

34 Let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel. Blow the shofar, and say, 'Long live king Solomon!'

35 Then you shall come up after him, and he shall come and sit on my throne; for he shall be king in my place. I have appointed him to be prince over Israel and over Judah."

36 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, "Amen. May YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of my master the king, say so.

37 As YAHWEH has been with my master the king, even so may he be with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my master king David."

38 So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride on king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon.

39 Zadok the priest took the horn of oil out of the Tent, and anointed Solomon. They blew the shofar; and all the people said, "Long live king Solomon!"

40 All the people came up after him, and the people piped with pipes, and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth shook with their sound.

41 Adonijah and all the guests who were with him heard it as they had made an end of eating. When Joab heard the sound of the shofar, he said, "Why is this noise of the city being in an uproar?"

42 While he yet spoke, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said, "Come in; for you are a worthy man, and bring good news."

43 Jonathan answered Adonijah, "Most certainly our master king David has made Solomon king.

44 The king has sent with him Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, Benaiah the son of

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Jehoiada, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and they have caused him to ride on the king's mule.

45 Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon. They have come up from there rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This is the noise that you have heard.

46 Also, Solomon sits on the throne of the kingdom.

47 Moreover the king's servants came to bless our master king David, saying, 'May your ELOHIM make the name of Solomon better than your name, and make his throne greater than your throne;' and the king bowed himself on the bed.

48 Also thus said the king, 'Blessed be YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of Israel, who has given one to sit on my throne this day, my eyes even seeing it.'

49 All the guests of Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and each man went his way.

50 Adonijah feared because of Solomon; and he arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.

51 It was told Solomon, saying, "Behold, Adonijah fears king Solomon; for, behold, he has laid hold on the horns of the altar, saying, 'Let king Solomon swear to me first that he will not kill his servant with the sword.'"

52 Solomon said, "If he shows himself a worthy man, not a hair of him shall fall to the earth; but if wickedness be found in him, he shall die."

53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. He came and bowed down to king Solomon; and Solomon said to him, "Go to your house."

### Hosea 4:11-to-end,5:1-3.

#### 11 . The Idolatry of Israel. .

Prostitution, wine, and new wine take away understanding.

12 My people consult with their wooden idol, and answer to a stick of wood. Indeed the spirit of prostitution has led them astray, and they have been unfaithful to their ELOHIM!

13 They sacrifice on the tops of the mountains, and burn incense on the hills, under oaks and poplars and terebinths, because its shade is good. Therefore your daughters play the prostitute, and your brides commit adultery.

14 I will not punish your daughters when they play the prostitute, nor your brides when they commit adultery; because the men consort with prostitutes, and they sacrifice with the shrine prostitutes; so the people without understanding will come to ruin.

15 "Though you, Israel, play the prostitute, yet don't let Judah offend; and don't come to Gilgal, neither go up to Beth Aven, nor swear, 'As YAHWEH lives.'

16 For Israel has behaved extremely stubbornly, like a stubborn heifer. Then how will YAHWEH feed them like a lamb in a meadow.

17 Ephraim is joined to idols. Leave him alone!

18 Their drink has become sour. They play the prostitute continually. Her rulers dearly love their shameful way.

19 The wind has wrapped her up in its wings; and they shall be disappointed because of their sacrifices.

#### 1 . Impending Judgment on Israel and Judah. .

"Listen to this, you priests! Listen, house of Israel, and give ear, house of the king! For the judgment is against you; for you have been a snare at Mizpah, and a net spread on Tabor.

2 The rebels are deep in slaughter; but I discipline all of them.

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3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hidden from me; for now, Ephraim, you have played the prostitute. Israel is defiled.

### **Psalms 2.**

#### **1 . The Messiah's Triumph and Kingdom. .**

- Why do the nations rage, and the peoples plot a vain thing?  
2 The kings of the earth take a stand, and the rulers take counsel together, against YAHWEH, and against his Anointed, saying,  
3 “Let’s break their bonds apart, and cast their cords from us.”  
4 He who sits in the heavens will laugh. ADONAI will have them in derision.  
5 Then he will speak to them in his anger, and terrify them in his wrath:  
6 “Yet I have set my King on my holy hill of Zion.”  
7 I will tell of the decree. YAHWEH said to me, “You are my son. Today I have become your father.  
8 Ask of me, and I will give the nations for your inheritance, the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession.  
9 You shall break them with a rod of iron. You shall dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”  
10 Now therefore be wise, you kings. Be instructed, you judges of the earth.  
11 Serve YAHWEH with fear, and rejoice with trembling.  
12 Give sincere homage to the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath will soon be kindled. Blessed are all those who take refuge in him.

### **Proverbs 17.**

- 1 Better is a dry morsel with quietness, than a house full of feasting with strife.  
2 A servant who deals wisely will rule over a son who causes shame, and shall have a part in the inheritance among the brothers.  
3 The refining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold, but YAHWEH tests the hearts.  
4 An evildoer heeds wicked lips. A liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue.  
5 Whoever mocks the poor reproaches his Maker. He who is glad at calamity shall not be unpunished.  
6 Children’s children are the crown of old men; the glory of children are their parents.  
7 Arrogant speech isn’t fitting for a fool, much less do lying lips fit a prince.  
8 A bribe is a precious stone in the eyes of him who gives it; wherever he turns, he prospers.  
9 He who covers an offense promotes love; but he who repeats a matter separates best friends.  
10 A rebuke enters deeper into one who has understanding than a hundred lashes into a fool.  
11 An evil man seeks only rebellion; therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.  
12 Let a bear robbed of her cubs meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.  
13 Whoever rewards evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.  
14 The beginning of strife is like breaching a dam, therefore stop contention before quarreling breaks out.  
15 He who justifies the wicked, and he who condemns the righteous, both of them alike are an abomination to YAHWEH!  
16 Why is there money in the hand of a fool to buy wisdom, since he has no understanding?

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- 17 A friend loves at all times; and a brother is born for adversity.  
18 A man void of understanding strikes hands, and becomes collateral in the presence of his neighbor.  
19 He who loves disobedience loves strife. One who builds a high gate seeks destruction.  
20 One who has a perverse heart doesn't find prosperity, and one who has a deceitful tongue falls into trouble.  
21 He who becomes the father of a fool grieves. The father of a fool has no joy.  
22 A cheerful heart makes good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.  
23 A wicked man receives a bribe in secret, to pervert the ways of justice.  
24 Wisdom is before the face of one who has understanding, but the eyes of a fool wander to the ends of the earth.  
25 A foolish son brings grief to his father, and bitterness to her who bore him.  
26 Also to punish the righteous is not good, nor to flog officials for their integrity.  
27 He who spares his words has knowledge. He who is even tempered is a man of understanding.  
28 Even a fool, when he keeps silent, is counted wise. When he shuts his lips, he is thought to be discerning.

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