187. 5-July Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

1 Kings 6.

Solomon Builds the Temple.

It happened in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Ziv, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of YAHWEH!

- 2 The house which king Solomon built for YAHWEH, its length was sixty cubits, and its breadth twenty, and its height thirty cubits.
- 3 The porch before the temple of the house, twenty cubits was its length, according to the breadth of the house. Ten cubits was its breadth before the house.
- 4 For the house he made windows of fixed lattice work.
- 5 Against the wall of the house he built stories all around, against the walls of the house all around, both of the temple and of the oracle; and he made side rooms all around.
- 6 The nethermost story was five cubits broad, and the middle was six cubits broad, and the third was seven cubits broad; for on the outside he made offsets in the wall of the house all around, that the beams should not have hold in the walls of the house.
- 7 The house, when it was in building, was built of stone prepared at the quarry; and there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building.
- 8 The door for the middle side rooms was in the right side of the house: and they went up by winding stairs into the middle story, and out of the middle into the third.
- 9 So he built the house, and finished it; and he covered the house with beams and planks of cedar.
- 10 He built the stories against all the house, each five cubits high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.
- 11 The word of YAHWEH came to Solomon, saying,
- 12 "Concerning this house which you are building, if you will walk in my statutes, and execute my ordinances, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; then will I establish my word with you, which I spoke to David your father.
- 13 I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not forsake my people Israel."
- 14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.
- 15 He built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar: from the floor of the house to the walls of the ceiling, he covered them on the inside with wood; and he covered the floor of the house with boards of fir.
- 16 He built twenty cubits on the hinder part of the house with boards of cedar from the floor to the ceiling: he built them for it within, for an oracle, even for the most holy place.
- 17 In front of the temple sanctuary was forty cubits.
- 18 There was cedar on the house within, carved with buds and open flowers: all was cedar; there was no stone seen.
- 19 He prepared an oracle in the midst of the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of YAHWEH!
- 20 Within the oracle was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in its height; and he overlaid it with pure gold: and he covered the altar with cedar.
- 21 So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he drew chains of gold across before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold.
- 22 The whole house he overlaid with gold, until all the house was finished: also the whole altar that belonged to the oracle he overlaid with gold.
- 23 In the oracle he made two cherubim of olive wood, each ten cubits high.

- 24 Five cubits was the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the cherub: from the uttermost part of the one wing to the uttermost part of the other were ten cubits.
- 25 The other cherub was ten cubits: both the cherubim were of one measure and one form.
- 26 The height of the one cherub was ten cubits, and so was it of the other cherub.
- 27 He set the cherubim within the inner house; and the wings of the cherubim were stretched forth, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house.
- 28 He overlaid the cherubim with gold.
- 29 He carved all the walls of the house around with carved figures of cherubim and palm trees and open flowers, inside and outside.
- 30 The floor of the house he overlaid with gold, inside and outside.
- 31 For the entrance of the oracle he made doors of olive wood: the lintel and door posts were a fifth part of the wall.
- 32 So he made two doors of olive wood; and he carved on them carvings of cherubim and palm trees and open flowers, and overlaid them with gold; and he spread the gold on the cherubim, and on the palm trees.
- 33 So also made he for the entrance of the temple door posts of olive wood, out of a fourth part of the wall;
- 34 and two doors of fir wood: the two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding.
- 35 He carved cherubim and palm trees and open flowers; and he overlaid them with gold fitted on the engraved work.
- 36 He built the inner court with three courses of cut stone, and a course of cedar beams.
- 37 In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of YAHWEH laid, in the month Ziv.
- 38 In the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which is the eighth month, was the house finished throughout all its parts, and according to all its fashion. So was he seven years in building it.

Hosea 8.

. The Apostasy of Israel. .

- "Put the shofar to your lips! Something like an eagle is over YAHWEH's house, because they have broken my covenant, and rebelled against my Torah (teaching and instruction).
- 2 They cry to me, 'My ELOHIM, we Israel acknowledge you!'
- 3 Israel has cast off that which is good. The enemy will pursue him.
- 4 They have set up kings, but not by me. They have made princes, and I didn't approve. Of their silver and their gold they have made themselves idols, that they may be cut off.
- 5 Let Samaria throw out his calf idol! My anger burns against them! How long will it be until they are capable of purity?
- 6 For this is even from Israel! The workman made it, and it is no ELOHIM; indeed, the calf of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.
- 7 For they sow the wind, and they will reap the whirlwind. He has no standing grain. The stalk will yield no head. If it does yield, strangers will swallow it up.
- 8 Israel is swallowed up. Now they are among the nations like a worthless thing.
- 9 For they have gone up to Assyria, like a wild donkey wandering alone. Ephraim has hired lovers for himself.

- 10 But although they sold themselves among the nations, I will now gather them; and they begin to waste away because of the oppression of the king of mighty ones.
- 11 Because Ephraim has multiplied altars for sinning, they became for him altars for sinning.
- 12 I wrote for him the many things of my Torah (teaching and instruction); but they were regarded as a strange thing.
- 13 As for the sacrifices of my offerings, they sacrifice flesh and eat it; But YAHWEH doesn't accept them. Now he will remember their iniquity, and punish their sins. They will return to Egypt.
- 14 For Israel has forgotten his Maker and built palaces; and Judah has multiplied fortified cities; but I will send a fire on his cities, and it will devour its fortresses."

Psalms 6.

<u>. To the Chief Musician. With stringed instruments. On an eight-stringed harp. A Psalm of David...</u>

For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments, upon the eight-stringed lyre. A Psalm by David. YAHWEH, don't rebuke me in your anger, neither discipline me in your wrath.

- 2 Have mercy on me, YAHWEH, for I am faint. YAHWEH, heal me, for my bones are troubled.
- 3 My soul is also in great anguish. But you, YAHWEH how long?
- 4 Return, YAHWEH! Deliver my soul, and save me for your loving kindness' sake.
- 5 For in death there is no memory of you. In Sheol, who shall give you thanks?
- 6 I am weary with my groaning. Every night I flood my bed. I drench my couch with my tears.
- 7 My eye wastes away because of grief. It grows old because of all my adversaries.
- 8 Depart from me, all you workers of iniquity, for YAHWEH has heard the voice of my weeping.
- 9 YAHWEH has heard my supplication. YAHWEH accepts my prayer.
- 10 May all my enemies be ashamed and dismayed. They shall turn back, they shall be disgraced suddenly.

Proverbs 21.

- 1 The king's heart is in YAHWEH's hand like the watercourses. He turns it wherever he desires.
- 2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but YAHWEH weighs the hearts.
- 3 To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to YAHWEH than sacrifice.
- 4 A high look, and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, is sin.
- 5 The plans of the diligent surely lead to profit; and everyone who is hasty surely rushes to poverty.
- 6 Getting treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor for those who seek death.
- 7 The violence of the wicked will drive them away, because they refuse to do what is right.
- 8 The way of the guilty is devious, but the conduct of the innocent is upright.
- 9 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than to share a house with a contentious woman.
- 10 The soul of the wicked desires evil; his neighbor finds no mercy in his eyes.
- 11 When the mocker is punished, the simple gains wisdom. When the wise is instructed, he receives knowledge.

- 12 The Righteous One considers the house of the wicked, and brings the wicked to ruin.
- 13 Whoever stops his ears at the cry of the poor, he will also cry out, but shall not be heard.
- 14 A gift in secret pacifies anger; and a bribe in the cloak, strong wrath.
- 15 It is joy to the righteous to do justice; but it is a destruction to the workers of iniquity.
- 16 The man who wanders out of the way of understanding shall rest in the assembly of the dead.
- 17 He who loves pleasure shall be a poor man. He who loves wine and oil shall not be rich.
- 18 The wicked is a ransom for the righteous; the treacherous for the upright.
- 19 It is better to dwell in a desert land, than with a contentious and fretful woman.
- 20 There is precious treasure and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man swallows it up.
- 21 He who follows after righteousness and kindness finds life, righteousness, and honor.
- 22 A wise man scales the city of the mighty, and brings down the strength of its confidence.
- 23 Whoever guards his mouth and his tongue keeps his soul from troubles.
- 24 The proud and haughty man, "scoffer" is his name; he works in the arrogance of pride.
- 25 The desire of the sluggard kills him, for his hands refuse to labor.
- 26 There are those who covet greedily all day long; but the righteous give and don't withhold.
- 27 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination: how much more, when he brings it with a wicked mind!
- 28 A false witness will perish, and a man who listens speaks to eternity.
- 29 A wicked man hardens his face; but as for the upright, he establishes his ways.
- 30 There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against YAHWEH!
- 31 The horse is prepared for the day of battle; but victory is with YAHWEH!
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