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1 Kings 9.

1 **. ELOHIM's Second Appearance to Solomon. .**

It happened, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of YAHWEH, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do,

2 that YAHWEH appeared to Solomon the second time, as he had appeared to him at Gibeon.

3 YAHWEH said to him, "I have heard your prayer and your supplication, that you have made before me. I have made this house holy, which you have built, to put my name there forever; and my eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually.

4 As for you, if you will walk before me, as David your father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded you, and will keep my statutes and my ordinances;

5 then I will establish the throne of your kingdom over Israel forever, according as I promised to David your father, saying, "There shall not fail you a man on the throne of Israel."

6 But if you turn away from following me, you or your children, and not keep my commandments and my statutes which I have set before you, but shall go and serve other gods, and worship them;

7 then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them; and this house, which I have made holy for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all peoples.

8 Though this house is so high, yet shall everyone who passes by it be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, "Why has YAHWEH done thus to this land, and to this house?"

9 and they shall answer, "Because they forsook YAHWEH their ELOHIM, who brought their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold of other gods, and worshiped them, and served them. Therefore YAHWEH has brought all this evil on them."

10 **. Solomon and Hiram Exchange Gifts. .**

It happened at the end of twenty years, in which Solomon had built the two houses, the house of YAHWEH and the king's house

11 (now Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar trees and fir trees, and with gold, according to all his desire), that then king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee.

12 Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had given him; and they didn't please him.

13 He said, "What cities are these which you have given me, my brother?" He called them the land of Cabul to this day.

14 Hiram sent to the king one hundred twenty talents of gold.

15 **. Solomon's Additional Achievements. .**

This is the reason of the levy which king Solomon raised, to build the house of YAHWEH, and his own house, and Millo, and the wall of Jerusalem, and Hazor, and Megiddo, and Gezer.

16 Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up, and taken Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and slain the Canaanites who lived in the city, and given it for a portion to his daughter, Solomon's wife.

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17 Solomon built Gezer, and Beth Horon the lower,
18 and Baalath, and Tamar in the wilderness, in the land,
19 and all the storage cities that Solomon had, and the cities for his chariots, and the cities for his horsemen, and that which Solomon desired to build for his pleasure in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion.
20 As for all the people who were left of the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, who were not of the children of Israel;
21 their children who were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel were not able utterly to destroy, of them Solomon raised a levy of bondservants to this day.
22 But of the children of Israel Solomon made no bondservants; but they were the men of war, and his servants, and his princes, and his captains, and rulers of his chariots and of his horsemen.
23 These were the chief officers who were over Solomon's work, five hundred fifty, who bore rule over the people who labored in the work.
24 But Pharaoh's daughter came up out of the city of David to her house which Solomon had built for her: then he built Millo.
25 Solomon offered burnt offerings and peace offerings on the altar which he built to YAHWEH three times a year, burning incense with them, on the altar that was before YAHWEH! So he finished the house.
26 King Solomon made a navy of ships in Ezion Geber, which is beside Eloth, on the shore of the Sea of Suf, in the land of Edom.
27 Hiram sent in the navy his servants, sailors who had knowledge of the sea, with the servants of Solomon.
28 They came to Ophir, and fetched from there gold, four hundred and twenty talents, and brought it to king Solomon.

Hosea 11:1-11.

1 . ELOHIM's Continuing Love for Israel. .

"When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.
2 They called to them, so they went from them. They sacrificed to the Baals, and burned incense to engraved images.
3 Yet I taught Ephraim to walk. I took them by his arms; but they didn't know that I healed them.
4 I drew them with cords of a man, with ties of love; and I was to them like those who lift up the yoke on their necks; and I bent down to him and I fed him.
5 "They won't return into the land of Egypt; but the Assyrian will be their king, because they refused to repent.
6 The sword will fall on their cities, and will destroy the bars of their gates, and will put an end to their plans.
7 My people are determined to turn from me. Though they call to the Most High, he certainly won't exalt them.
8 "How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I make you like Zeboim? My heart is turned within me, my compassion is aroused.
9 I will not execute the fierceness of my anger. I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for I am EL, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of you; and I will not come in wrath.
10 They will walk after YAHWEH, who will roar like a lion; for he will roar, and the children will come trembling from the west.
11 They will come trembling like a bird out of Egypt, and like a dove out of the land of Assyria; and I will settle them in their houses," says YAHWEH!

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Psalms 9.

1 . To the Chief Musician. To the tune of Death of the Son. A Psalm of David..

For the Chief Musician. Set to "The Death of the Son." A Psalm by David. I will give thanks to YAHWEH with my whole heart. I will tell of all your marvelous works.
2 I will be glad and rejoice in you. I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.
3 When my enemies turn back, they stumble and perish in your presence.
4 For you have maintained my just cause. You sit on the throne judging righteously.
5 You have rebuked the nations. You have destroyed the wicked. You have blotted out their name forever and ever.
6 The enemy is overtaken by endless ruin. The very memory of the cities which you have overthrown has perished.
7 But YAHWEH reigns forever. He has prepared his throne for judgment.
8 He will judge the world in righteousness. He will administer judgment to the peoples in uprightness.
9 YAHWEH will also be a high tower for the oppressed; a high tower in times of trouble.
10 Those who know your name will put their trust in you, for you, YAHWEH, have not forsaken those who seek you.
11 Sing praises to YAHWEH, who dwells in Zion, and declare among the people what he has done.
12 For he who avenges blood remembers them. He doesn't forget the cry of the afflicted.
13 Have mercy on me, YAHWEH! See my affliction by those who hate me, and lift me up from the gates of death;
14 that I may show forth all your praise. In the gates of the daughter of Zion, I will rejoice in your salvation.
15 The nations have sunk down in the pit that they made. In the net which they hid, their own foot is taken.
16 YAHWEH has made himself known. He has executed judgment. The wicked is snared by the work of his own hands. Meditation. Selah.

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The wicked shall be turned back to Sheol, even all the nations that forget ELOHIM!
18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor perish forever.
19 Arise, YAHWEH! Don't let man prevail. Let the nations be judged in your sight.
20 Put them in fear, YAHWEH! Let the nations know that they are only men. Selah.

Proverbs 24.

1 Don't be envious of evil men; neither desire to be with them:
2 for their hearts plot violence, and their lips talk about mischief.
3 Through wisdom a house is built; by understanding it is established;
4 by knowledge the rooms are filled with all rare and beautiful treasure.
5 A wise man has great power; and a knowledgeable man increases strength;
6 for by wise guidance you wage your war; and victory is in many advisors.
7 Wisdom is too high for a fool: he doesn't open his mouth in the gate.
8 One who plots to do evil will be called a schemer.
9 The schemes of folly are sin. The mocker is detested by men.

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- 10 If you falter in the time of trouble, your strength is small.
11 Rescue those who are being led away to death! Indeed, hold back those who are staggering to the slaughter!
12 If you say, "Behold, we didn't know this;" doesn't he who weighs the hearts consider it? He who keeps your soul, doesn't he know it? Shall he not render to every man according to his work?
13 My son, eat honey, for it is good; the droppings of the honeycomb, which are sweet to your taste:
14 so you shall know wisdom to be to your soul; if you have found it, then there will be a reward, your hope will not be cut off.
15 Don't lay in wait, wicked man, against the habitation of the righteous. Don't destroy his resting place:
16 for a righteous man falls seven times, and rises up again; but the wicked are overthrown by calamity.
17 Don't rejoice when your enemy falls. Don't let your heart be glad when he is overthrown;
18 lest YAHWEH see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.
19 Don't fret yourself because of evildoers; neither be envious of the wicked:
20 for there will be no reward to the evil man; and the lamp of the wicked shall be snuffed out.
21 My son, fear YAHWEH and the king. Don't join those who are rebellious:
22 for their calamity will rise suddenly; the destruction from them both who knows?

23 **. Further Sayings of the Wise. .**

- These also are sayings of the wise. To show partiality in judgment is not good.
24 He who says to the wicked, "You are righteous;" peoples shall curse him, and nations shall abhor him
25 but it will go well with those who convict the guilty, and a rich blessing will come on them.
26 An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips.
27 Prepare your work outside, and get your fields ready. Afterwards, build your house.
28 Don't be a witness against your neighbor without cause. Don't deceive with your lips.
29 Don't say, "I will do to him as he has done to me; I will render to the man according to his work."
30 I went by the field of the sluggard, by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;
31 Behold, it was all grown over with thorns. Its surface was covered with nettles, and its stone wall was broken down.
32 Then I saw, and considered well. I saw, and received instruction:
33 a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep;
34 so your poverty will come as a robber, and your want as an armed man.

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