195. 13-July Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

1 Kings 14.

Judgment on the House of Jeroboam.

At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

- 2 Jeroboam said to his wife, "Please get up and disguise yourself, that you won't be recognized as the wife of Jeroboam. Go to Shiloh. Behold, there is Ahijah the prophet, who spoke concerning me that I should be king over this people.
- 3 Take with you ten loaves, and cakes, and a jar of honey, and go to him. He will tell you what will become of the child."
- 4 Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. Now Ahijah could not see; for his eyes were set by reason of his age.
- 5 YAHWEH said to Ahijah, "Behold, the wife of Jeroboam comes to inquire of you concerning her son; for he is sick. Thus and thus you shall tell her; for it will be, when she comes in, that she will pretend to be another woman."
- 6 It was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the door, that he said, "Come in, you wife of Jeroboam! Why do you pretend to be another? For I am sent to you with heavy news.
- 7 Go, tell Jeroboam, 'Thus says YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of Israel: "Because I exalted you from among the people, and made you prince over my people Israel,
- 8 and tore the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it you; and yet you have not been as my servant David, who kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do that only which was right in my eyes,
- 9 but have done evil above all who were before you, and have gone and made you other gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and have cast me behind your back:
- 10 therefore, behold, I will bring evil on the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam everyone who urinates on a wall, he who is shut up and he who is left at large in Israel, and will utterly sweep away the house of Jeroboam, as a man sweeps away dung, until it is all gone.
- 11 He who dies of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and he who dies in the field shall the birds of the sky eat: for YAHWEH has spoken it."
- 12 Arise therefore, and go to your house. When your feet enter into the city, the child shall die.
- 13 All Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him; for he only of Jeroboam shall come to the grave, because in him there is found some good thing toward YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of Israel, in the house of Jeroboam.
- 14 Moreover YAHWEH will raise him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam. This is day! What? Even now.
- 15 For YAHWEH will strike Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water; and he will root up Israel out of this good land which he gave to their fathers, and will scatter them beyond the River, because they have made their Asherim, provoking YAHWEH to anger.
- 16 He will give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, which he has sinned, and with which he has made Israel to sin."
- 17 Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah. As she came to the threshold of the house, the child died.
- 18 All Israel buried him, and mourned for him, according to the word of YAHWEH, which he spoke by his servant Ahijah the prophet.

19 . Death of Jeroboam. .

The rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

20 The days which Jeroboam reigned were two and twenty years: and he slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his place.

. Rehoboam Reigns in Judah.

Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty-one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which YAHWEH had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there: and his mother's name was Naamah the Ammonitess.

- 22 Judah did that which was evil in the sight of YAHWEH, and they provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they committed, above all that their fathers had done.
- 23 For they also built them high places, and pillars, and Asherim, on every high hill, and under every green tree;
- 24 and there were also sodomites in the land: they did according to all the abominations of the nations which YAHWEH drove out before the children of Israel.
- 25 It happened in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem;
- 26 and he took away the treasures of the house of YAHWEH, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields of gold which Solomon had made.
- 27 King Rehoboam made in their place shields of brass, and committed them to the hands of the captains of the guard, who kept the door of the king's house.
- 28 It was so, that as often as the king went into the house of YAHWEH, the guard bore them, and brought them back into the guard room.
- 29 Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, aren't they written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
- 30 There was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.
- 31 Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and his mother's name was Naamah the Ammonitess. Abijam his son reigned in his place.

Joel 2:1-11.

1 . The Day of YAHWEH...

Blow the shofar in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of YAHWEH comes, for it is close at hand:

- 2 A day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness. As the dawn spreading on the mountains, a great and strong people; there has never been the like, neither will there be any more after them, even to the years of many generations.
- 3 A fire devours before them, and behind them, a flame burns. The land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them, a desolate wilderness. Yes, and no one has escaped them.
- 4 Their appearance is as the appearance of horses, and as horsemen, so do they run.
- 5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of the mountains do they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devours the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.
- 6 At their presence the peoples are in anguish. All faces have grown pale.
- 7 They run like mighty men. They climb the wall like warriors. They each march in his line, and they don't swerve off course.
- 8 Neither does one jostle another; they march everyone in his path, and they burst

through the defenses, and don't break ranks.

- 9 They rush on the city. They run on the wall. They climb up into the houses. They enter in at the windows like thieves.
- 10 The earth quakes before them. The heavens tremble. The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining.
- 11 YAHWEH thunders his voice before his army; for his forces are very great; for he is strong who obeys his command; for the day of YAHWEH is great and very awesome, and who can endure it?

Psalms 14.

1 . "To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David...

For the Chief Musician. By David. The fool has said in his heart, "There is no ELOHIM!" They are corrupt. They have done abominable works. There is none who does good.

- 2 YAHWEH looked down from heaven on the children of men, to see if there were any who understood, who sought after ELOHIM!
- 3 They have all gone aside. They have together become corrupt. There is none who does good, no, not one.
- ⁴ Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge, who eat up my people as they eat bread, and don't call on YAHWEH?
- 5 There they were in great fear, for ELOHIM is in the generation of the righteous.
- 6 You frustrate the plan of the poor, because YAHWEH is his refuge.
- 7 Oh that the salvation [yeshuat] of Israel would come out of Zion! When YAHWEH restores the fortunes of his people, then Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Proverbs 29.

- 1 He who is often rebuked and stiffens his neck will be destroyed suddenly, with no remedy.
- 2 When the righteous thrive, the people rejoice; but when the wicked rule, the people groan.
- 3 Whoever loves wisdom brings joy to his father; but a companion of prostitutes squanders his wealth.
- 4 The king by justice makes the land stable, but he who takes bribes tears it down.
- 5 A man who flatters his neighbor spreads a net for his feet.
- 6 An evil man is snared by his sin, but the righteous can sing and be glad.
- 7 The righteous care about justice for the poor. The wicked aren't concerned about knowledge.
- 8 Mockers stir up a city, but wise men turn away anger.
- 9 If a wise man goes to court with a foolish man, the fool rages or scoffs, and there is no peace.
- 10 The bloodthirsty hate a man of integrity; and they seek the life of the upright.
- 11 A fool vents all of his anger, but a wise man brings himself under control.
- 12 If a ruler listens to lies, all of his officials are wicked.
- 13 The poor man and the oppressor have this in common: YAHWEH gives sight to the eyes of both.
- 14 The king who fairly judges the poor, his throne shall be established forever.
- 15 The rod of correction gives wisdom, but a child left to himself causes shame to his

mother.

- 16 When the wicked increase, sin increases; but the righteous will see their downfall.
- 17 Correct your son, and he will give you peace; yes, he will bring delight to your soul.
- 18 Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but one who keeps the Torah is blessed.
- 19 A servant can't be corrected by words. Though he understands, yet he will not respond.
- 20 Do you see a man who is hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him.
- 21 He who pampers his servant from youth will have him become a son in the end.
- 22 An angry man stirs up strife, and a wrathful man abounds in sin.
- 23 A man's pride brings him low, but one of lowly spirit gains honor.
- 24 Whoever is an accomplice of a thief is an enemy of his own soul. He takes an oath, but dares not testify.
- 25 The fear of man proves to be a snare, but whoever puts his trust in YAHWEH is kept safe.
- 26 Many seek the ruler's favor, but a man's justice comes from YAHWEH!
- 27 A dishonest man detests the righteous, and the upright in their ways detest the wicked.

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