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2 Kings 4.

1 . Elisha and the Widow's Oil. .

Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets to Elisha, saying, "Your servant my husband is dead. You know that your servant feared YAHWEH! Now the creditor has come to take for himself my two children to be slaves."

2 Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me: what do you have in the house?" She said, "Your handmaid has nothing in the house, except a pot of oil."

3 Then he said, "Go, borrow containers from of all your neighbors, even empty containers. Don't borrow just a few."

4 You shall go in, and shut the door on you and on your sons, and pour out into all those containers; and you shall set aside that which is full."

5 So she went from him, and shut the door on her and on her sons; they brought the containers to her, and she poured out.

6 It happened, when the containers were full, that she said to her son, "Bring me another container." He said to her, "There isn't another container." The oil stopped flowing.

7 Then she came and told the man of ELOHIM! He said, "Go, sell the oil, and pay your debt; and you and your sons live on the rest."

8 . Elisha Raises the Shunammite's Son. .

It fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where there was a prominent woman; and she persuaded him to eat bread. So it was, that as often as he passed by, he turned in there to eat bread.

9 She said to her husband, "See now, I perceive that this is a holy man of ELOHIM, that passes by us continually."

10 Please let us make a little room on the wall. Let us set for him there a bed, a table, a chair, and a lamp stand. It shall be, when he comes to us, that he shall turn in there."

11 One day he came there, and he turned into the room and lay there.

12 He said to Gehazi his servant, "Call this Shunammite." When he had called her, she stood before him.

13 He said to him, "Say now to her, 'Behold, you have cared for us with all this care. What is to be done for you? Would you like to be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the army?'" She answered, "I dwell among my own people."

14 He said, "What then is to be done for her?" Gehazi answered, "Most certainly she has no son, and her husband is old."

15 He said, "Call her." When he had called her, she stood in the door.

16 He said, "At this season, when the time comes around, you will embrace a son." She said, "No, my master, you man of ELOHIM, do not lie to your handmaid."

17 The woman conceived, and bore a son at that season, when the time came around, as Elisha had said to her.

18 When the child was grown, it happened one day that he went out to his father to the reapers.

19 He said to his father, "My head! My head!" He said to his servant, "Carry him to his mother."

20 When he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees until noon, and then died.

21 She went up and laid him on the bed of the man of ELOHIM, and shut the door on him, and went out.

22 She called to her husband, and said, "Please send me one of the servants, and one of

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the donkeys, that I may run to the man of ELOHIM, and come again.”

23 He said, “Why would you want go to him today? It is neither new moon nor Sabbath.” She said, “It’s alright.”

24 Then she saddled a donkey, and said to her servant, “Drive, and go forward! Don’t slow down for me, unless I ask you to.”

25 So she went, and came to the man of ELOHIM to Mount Carmel. It happened, when the man of ELOHIM saw her afar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant, “Behold, there is the Shunammite.

26 Please run now to meet her, and ask her, ‘Is it well with you? Is it well with your husband? Is it well with the child?’” She answered, “It is well.”

27 When she came to the man of ELOHIM to the hill, she caught hold of his feet. Gehazi came near to thrust her away; but the man of ELOHIM said, “Leave her alone; for her soul is troubled within her; and YAHWEH has hidden it from me, and has not told me.”

28 Then she said, “Did I desire a son of my master? Didn’t I say, Do not deceive me?”

29 Then he said to Gehazi, “Tuck your cloak into your belt, take my staff in your hand, and go your way. If you meet any man, don’t greet him; and if anyone greets you, don’t answer him again. Then lay my staff on the face of the child.”

30 The mother of the child said, “As YAHWEH lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you.” He arose, and followed her.

31 Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff on the face of the child; but there was neither voice, nor hearing. Therefore he returned to meet him, and told him, saying, “The child has not awakened.”

32 When Elisha had come into the house, behold, the child was dead, and laid on his bed.

33 He went in therefore, and shut the door on them both, and prayed to YAHWEH!

34 He went up, and lay on the child, and put his mouth on his mouth, and his eyes on his eyes, and his hands on his hands. He stretched himself on him; and the flesh of the child grew warm.

35 Then he returned, and walked in the house once back and forth; and went up, and stretched himself on him. Then the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

36 He called Gehazi, and said, “Call this Shunammite!” So he called her. When she had come in to him, he said, “Take up your son.”

37 Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground; and she took up her son, and went out.

38 . Elisha Purifies the Pot of Stew. .

Elisha came again to Gilgal. There was a famine in the land; and the sons of the prophets were sitting before him; and he said to his servant, “Set on the great pot, and boil stew for the sons of the prophets.”

39 One went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered of it wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of stew; for they didn’t recognize them.

40 So they poured out for the men to eat. It happened, as they were eating of the stew, that they cried out, and said, “Man of ELOHIM, there is death in the pot!” They could not eat of it.

41 But he said, “Then bring meal.” He cast it into the pot; and he said, “Pour out for the people, that they may eat.” There was no harm in the pot.

42 . Elisha Feeds One Hundred Men. .

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A man from Baal Shalishah came, and brought the man of ELOHIM bread of the first fruits, twenty loaves of barley, and fresh ears of grain in his sack. He said, "Give to the people, that they may eat."

43 His servant said, "What, should I set this before a hundred men?" But he said, "Give to the people, that they may eat; for thus says YAHWEH, 'They will eat, and will have some left over.'"

44 So he set it before them, and they ate, and left some of it, according to the word of YAHWEH!

Amos 9.

1 . The Destruction of Israel. .

I saw ADONAI standing beside the altar, and he said, "Strike the tops of the pillars, that the thresholds may shake; and break them in pieces on the head of all of them; and I will kill the last of them with the sword: there shall not one of them flee away, and there shall not one of them escape.

2 Though they dig into Sheol, there my hand will take them; and though they climb up to heaven, there I will bring them down.

3 Though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out there; and though they be hidden from my sight in the bottom of the sea, there I will command the serpent, and it will bite them.

4 Though they go into captivity before their enemies, there I will command the sword, and it will kill them. I will set my eyes on them for evil, and not for good.

5 For ADONAI, YAHWEH of Hosts, is he who touches the land and it melts, and all who dwell in it will mourn; and it will rise up wholly like the River, and will sink again, like the River of Egypt.

6 It is he who builds his rooms in the heavens, and has founded his vault on the earth; he who calls for the waters of the sea, and pours them out on the surface of the earth; YAHWEH is his name.

7 Are you not like the children of the Ethiopians to me, children of Israel?" says YAHWEH! "Haven't I brought up Israel out of the land of Egypt, and the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir?"

8 Behold, the eyes of ADONAI YAHWEH are on the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the surface of the earth; except that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob," says YAHWEH!

9 "For, behold, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all the nations, as grain is sifted in a sieve, yet not the least kernel will fall on the earth.

10 All the sinners of my people will die by the sword, who say, 'Evil won't overtake nor meet us.'

11 . Israel Will Be Restored. .

In that day I will raise up the tent of David who is fallen, and close up its breaches, and I will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old;

12 that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the nations who are called by my name," says YAHWEH who does this.

13 "Behold, the days come," says YAHWEH, "that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the one treading grapes him who sows seed; and sweet wine will drip from the mountains, and flow from the hills.

14 I will bring my people Israel back from captivity, and they will rebuild the ruined cities, and inhabit them; and they will plant vineyards, and drink wine from them. They

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shall also make gardens, and eat their fruit.

15 I will plant them on their land, and they will no more be plucked up out of their land which I have given them,” says YAHWEH your ELOHIM!

Psalms 25.

1 . A Psalm of David. .

By David. To you, YAHWEH, do I lift up my soul.

2 My ELOHIM, I have trusted in you. Don't let me be shamed. Don't let my enemies triumph over me.

3 Yes, no one who waits for you shall be shamed. They shall be shamed who deal treacherously without cause.

4 Show me your ways, YAHWEH! Teach me your paths.

5 Guide me in your truth, and teach me, For you are the ELOHIM of my salvation, I wait for you all day long.

6 YAHWEH, remember your tender mercies and your loving kindness, for they are from old times.

7 Don't remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions. Remember me according to your loving kindness, for your goodness' sake, YAHWEH!

8 Good and upright is YAHWEH, therefore he will instruct sinners in the way.

9 He will guide the humble in justice. He will teach the humble his way.

10 All the paths of YAHWEH are loving kindness and truth to such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

11 For your name's sake, YAHWEH, pardon my iniquity, for it is great.

12 What man is he who fears YAHWEH? He shall instruct him in the way that he shall choose.

13 His soul shall dwell at ease. His seed shall inherit the land.

14 The friendship of YAHWEH is with those who fear him. He will show them his covenant.

15 My eyes are ever on YAHWEH, for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

16 Turn to me, and have mercy on me, for I am desolate and afflicted.

17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged. Oh bring me out of my distresses.

18 Consider my affliction and my travail. Forgive all my sins.

19 Consider my enemies, for they are many. They hate me with cruel hatred.

20 Oh keep my soul, and deliver me. Let me not be disappointed, for I take refuge in you.

21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for you.

22 Redeem Israel, ELOHIM, out all of his troubles.

Proverbs 9.

1 . The Way of Wisdom. .

Wisdom has built her house. She has carved out her seven pillars.

2 She has prepared her meat. She has mixed her wine. She has also set her table.

3 She has sent out her maidens. She cries from the highest places of the city:

4 “Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!” As for him who is void of understanding, she says to him,

5 “Come, eat some of my bread, Drink some of the wine which I have mixed!

6 Leave your simple ways, and live. Walk in the way of understanding.”

7 He who corrects a mocker invites insult. He who reproves a wicked man invites abuse.

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8 Don't reprove a scoffer, lest he hate you. Reprove a wise man, and he will love you.

9 Instruct a wise man, and he will be still wiser. Teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

10 The fear of YAHWEH is the beginning of wisdom. The knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

11 For by me your days will be multiplied. The years of your life will be increased.

12 If you are wise, you are wise for yourself. If you mock, you alone will bear it.

13 **. The Way of Folly. .**

The foolish woman is loud, Undisciplined, and knows nothing.

14 She sits at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city,

15 To call to those who pass by, who go straight on their ways,

16 "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here." as for him who is void of understanding, she says to him,

17 "Stolen water is sweet. Food eaten in secret is pleasant."

18 But he doesn't know that the dead are there, that her guests are in the depths of Sheol.

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