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2 Kings 8.

1 **. The King Restores the Shunammite's Land. .**

Now Elisha had spoken to the woman, whose son he had restored to life, saying, "Arise, and go, you and your household, and stay for a while wherever you can; for YAHWEH has called for a famine. It shall also come on the land seven years."

2 The woman arose, and did according to the word of the man of ELOHIM! She went with her household, and lived in the land of the Philistines seven years.

3 It happened at the seven years' end, that the woman returned out of the land of the Philistines. Then she went forth to cry to the king for her house and for her land.

4 Now the king was talking with Gehazi the servant of the man of ELOHIM, saying, "Please tell me all the great things that Elisha has done."

5 It happened, as he was telling the king how he had restored to life him who was dead, that behold, the woman, whose son he had restored to life, cried to the king for her house and for her land. Gehazi said, "My master, O king, this is the woman, and this is her son, whom Elisha restored to life."

6 When the king asked the woman, she told him. So the king appointed to her a certain officer, saying, "Restore all that was hers, and all the fruits of the field since the day that she left the land, even until now."

7 **. Death of Ben-Hadad. .**

Elisha came to Damascus; and Benhadad the king of Syria was sick. It was told him, saying, "The man of ELOHIM has come here."

8 The king said to Hazael, "Take a present in your hand, and go, meet the man of ELOHIM, and inquire of YAHWEH by him, saying, 'Will I recover from this sickness?'"

9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a present with him, even of every good thing of Damascus, forty camels' burden, and came and stood before him, and said, "Your son Benhadad king of Syria has sent me to you, saying, 'Will I recover from this sickness?'"

10 Elisha said to him, "Go, tell him, 'You shall surely recover;' however YAHWEH has shown me that he shall surely die."

11 He settled his gaze steadfastly on him, until he was ashamed. Then the man of ELOHIM wept.

12 Hazael said, "Why do you weep, my master?" He answered, "Because I know the evil that you will do to the children of Israel. You will set their strongholds on fire, and you will kill their young men with the sword, and will dash in pieces their little ones, and rip up their women with child."

13 Hazael said, "But what is your servant, who is but a dog, that he should do this great thing?" Elisha answered, "YAHWEH has shown me that you will be king over Syria."

14 Then he departed from Elisha, and came to his master, who said to him, "What did Elisha say to you?" He answered, "He told me that you would surely recover."

15 It happened on the next day, that he took a thick cloth, dipped it in water, and spread it on his face, so that he died. Then Hazael reigned in his place.

16 **. Jehoram Reigns in Judah. .**

In the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat being king of Judah then, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah began to reign.

17 He was thirty-two years old when he began to reign. He reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

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18 He walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab; for he had the daughter of Ahab as wife. He did that which was evil in the sight of YAHWEH!

19 However YAHWEH would not destroy Judah, for David his servant's sake, as he promised him to give to him a lamp for his children always.

20 In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a king over themselves.

21 Then Joram passed over to Zair, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up by night, and struck the Edomites who surrounded him, and the captains of the chariots; and the people fled to their tents.

22 So Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah to this day. Then Libnah revolted at the same time.

23 The rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, aren't they written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

24 Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his place.

25 . Ahaziah Reigns in Judah. .

In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah began to reign.

26 Twenty-two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Athaliah the daughter of Omri king of Israel.

27 He walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did that which was evil in the sight of YAHWEH, as did the house of Ahab; for he was the son-in-law of the house of Ahab.

28 He went with Joram the son of Ahab to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth Gilead: and the Syrians wounded Joram.

29 King Joram returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was sick.

Jonah 3.

1 . Jonah Preaches at Nineveh. .

The word of YAHWEH came to Jonah the second time, saying,

2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I give you."

3 So Jonah arose, and went to Nineveh, according to the word of YAHWEH! Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey across.

4 Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried out, and said, "In forty days, Nineveh will be overthrown!"

5 . The People of Nineveh Believe. .

The people of Nineveh believed ELOHIM; and they proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from their greatest even to their least.

6 The news reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and took off his royal robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.

7 He made a proclamation and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, "Let neither man nor animal, herd nor flock, taste anything; let them not feed, nor drink water;

8 but let them be covered with sackcloth, both man and animal, and let them cry

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mightily to ELOHIM! Yes, let them turn everyone from his evil way, and from the violence that is in his hands.

9 Who knows whether ELOHIM will not turn and relent, and turn away from his fierce anger, so that we might not perish?”

10 ELOHIM saw their works, that they turned from their evil way. ELOHIM relented of the disaster which he said he would do to them, and he didn't do it.

Psalms 29.

1 .A Psalm of David..

A Psalm by David. Ascribe to YAHWEH, you sons of the mighty, ascribe to YAHWEH glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to YAHWEH the glory due to his name. Worship YAHWEH in holy array.

3 YAHWEH's voice is on the waters. The EL of glory thunders, even YAHWEH on many waters.

4 YAHWEH's voice is powerful. YAHWEH's voice is full of majesty.

5 The voice of YAHWEH breaks the cedars. Yes, YAHWEH breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He makes them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young, wild ox.

7 YAHWEH's voice strikes with flashes of lightning.

8 YAHWEH's voice shakes the wilderness. YAHWEH shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

9 YAHWEH's voice makes the deer calve, and strips the forests bare. In his temple everything says, "Glory!"

10 YAHWEH sat enthroned at the Flood. Yes, YAHWEH sits as King forever.

11 YAHWEH will give strength to his people. YAHWEH will bless his people with peace.

Proverbs 13.

1 A wise son listens to his father's instruction, but a scoffer doesn't listen to rebuke.

2 By the fruit of his lips, a man enjoys good things; but the unfaithful crave violence.

3 He who guards his mouth guards his soul. One who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.

4 The soul of the sluggard desires, and has nothing, but the desire of the diligent shall be fully satisfied.

5 A righteous man hates lies, but a wicked man brings shame and disgrace.

6 Righteousness guards the way of integrity, but wickedness overthrows the sinner.

7 There are some who pretend to be rich, yet have nothing. There are some who pretend to be poor, yet have great wealth.

8 The ransom of a man's life is his riches, but the poor hear no threats.

9 The light of the righteous shines brightly, but the lamp of the wicked is snuffed out.

10 Pride only breeds quarrels, but with ones who take advice is wisdom.

11 Wealth gained dishonestly dwindles away, but he who gathers by hand makes it grow.

12 Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but when longing is fulfilled, it is a tree of life.

13 Whoever despises instruction will pay for it, but he who respects a command will be rewarded.

14 The teaching of the wise is a spring of life, to turn from the snares of death.

15 Good understanding wins favor; but the way of the unfaithful is hard.

16 Every prudent man acts from knowledge, but a fool exposes folly.

17 A wicked messenger falls into trouble, but a trustworthy envoy gains healing.

18 Poverty and shame come to him who refuses discipline, but he who heeds correction shall be honored.

19 Longing fulfilled is sweet to the soul, but fools detest turning from evil.

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20 One who walks with wise men grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.

21 Misfortune pursues sinners, but prosperity rewards the righteous.

22 A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the wealth of the sinner is stored for the righteous.

23 An abundance of food is in poor people's fields, but injustice sweeps it away.

24 One who spares the rod hates his son, but one who loves him is careful to discipline him.

25 The righteous one eats to the satisfying of his soul, but the belly of the wicked goes hungry.

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