225. 12-August Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

1 Chronicles 3.

1 . The Family of David. .

Now these were the sons of David, who were born to him in Hebron: the firstborn, Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second, Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess; 2 the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur; the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith;

3 the fifth, Shephatiah of Abital; the sixth, Ithream by Eglah his wife:

4 six were born to him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six months. In Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years;

5 and these were born to him in Jerusalem: Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, four, of Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel;

6 and Ibhar, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

7 and Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

8 and Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.

9 All these were the sons of David, besides the sons of the concubines; and Tamar was their sister.

10 . The Family of Solomon. .

Solomon's son was Rehoboam, Abijah his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,

11 Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,

12 Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son, 13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,

13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his sor

14 Amon his son, Josiah his son.

15 The sons of Josiah: the firstborn Yochanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.

16 The sons of Jehoiakim: Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son.

17 . The Family of Jeconiah. .

The sons of Jeconiah, the captive: Shealtiel his son,

18 and Malchiram, and Pedaiah, and Shenazzar, Jekamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.19 The sons of Pedaiah: Zerubbabel, and Shimei. The sons of Zerubbabel: Meshullam, and Hananiah; and Shelomith was their sister;

20 and Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab Hesed, five.

21 The sons of Hananiah: Pelatiah, and Jeshaiah; the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shecaniah.

22 The sons of Shecaniah: Shemaiah. The sons of Shemaiah: Hattush, and Igal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.

23 The sons of Neariah: Elioenai, and Hizkiah, and Azrikam, three.

24 The sons of Elioenai: Hodaviah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Yochanan, and Delaiah, and Anani, seven.

1 Chronicles 4.

1 . The Family of Judah. .

The sons of Judah: Perez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal. 2 Reaiah the son of Shobal became the father of Jahath; and Jahath became the father of

Ahumai and Lahad. These are the families of the Zorathites.

3 These were the sons of the father of Etam: Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash; and the name of their sister was Hazzelelponi;

4 and Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephrathah, the father of Bethlehem.

5 Ashhur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.

6 Naarah bore him Ahuzzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These were the sons of Naarah.

7 The sons of Helah were Zereth, Izhar, and Ethnan.

8 Hakkoz became the father of Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.

9 Jabez was more honorable than his brothers: and his mother named him Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him with sorrow."

10 Jabez called on the ELOHIM of Israel, saying, "Oh that you would bless me indeed, and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from evil, that it not be to my sorrow!" ELOHIM granted him that which he requested.

11 Chelub the brother of Shuhah became the father of Mehir, who was the father of Eshton.

12 Eshton became the father of Beth Rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir Nahash. These are the men of Recah.

13 The sons of Kenaz: Othniel, and Seraiah. The sons of Othniel: Hathath.

14 Meonothai became the father of Ophrah: and Seraiah became the father of Joab the father of Ge Harashim; for they were craftsmen.

15 The sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh: Iru, Elah, and Naam; and the sons of Elah; and Kenaz.

16 The sons of Jehallelel: Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asarel.

17 The sons of Ezrah: Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and Jalon; and she bore Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

18 His wife Yehudiyah bore Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Soco, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. These are the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, whom Mered took.

19 The sons of the wife of Hodiah, the sister of Naham, were the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maacathite.

20 The sons of Shimon: Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben Hanan, and Tilon. The sons of Ishi: Zoheth, and Ben Zoheth.

21 The sons of Shelah the son of Judah: Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of those who worked fine linen, of the house of Ashbea;

22 and Jokim, and the men of Cozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had dominion in Moab, and Jashubilehem. The records are ancient.

23 These were the potters, and the inhabitants of Netaim and Gederah: there they lived with the king for his work.

24 . The Family of Simeon. .

The sons of Simeon: Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah, Shaul;

25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

26 The sons of Mishma: Hammuel his son, Zaccur his son, Shimei his son.

27 Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brothers didn't have many

children, neither did all their family multiply like the children of Judah.

28 They lived at Beersheba, and Moladah, and Hazarshual,

29 and at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad,

30 and at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,

31 and at Beth Marcaboth, and Hazar Susim, and at Beth Biri, and at Shaaraim. These were their cities to the reign of David.

32 Their villages were Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities; 33 and all their villages that were around the same cities, to Baal. These were their habitations, and they have their genealogy.

34 Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,

35 and Joel, and Jehu the son of Joshibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,

36 and Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benaiah,

37 and Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah

38 these mentioned by name were princes in their families: and their fathers' houses increased greatly.

39 They went to the entrance of Gedor, even to the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.

40 They found fat pasture and good, and the land was wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for those who lived there before were of Ham.

41 These written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and struck their tents, and the Meunim who were found there, and destroyed them utterly to this day, and lived in their place; because there was pasture there for their flocks.

42 Some of them, even of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to Mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

43 They struck the remnant of the Amalekites who escaped, and have lived there to this day.

Zephaniah 1.

1 Zephaniah!

The word of YAHWEH which came to Zephaniah, the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hezekiah, in the days of Josiah, the son of Amon, king of Judah.

. The Great Day of YAHWEH. .

2 I will utterly sweep away everything off of the surface of the earth, says YAHWEH!

3 I will sweep away man and animal. I will sweep away the birds of the sky, the fish of the sea, and the heaps of rubble with the wicked. I will cut off man from the surface of the earth, says YAHWEH!

4 I will stretch out my hand against Judah, and against all the inhabitants of Jerusalem. I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place: the name of the idolatrous and pagan priests,

5 those who worship the army of the sky on the housetops, those who worship and swear by YAHWEH and also swear by Malcam,

6 those who have turned back from following YAHWEH, and those who haven't sought YAHWEH nor inquired after him.

7 Be silent at the presence of ADONAI YAHWEH, for the day of YAHWEH is at hand. For YAHWEH has prepared a sacrifice. He has consecrated his guests.

8 It will happen in the day of YAHWEH's sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, the

king's sons, and all those who are clothed with foreign clothing.

9 In that day, I will punish all those who leap over the threshold, who fill their master's house with violence and deceit.

10 In that day, says YAHWEH, there will be the noise of a cry from the fish gate, a wailing from the second quarter, and a great crashing from the hills.

11 Wail, you inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the people of Canaan are undone! All those who were loaded with silver are cut off.

12 It will happen at that time, that I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are settled on their dregs, who say in their heart, "YAHWEH will not do good, neither will he do evil."

13 Their wealth will become a spoil, and their houses a desolation. Yes, they will build houses, but won't inhabit them. They will plant vineyards, but won't drink their wine. 14 The great day of YAHWEH is near. It is near, and hurries greatly, the voice of the day of YAHWEH! The mighty man cries there bitterly.

15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of trouble and ruin, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness,

16 a day of the shofar and alarm, against the fortified cities, and against the high battlements.

17 I will bring distress on men, that they will walk like blind men, because they have sinned against YAHWEH, and their blood will be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.

18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them in the day of YAHWEH's wrath, but the whole land will be devoured by the fire of his jealousy; for he will make an end, yes, a terrible end, of all those who dwell in the land.

Psalms 44.

1 . To the Chief Musician. A Contemplation of the sons of Korah...

For the Chief Musician. By the sons of Korah. A contemplative psalm. We have heard with our ears, ELOHIM; our fathers have told us, what work you did in their days, in the days of old.

2 You drove out the nations with your hand, but you planted them. You afflicted the peoples, but you spread them abroad.

3 For they didn't get the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them; but your right hand, and your arm, and the light of your face, because you were favorable to them.

4 You are my King, ELOHIM! Command victories for Jacob!

5 Through you, will we push down our adversaries. Through your name, will we tread them under who rise up against us.

6 For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

7 But you have saved us from our adversaries, and have shamed those who hate us.

8 In ELOHIM we have made our boast all day long, we will give thanks to your name forever. Selah.

9 But now you rejected us, and brought us to dishonor, and don't go out with our armies.

10 You make us turn back from the adversary. Those who hate us take spoil for themselves.

11 You have made us like sheep for food, and have scattered us among the nations.

12 You sell your people for nothing, and have gained nothing from their sale.

13 You make us a reproach to our neighbors, a scoffing and a derision to those who are around us.

14 You make us a byword among the nations, a shaking of the head among the peoples. 15 All day long my dishonor is before me, and shame covers my face,

16 At the taunt of one who reproaches and verbally abuses, because of the enemy and the avenger.

17 All this has come on us, yet have we not forgotten you, Neither have we been false to your covenant.

18 Our heart has not turned back, neither have our steps strayed from your path,

19 Though you have crushed us in the haunt of jackals, and covered us with the shadow of death.

20 If we have forgotten the name of our ELOHIM, or spread forth our hands to a strange god;

21 won't ELOHIM search this out? For he knows the secrets of the heart.

22 Yes, for your sake we are killed all day long. We are regarded as sheep for the slaughter.

23 Wake up! Why do you sleep, ADONAI? Arise! Don't reject us forever.

24 Why do you hide your face, and forget our affliction and our oppression?

25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust. Our body clings to the earth.

26 Rise up to help us. Redeem us for your loving kindness' sake.

Proverbs 28.

1 The wicked flee when no one pursues; but the righteous are as bold as a lion.

2 In rebellion, a land has many rulers, but order is maintained by a man of understanding and knowledge.

3 A needy man who oppresses the poor is like a driving rain which leaves no crops.

4 Those who forsake the Torah praise the wicked; but those who keep the Torah contend with them.

5 Evil men don't understand justice; but those who seek YAHWEH understand it fully.

6 Better is the poor who walks in his integrity, than he who is perverse in his ways, and he is rich.

7 Whoever keeps the Torah is a wise son; but he who is a companion of gluttons shames his father.

8 He who increases his wealth by excessive interest gathers it for one who has pity on the poor.

9 He who turns away his ear from hearing the Torah, even his prayer is an abomination. 10 Whoever causes the upright to go astray in an evil way, he will fall into his own trap; but the blameless will inherit good.

11 The rich man is wise in his own eyes; but the poor who has understanding sees through him.

12 When the righteous triumph, there is great glory; but when the wicked rise, men hide themselves.

13 He who conceals his sins doesn't prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

14 Blessed is the man who always fears; but one who hardens his heart falls into trouble. 15 As a roaring lion or a charging bear, so is a wicked ruler over helpless people.

16 A tyrannical ruler lacks judgment. One who hates ill-gotten gain will have long days. 17 A man who is tormented by life blood will be a fugitive until death; no one will support him.

18 Whoever walks blamelessly is kept safe; but one with perverse ways will fall suddenly. 19 One who works his land will have an abundance of food; but one who chases fantasies will have his fill of poverty.

20 A faithful man is rich with blessings; but one who is eager to be rich will not go unpunished.

21 To show partiality is not good; yet a man will do wrong for a piece of bread.

22 A stingy man hurries after riches, and doesn't know that poverty waits for him.23 One who rebukes a man will afterward find more favor than one who flatters with the tongue.

24 Whoever robs his father or his mother, and says, "It's not wrong." He is a partner with a destroyer.

25 One who is greedy stirs up strife; but one who trusts in YAHWEH will prosper.

26 One who trusts in himself is a fool; but one who walks in wisdom is kept safe.

27 One who gives to the poor has no lack; but one who closes his eyes will have many curses.

28 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves; but when they perish, the righteous thrive.

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