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2 Chronicles 1.,2:1-16.

1 **. Solomon Requests Wisdom. .** 2 **The Second Book of Chronicles!**

Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and YAHWEH his ELOHIM was with him, and magnified him exceedingly.

2 Solomon spoke to all Israel, to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every prince in all Israel, the heads of the fathers' households.

3 So Solomon, and all the assembly with him, went to the high place that was at Gibeon; for there was the Tent of Meeting of ELOHIM, which Moses the servant of YAHWEH had made in the wilderness.

4 But David had brought the ark of ELOHIM up from Kiriath Jearim to the place that David had prepared for it; for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem.

5 Moreover the bronze altar, that Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, was there before the tabernacle of YAHWEH: and Solomon and the assembly were seeking counsel there.

6 Solomon went up there to the bronze altar before YAHWEH, which was at the Tent of Meeting, and offered one thousand burnt offerings on it.

7 In that night ELOHIM appeared to Solomon, and said to him, "Ask what I shall give you."

8 Solomon said to ELOHIM, "You have shown great loving kindness to David my father, and have made me king in his place.

9 Now, YAHWEH ELOHIM, let your promise to David my father be established; for you have made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.

10 Now give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can judge this your people, that is so great?"

11 ELOHIM said to Solomon, "Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked riches, wealth, or honor, nor the life of those who hate you, neither yet have asked long life; but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself, that you may judge my people, over whom I have made you king:

12 wisdom and knowledge is granted to you. I will give you riches, wealth, and honor, such as none of the kings have had who have been before you; neither shall there any after you have the like."

13 **. Solomon's Military and Economic Power. .**

So Solomon came from the high place that was at Gibeon, from before the Tent of Meeting, to Jerusalem; and he reigned over Israel.

14 Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had one thousand four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, that he placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

15 The king made silver and gold to be in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he to be as the sycamore trees that are in the lowland, for abundance.

16 The horses which Solomon had were brought out of Egypt and from Kue; the king's merchants purchased them from Kue.

17 They brought up and brought out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred pieces of silver, and a horse for one hundred fifty; and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of Syria, they brought them out by their means.

1 **. Solomon Prepares to Build the Temple. .**

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Now Solomon purposed to build a house for the name of YAHWEH, and a house for his kingdom.

2 Solomon counted out seventy thousand men to bear burdens, and eighty thousand men who were stone cutters in the mountains, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them.

3 Solomon sent to Hiram the king of Tyre, saying, "As you dealt with David my father, and sent him cedars to build him a house in which to dwell, so deal with me.

4 Behold, I am about to build a house for the name of YAHWEH my ELOHIM, to dedicate it to him, and to burn before him incense of sweet spices, and for the continual show bread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the Sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the set feasts of YAHWEH our ELOHIM! This is an ordinance forever to Israel.

5 "The house which I build is great; for our ELOHIM is great above all gods.

6 But who is able to build him a house, since heaven and the heaven of heavens can't contain him? who am I then, that I should build him a house, except just to burn incense before him?

7 "Now therefore send me a man skillful to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and who knows how to engrave engravings, to be with the skillful men who are with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father provided.

8 "Send me also cedar trees, fir trees, and algum trees, out of Lebanon; for I know that your servants know how to cut timber in Lebanon: and behold, my servants shall be with your servants,

9 even to prepare me timber in abundance; for the house which I am about to build shall be great and wonderful.

10 Behold, I will give to your servants, the cutters who cut timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil."

11 Then Hiram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon, "Because YAHWEH loves his people, he has made you king over them."

12 Hiram continued, "Blessed be YAHWEH, the ELOHIM of Israel, that made heaven and earth, who has given to David the king a wise son, endowed with discretion and understanding, that should build a house for YAHWEH, and a house for his kingdom.

13 Now I have sent a skillful man, endowed with understanding, of Hiram my father's, 14 the son of a woman of the daughters of Dan; and his father was a man of Tyre, skillful to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson, also to engrave any kind of engraving, and to devise any device; that there may be a place appointed to him with your skillful men, and with the skillful men of my master David your father.

15 "Now therefore the wheat and the barley, the oil and the wine, which my master has spoken of, let him send to his servants:

16 and we will cut wood out of Lebanon, as much as you shall need; and we will bring it to you in floats by sea to Joppa; and you shall carry it up to Jerusalem."

Zechariah 14.

1 . The Day of YAHWEH. .

Behold, a day of YAHWEH comes, when your spoil will be divided in your midst.

2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city will be taken, the houses rifled, and the women ravished. Half of the city will go out into captivity, and the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city.

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- 3 Then YAHWEH will go out and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.
- 4 His feet will stand in that day on the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives will be split in two, from east to west, making a very great valley. Half of the mountain will move toward the north, and half of it toward the south.
- 5 You shall flee by the valley of my mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azel; yes, you shall flee, just like you fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. YAHWEH my ELOHIM will come, and all the holy ones with you.
- 6 It will happen in that day, that there will not be light, cold, or frost.
- 7 It will be a unique day which is known to YAHWEH; not day, and not night; but it will come to pass, that at evening time there will be light.
- 8 It will happen in that day, that living waters will go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the eastern sea, and half of them toward the western sea; in summer and in winter will it be.
- 9 YAHWEH will be King over all the earth. In that day YAHWEH will be one, and his name one.
- 10 All the land will be made like the Arabah, from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem; and she will be lifted up, and will dwell in her place, from Benjamin's gate to the place of the first gate, to the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses.
- 11 Men will dwell therein, and there will be no more curse; but Jerusalem will dwell safely.
- 12 This will be the plague with which YAHWEH will strike all the peoples who have warred against Jerusalem: their flesh will consume away while they stand on their feet, and their eyes will consume away in their sockets, and their tongue will consume away in their mouth.
- 13 It will happen in that day, that a great panic from YAHWEH will be among them; and they will lay hold everyone on the hand of his neighbor, and his hand will rise up against the hand of his neighbor.
- 14 Judah also will fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the surrounding nations will be gathered together: gold, and silver, and clothing, in great abundance.
- 15 So will be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the donkey, and of all the animals that will be in those camps, as that plague.

16 **. The Nations Worship the King. .**

It will happen that everyone who is left of all the nations that came against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, YAHWEH of Hosts, and to keep the feast of booths.

- 17 It will be, that whoever of all the families of the earth doesn't go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, YAHWEH of Hosts, on them there will be no rain.
- 18 If the family of Egypt doesn't go up, and doesn't come, neither will it rain on them. This will be the plague with which YAHWEH will strike the nations that don't go up to keep the feast of booths.
- 19 This will be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all the nations that don't go up to keep the feast of booths.
- 20 In that day there will be on the bells of the horses, "HOLY TO YAHWEH;" and the pots in YAHWEH's house will be like the bowls before the altar.
- 21 Yes, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah will be holy to YAHWEH of Hosts; and all those who sacrifice will come and take of them, and cook in them. In that day there will no longer be a Canaanite in the house of YAHWEH of Hosts.

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Psalms 61.

1 . To the Chief Musician. On a stringed instrument. A Psalm of David..

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For the Chief Musician. For a stringed instrument. By David. Hear my cry, ELOHIM! Listen to my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth, I will call to you, when my heart is overwhelmed. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

3 For you have been a refuge for me, a strong tower from the enemy.

4 I will dwell in your tent forever. I will take refuge in the shelter of your wings. Selah.

5 For you, ELOHIM, have heard my vows. You have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

6 You will prolong the king's life; his years shall be for generations.

7 He shall be enthroned in ELOHIM's presence forever. Appoint your loving kindness and truth, that they may preserve him.

8 So I will sing praise to your name forever, that I may fulfill my vows daily.

Proverbs 14.

1 Every wise woman builds her house, but the foolish one tears it down with her own hands.

2 He who walks in his uprightness fears YAHWEH, but he who is perverse in his ways despises him.

3 The fool's talk brings a rod to his back, but the lips of the wise protect them.

4 Where no oxen are, the crib is clean, but much increase is by the strength of the ox.

5 A truthful witness will not lie, but a false witness pours out lies.

6 A scoffer seeks wisdom, and doesn't find it, but knowledge comes easily to a discerning person.

7 Stay away from a foolish man, for you won't find knowledge on his lips.

8 The wisdom of the prudent is to think about his way, but the folly of fools is deceit.

9 Fools mock at making atonement for sins, but among the upright there is good will.

10 The heart knows its own bitterness and joy; he will not share these with a stranger.

11 The house of the wicked will be overthrown, but the tent of the upright will flourish.

12 There is a way which seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

13 Even in laughter the heart may be sorrowful, and mirth may end in heaviness.

14 The unfaithful will be repaid for his own ways; likewise a good man will be rewarded for his ways.

15 A simple man believes everything, but the prudent man carefully considers his ways.

16 A wise man fears, and shuns evil, but the fool is hotheaded and reckless.

17 He who is quick to become angry will commit folly, and a crafty man is hated.

18 The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

19 The evil bow down before the good, and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.

20 The poor person is shunned even by his own neighbor, but the rich person has many friends.

21 He who despises his neighbor sins, but blessed is he who has pity on the poor.

22 Don't they go astray who plot evil? But love and faithfulness belong to those who plan good.

23 In all hard work there is profit, but the talk of the lips leads only to poverty.

24 The crown of the wise is their riches, but the folly of fools crowns them with folly.

25 A truthful witness saves souls, but a false witness is deceitful.

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- 26 In the fear of YAHWEH is a secure fortress, and he will be a refuge for his children.
27 The fear of YAHWEH is a fountain of life, turning people from the snares of death.
28 In the multitude of people is the king's glory, but in the lack of people is the destruction of the prince.
29 He who is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a quick temper displays folly.
30 The life of the body is a heart at peace, but envy rots the bones.
31 He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for his Maker, but he who is kind to the needy honors him.
32 The wicked is brought down in his calamity, but in death, the righteous has a refuge.
33 Wisdom rests in the heart of one who has understanding, and is even made known in the inward part of fools.
34 Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people.
35 The king's favor is toward a servant who deals wisely, but his wrath is toward one who causes shame.

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