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Day 21. 21-January Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

Psalms 21.

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

For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by David. The king rejoices in your strength, YHWH! How greatly he rejoices in your salvation!

2 You have given him his heart's desire, and have not withheld the request of his lips. Selah.

3 For you meet him with the blessings of goodness. You set a crown of fine gold on his head.

4 He asked life of you, you gave it to him, even length of days forever and ever.

5 His glory is great in your salvation. You lay honor and majesty on him.

6 For you make him most blessed forever. You make him glad with joy in your presence. 7 For the king trusts in YHWH! Through the loving kindness of the Most High, he shall not be moved.

8 Your hand will find out all of your enemies. Your right hand will find out those who hate you.

9 You will make them as a fiery furnace in the time of your anger. YHWH will swallow them up in his wrath. The fire shall devour them.

10 You will destroy their descendants from the earth, their posterity from among the children of men.

11 For they intended evil against you. They plotted evil against you which cannot succeed.

12 For you will make them turn their back, when you aim drawn bows at their face.

13 Be exalted, YHWH, in your strength, so we will sing and praise your power.

Proverbs 21.

1 The king's heart is in YHWH's hand like the watercourses. He turns it wherever he desires.

2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but YHWH weighs the hearts.

3 To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to YHWH than sacrifice.

4 A high look, and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, is sin.

5 The plans of the diligent surely lead to profit; and everyone who is hasty surely rushes to poverty.

6 Getting treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor for those who seek death.

7 The violence of the wicked will drive them away, because they refuse to do what is right.

8 The way of the guilty is devious, but the conduct of the innocent is upright.

9 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than to share a house with a contentious woman.

10 The soul of the wicked desires evil; his neighbor finds no mercy in his eyes.

11 When the mocker is punished, the simple gains wisdom. When the wise is instructed, he receives knowledge.

12 The Righteous One considers the house of the wicked, and brings the wicked to ruin.13 Whoever stops his ears at the cry of the poor, he will also cry out, but shall not be heard.

14 A gift in secret pacifies anger; and a bribe in the cloak, strong wrath.

15 It is joy to the righteous to do justice; but it is a destruction to the workers of iniquity.16 The man who wanders out of the way of understanding shall rest in the assembly of

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the dead.

17 He who loves pleasure shall be a poor man. He who loves wine and oil shall not be rich.

18 The wicked is a ransom for the righteous; the treacherous for the upright.

19 It is better to dwell in a desert land, than with a contentious and fretful woman. 20 There is precious treasure and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man swallows it up.

21 He who follows after righteousness and kindness finds life, righteousness, and honor.
22 A wise man scales the city of the mighty, and brings down the strength of its confidence.

23 Whoever guards his mouth and his tongue keeps his soul from troubles.

24 The proud and haughty man, "scoffer" is his name; he works in the arrogance of pride.

²⁵ The desire of the sluggard kills him, for his hands refuse to labor.

26 There are those who covet greedily all day long; but the righteous give and don't withhold.

27 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination: how much more, when he brings it with a wicked mind!

28 A false witness will perish, and a man who listens speaks to eternity.

29 A wicked man hardens his face; but as for the upright, he establishes his ways.

30 There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against YHWH!

31 The horse is prepared for the day of battle; but victory is with YHWH!

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