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Psalms 37.

1 . A Psalm of David...

By David. Don't fret because of evildoers, neither be envious against those who work unrighteousness.

- 2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither like the green herb.
- 3 Trust in YHWH, and do good. Dwell in the land, and enjoy safe pasture.
- 4 Also delight yourself in YHWH, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- 5 Commit your way to YHWH! Trust also in him, and he will do this:
- 6 he will make your righteousness go forth as the light, and your justice as the noon day sun.
- 7 Rest in YHWH, and wait patiently for him. Don't fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who makes wicked plots happen.
- 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath. Don't fret, it leads only to evildoing.
- 9 For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for YHWH shall inherit the land.
- 10 For yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more. Yes, though you look for his place, he isn't there.
- 11 But the humble shall inherit the land, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.
- 12 The wicked plots against the just, and gnashes at him with his teeth.
- 13 ADONAI will laugh at him, for he sees that his day is coming.
- 14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, to kill those who are upright in the way.
- 15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart. Their bows shall be broken.
- 16 Better is a little that the righteous has, than the abundance of many wicked.
- 17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but YHWH upholds the righteous.
- 18 YHWH knows the days of the perfect. Their inheritance shall be forever.
- 19 They shall not be disappointed in the time of evil. In the days of famine they shall be satisfied.
- 20 But the wicked shall perish. The enemies of YHWH shall be like the beauty of the fields. They will vanish vanish like smoke.
- 21 The wicked borrow, and don't pay back, but the righteous give generously.
- 22 For such as are blessed by him shall inherit the land. Those who are cursed by him shall be cut off.
- 23 A man's goings are established by YHWH! He delights in his way.
- 24 Though he stumble, he shall not fall, for YHWH holds him up with his hand.
- 25 I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his children begging for bread.
- 26 All day long he deals graciously, and lends. His seed is blessed.
- 27 Depart from evil, and do good. Live securely forever.
- 28 For YHWH loves justice, and doesn't forsake his holy ones. They are preserved forever, but the children of the wicked shall be cut off.
- 29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and live in it forever.
- 30 The mouth of the righteous talks of wisdom. His tongue speaks justice.
- 31 The Torah (teaching and instruction) of his ELOHIM is in his heart. None of his steps shall slide.
- 32 The wicked watches the righteous, and seeks to kill him.
- 33 YHWH will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.
- 34 Wait for YHWH, and keep his way, and he will exalt you to inherit the land. When

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the wicked are cut off, you shall see it.

- 35 I have seen the wicked in great power, spreading himself like a green tree in its native soil.
- 36 But he passed away, and behold, he was not. Yes, I sought him, but he could not be found.
- 37 Mark the perfect man, and see the upright, for there is a future for the man of peace.
- 38 As for transgressors, they shall be destroyed together. The future of the wicked shall be cut off.
- 39 But the salvation of the righteous is from YHWH! He is their stronghold in the time of trouble.
- 40 YHWH helps them, and rescues them. He rescues them from the wicked, and saves them, Because they have taken refuge in him.

Proverbs 6.

1 . Dangerous Promises. .

My son, if you have become collateral for your neighbor, if you have struck your hands in pledge for a stranger;

- 2 You are trapped by the words of your mouth. You are ensnared with the words of your mouth.
- 3 Do this now, my son, and deliver yourself, since you have come into the hand of your neighbor. Go, humble yourself. Press your plea with your neighbor.
- 4 Give no sleep to your eyes, nor slumber to your eyelids.
- 5 Free yourself, like a gazelle from the hand of the hunter, like a bird from the snare of the fowler.

6 . The Folly of Indolence. .

Go to the ant, you sluggard. Consider her ways, and be wise;

- 7 which having no chief, overseer, or ruler,
- 8 provides her bread in the summer, and gathers her food in the harvest.
- 9 How long will you sleep, sluggard? When will you arise out of your sleep?
- 10 A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:
- 11 so your poverty will come as a robber, and your scarcity as an armed man.

. The Wicked Man. .

A worthless person, a man of iniquity, is he who walks with a perverse mouth;

- 13 who winks with his eyes, who signals with his feet, who motions with his fingers;
- 14 in whose heart is perverseness, who devises evil continually, who always sows discord.
- 15 Therefore his calamity will come suddenly. He will be broken suddenly, and that without remedy.
- 16 There are six things which YHWH hates; yes, seven which are an abomination to him:
- 17 haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood;
- 18 a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are swift in running to mischief,
- 19 a false witness who utters lies, and he who sows discord among brothers.

. Beware of Adultery...

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My son, keep your father's commandment, and don't forsake your mother's teaching.

- 21 Bind them continually on your heart. Tie them around your neck.
- 22 When you walk, it will lead you. When you sleep, it will watch over you. When you awake, it will talk with you.
- 23 For the commandment is a lamp, and the Torah is light. Reproofs of instruction are the way of life,
- 24 to keep you from the immoral woman, from the flattery of the wayward wife's tongue.
- 25 Don't lust after her beauty in your heart, neither let her captivate you with her evelids.
- 26 For a prostitute reduces you to a piece of bread. The adulteress hunts for your precious life.
- 27 Can a man scoop fire into his lap, and his clothes not be burned?
- 28 Or can one walk on hot coals, and his feet not be scorched?
- 29 So is he who goes in to his neighbor's wife. Whoever touches her will not be unpunished.
- 30 Men don't despise a thief, if he steals to satisfy himself when he is hungry:
- 31 but if he is found, he shall restore seven times. He shall give all the wealth of his house.
- 32 He who commits adultery with a woman is void of understanding. He who does it destroys his own soul.
- 33 He will get wounds and dishonor. His reproach will not be wiped away.
- 34 For jealousy arouses the fury of the husband. He won't spare in the day of vengeance.
- 35 He won't regard any ransom, neither will he rest content, though you give many gifts.

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