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# Day 89. 29-March Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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- 2 I was asleep, but my heart was awake. It is the voice of my beloved who knocks: "Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled; for my head is filled with dew, and my hair with the dampness of the night."
- 3 I have taken off my robe. Indeed, must I put it on? I have washed my feet. Indeed, must I soil them?
- 4 My beloved thrust his hand in through the latch opening. My heart pounded for him.
- 5 I rose up to open for my beloved. My hands dripped with myrrh, my fingers with liquid myrrh, on the handles of the lock.
- 6 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved left; and had gone away. My heart went out when he spoke. I looked for him, but I didn't find him. I called him, but he didn't answer.
- 7 The watchmen who go about the city found me. They beat me. They bruised me. The keepers of the walls took my cloak away from me.
- 8 I adjure you, daughters of Jerusalem, If you find my beloved, that you tell him that I am faint with love. Friends

## 9 . The Daughters of Jerusalem. .

How is your beloved better than another beloved, you fairest among women? How is your beloved better than another beloved, that you do so adjure us? Beloved

#### 10. The Shulamite...

My beloved is white and ruddy. The best among ten thousand.

- 11 His head is like the purest gold. His hair is bushy, black as a raven.
- 12 His eyes are like doves beside the water brooks, washed with milk, mounted like jewels.
- 13 His cheeks are like a bed of spices with towers of perfumes. His lips are like lilies, dropping liquid myrrh.
- 14 His hands are like rings of gold set with beryl. His body is like ivory work overlaid with sapphires.
- 15 His legs are like pillars of marble set on sockets of fine gold. His appearance is like Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.
- 16 His mouth is sweetness; yes, he is altogether levely. This is my beloved, and this is my friend, daughters of Jerusalem.

#### 1. The Daughters of Jerusalem. .

Friends Where has your beloved gone, you fairest among women? Where has your beloved turned, that we may seek him with you? Beloved

- 2 My beloved has gone down to his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.
- 3 I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine. He browses among the lilies,

#### Psalms 88.

1. A Song. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. To the Chief Musician. Set to Mahalath Leannoth. A Contemplation of Heman the Ezrahite...

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A Song. A Psalm by the sons of Korah. For the Chief Musician. To the tune of "The Suffering of Affliction." A contemplation by Heman, the Ezrahite. YHWH, the ELOHIM of my salvation, I have cried day and night before you.

- 2 Let my prayer enter into your presence. Turn your ear to my cry.
- 3 For my soul is full of troubles. My life draws near to Sheol.
- 4 I am counted among those who go down into the pit. I am like a man who has no help,
- 5 set apart among the dead, like the slain who lie in the grave, whom you remember no more. They are cut off from your hand.
- 6 You have laid me in the lowest pit, in the darkest depths.
- 7 Your wrath lies heavily on me. You have afflicted me with all your waves. Selah.
- 8 You have taken my friends from me. You have made me an abomination to them. I am confined, and I can't escape.
- 9 My eyes are dim from grief. I have called on you daily, YHWH! I have spread out my hands to you.
- 10 Do you show wonders to the dead? Do the dead rise up and praise you? Selah.
- 11 Is your loving kindness declared in the grave? Or your faithfulness in Destruction?
- 12 Are your wonders made known in the dark? Or your righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?
- 13 But to you, YHWH, I have cried. In the morning, my prayer comes before you.
- 14 YHWH, why do you reject my soul? Why do you hide your face from me?
- 15 I am afflicted and ready to die from my youth up. While I suffer your terrors, I am distracted.
- 16 Your fierce wrath has gone over me. Your terrors have cut me off.
- 17 They came around me like water all day long. They completely engulfed me.
- 18 You have put lover and friend far from me, and my friends into darkness.

#### Proverbs 16.

- 1 The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from YHWH!
- 2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but YHWH weighs the motives.
- 3 Commit your deeds to YHWH, and your plans shall succeed.
- 4 YHWH has made everything for its own end yes, even the wicked for the day of evil.
- 5 Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to YHWH: they shall certainly not be unpunished.
- 6 By mercy and truth iniquity is atoned for. By the fear of YHWH men depart from evil.
- 7 When a man's ways please YHWH, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.
- 8 Better is a little with righteousness, than great revenues with injustice.
- 9 A man's heart plans his course, but YHWH directs his steps.
- 10 Inspired judgments are on the lips of the king. He shall not betray his mouth.
- 11 Honest balances and scales are YHWH's; all the weights in the bag are his work.
- 12 It is an abomination for kings to do wrong, for the throne is established by righteousness.
- 13 Righteous lips are the delight of kings. They value one who speaks the truth.
- 14 The king's wrath is a messenger of death, but a wise man will pacify it.
- 15 In the light of the king's face is life. His favor is like a cloud of the spring rain.
- 16 How much better it is to get wisdom than gold! Yes, to get understanding is to be chosen rather than silver.
- 17 The highway of the upright is to depart from evil. He who keeps his way preserves his soul.
- 18 Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.
- 19 It is better to be of a lowly spirit with the poor, than to divide the plunder with the

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- 20 He who heeds the Word finds prosperity. Whoever trusts in YHWH is blessed.
- 21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent. Pleasantness of the lips promotes instruction.
- 22 Understanding is a fountain of life to one who has it, but the punishment of fools is their folly.
- 23 The heart of the wise instructs his mouth, and adds learning to his lips.
- 24 Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.
- 25 There is a way which seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.
- 26 The appetite of the laboring man labors for him; for his mouth urges him on.
- 27 A worthless man devises mischief. His speech is like a scorching fire.
- 28 A perverse man stirs up strife. A whisperer separates close friends.
- 29 A man of violence entices his neighbor, and leads him in a way that is not good.
- 30 One who winks his eyes to plot perversities, one who compresses his lips, is bent on evil.
- 31 Gray hair is a crown of glory. It is attained by a life of righteousness.
- 32 One who is slow to anger is better than the mighty; one who rules his spirit, than he who takes a city.
- 33 The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from YHWH!

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