

18 April Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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Job 18.

1. Bildad: The Wicked Are Punished. .

Then Bildad the Shuhite answered,

- 2 “How long will you hunt for words? Consider, and afterwards we will speak.
- 3 Why are we counted as animals, which have become unclean in your sight?
- 4 You who tear yourself in your anger, shall the earth be forsaken for you? Or shall the rock be removed out of its place?
- 5 “Yes, the light of the wicked shall be put out, The spark of his fire shall not shine.
- 6 The light shall be dark in his tent. His lamp above him shall be put out.
- 7 The steps of his strength shall be shortened. His own counsel shall cast him down.
- 8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he wanders into its mesh.
- 9 A snare will take him by the heel. A trap will catch him.
- 10 A noose is hidden for him in the ground, a trap for him in the way.
- 11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall chase him at his heels.
- 12 His strength shall be famished. Calamity shall be ready at his side.
- 13 The members of his body shall be devoured. The firstborn of death shall devour his members.
- 14 He shall be rooted out of his tent where he trusts. He shall be brought to the king of terrors.
- 15 There shall dwell in his tent that which is none of his. Sulfur shall be scattered on his habitation.
- 16 His roots shall be dried up beneath. Above shall his branch be cut off.
- 17 His memory shall perish from the earth. He shall have no name in the street.
- 18 He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of the world.
- 19 He shall have neither son nor grandson among his people, nor any remaining where he lived.
- 20 Those who come after shall be astonished at his day, as those who went before were frightened.
- 21 Surely such are the dwellings of the unrighteous. This is the place of him who doesn't know EL!”

Psalms 108.

1. “A Song. A Psalm of David.. .

A Song. A Psalm by David. My heart is steadfast, ELOHIM! I will sing and I will make music with my soul.

- 2 Wake up, harp and lyre! I will wake up the dawn.
- 3 I will give thanks to you, YHWH, among the nations. I will sing praises to you among the peoples.
- 4 For your loving kindness is great above the heavens. Your faithfulness reaches to the skies.
- 5 Be exalted, ELOHIM, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth.
- 6 That your beloved may be delivered, save with your right hand, and answer us.
- 7 ELOHIM has spoken from his sanctuary: “In triumph, I will divide Shechem, and measure out the valley of Succoth.
- 8 Gilead is mine. Manasseh is mine. Ephraim also is my helmet. Judah is my scepter.
- 9 Moab is my wash pot. I will toss my sandal on Edom. I will shout over Philistia.”
- 10 Who will bring me into the fortified city? Who has led me to Edom?

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- 11 Haven't you rejected us, ELOHIM? You don't go forth, ELOHIM, with our armies.
- 12 Give us help against the enemy, for the help of man is vain.
- 13 Through ELOHIM, we will do valiantly. For it is he who will tread down our enemies.

Proverbs 5.

1 . The Peril of Adultery. .

- My son, pay attention to my wisdom. Turn your ear to my understanding:
- 2 that you may maintain discretion, that your lips may preserve knowledge.
 - 3 For the lips of an adulteress drip honey. Her mouth is smoother than oil,
 - 4 But in the end she is as bitter as wormwood, and as sharp as a two-edged sword.
 - 5 Her feet go down to death. Her steps lead straight to Sheol.
 - 6 She gives no thought to the way of life. Her ways are crooked, and she doesn't know it.
 - 7 Now therefore, my sons, listen to me. Don't depart from the words of my mouth.
 - 8 Remove your way far from her. Don't come near the door of her house,
 - 9 lest you give your honor to others, and your years to the cruel one;
 - 10 lest strangers feast on your wealth, and your labors enrich another man's house.
 - 11 You will groan at your latter end, when your flesh and your body are consumed,
 - 12 and say, "How I have hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof;
 - 13 neither have I obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor turned my ear to those who instructed me!
 - 14 I have come to the brink of utter ruin, in the midst of the gathered assembly."
 - 15 Drink water out of your own cistern, running water out of your own well.
 - 16 Should your springs overflow in the streets, streams of water in the public squares?
 - 17 Let them be for yourself alone, not for strangers with you.
 - 18 Let your spring be blessed. Rejoice in the wife of your youth.
 - 19 A loving doe and a graceful deer let her breasts satisfy you at all times. Be captivated always with her love.
 - 20 For why should you, my son, be captivated with an adulteress? Why embrace the bosom of another?
 - 21 For the ways of man are before the eyes of YHWH! He examines all his paths.
 - 22 The evil deeds of the wicked ensnare him. The cords of his sin hold him firmly.
 - 23 He will die for lack of instruction. In the greatness of his folly, he will go astray.

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